

***If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land;***

*But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword; for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken.* *Isaiah 1 v 19 +20*

*For if there be first a willing mind it is accepted;* *2 Corinthians 8 v 12*

*Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power:* *Psalm 110 v 3*

### **Blessings for obedience**

*I will bless thee.* *Genesis 22 v 16*

*Jesus answered and said unto him,*

**"If a man love Me, he will keep My words; ( obedience)**

**My Father will love him, and We will come unto him  
and make Our abode with him.**

*John 14 v 23*

**That is Father and Son dwelling in us!!!!**

### **Rewards for faithful obedience**

*Well done thou good and faithful servant  
Enter thou into the joy – Lord;*

*Matthew 25 v 21*

## **Disobeying the Gospel.**

***The Lord Jesus will come in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God and obey not his Gospel; 2 Thessalonians 1 v 8***

*What if a soldier said "No" to his officer.  
Many modern day armies have soldiers who refuse to die..*

*They send a drone overhead or rockets  
How can you win a battle with soldiers reluctant to die.  
Parable of the two sons. Matthew 21 v 28  
Did God say "No" ?  
I will not let my Son go to a cross?*

*Did Jesus say "No" ?  
I will go to the garden but not to a cross*

Haggai 1-12 Obeyed

### **The danger of sinning wilfully!**

*Hebrews 10 v 26. For if we sin wilfully, after we have received the Knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins.*

*After we have received indicates that these are believers.*

*Hebrews 10 V 29. "Wherewith he was sanctified".*

***Can there be an un sanctified believer?***

*Hebrews 10 V 39. Teaches us that there are some  
"Who will draw back unto perdition".*

***Luke 9 v 62. Jesus said***

***No man having put his hand to the plough and looking back is fit for the kingdom of God***

### **The Impossibility**

Hebrews 6 v 4

***This scripture tells of the impossibility, of those who were  
1/once enlightened  
2/ and have tasted the heavenly gift,  
3/ and were partakers of the Holy Ghost***

- 4/ who have tasted the good word of God  
5/ and the powers of the world to come, if they should fall away...

It is impossible to renew them again unto repentance, seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to open shame.

## How Awful Apostasy is!!

2 Peter 2 20

"For if, after they have escaped the pollution's of this world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are entangled therein and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning. For it would have been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than after they had know it, to turn from the Holy Commandments delivered unto them.

John 15 v 5

The branch that beareth not fruit is gathered and burned.

Christians are those branches abiding I the vine! God requires fruit!

Hebrews 6 v 7/8 For the earth which drinketh in the rain that cometh oft upon it, and bringeth forth herbs, meet for them buy whom it is dressed receiveth blessing from God.. But them which beareth thorns and briers is rejected and is nigh unto cursing, who's end is to be burned.

In the parable of the Sower, the Lord Jesus tells us that some seed falls among thorns and thistles and it chokes the Word.. The cares and deceitfulness of riches choke the Word and it becomes unfruitful

Matthew 13 v 22

The wheat and tares look alike, and grow together until the harvest. The tares are gathered and burned.

The test of Christianity is fruit, for by their fruits ye shall know them.

Matthew 7 v 20

## The Danger of Falling

Wherefore, let him that thinketh he standeth, take heed lest he fall  
1 Corinthians 10 v 12.

Let us( Christians) therefore labour to enter into that rest, Lest any man fall, after the same example of unbelief.

Hebrews 4 v 11

## The Need for Total Obedience

Partial obedience is disobedience..

Mathew 7 v 21

Not everyone that sayeth to me Lord, Lord shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven, but he that doeth the will of My Father.....

1 John 2 v 4

He that saith I know him and keepeth not his commandments is a liar and the truth is not in him.

2 Thess 1 v 8.

When the Lord Jesus comes in flaming fire he will take vengeance on them that know not God and obey the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of our Lord.

Matthew 7 v 29

**And every one that heareth these words of mine and doeth them not shall be likened unto a foolish man which built his house upon the sand and the rain came and the wind blew and beat upon the house and great was the fall of it.**

### **A warning to preachers**

The Apostle Paul said, I keep my body under and bring it unto subjection, lest by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be cast away. 1 Corinthians 9 v 27

### **A warning to the righteous man**

Ezekiel 3 v 20

When a righteous man doth turn from his righteousness and commit iniquity and I lay a stumblingblock before him, he shall die, Romans 11 v 21

**Be not high minded but fear, for if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he also spare not thee**

### **A warning to liars!**

1 John 1 v 6

If we say we have fellowship with him and walk in darkness, we lie and do not the truth.

1 John 1 v 9

He that saith he is in the light and hateth his brother is in darkness even till now

### **Some disciples who walked away**

John 6 v 66 And from that time many of the disciples went back and walked no more with Him...

Phil 3 v 18 "For many walk of whom I have told you often and tell you now even weeping that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ"

Luke 9 v 62

Jesus plainly stated, "That no man, having put his hand to the plough looking back is fit for the Kingdom of God.

Jude 1 v 5

"I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, How the Lord having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterwards destroyed them that believed not

Heb 3 v 19

That they could not enter because of unbelief..

### Danger of false apostles and deceitful workers

Many will say unto me in that day, **Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name, and in thy name cast out devils, and in thy name done many wonderful works,** and then I will profess to them, **I never knew you, depart from me ye that work iniquity.** Math 7 v 22

And no marvel; for Satan is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works. 2 Cor 11 v 14

And many false prophets shall arise and deceive many. Math 24 v 11

1 John 4 v 1... Beloved believe not every spirit whether they are of God because many false prophets are gone out into the world

### Last days- Endurance required

Because iniquity shall abound the love of many shall grow cold but he that endureth to the end shall be saved. Matthew 24 v 12

In the last days, if it were possible, "Even the very elect would be deceived. Matthew 24 v 24

### Faith required

Now the just shall live by faith, but if any man draw back, my souls shall have no pleasure in him. Hebrews 10 v 8

Holding faith and a good conscience, which some having put away concerning faith, have made shipwreck. 1 Timothy 1 v 19

Folk's who are ever learning and never come to a knowledge of the truth,  
are reprobate concerning the faith. 2 Timothy 3 v 8

But Christ as a son over his own house, who's house are we, "**If we hold fast, the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm, unto the end.**"  
Hebrews 3 v 6

For we are made then partakers of Christ, **if we hold the beginning of our confidence, steadfast unto the end.**  
Hebrews 3 v 14

See that you refuse him not that speaketh, for if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more **shall we not escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven.**  
Hebrews 12 v 25

But with many of them God was not well pleased, for they were  
overthrown in the wilderness. 1 Corinthians 10 v 5

Matthew 12 v 43/45

When an unclean spirit is gone out of a man, and he walketh in dry places seeking rest and findeth none. Then said he, "I will return to my house from whence he is come, and findeth it empty swept and garnished. Then goeth he and taketh with him seven, more spirits wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there, and the last state of that man is worst than the first.

### **God's warning to the brethren.**

Take heed brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God. Hebrews 3 v 12

Ye therefore beloved seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also be away with the error of the wicked, **fall from your own steadfastness.**  
2 Peter 3 v 17

### **Lessons from Esau**

Who sold his birthright for a morsels of meat. For ye know that afterward, **when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.**  
Hebrews 12 v 16

### **Serious warnings in God's Word for believers**

**If any man defile the temple him God will destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are!**  
1 Corinthians 3 v 17.

Also; Hebrews 12 v 14.

**Without Holiness no man  
shall see the Lord.**

**Paul prays that our bodies would be preserved blameless**

1 Thessalonians 5 v 23. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God **your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless** unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ

Also addressed to the beloved! Wherefore beloved seeing that you look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot and blameless. 2 Peter 3 v 14

**We must hold fast to our faith**

Hebrews 4 v 14

Seeing then, that we have not a great high priest that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God let us hold fast our profession. Jesus said. Behold I come quickly, hold fast that which thou hast, that no man take thy crown. Revelation 3 v 11

Therefore brethren, Stand fast hold fast the traditions which ye have been taught whether by word or by our epistle. 2 Thessalonians 2 v 15

Paul declared.

**I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith.** 2 Timothy 4 v 7

Children of the Kingdom cast out?

God promises to rewards those who are faithful in a few things. The lesson of the parable of the talents is surely that we must bring forth fruit. Without fruit the servant is cast out and there shall be a weeping and a wailing and a gnashing of teeth. Mathew 8 v 12

**No we must press on towards the mark for the prize of the high calling in Christ Jesus**

Philippians 3 v 14