

# *Have One Mind (in Christ) - Philippians 2:5*

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### *Understanding the Beasts and Horns of Prophecy*

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People are looking for an evil person to be the antichrist, and if people listen to modern Christianity, it is a person who is very much against Jews, for the antichrist is to make a covenant with them and then after three and a half years, break it and turn against them to wipe them out. However, we are going to prove that such is a false theory.

In last month's article, we provided the evidence showing that the antichrist, the little horn of Daniel 7, the conglomerate beast of Revelation 13, and even the "man of sin" in Thessalonians, all point to the same entity. The descriptions of each of the four references being similar and even identical in many cases to each other is beyond coincidence.

Focusing upon the little horn and the beast of Revelation 13, it makes a person wonder what these symbols really mean. Well, let us turn to the scriptures to find out.

Daniel 7:23 states, "Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms,

and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces." Since Daniel saw four beasts arise and the fourth beast is the fourth ruling kingdom upon the earth, it becomes reasonable to apply it to the other creatures. In other words, when Daniel said, "The first [was] like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made to stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it" (Daniel 7:4); that would represent the first kingdom to appear influencing the population of the earth. Likewise, when Daniel said, "And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and [it had] three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh" (Daniel 7:5), that would be the second kingdom to conduct its influence. Of course, that means when Daniel said, "After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it" (Daniel 7:6), that would be the

third kingdom. We were already told that when Daniel said, "After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it [was] diverse from all the beasts that [were] before it; and it had ten horns" (Daniel 7:7), that it was the fourth kingdom to appear.

Therefore, in prophecy, when a prophet states he saw beasts, God equates that with kingdoms or what we call nations. This is made very plain in Daniel 8. Daniel 8:3-12 says, "Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there stood before the river a ram which had [two] horns: and the [two] horns [were] high; but one [was] higher than the other, and the higher came up last. I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither [was there any] that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great. And as I was considering, behold, an he goat

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came from the west on the face of the whole earth, and touched not the ground: and the goat [had] a notable horn between his eyes. And he came to the ram that had [two] horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power. And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand. Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven. And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant [land]. And it waxed great, [even] to the host of heaven; and it cast down [some] of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them. Yea, he magnified [himself] even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily [sacrifice] was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down. And an host was given [him] against the daily [sacrifice] by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered.” So, we have two animals fighting it out with the goat destroying the two-horned ram. Daniel is then told what those animals mean. “The ram which thou sawest having [two] horns [are] the kings of Media and Persia. And the rough goat [is] the king of Grecia:

and the great horn that [is] between his eyes [is] the first king” (Daniel 8:20-21). So, it is confirmed that beasts or animals in prophecy represent kingdoms or nations.

Seeing that God does not change (Malachi 3:6), we can apply this “beast is a nation” understanding to other prophecies. For instance, “the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them” (Revelation 11:7) would be a nation that overcomes the two witnesses and kills them. Likewise, when John said, “And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as [the feet] of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority” (Revelation 13:1-2), he is telling us that antichrist is not a person, but a nation or kingdom. And then there is “another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon” (Revelation 13:11), which is no person, either, but another nation or kingdom.

Technically, between Daniel and Revelation, that makes seven beasts in total. That number is significant because John said, “I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns” (Revelation 17:3). John is later told, “And here [is] the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains,

on which the woman sitteth. And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, [and] the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space. And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition” (Revelation 17:9-11). Basically, John sees in vision seven kings with their kingdoms come to power, one after the other. We propose that, not by coincidence, those seven kingdoms are the seven beasts or nations already mentioned. On top of that, one of them comes to power a second time. Our clue is the fact that it is the one that “was, and is not, even he is the eighth”. In other words, it ruled in the past, received a deadly wound, but it would be healed (Revelation 13:3) so that it could rule again. It also reveals that antichrist has already ruled and will rule as the last world influencing kingdom again. It means that it is also currently existing as it is becoming more and more influential to become the next world influencing power. A nation does not pop up and instantly become an influential power. It has to be established first.

That means everyone looking just for a future antichrist are missing the fact that it is not only future, it is past. And what was done in the past to shape the world is still having effects today, and by the help of another nation, the second beast of Revelation 13, what was instituted by the first beast when it ruled the first time will not only be an institution again, but forced upon everyone, for a person will

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not be able to buy or sell. That means, all those looking for a future object to be instituted as the Mark of the Beast are missing the fact that the Mark has already been established before computers, barcodes, credit cards, etc. All that the second half of Revelation 13 tells us is that it will be forced upon the last generation. There is no creating a Mark; it is already here, but not yet enforced.

Understanding that beasts represent nations, not only clears

up the confusion of who or what the antichrist is, which is a nation, not a person, but it also clears up who or what causes the worship of antichrist, which is another nation; in fact, it is the seventh influential power prior to antichrist ascending to the title of being the eighth influential power upon the earth. On top of realizing those pieces of information, we are also not looking for the creation of a Mark, but rather the mere enforcement of a Mark, already existing since centuries ago.

Oh, and the horns, we are told, “the ten horns out of this kingdom [are] ten kings [that] shall arise” (Daniel 7:24) making them also to represent nations. That means the little horn is not a mere man but a man speaking for the kingdom it represents for “another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings” (Daniel 7:24). In other words, not only do beasts represent nations, but horns, especially those with crowns, also represent kings and their kingdoms, or nations.

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In short, both Revelation 13:1-10 and Daniel 7:8 identify a nation as the antichrist and not a single person. Now, a single person does lead this antichrist nation, but he, himself, is not the antichrist. He is just the representative of the antichrist, just like our president is

the representative of the United States.

May we look at prophecy properly, because it is evident that the vast majority of Christians are clueless as they await some evil person to create a mark to control buying and selling enforced by a

false prophet, and that is just not the truth. No wonder Jesus said, "Because strait [is] the gate, and narrow [is] the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it" (Matthew 7:14). And Paul wrote, "a remnant shall be saved" (Romans 9:27).



## Heavenly Health

### Healing in Stages

There is only one recorded instance in which Jesus healed someone in two stages; this is in Mark 8:22-25, "And he cometh to Bethsaida; and they bring a blind man unto him, and besought him to touch him. And he took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the town; and when he had spit on his eyes, and put his hands upon him, he asked him if he saw ought. And he looked up, and said, I see men as trees, walking. After that he put [his] hands again upon his eyes, and made him look up: and he was restored, and saw every man clearly." However, it should be pointed out that as partial vision was restored to the man, his faith increased so that he was then

ready to believe that Jesus could cure him completely. Jesus wants man to see *not* men as trees walking, out of focus, but all things clearly; He wants them to see absolute truth, and understand it clearly. Verse 25 makes the desire of Jesus plain. This tells us that He wants us to trust Him, that He can heal us completely if we have absolute faith in Him. And we can only have that faith if we trust Him, and we can only trust Him if we have learned and accepted truth about Him.

This little story ties together three interesting simple words that most of us miss in their connection of trust, truth and trees, which all come from the same root word,

*deru*, which means to be firm, steadfast, solid, dependable, and trustworthy, which are characteristics we should all have as Christians, women as well as men, but in this case men are singled out. It also compares the characteristics of most trees to those of men, who are to have those same qualities which others can clearly see in them, since they are to come from a heart bent on doing right, especially in leadership positions where they are most needed. If these characteristics are lacking in men, this proves that they have not had a daily experience in the things of God and they are not qualified to hold high positions as they will not move wisely in dealing with sacred

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responsibilities – they will be prone to mistaking light for error and that is what they will teach to their followers. They will fall into deceptions and delusions that Satan has prepared as concealed nets to entangle the feet of those who think they can walk in their human wisdom, by the light from their own sparks without the special grace of Christ. Jesus wants men of the world to see *not* men as trees walking, but to see genuine, caring humanity in authority figures, especially. There is only one remedy for the sinful soul, and unless that remedy is received, men will accept one delusion after another until their senses are perverted and they are lost. And the same fate will fall upon those who follow such men.

The condition of the mind affects the health of the entire physical system. Everything in the mind filters down through every system and organ in the body. If the mind is free and happy, from a consciousness of right-doing and a sense of satisfaction in causing happiness to others, it creates a cheerful atmosphere that will react not only upon that person, but anyone who comes in contact with him. The whole system, causing a freer circulation of the blood and a toning up of the entire body will bless everyone a person comes in contact with. The blessing of God is a healing power, and those who are abundant in benefiting others will realize that wonderful blessing in both heart and life. This shows that heavenly health is actually contagious.

When men who have indulged in wrong habits and sinful practices yield to the power of divine truth,

the application of that truth to the heart revives the moral powers, which had seemed to be paralyzed. The receiver possesses stronger, clearer understanding than before he firmly attached his soul to the eternal Rock. Even his physical health improves by the realization of his security in Christ; stress and worry are gone.

Men need to learn that the blessings of obedience, in their fullness, can be theirs only as they receive the grace of Christ. It is His grace that gives man power to obey the laws of God. It is this that enables him to break the bondage of any evil habit. This is the only power that can make him and keep him steadfast, solid as an oak, in the right path, made steadfast through the knowledge of truth.

When the gospel is received in its purity and power, it is a cure for the maladies that originated in sin. The Sun of Righteousness arises, “with healing in His wings.” Malachi 4:2. There is actually nothing this world has to offer that can heal a broken heart, or impart peace of mind, or banish disease. Fame, genius, talent – all are powerless to lift the spirit of a sorrowful heart, or to restore a wasted life. The life of God in the soul is man’s only hope. John 14:6 “... I am the way, the truth, and the life:”. Jesus is not just speaking the truth, He *is* THE TRUTH itself.

The love which Christ diffuses through our whole being is a vitalizing power. Every vital part (the brain, the heart, the nerves) His love touches with healing. By that love received in the heart, the highest energies of the being are roused to activity. It frees the soul

from the accumulated guilt and sorrow, the anxiety and care, that crush the life forces. With it come serenity and composure. It implants in the soul joy that nothing earthly can destroy – joy in the Holy Spirit – health-giving, life-giving joy.

Our Saviour’s words, “Come unto Me, and I will give you rest,” Matthew 11:28, are a prescription for the healing of physical, mental, and spiritual ills. Though many of us have brought suffering upon ourselves by our own wrongdoing, He regards us with pity, as we are to regard others. In Him we may find help. He will do great things for everyone who trusts in Him, things which cannot be found in the world.

We cannot expect our prayers for healing to be answered in perfect harmony with our desires without experiencing some pain and suffering, because Christ suffered for us and we must be willing to accept the whole package. Our prayers are answered in God’s time and the way they will benefit us best. And who could possibly know when that would be and how the manifestation of the answer will make itself evident but an Omnipotent God? It all boils down to trust and knowing truth about our Heavenly Father. If we do not trust Him we will not believe Him to follow through on His promises. And we desperately need to trust the One who promises “I will never leave thee nor forsake thee.” He is always firm, steadfast, solid, dependable, and trustworthy. That assurance brings about heavenly health.



# Healthy and Delicious Recipes

## Shredded Tofu

### Ingredients:

- 1 Block of Tofu (pressed to remove water)
- 1 tsp paprika
- ¼ tsp garlic
- 1/8 tsp of cumin
- 1-1½ tbsp of soy sauce
- 1-1½ tbsp of olive oil or avocado oil

### Instructions:

1. Shred the tofu.
2. Mix tofu and the rest of the ingredients together and spread out onto a prepared baking sheet.
3. Bake at 400 degrees for about 20-25 min or until golden.

### Notes:

1. This recipe is very versatile and can be used for sandwiches, tacos, haystacks and any recipe that may call for meat crumbles.
2. You can sub the dry spices with any seasoning of your choice.
  - Onion powder
  - Smoked paprika
  - McKay's seasoning.

### Soy Sauce Replacement:

- No Brag-Mock Aminos
- (This is a concentrated seasoning, not a food by itself.)
- ½ medium onion, chopped and caramelized in an oiled skillet
- ¾ cup water
- 1 tsp carob powder

- ¼ cup salt
- ½ tsp celery seed
- 2 Tbsp sucanat or coconut sugar
- 2 ¼ Tbsp lemon juice
- 1 ¼ Tbsp Roma or Pero
- 1 Tbsp onion powder
- 2 Tbsp sunflower seeds, the inside, not the shell

Blend until smooth. Keep in container in freezer. Due to the salt content, it will not freeze solid and may be scooped out as needed.

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According to *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, March 12, 2020, Tofu is thought to have been discovered sometime during the Han Dynasty in China, which lasted from 206 BCE to 220 CE.



## Natural Vitamins

### Chia Seeds

Chia seeds are small but highly nutritious, offering a variety of health benefits. Here is a breakdown of the key benefits of chia seeds:

#### 1. Nutrient-Rich

- Chia seeds are packed with important nutrients:

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- Omega-3 fatty acids (ALA): Beneficial for heart and brain health.
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## 2. Heart Health

- Omega-3s help reduce inflammation, lower blood pressure, and decrease the risk of heart disease.
- Fiber helps manage cholesterol levels.

## 3. Support Weight Management

- The soluble fiber absorbs water and expands, promoting satiety (feeling full).
- Helps reduce cravings and overall calorie intake.

## 4. Improve Digestive Health

- High fiber content supports regular bowel movements and a healthy gut microbiome.

## 5. Sustained Energy

- Chia seeds release energy slowly due to their combination of fiber, protein, and fats — great for endurance.

## 6. Bone Health

- Excellent source of calcium, magnesium, and phosphorus, which is all important for maintaining strong bones.

## 7. Antioxidant Power

- Contain antioxidants that fight free radicals, helping to slow down aging and reduce inflammation.

## 8. Easy to Use in Diet

- Can be added to smoothies, yogurt, oatmeal, baked goods, or made into chia pudding.
- No need to grind or cook; just soak for better digestion.

### Note on Consumption:

- Chia seeds absorb a lot of water — always soak them or drink plenty of fluids when consuming to avoid digestive issues.
- Start with small amounts if you're not used to high-fiber foods.



## Be Ye Holy — 1 Peter 1:15

1 Corinthians 15:56-57 tells us, “The sting of death [is] sin; and the strength of sin [is] the law. But thanks [be] to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.” What part of the law gives strength to sin? When we break it. But we can have victory over sin, stop breaking the commandments through Jesus Christ, Who “According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that [pertain] unto life and godliness” (2 Peter 1:3). The problem with the rest of Christianity who think they will continue to sin, they do away with the law and are “Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof” (2 Timothy 3:5). So, do you have the victory over sin through the power given to us, or do you deny that power and

continue to sin, or worse, put away the commandments?

Acts 28:27 tells one of the goals of the gospel which happens to also be the holy and sanctified life. “For the heart of this people is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with [their] eyes, and hear with [their] ears, and understand with [their] heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.” The goal is conversion, and that is conversion of heart. Converting from a Jew or atheist or other religion into being a Christian is not what we are talking about. People use the word “convert” in two ways, but the way intended in this verse is that people are to hear the Word, understand with

their heart, the heart becomes converted, and “if any man [be] in Christ, [he is] a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new” (2 Corinthians 5:17). In other words, the lifestyle changes to actually live the life of Christ, and not just taking the name Christian while living any lifestyle. So, are you converted?

1 Peter 4:19 tells us who keeps us in a holy and sanctified lifestyle: “Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls [to him] in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.” But we are expected after being “born again” to commit and be faithful. Dabbling in sin, even just a little, is not committing to God, nor is it

being faithful. So, how are you doing with your commitment, your faithfulness, your agreement with God to live as a Christian instead of just taking the name Christian?

Hebrews 12:28 tells what happens right after being born-again:

“Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear.” Every moment of our life, we are not to be selfish, but to serve God doing only that which is acceptable, and we shall state plainly, sin is not acceptable. Doing only that which is acceptable is the holy and sanctified life. So, is your life completely acceptable, or do you justify a bit of selfishness here and there, especially in the form of sin, even if you think it is just a little indulgence?

1 Peter 5:5 states who gets grace and who does not, which is important if we shall receive eternal life. “Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all [of you] be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the

humble.” Again, there is no exception here. If we are a Christian or not, but are proud, which comes in many forms, we shall be lost. Therefore, humility is the holy and sanctified lifestyle expected to be lived by Christians. Putting people down, even in jest, is exemplifying pride. Bragging about a favorite sports team is being proud. These are but a couple examples that people think are acceptable to God because it is society’s way, when it is not acceptable to Him. So, have you, by the grace of God, removed all pride from your life and become humble?

Revelation 22:11 says, “He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.” It is expected that we live a holy life and if we are, at some point we will be kept holy onward. The same goes for a righteous life. Unfortunately, equally true is the fact that an unjust and filthy life, which is basically a life allowing sin to be practiced, is also locked in at some point, but the holy and righteous life is the expected sanctified lifestyle of all Christians.

So, is your life holy and righteous through Jesus Christ?

Romans 8:1 says, “[There is] therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.” The holy and sanctified life is to walk after the Spirit. Those walking after the flesh, allowing the worldly ways into their lives, even sin, are then condemned. So, are you walking after the Spirit, or fleshly desires?

1 Corinthians 16:13 gives us dire warnings that point to the fact that it is possible to give up eternal life. The expected holy and sanctified life includes “Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.” On the word “watch”, Jesus said, “Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed [is] willing, but the flesh [is] weak” (Matthew 26:41), therefore, if we give in to the temptation, we can lose eternal life. Paul expanded upon the word “stand” when he encouraged, “take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand” (Ephesians 6:13). Therefore, if we do not stand, we

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again can lose our crown of eternal life. The word “quit” means to be brave, as the saying goes, “Be a man! Face the challenge.” And overall, be strong to resist the devil. So, are you being watchful, standing fast, and being strong and brave, or is the devil walking all over you by luring you to give in to the lies that temptation and sin do not matter?

Ephesians 5:15-16 says, “See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil.” This tells us that as Christians, it is expected that we stay away from the evil, walk or live in a proper manner as becoming of a Christian, basically, live the holy and sanctified life. Such statements are not optional. God does not have to use the words, “or else you will be lost” to convey such a meaning. Overall, the Bible tells us how a Christian is to live, and if we do not live up to that expectation, we are selfish, followers of the world, even of Satan, no matter how often we go to church, donate, and sing. We are born unsaved. To be born again means a change of life – complete change. So, are you walking as Christ walked (1 John 2:6), or just using the title Christian?

1 Peter 5:6-7 says, “Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.” To be humble that at a specific time we will be exalted means that we actually are

experiencing eternal life, while those who hold onto stubbornness, pride, self, etc., will not. Therefore, it is expected of a Christian to be humble, and not follow the world into arguments that your team is better than another team, your tact and skill allows you to climb over others for the prized position, your clothing is in fashion while another's is not, your party won the election over your neighbor's party, etc. As you can see, pride is not only about thinking oneself better than others, it is living as the world finds it acceptable to brag. So, are you humble, or bragging?

Matthew 9:17 uses a parable to show the expected holy and sanctified life, even the "born again" experience. "Neither do men put new wine into old bottles: else the bottles break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved." This parable conveys the same meaning as the one about the new cloth attached to an old garment in the prior, but that was skipped because of being a bit vague in the expectation, which is to put the new cloth on a new garment. In this parable, which contains symbols of what is in reality, wine represents teachings, doctrines, knowledge. False doctrines are referred to as the "wine of Babylon" (Revelation 14:8). New teachings are not understood by unconverted people, so it is expected that a person become converted, which means to cease from seeking the world, and choosing to "seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his

righteousness" (Matthew 6:33). No wonder so many Christians look no different than those who are of the world. It is because they are not new bottles, new vessels, new people. They are set in their old ways and cannot fit the new teachings into their old lifestyle, hence, when there is a conflict between wanting to do something which the Bible condemns, the Bible teaching leaks right out of their lives and is ignored. So, are you a new bottle, or still an old bottle struggling to put new teachings into a worldly life?

Luke 12:15 states, "And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth." "Take heed" means that there is a serious consequence, in this case, to coveting. Even Paul brought this out: "For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God" (Ephesians 5:5). It does not matter if a person claims to be saved or not. The expected lifestyle of a true Christian is to include not coveting. There are no exclusions to this list of people not going to the kingdom. It does not say, "Except if you believe." If a person believes, then they believe that Jesus "is able to keep you from falling" (Jude 1:24) into any sin including coveting. So, do you covet?

John 12:48 tells us that as a Christian, we are to live according

to God's Word, which is the holy and sanctified life. "He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day." If we live a different lifestyle than described in God's Word, especially after being shown, then the Word shall judge against that person. Again, the pronoun "He", being in general terms, has no exclusion. So, one must stop saying "I'm saved" if one is living like the world and enjoying the things of the world. Now, are you living according to God's Word?

John 13:34-35 tells us, "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all [men] know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." And yet, there is bitterness held even inside churches, let alone denominations. If it is a jealousy thing, let it go. If it is a "getting even" thing, let it go. If it is a sinful thing, then help the person to see the sin, and if they do not, continue with the rest of Matthew 18:15-17. So, do you practice the holy and sanctified character of love towards everyone, or do you retain grudges?

John 14:6 states, "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." At first, the holy and sanctified life may not be apparent but they are contained within the words "way" and "truth" and even the word "life".

We are told by Jesus, “Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me” (John 15:4). That means we would abide by the “way” as in the way to live and conduct our lives. We would also abide in the truth by living the truth. And that would be the life to live overall, as living the way and truth is not something put on and taken off, but constantly lived.

In addition, the sanctuary service shows the way to the Most Holy Place where God dwells and we only get there through Jesus Who is the water, lamb, high priest, bread, light, incense, and arriving at the arc, which contains the Ten Commandments as well as the mercy seat. Therefore, following the “Way”, Jesus, we, too, are a living sacrifice (Romans 12:1), washed in baptism, acceptable of the High Priest, eating of the Word

each day, offering up prayers that includes confession of our sins, being filled with the light of the Spirit, being provided mercy, along with being made holy and able to keep the commandments of God. So, are you following the “way and the truth”, of Whom will then provide us with eternal “life”?



## Questions & Answers

### **Question: Are we to bear our own burden, or someone else’s?**

Galatians 6:2 says, “Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ”, while Galatians 6:5 states, “For every man shall bear his own burden.”

For some reason, this appears to be one of those pairs of verses that atheists grasp to point out as Bible contradictions, though they really are not. Of course, it is not a contradiction, otherwise, they would win. But without the “law of Christ” in their hearts, it is easy to point the finger.

These two verses are not that far apart. It is not like Paul wrote to Timothy one thing and to Titus another. In fact, it is not like Paul opened up with one thought and closed with a different thought chapters later. Including the missing verses in between, these may help, but then again, may not be necessary.

Galatians 6:1-5 states, “Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an

one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted. Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself. But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another. For every man shall bear his own burden.”

In Galatians 6:2, the context is in sympathizing with a tempted soul, as one would read both 6:1 and 6:2 together. Too many times Christians are ready to condemn a soul in the church who has committed a sin instead of offering a helping hand out of the sin. We are to do so without falling into the temptation trap ourselves. This does not mean we make allowance for the sin, but if someone needs help in breaking an addiction, offer the time they need. Maybe the buddy system would work in that case because the goal is as Jesus said, “For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved” (John 3:17). We

must seek for the path of restoration. Sure, we have to watch the appearance of the church and not let a practicing sinner be up front giving sermons or leading out in any capacity, but this is the law of Christ – saving souls.

Now, regarding Galatians 6:5, we must recognize that there is a big “But” starting off verse 4. In other words, there is a different aspect being addressed. We are changing from sympathizing with someone struggling with temptations, over to the manner of work where one is to prove the work they do. Verse 5 is a matter of responsibility. Each person is responsible for his own part of the work.

Therefore, how to resolve these two verses is simply to reveal that two different topics are referred to as burdens and discussed separately. The first is the sympathizing with the tempted understanding the burden they are under, while the second use is taking responsibility for the ministry work effort carrying our own burden of the work.

**Question:** Why does it seem that people blame their mothers for their bad upbringing? [There was a lot more detail to the question, but this is the summary.]

**Answer:** The reason so many blame mothers is because those who do the blaming are unconverted. If they can point to someone else being at fault, with mother the primary caregiver being the target, then they believe that somehow, they are justified in who they are today and go as far as to believe they are stuck as they are. Those who claim to be a Christian even go as far as to believe that God will accept the excuse as well. Those who put their trust in Christ are not to be enslaved by any hereditary or cultivated habit or tendency. Instead of being held in bondage to the lower nature, they are to rule every appetite and passion. God has not left us to battle with evil in our own finite strength. Whatever may be our inherited or cultivated tendencies to wrong, we can overcome through the power that He is ready to impart. Therefore, to listen to such people complain and blame their mother is a bad use of our time. They should be ignored. It is no different than asking, “Why are men \_\_\_\_,” “Why are women \_\_\_\_” with the “\_\_\_\_” part being filled in with the “negative” character trait. “Why are men so demanding”; “Why do women take so long to get ready”; “Why are men so single focused”; “Why do women seem to get into ‘cat’ fights”; “Why”; “Why”; “Why”? It is because the vast majority of people are unconverted. Look for the converted souls to spend time

with and you will be much happier and appreciative.

This blaming and not taking responsibility for their own choices starts with Adam and Eve. Adam blamed God for creating Eve, and Eve blamed the serpent: “And he said, Who told thee that thou [wast] naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat? And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest [to be] with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. And the LORD God said unto the woman, What [is] this [that] thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat” (Genesis 3:11-13).

**Question:** Not sure how to explain what Jesus means by the use of the word “gods” in John 10:34 and Psalms 82 :1,6. I take it to mean “those who are leaders or have authority.” But they (others) take it to mean “God rules within us so we can ‘name it and claim it.’” That is total heresy. How would you answer that?

**Answer:** In most cases, people convinced that they are right are hard to persuade to change their minds. There is, unfortunately, no “knock out” or “super revelation” that we can give as an answer. Do give an answer, but realize only open minded people will sincerely study, comparing scripture with scripture.

Because of limited words in the original language and translators hundreds of years ago having multiple words to choose from does not mean the choice was always correct. The word “love” or

“charity” is so misunderstood, but with careful study, the Bible reveals that there are different types of love: Love for our parents is not the same love towards God, nor is it the same love of food or pleasure. The same is true with the word in question regarding “gods”.

In comparing scripture, we are able to determine the right understanding. We must ask, does the Bible actually encourage us to be gods? What creative powers would come from that ability? Who has such godly powers even now? And do we get to be worshipped? These are some of the attributes of becoming gods. From the list of words available by the translators, according to the Bible Lexicon, are the words “rulers” and “judges” as well as “gods”. The first two are more fitting instead of using “gods”. In our human form, that is all we can obtain – ruler or judge. In fact, we know that God never intended us to be gods, because according to Genesis 3:5, the Bible says, “For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.” This was a false promise of Satan. In other words, if anyone should have been “as gods”, it would have been Adam and Eve, but they did not have “gods” status, even tho Satan wanted to give that ability to Eve.

Even the phrase “all these things shall be added unto you” is prefaced with “But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness” (Matthew 6:33). Everything we need or ask for is to be in furthering the kingdom of God that will be added unto us.

Just being able to command and we receive it, like financial gain or other personal gain, is encouraging selfishness. The Bible teaches the opposite. “If any [man] will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me” (Matthew 16:24). Selfishness is the danger of “name it and claim it”.

So, in comparing scriptures, we see that the verses work themselves out. Focusing on just one verse brings in human opinion. We need to bring in other principles as directed by Isaiah 28:9-10, “Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? [them that are] weaned from the milk, [and] drawn from the breasts. For precept [must be] upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, [and] there a little”.

But to take the argument that the word in psalms is really “gods”,

look at the context itself where there is no “name it and claim it”. The only “god-like” ability is revealed in Psalms 82:5. It is the ability to not walk in darkness. In other words, walking in the light makes us above ordinary human beings, because we are born into darkness and have to become born again. This is true with the comparison again for Genesis 3:5 which stated that the intention was to know good and evil. Even Isaiah 41:23 states, “Shew the things that are to come hereafter, that we may know that ye [are] gods: yea, do good, or do evil, that we may be dismayed, and behold [it] together.” Here we see again, as “gods” we would know to do good and avoid evil. There is no other ability added to “as gods”. So, the reference to “as gods” or “are gods” is in regards to knowing good and evil – doing it, or not doing it. And when Adam and Eve were created, they were to know only good. It was God that knew both good and evil and that was

the false promise offered by Satan. Did Adam and Eve become like God in that respect? Yes, and we are paying for that knowledge.

And Psalms 82:2 tells us that Psalms 82:1 is not to be “the gods”. Psalms 82:2 says, “How long will ye judge unjustly, and accept the persons of the wicked? Selah.” Therefore, the correct translation for verse 1 should be, “God standeth in the congregation of the mighty; he judgeth among the judges” or “God standeth in the congregation of the mighty; he judgeth among the rulers.” Psalms 82:3 and 4 both continue the “judge” or “ruler” job description. To take verse 1 to literally mean “gods”, would imply that we have some magical influence to carry out verses 2 through 4, like, a wave of the hand maybe, or a wand of sorts? Nonsense!



## *Study to Shew Thyself Approved Unto God—(2 Timothy 2:15)*

### **What Condition We Need to Be in For Our Prayers to Be Heard?**

1. What causes people’s prayers to be an abomination to God? **Proverbs 28:9**
2. What type of person does God hear the prayers of? **First half of 1 Peter 3:12, Proverbs 15:29**

3. What are people doing that causes God to turn away from others offering prayer? **End of 1 Peter 3:12**
4. What type of prayer avails much? **James 5:16**

5. How are we to continue in prayer? **Romans 12:12**
6. Instead of just praying once for something and hope for the best, how ought we to pray for a specific item until we get an answer? **Acts 12:5, 1 Thessalonians 5:17**

7. What type of prayers should be avoided? **Mark 12:40**
8. What are we not to use in prayer? **Matthew 6:7**
9. What ought our requests in prayer not be? **James 1:6**
10. What two things ought we to pray for? **Daniel 9:13**

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#### **What To Pray For**

1. What ought we to pray that we do not enter into?

**Matthew 26:41 [temptation]**

2. What ought we to pray to turn from? **Daniel 9:13 [iniquities]**
3. What ought we to pray to understand? **Daniel 9:13 [truth]**
4. In the future, we may have to flee, but we are to pray now so that it does not happen at which two events? **Matthew 24:20 [winter and sabbath day]**
5. Who ought we to pray for? **James 5:16 [one for another]**
6. There are many snares in the world, but what are we to pray to be accounted worthy of? **Luke 21:36 [to escape all these things that shall come**

**to pass]**

7. And if successful in not succumbing to the snares, what are we to pray regarding the "Son of man"? **Luke 21:36 [to stand]**
8. What are we to pray for regarding the harvest? **Luke 10:2 [he would send forth labourers into his harvest]**
9. Which human beings are we to specifically pray for? **Luke 6:28 [despitefully use you]**
10. While the enemy may be closing in, what ought we to pray to God regarding our life? **Psalms 64:1 [preserve]**



## *News and Comments*

**August 6—Huff Post**

#### **My Lab Conducted A Study On Preschool Girls. What We Discovered Should Disturb You.**

The article describes how outward appearance is most important, especially to girls and women, but that there is evidence that it begins as early as three years old. This is sad, as beauty is in the eye of the beholder, and God does not make junk. He makes variety. We are even told, "Whose adorning let it not be that outward [adorning] of plaiting the hair, and

of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; But [let it be] the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, [even the ornament] of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price" (1 Peter 3:3-4). Though this is more concerned about the attire, it still applies because the focus is on outward appearance. And the thought is that if a person can put on glitter, be controlled by fashion, etc., that those are signs of beauty. The real sign of beauty is who the person

is, which mostly is neglected through selfish attitudes.

**August 23—NY Post**

#### **Porn star ... went from being homeless to making \$200K a month ...**

Moral of the story being portrayed is that instead of being poor, sell your body. "For this is the will of God, [even] your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication" (1 Thessalonians 4:3).



## Natural Remedies

### Dragonflies and Mosquitoes

Did you know there is a connection between dragonflies and mosquitoes that can positively affect your health, and the health of your pet Fido? If you live in an area that has a lot of stagnant water catches, such as ponds, constant puddles, old tires, any containers that catch rain and are

not drained or disposed of, you are surrounded by mosquito breeding grounds, especially in hot weather. Mosquitoes are not only annoying, but they transport various diseases to humans, and deadly heart-worms to dogs. Enviroliteracy Team / May 8, 2025 says, "One dragonfly can eat

upward of 100 mosquitoes a day." So, if you see lots of dragonflies in your area, that is a great thing! To attract dragonflies to your yard, grow some of their favorites: Echinacea, Black-eyed Susan, and Asters.

