**Trichotomies, Bible** Monday, July 3, 2017

(Biblical Number 3 Symbolizes Divine Perfection)

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|  | **The Trinity, the Starting Point:**  [**Genesis 1:2b-3**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis+1%3A2b-3&version=NKJV) **records *the initial act* of the triune Godhead in bringing about the restoration of the ruined material creation. In the foundational pattern, forming a type:** | The **Father** is **God,** The Self-Existent One.  ([John 6:27; Ephesians 4:6; Acts17:29](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+6%3A27%3B+Ephesians+4%3A6%3B+Acts17%3A29&version=NKJV))  ***the Spirit of God***  ***moved,*** | **Jesus Christ** **is** **God**.  ([Hebrews 1:8; John 1:1](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Hebrews+1%3A8%3B+John+1%3A1&version=NKJV); as compared to [John 1:14; John 8:58](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+1%3A14%3B+John+8%3A58&version=NKJV))  ***God spoke,*** | The **Holy Spirit** is **God**.  ([Acts 5:3-4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Acts+5%3A3-4&version=NKJV))  ***and light came into existence***(note that nothing can come into existence apart from the Son, Who is “the light of the world” [[John 1:3, 9; 9:5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+1%3A3%2C+9%3B+9%3A5&version=NKJV)]). |
|  | **The three circumstantial clauses in** [**Gen. 1:2**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+1%3A2&version=NKJV)**:** | **“And the earth became without form, and void,”** | **“And darkness became upon the face of the deep,”** | **“And darkness became upon the face of the deep,”** |
|  | **Make-Up Of Man:**  Trichotomy  ([Heb. 4:12; 1 Th. 5:23; Gen. 1:27](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+4%3A12%3B+1+Th.+5%3A23%3B+Gen.+1%3A27&version=NKJV)) | **Spirit**  God conscious | **Soul** orLife  (Gr. *psuche*)  Self conscious | **Body**  World conscious |
|  | **Soul is made up of:**  (Self, fleshly, old man – sin aspect of man [[1 John 3:6, 9; 5:18](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+John+3%3A6%2C+9%3B+5%3A18&version=NKJV)]) | **Mind**  Think | **Will**  Choose | **Emotions**  Feel |
|  | **Three Tenses of Man’s Salvation:** | **Was Saved** (Spirit)  ([Eph. 2:8-9; Acts 16:30-31](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Eph.+2%3A8-9%3B+Acts+16%3A30-31&version=NKJV)) | **Being Saved** (Soul)  ([1 Cor. 1:18; 1 Peter 1:9](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+1%3A18%3B+1+Peter+1%3A9&version=NKJV)) | **Will Be Saved** (Body)  ([1 Thess. 4:16-17; Romans 8:23](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Thess.+4%3A16-17%3B+Romans+8%3A23&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Scripture speaks of the Soul or Life of Man in Three Aspects:** | **The life principle of the body**, the breath of life of the flesh is in the blood.  ([Lev. 17:11](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Lev.+17%3A11&version=NKJV)) | **The life essence of man**, with or without his body, with all his normal faculties. ([Luke 16:22-23, Rev. 6:9-11](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+16%3A22-23%2C+Rev.+6%3A9-11&version=NKJV)) | **The life quality of man,** either in this present life or the life to come. ([James 1:21](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=James+1%3A21&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Eternal Emblems:**  (To remind us of three-fold office.)  ([Mat 2:11](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+2%3A11&version=NKJV)) | **Gold**  has always been the emblem of Deity and the sovereignty of God, and is emblematic of the coming kingship of our Lord. | **Frankincense**  was used as a sweet savor with sacrifices, and prefigured His high priestly office at the right hand of God the Father. | **Myrrh**  was used in the embalming process of dead bodies, and prefigured His prophetic office which ended at His death on the cross of Calvary. |
|  | **Christ’s Threefold Office:** | **Prophet**  ([Deut. 18:15, 18-19; Acts 16:30-31](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deut.+18%3A15%2C+18-19%3B+Acts+16%3A30-31&version=NKJV)) | **High Priest and Lord**  ([Heb. 10:12, 21-22; John 5:22](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+10%3A12%2C+21-22%3B+John+5%3A22%29&version=NKJV) | **King**  ([Rev.19:16; John 15:1-2](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.19%3A16%3B+John+15%3A1-2&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **The Kingdom of God:** | The kingdom of God the **Father** rules over all **creation** from a literal throne in the third heaven.  ([Daniel 4:34-35](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Daniel+4%3A34-35&version=NKJV)) | The kingdom of God the **Holy Spirit** rules over the **new-creation** (a believer’s heart and life) by *permission* only.  ([Romans 14:17-19](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+14%3A17-19&version=NKJV)) | The kingdom of God the **Son** is a **future** **kingdom** (re**-**creation) that is visible, literal, corporeal and with boundaries of time and space.  ([Dan. 2:44; 7:13-14](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Dan.+2%3A44%3B+7%3A13-14&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Three Aspects of the Kingdom of God:** | **Creation (Body)**  Entrance by **birth.** | **New-creation (Spirit)**  Entrance by **faith** (new-birth). | **Re-Creation (Soul)**  Entrance by **works** (gaining rewards). |
|  | **The three major events necessary to experience The Great Salvation:** | **Redemption**  Buying back that which was lost.  ([Acts 16:31; Phil. 3:1](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Acts+16%3A31%3B+Phil.+3%3A11&version=NKJV)) | **Adoption**  Adopted to become the “sons of God”.  ([Rom. 8:19-21](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rom.+8%3A19-21&version=NKJV)) | **Inheritance**  Receive what we deserve.  ([2 Cor. 5:10; 1 Cor. 3:14-15](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Cor.+5%3A10%3B+1+Cor.+3%3A14-15&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Order of events leading up to The Great Salvation:** | The **rapture**, or the redemption of the body, to the judgment seat.  ([1 Thess. 4:13-17](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Thess.+4%3A13-17&version=NKJV)) | The **testing of works** of all the redeemed in the all-consuming fire of God. ([1 Cor. 3:13; Heb. 12:29](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+3%3A13%3B+Heb.+12%3A29&version=NKJV)) | The **choosing** of the **firstborn** **sons** through the out-resurrection into a glorified body and the inheritance.  ([Rev. 5:9-10](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+5%3A9-10&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Results of the Out-resurrection of the church of the firstborn:** | Their **Souls Saved**  ([1 Pet. 1:9; Jas. 1:21; Heb. 10:39](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Pet.+1%3A9%3B+Jas.+1%3A21%3B+Heb.+10%3A39&version=NKJV) ) | Their receiving the **Prize**  ([Phil. 3:13-24](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Phil.+3%3A13-24&version=NKJV)) | Their becoming **Joint-Heirs with Christ**  ([Rom. 8:17](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rom.+8%3A17&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Firstborn Inheritance of Israel is normally in three parts:** | The **kingship** of the family, *ruler* of the household, under and for the Father. | The **priesthood** of the family, exercising the office of *priest* in the family. | The **double portion** of all property, the reception of *a double portion* of all the Father’s goods. |
|  | **Jacob took firstborn’s Inheritance and divided between *three* other sons (adopted grandsons):**  ([Genesis 35:22](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis+35%3A22&version=NKJV)) | **Judah** received the **kingship** of the family. | **Levi** received the **priesthood.** | Joseph’s two sons, **Ephriam** and **Manasseh** (who were adopted by Jacob), received the **double portion** of all property.  ([Gen. 48:5; Heb. 11:21](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+48%3A5%3B+Heb.+11%3A21&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Christians, as the Israelites, possess a birthright; and this birthright consists of the same three things as the one possessed by Israel:** | Overcoming Christians will realize *the first* aspect of the birthright through **ruling** **as “joint-heirs” with Christ in the kingdom.**  ([Rom. 8:17](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rom.+8%3A17&version=NKJV)) | *The second* through **ruling as “kings and priests”.**  ([Rev. 5:10](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+5%3A10&version=NKJV)) | *The third* through coming into possession of both earthly and heavenly aspects of the inheritance with Christ — **ruling from *the heavens over the earth.***  ([Psa. 2:8-9; I Peter 1:4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psa.+2%3A8-9%3B+I+Peter+1%3A4&version=NKJV); *cf.* [Gen. 24:10, 36, 53; John 16:13-15](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+24%3A10%2C+36%2C+53%3B+John+16%3A13-15&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Diets of Spiritual Truths:** | **Milk** (carnal state) isemblematic only for those Bible truths that are connected to the *cross* and the first coming of Jesus Christ.  **(**[1 Cor. 3:1-2](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+3%3A1-2&version=NKJV)) | **Meat** (spiritual state) in the scriptures is a symbol that portrays those Bible truths that are connected to the *crown* (rewards) and the second coming of Christ, and is referred to as “wisdom.”  ([1 Cor. 2:6-8](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+2%3A6-8&version=NKJV)) | **Strong Meat** belongs only to Christians who are of “full age,” or to those who are fully matured spiritual adults.  ([Heb. 5:10, 14](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+5%3A10%2C+14&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Three direct statements in the New Testament that refer to the Salvation of the *Soul:*** | **How** we can have it (soul) saved.  ([James 1:1-21](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=James+1%3A1-21&version=NKJV)) | **Where** it is (soul) saved.  ([1 Peter 1:7-9](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Peter+1%3A7-9&version=NKJV)) | **Picture** of consequences if it (soul) is not saved.  ([Heb. 10:38-39](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.10%3A38-39&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Gates to the Bridal Chamber:**  ([Rom. 5:1-5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rom.+5%3A1-5&version=NKJV)) | The first gate is salvation of the *spirit* (already entered into by every Christian), and is called the gate of **“Positional Grace.”**  **(**[Rom. 5:1](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rom.+5%3A1&version=NKJV)) | The second gate is the salvation of the *soul* (not yet entered into by most Christians) and it is called the gate of **“Standing Grace.”**  ([Rom. 5:2](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rom.+5%3A2&version=NKJV)) | At the end of the path, which ends at the Judgment Seat of Christ, the believer must qualify to enter a *third* gate, which Gary calls the gate of **“Ruling Grace.”** It is this gate that opens into the “bridal chamber.”  ([Rom. 5:3-5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rom.+5%3A3-5&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **What a Christian must do to gain Rewards:** | **Deny himself**  ([Matt. 16:24-27](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matt.+16%3A24-27&version=NKJV)) | **Take up his cross**  ([Matt. 16:24-27](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matt.+16%3A24-27&version=NKJV)) | **Follow Me**  ([Matt. 16:24-27](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matt.+16%3A24-27&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **The three orders of kings who will rule over the millennial earth under the sovereignty of the Lord Jesus Christ:** | **David will reign over Israel.**  ([Ezekiel 37:24](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ezekiel+37%3A24&version=NKJV)) | **The twelve apostles will each rule over one of the twelve tribes of Israel.**  ([Matt. 19:28](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matt.+19%3A28&version=NKJV)) | **The bride of Christ will be co-heirs with Christ, ruling over all, including the nations and cities of the millennial world.**  ([Luke 19:17-19](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+19%3A17-19&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Epignosis (*above knowledge, or super-knowledge, or full-discernment)* opens the inner eye of understanding for one to be able to see and know three things:**  ([Eph. 1:15-19](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Eph.+1%3A15-19&version=NKJV)) | **The hope of His calling,** (which is the great expectation and aspiration of the believer in *striving* to reach the *prize* of the high calling of God, the ruling and the reigning with Christ, not only in His coming kingdom, but throughout the eternal ages). | **What is the riches of glory of His *inheritance* in the saints** (which is the fabulous and abundant splendor of wealth of the *inheritance* for those who will be co-heirs with Christ). | **What the exceeding greatness of God’s power is to us who believe** (or the great *experiential* power of God to those who believe and have this full discernment). |
|  | **Selection of Saints:**  ([Rev 17:14](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev+17%3A14&version=NKJV)) | **Called** | **Chosen** | **Faithful** |
|  | **Satan’s rule from the heavens over this present earth is organized to accommodate three major ranks:**  ([Eph. 6:12](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Eph.+6%3A12&version=NKJV)) | **“Principalities”**  [Gr.*’arche’*], meaning chief or principle ruler. | **“Powers”**  (Gr. ‘*exousia’*) meaning magistrates, potentates, or delegated influences. | **“Rulers of darkness”**  (Gr. ‘*kosmokrator* *skotos’*) meaning *rulers-world* who under the “Powers” rules the nations of the world in obscurity. |
|  | **Ranks of Rulers in Coming Kingdom:** | **Good Servant**  ([Luke 19:12-27](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+19%3A12-27&version=NKJV)) | **Good and Faithful Servant**  ([Mat. 25:14-30](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+25%3A14-30&version=NKJV)) | **Faithful and Wise Servant**  ([Mat. 24:45-50](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+24%3A45-50&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Ranking the Crowns by Level of Rule:** | The **Crown Of Life** will be given to those ruling from the **third** level, over the *cities* of the millennial earth, *i.e.* the wedding guests.  ([James 1:12; Rev. 2:10](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=James+1%3A12%3B+Rev.+2%3A10&version=NKJV)) | For the **second** level two more crowns, The **Incorruptible Crown** and the **Crown Of Righteousness**, are added, making a total of *three* crowns that will be worn by those of “The Faithful.” These are those that will reign *over much*.  ([2 Timothy 4:7-8; 1 Cor. 9: 26-27](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Timothy+4%3A7-8%3B+1+Cor.+9%3A+26-27&version=NKJV)) | Ultimately, to all those who will rule from the **first** level of the kingdom, *i.e*. the highest level of the bride, (ruling over all that He hath), two more crowns will be added: the **Crown Of Rejoicing** and the **Crown Of Glory**. All five crowns will be awarded to this highest level which corresponds to the “faithful and wise” and is called a *full reward.* ([2 John 1:8; 1 Thes. 2:19; Prov. 11:30; 1 Pet. 5:1-4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+John+1%3A8%3B+1+Thes.+2%3A19%3B+Prov.11%3A30%3B+1+Pet.+5%3A1-4&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **The three steps of apostasy in the first four of seven letters to seven churches in Rev. 2 and 3:** | The **loss of their first love**, the Word, which caused them to fall into special trials and tribulations for the purposes of bringing them back.  ([Rev. 2:1-10](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+2%3A1-10&version=NKJV)) | A further fall into **accepting a false doctrine**, called the doctrine of Balaam.  ([Num. 25:1-3; 31:16; Rev. 2:12-17](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Num.+25%3A1-3%3B+31%3A16%3B+Rev.+2%3A12-17&version=NKJV)) | The final step in accepting the teaching of spiritual idolatry and fornication to such a degree, that **the apostate does not want Christ to rule over him.**  ([Rev. 2:18-29; 3:14-22](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+2%3A18-29%3B+3%3A14-22&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Three Classes of Non-Overcomers:**  *"How long, you* ***simple*** *ones, will you love simplicity? For* ***scorners*** *delight in their scorning, And* ***fools*** *hate knowledge.*  ([Pro. 1:22](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Pro.+1%3A22&version=NKJV)) | **Simple** who live simplicity, average church members of today who are spiritually naive. | **Fools** who hate knowledge.  These could be the pastors and teachers as well as the layman who desire no further growth in the Word.  ([Prov. 3:35; 19:29](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Prov.+3%3A35%3B+19%3A29&version=NKJV)) | **Scorners** are apostates (those who have willingly fallen away and are against the Word). They are those who have grown to see “the meat of the Word” and fallen away. They reject and make fun of the Word of God by their words and lifestyle, and by that action tell Christ that they do not want Him reigning over them. ([Luke 19:14](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+19%3A14&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Three different Books of Life, each pertaining to one of the *three* parts of man:**  **body, spirit, soul** | **‘Let them be blotted out of the book of the living...’**  This is the book in which every person’s name is written at the moment of conception and is blotted out at the moment of death. It is the book of all of the living, lost and saved, and pertains only to the *body* of man.  ([Psalm 69:28](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+69%3A28&version=NKJV)a) | **“...and not be written with the righteous.”**  This is the book of life of the righteous. It contains all of the names of those who are saved, and who will be saved (salvation of the spirit). Here, the names of the saved can only be written, not blotted out (eternal security of the believer).  ([Psalm 69:28](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+69%3A28&version=NKJV)b) | **“He that overcomes, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.”**  Every believer’s name will be written in this book because he is an heir (pertains to the salvation of the *soul)*. But if he is disinherited, his name will be blotted out.  ([Rev. 3:5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+3%3A5&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Three places in the New Testament that the word “enemies” or “enemy” is used in connection with believers:** | Apostle Paul draws our attention to apostate believers, and calls them **“enemies of the cross.”**  ([Phil. 3:18](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Phil.+3%3A18&version=NKJV)) | The Galatians had fallen from grace by accepting a false teaching in Paul’s absentia. When Paul learned of this, he wrote them a letter and asked them if he had **become their enemy** for telling them the truth.  ([Gal. 4:16](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gal.+4%3A16&version=NKJV)). | God tells us that if we exercise friendship with this world we **will become the enemy** of God.  ([Jas. 4:4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Jas.+4%3A4&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Overall view of Israel in *three* pictures (types):**  ([1 Cor. 10:1-11](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+10%3A1-11&version=NKJV)) | First, they were in **“Egypt.”** | Then after crossing the Red Sea they were in **“the wilderness.”** | Finally, they were called to go into **“the land of promise”** but they failed because of unbelief and were destroyed. |
|  | **The three pictures in the overall view of Israel are types of the same three areas of life for the *individual believer* of the church age:**  ([Num. 13:17-14:45](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Num.+13%3A17-14%3A45&version=NKJV)) | First, He was down in Egypt **(lost)** serving Pharaoh **(Satan)**. But, he was saved by the blood of the Passover Lamb **(Jesus, the Lamb of God on the cross)**. | Secondly, he passed through the sea **(type of death in baptism)**, and came up on the other side. Here, he is to follow Moses **(type of Christ)** and the cloud **(type of the Holy Spirit)**, and receive instruction in the law **(the Word)**, in order to *enter* into the Promised Land **(type of the coming kingdom)**. | However, like the children of Israel, this type informs us that because of unbelief, most Christians will never enter the Promised Land **(the kingdom)**. They will instead be destroyed by the destroyer in the desert **(a type of the outer darkness)** and be blotted out of the book of life. |
|  | **The Holy Spirit instructs us that “the harvest” (the resurrection of saints of the church age) has *three* divisions to it. Our Lord calls them *order:***  ([1 Cor. 15:22-26](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+15%3A22-26&version=NKJV)) | **“Christ the firstfruits;** | **afterward, they that are Christ’s at His coming.** | **Then *cometh* the end (the end of the millennium)...”**  Note: the word “cometh” is not in the original Greek text. |
|  | **Three different kinds of bodies spoken of in the scriptures:** | The **“body of this death” (**or body of sin),  ([Rom. 7:24](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rom.+7%3A24&version=NKJV)) | The **“natural body”,**  before Adam fell in sin,  ([1 Cor. 15:44](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+15%3A44&version=NKJV)) | The **“spiritual body”,**  of the last Adam, Jesus Christ.  ([1 Cor. 15:44](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+15%3A44&version=NKJV)). |
|  | **Teachings surrounding the Rest which will be realized by “the people of God” during the seventh millennium:** | The **experiences of the Israelites under Moses**, and later Joshua.  ([Heb. 3:2-19](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+3%3A2-19&version=NKJV)) | **God’s work and subsequent rest** during the seven days of Genesis chapters one and two.  ([Heb. 4:4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+4%3A4&version=NKJV)) | **The Sabbath given to Israel**, which the nation was to keep week after week following six days of work.  ([Heb. 4:9](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+4%3A9&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **The structure of God’s revelation to man set forth under three headings to understand the Whole of scripture:** | **The Sign Of The Sabbath**  The Sabbath was given to Israel as a *sign,* and the Sabbath was to be observed by the Jewish people “throughout their generations, for a perpetual covenant”.  ([Ex. 31:16-17](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ex.+31%3A16-17&version=NKJV)) | **The Signs In John’s Gospel**  They all refer to things surrounding Israel’s coming salvation and restoration.  ([John 20:30-31](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+20%3A30-31&version=NKJV)) | **The Structure Of 2 Peter**  2 Peter parallels Jude in the sense that both deal with the *Word of the Kingdom* and *apostasy.*  ([2 Pet. 1:1-15; Jude 3](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Pet.+1%3A1-15%3B+Jude+1%3A3&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Ten generation genealogy extending from Adam to Noah:**  ([Heb. 11:4-7](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+11%3A4-7&version=NKJV)) | **Abel**  Salvation through shed blood  ([Heb. 11:4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+11%3A4&version=NKJV))  **Man’s salvation** (dealt with in [Gen. 1; 3; 4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+1%3B+3%3B+4&version=NKJV) at the beginning). | **Enoch**  The removal of a man from the earth, apart from death, preceding the Flood ([Heb. 11:5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+11%3A5&version=NKJV)).  The removal of the Church preceding the Tribulation (dealt with in [Gen. 5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+5&version=NKJV) at the beginning). | **Noah**  A man remaining behind and being saved through the Flood ([Heb. 11:7](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+11%3A7&version=NKJV)).  Israel being saved through the Tribulation (dealt with in [Gen. 6-8](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+6-8&version=NKJV) at the beginning). |
|  | **Beginning with the call of Abraham, Scripture centers on one man and his descendants. In order to bring His plans and purposes surrounding man to pass, God set about, through Abraham, to do three things:**  ([Gen. 11:27](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+11%3A27&version=NKJV)ff) | **Give man the Word of God.** | **Bring forth the Messiah.** | **Bring forth a people (both heavenly and earthly) through whom the nations of the earth would be blessed.** |
|  | **God has created and is dealing with three of Mankind (separately during Man’s Day [6,000 years], and together during the coming Messianic Era [1,000 years]):**  ([1 Cor. 10:32](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+10%3A32&version=NKJV)) | **Jews** | **Gentiles** | **Church of God,**  comprised of **Christians**. The former two creations (Jew and Gentile) could be passed on through one’s progeny, but *not* the third creation (Christian) – *the one new man* “in Christ”.  ([Eph. 2:13-15](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Eph.+2%3A13-15&version=NKJV))  [2000 years of Man’s Day] |
|  | **Three Heavens:** | **First Heaven**  The **firmament**, as **“fowls of the heaven”.**  ([Gen. 2:19; 7:3, 23; Psa. 8:8](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+2%3A19%3B+7%3A3%2C+23%3B+Psa.+8%3A8&version=NKJV))  **“the eagles of heaven”.** ([Lam. 4:19](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Lam.+4%3A19&version=NKJV)). | **Second Heaven**  **The starry heavens.**  ([Deu. 17:3; Jer. 8:2; Mat. 24:29](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deu.+17%3A3%3B+Jer.+8%3A2%3B+Mat.+24%3A29&version=NKJV)). | **Third Heaven**  I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth) such an one caught up to the **third heaven**.  ([2 Cor. 12:2](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Cor.+12%3A2&version=NKJV))  **“The heaven of heavens,” or “the third heaven”.** ([Deu. 10:14; 1 Ki. 8:27; Psa. 115:16; Psa. 148:4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deu.+10%3A14%3B+1+Ki.+8%3A27%3B+Psa.+115%3A16%3B+Psa.+148%3A4&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Three things above all else must be adhered to in the study of Scripture per Arlen Chitwood:** | **A person must recognize that all Scripture is Godbreathed.** | **A person must begin where God began.** | **A person must study Scripture after the fashion in which it was written.** |
|  | **The three-part benediction:**  ([2 Corinthians 13:13](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Corinthians+13%3A13&version=NKJV)) | **The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ** | **The love of God** | **The Holy Spirit be with all of you** |
|  | **Three Qualities of the Universe:** | **Time** | **Space** | **Matter** |
|  | **Time:** | **Past** | **Present** | **Future** |
|  | **Space:** | **Height** | **Width** | **Depth** |
|  | **Matter:** | **Solid** | **Liquid** | **Gas** |
|  | **Human Abilities:** | **Thought** | **Word** | **Deed** |
|  | **God is:** | **Omniscient**  **Omnipresent**  **Omnipotent** | **Love Light Spirit** | **Holy**  **Righteous**  **Just** |
|  | **Christ is Three Shepherds:** | The **Good Shepherd** speaking of His death.  ([John 10:14-15](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+10%3A14-15&version=NKJV)) | The **Great Shepherd** speaking of His resurrection.  ([Heb. 13:20](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+13%3A20&version=NKJV)) | The **Chief Shepherd** speaking of His glory.  ([1 Pet. 5:4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Pet.+5%3A4&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Three Appearances of Christ:** | **Past**  Has appeared to put away sin.  ([Heb. 9:26](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+9%3A26&version=NKJV)) | **Present**  Is appearing in the presence of God.  ([Heb. 9:24](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+9%3A24&version=NKJV)) | **Future**  Will appear to those who await Him.  ([Heb. 9:28](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+9%3A28&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **The Father spoke from Heaven three times:** | **"This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."**  ([Matt. 3:17](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matt.+3%3A17&version=NKJV)) | **"This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased; listen to Him."**  ([Matt. 17:5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matt.+17%3A5&version=NKJV)) | **"I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again."**  ([John 12:28](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+12%3A28&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **The three main Old Testament types dealing with the rapture:** | **Enoch** is seen being removed from the earth between two points in time — following a blood sacrifice and prior to the Flood. This points to those whom Enoch typifies (Christians) being removed from the earth at a time following that which Abel’s death typifies (Christ’s death) but preceding that which the Flood typifies (the coming Tribulation).  ([Gen. 4-8; Heb. 11:4-7](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+4-8%3B+Heb.+11%3A4-7&version=NKJV)) | **Lot**, his wife, and his two virgin daughters were removed from Sodom prior to the destruction of the cities of the plain. And the manner in which the New Testament handles this event leaves no room to question that which is in view from a typical standpoint. The destruction of the cities of the plain can point only to the coming destruction of this present world system, and the removal of Lot and part of his family can only point to a removal of certain individuals from this world (from the earth) prior to this destruction (a destruction occurring at the end of the Tribulation).  ([Luke 17:32-33](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+17%3A32-33&version=NKJV)) | **Rebekah,** the prospective bride was shown *all the glories which the father had given to his son.* Then the invitation to become the wife of Abraham’s son was extended. This points to that which is occurring during the present dispensation. The Spirit is in the world showing those from God’s family (Christians) *all the glories which the Father has given to His Son.*  ([Gen. 24](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+24&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Both the Tabernacle and the Temple consisted of three parts:** | **The Court** | **The Holy place** | **The Sanctuary** |
|  | **Destruction of Cities:**  ([Luke 17:26a, 28a, 30](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+17%3A26a%2C+28a%2C+30&version=NKJV)). | **“And as it was in the days of Noah…** | **Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot…** | **Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed”** |
|  | **Three bear witness:**  **(**[1 John 5:8](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+John+5%3A8&version=NKJV)**)** | **Spirit** | **Water** | **Blood** |
|  | **Works revealed as comparable to gold, silver, precious stones:**  ([1 Cor. 3:12-13](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+3%3A12-13&version=NKJV))  If any man's work shall abide which he built thereon, he shall receive a reward.  ([1 Cor. 3:14](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+3%3A14&version=NKJV)) | **Gold** | **Silver** | **Precious Stones** |
|  | **Works revealed as comparable to wood, hay, stubble will not receive a reward:**  ([1 Cor. 3:12-13](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+3%3A12-13&version=NKJV))  If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as through fire.  ([1 Cor. 3:15](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+3%3A15&version=NKJV)) | **Wood** | **Hay** | **Stubble** |
|  | **And works of the above nature will bring about three things:** | **Justification by works**,  a justification on the basis of works which will have emanated out of faithfulness, not works of self, but of the Holy Spirit working through us.  ([James 2:14-26](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=James+2%3A14-26&version=NKJV)) | **Provide the Christian with a** **wedding garment,**  made up of the righteous acts of the saints.  ([Rev. 19:7-8](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+19%3A7-8&version=NKJV)) | **Bring faith to its** **proper goal,**  which will result in the salvation of the soul.  ([I Peter 1:4-9](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=I+Peter+1%3A4-9&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **An individual having failed to be justified by works will appear in Christ’s presence improperly clothed:**  ([Rev. 3:15, 17-18](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+3%3A15%2C+17-18&version=NKJV)) | **Works**  (v. 15) | **Naked**  (v. 17) | **Shame**  (v. 18) |
|  | **Three basic theological approaches to the questions of security and perseverance:** | **Arminian**,  refers to those followers of Jacobus Arminius who have held that it is possible for a true Christian to lose his salvation.  For them the warning passages (*e.g.*, [Hebrews 6](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Hebrews+6&version=NKJV)) refer to regenerate people. | **Calvinist**,  refers to those who feel that one who is born again cannot lose his salvation and will necessarily and inevitably continue in good works until the end of life.  The warning passages to them are addressed to unregenerate people who have professed faith in Christ but who do not possess Christ in the heart. | **Partaker,**  refers to one who, like the Calvinist, holds to the eternal security of the Christian but, like the Arminian, believes the warning passages in the New Testament apply to true Christians.  The Partaker is the Christian who perseveres in good works to the end of life.  He is the faithful Christian who will reign with Christ in the coming messianic kingdom.  He will be one of the servant kings.  What is in danger, according to the Partaker, is not a loss of salvation but spiritual impoverishment, severe discipline in time, and a forfeiture of reward, *viz*., disinheritance in the future.  ([Hebrews 3:14](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Hebrews+3%3A14&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Three passages referring to Christians entering into a state of affairs within Christendom which not only defiles their high calling but which also dishonors the Lord who purchased their salvation with His Own blood:** | [Jude 11](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Jude+11&version=NKJV) records **“the error of Balaam.”**  *The* ***error***of Balaam is associated with “reward. | [2 Peter 2:15](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Peter+2%3A15&version=NKJV) records **“the way of Balaam.”**  *The* ***way***of Balaam is associated with the “wages of unrighteousness.” *The* ***error***and ***way***of Balaam have to do with “monetary gain”; and, according to the Old Testament account, monetary gain derived through this means is acquired through one’s willingness to compromise the principles of God and proclaim things contrary to the revealed Word of God (though Balaam was prevented from doing this and could only utter that which was in accord with the revealed Word of God).  ([Num. 22-24](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Num.+22-24&version=NKJV)) | [Rev. 2:14](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+2%3A14&version=NKJV) records **“the doctrine of Balaam.”**  *The counsel of Balaam — i.e.*, “the doctrine of Balaam” — had to do with the sins committed by the Israelites in view of their covenant relationship with God. Briefly stated, this doctrine had to do with the fact that the Israelites were the covenant people of God, this covenant could not be broken, and consequently the Israelites could sin with immunity. However, such was not the case. It was true that the covenant established between God and Israel could not be broken; it was also true that Israel’s position as firstborn could not be changed; but it was not true that Israel could sin with immunity. God’s wrath was manifested because of the sins of His people, and the thousands of Israelites who succumbed to the counsel of Balaam were overthrown in the wilderness, short of the goal of their calling. |
|  | **The white stone will identify the overcomer as the one shown to be:**  **(**[**Rev. 2:17**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+2%3A17&version=NKJV)**)** | **Justified** | **Victorious in conquest** | **Elevated to Noble Rank** |
|  | **There are three great enemies in the Christian life which must be overcome:** | the **world,**  According to [I John 5:1-5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=I+John+5%3A1-5&version=NKJV), the “world” is overcome by *our faith.* | the **flesh,**  According to [Rom. 8:13; Col. 3:5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rom.+8%3A13%3B+Col.+3%3A5&version=NKJV), the flesh is overcome by *mortifying* “the deeds of the body,” which emanate from the ever present sin nature, and all things emanating from the sin nature are to be kept in a constant state of mortification. | and the **Devil.**  According to [James 4:7; 1 Peter 5:9](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=James+4%3A7%3B+1+Peter+5%3A9&version=NKJV), the Devil is overcome by *Resisting.* |
|  | **Solomon pleased the Lord by requesting only *“wisdom* and *knowledge”* so the Lord also gave him:**  (His ability to rule, his material wealth, and the respect which he commanded — all coming from the hand of the Lord — would later be shown to exceed that of any king upon the face of the earth.)  ([I Kings 3:5-15; II Chron. 1:7-17](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=I+Kings+3%3A5-15%3B+II+Chron.+1%3A7-17&version=NKJV)) | **Riches,**  His ability to rule, | **wealth,**  his material wealth, | and **honor.**  and the respect which he commanded. |
|  | **When overcoming Christians go forth to rule with Christ in the kingdom they will be given *wisdom* and *knowledge* to rule:**  **(**[Psa. 98:9; 99:4; Pro. 1:3; 2:9](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psa.+98%3A9%3B+99%3A4%3B+Pro.+1%3A3%3B+2%3A9&version=NKJV)**)** | **In Equity,** | **In Justice,** | and **In Righteousness.** |
|  | **The wedding garment is associated with:** | **Overcoming,**  ([Rev. 3:5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+3%3A5&version=NKJV)) | **possessing righteous acts,**(works emanating out of faithfulness)  ([James 2:14-26; Rev. 19:8](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=James+2%3A14-26%3B+Rev.+19%3A8&version=NKJV)) | and **gaining admittance to festivities surrounding the marriage of the Lamb.**  ([Matt. 22:11-12; Rev. 19:9](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matt.+22%3A11-12%3B+Rev.+19%3A9&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Any Christian committing apostasy will have done three things:**  (drawing from [Num. 13-15; Heb. 3; 4; 6](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Num.+13-15%3B+Heb.+3%3B+4%3B+6&version=NKJV), it can easily be shown how Christians, in [Heb. 10:26](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+10%3A26&version=NKJV)ff, can sin wilfully today.) | **“trodden under foot the Son of God”**  ([Heb. 10:29](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+10%3A29&version=NKJV)) | ***“considered the blood of Christ*“ an unholy** [‘a common’] **thing**  ([Heb. 10:29](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+10%3A29&version=NKJV)) | ***insulted* “the Spirit of grace”**  ([Heb. 10:29](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+10%3A29&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Degrees of Prayer Intensity:**  ([Matthew 7:7](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+7%3A7&version=NKJV))  **"So I say to you,**  ([Luke 11:9](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+11%3A9&version=NKJV)) | ***Ask and it will be given to you;***  (Asking-Greek, *aiteo*, a request.)  ***ask, and it will be given to you;*** | ***seek and you will find;***  (Seeking-Greek, *zeteo*, a striving [more intense than a request].)  ***seek, and you will find;*** | ***knock and the door will be opened to you.***  (Knocking-Greek, *krouso*, a rapping, a thumping or pounding [even more intense].)  ***knock, and it will be opened to you.*** |
|  | **Christ, appearing to Israel as *the meek* or *lowly* One, allowed the governing Gentile power to array Him as a mock King. He was:** ([Matt. 27:27-31](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matt.+27%3A27-31&version=NKJV)). | **Clothed in purple.**  Mocked | **Crowned with a wreath made from thorns.**  Spat upon | **Given a reed for a scepter.**  Smitten |
|  | **Christ will inscribe upon the pillars of the temple (upon**  **overcoming [conquering] Christians) three things:**  ([Rev. 3:12](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+3%3A12&version=NKJV)) | **“the name of my**  **God,”** | **“the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem,”** | **“my new name.”** |
|  | **An individual cannot perform works:**  ([Jonah 2:9](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Jonah+2%3A9&version=NKJV); *cf.* [Eph. 2:8-9; Titus 3:5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Eph.+2%3A8-9%3B+Titus+3%3A5&version=NKJV)). | to ***be saved,*** | to ***stay saved,*** | or to ***show that he has been saved*.** |
|  | **Despite the attitude of the Church in Laodicea, Christ still extends an invitation for them to “repent.” It is not too late for them to:**  ([Rev. 3:18](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+3%3A18&version=NKJV)) | **buy “gold tried in the fire”** (that they might be rich), | **clothe themselves in “white raiment”** (that the shame of their nakedness might not be manifested), | and **anoint their “eyes with eyesalve”** (that they might see). |
|  | **When the birth of the nation of Israel occurred in Egypt, followed by this nation being removed from Egypt, there was a *purpose/goal:***  ([Gen. 12:3; Ex. 19:5-6](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+12%3A3%3B+Ex.+19%3A5-6&version=NKJV)). | **To be removed from one land,** | **be placed in another,** | and **realize the rights of primogeniture in that new land.**  (Promised Land) |
|  | **When God called the Church into existence, as when He called Israel into existence, there was *a purpose/goal*:**  ([1 Peter 1:3-11](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=I+Peter+1%3A3-11&version=NKJV)) | **To be removed from**  **one land,** | **be placed in another,** | and **realize the rights of primogeniture in that new land.**  (Kingdom of Heaven) |
|  | **In the coming age God’s firstborn sons (following the adoption) will occupy their proper places in relation to the earth as they exercise the rights of primogeniture:**  ([Gen. 22:17-18](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+22%3A17-18&version=NKJV)) | **Israel will occupy the earthly sphere of the kingdom.**  Israel being placed in this position on earth will effect the fulfillment of part of [Gen. 22:17](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+22%3A17&version=NKJV) (*the earthly seed* of Abraham [“*the sand* which is upon the seashore”] will “possess the gate of his enemies”). | **The Church will occupy the heavenly sphere of the kingdom.**  Christians being placed in this position in the heavens will effect the fulfillment of the other part of [Gen. 22:17](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+22%3A17&version=NKJV) (*the heavenly seed* of Abraham [“*the stars* of the heaven”] will “possess the gate of his enemies” [rule over his enemies].) | **Christ will rule in both spheres of the kingdom.**  Christ will rule from His Own throne in the heavenly Jerusalem, with Christians occupying positions as co-heirs on the throne; and Christ will also rule from David’s throne in the earthly Jerusalem, in the midst of His people Israel. |
|  | **Jesus said unto him (Peter), Verily I say unto thee, that this night, before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice.**  ([Mat. 26:34](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+26%3A34&version=NKJV)) | **But he denied before them all, saying, I know not what thou sayest.**  ([Mat 26:70](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+26%3A70&version=NKJV)) | **And again he denied with an oath, I know not the man.**  ([Mat 26:72](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+26%3A72&version=NKJV)) | **Then began he to curse and to swear, I know not the man. And straightway the cock crew.**  ([Mat 26:74](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+26%3A74&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before Jehovah thy God in the place which he shall choose:**  ([Deu. 16:16](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deu.+16%3A16&version=NKJV)) | **in the feast of unleavened bread,** | **in the feast of weeks,** | and **in the feast of tabernacles(** and they shall not appear before Jehovah empty). |
|  | **And Noah begat three sons:**  ([Gen. 6:10](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+6%3A10&version=NKJV)) | **Shem** | **Ham** | **Japheth** |
|  | **Go and speak unto David, saying, Thus saith Jehovah, I offer thee three things: choose thee one of them, that I may do it unto thee:**  ([1 Ch. 21:10](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Ch.+21%3A10&version=NKJV)) | **either three years of famine,**  ([1 Ch. 21:12](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Ch.+21%3A12&version=NKJV)) | **or three months to be consumed before thy foes, while the sword of thine enemies overtaketh thee,**  ([1 Ch. 21:12](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Ch.+21%3A12&version=NKJV)) | **or else three days the sword of Jehovah, even pestilence in the land, and the angel of Jehovah destroying throughout all the borders of Israel.**  ([1 Ch. 21:12](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Ch.+21%3A12&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **And these are the egresses of the city (Canaanite city):**  ([Eze. 48:30; Rev. 21:13](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Eze.+48%3A30%3B+Rev.+21%3A13&version=NKJV))  **Three gates northward:**  ([Eze. 48:31](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Eze.+48%3A31&version=NKJV))  **And at the east side:**  ([Eze. 48:32](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Eze.+48%3A32&version=NKJV))  **And at the south:**  ([Eze. 48:33](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Eze.+48%3A33&version=NKJV))  **At the west side:**  ([Eze. 48:34](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Eze.+48%3A34&version=NKJV)) | **The gate of Reuben**  **The gate of Joseph**  **The gate of Simeon**  **The gate of Gad** | **The gate of Judah**  **The gate of Benjamin**  **The gate of Issachar**  **The gate of Asher** | **The gate of Levi**  **The gate of Dan**  **The gate of Zebulun**  **The gate of Naphtali** |
|  | **And the king spake unto Ashpenaz the master of his eunuchs, that he should bring in *certain* of the children of Israel, even of the seed royal and of the nobles:**  ([Dan. 1:3](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Dan.+1%3A3&version=NKJV)) | Hananiah, ***of*** **Shadrach**,  ([Dan. 1:7; 3:23-28](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Dan.+1%3A7%3B+3%3A23-28&version=NKJV)) | Mishael, ***of*** **Meshach**, | Azariah, ***of*** **Abed-nego.** |
|  | **And Peter answered, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, I will make here three tabernacles:**  ([Mat. 17:4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+17%3A4&version=NKJV)) | **one for thee,** | **one for Moses,** | and **one for Elijah.** |
|  | **But now abideth:**  **(**[1 Cor. 13:13](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+13%3A13&version=NKJV)) | **Faith** | **Hope** | **Love**  (the greatest of these three) |
|  | **For there are three who bear witness:**  ([1 Jn. 5:8](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Jn.+5%3A8&version=NKJV)) | **the Spirit,** | **the water,** | and **the blood.** |
|  | **All Scripture, beginning with the writings of Moses, moves toward one great climactic event — that future day when the *Stone* “cut out without hands”:**  ([Dan. 2:34-35, 44-45](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Dan.+2%3A34-35%2C+44-45&version=NKJV); *cf*. [Isa. 2:2-4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Isa.+2%3A2-4&version=NKJV)). | ***smites* “the image,”** | ***becomes* “a great mountain,”** | **and *fills* “the whole earth”.** |
|  | **The followinganticipate the Son of Man coming into possession of the kingdom:**  This is the goal toward which the entire program of God has been moving since man’s creation almost 6,000 years ago, this is the goal toward which everything must continue moving, and this is the goal which *must* ultimately be reached.  ([Luke 19:12](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+19%3A12&version=NKJV)) | **The time between His departure into heaven and His reception of the kingdom (approx. 2,000 years [two days]),**  (A period of time had to elapse between the time when *the one new man* was brought into existence and the time when this *new man* would realize the reason for his existence.)  ([Mat. 21:43](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+21%3A43&version=NKJV)) | **His present position in heaven (seated at His Father’s right hand),**  **(**During the time when He is seated with His Father, the ones in a position to inherit with the Son in the coming kingdom are being extended an invitation to sit with the Son on His throne; and things are being brought into a state of readiness for the great climactic events which will terminate this dispensation.)  ([Rev. 19:11](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+19%3A11&version=NKJV)ff) | **and His present ministry in heaven (High Priest).**  **(**Christ is presently exercising the office of High Priest on behalf of Christians. He is ministering in the heavenly sanctuary, on the basis of His Own blood, for Christians who sin. Christians presently reside in a body of death; they still possess the old sin nature. And Christians, falling into sin, *must* have a High Priest to effect cleansing from their sins.)  ([Rev. 5:10](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+5%3A10&version=NKJV); *cf*. [Heb. 9:11-12, 24](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+9%3A11-12%2C+24&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **The reason for man’s very existence upon the earth involves *dominion over the earth:*** | ***Adam* was brought into existence for this**  **purpose,**  ([Gen. 1:26-28](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+1%3A26-28&version=NKJV)) | ***Israel* was brought into existence for this**  **purpose,**  ([Ex. 4:22-23](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ex.+4%3A22-23&version=NKJV)) | and ***the Church* was brought into existence for this same purpose.** ([Heb. 2:10](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+2%3A10&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Christ at the time of His return will bring an end to Gentile supremacy and open the way for God’s firstborn Sons (*three* in that day) to exercise their rights of primogeniture:** | **Jesus,** | **Israel,** | and the **Church.** |
|  | **At Christ's first coming "*the kingdom of the heavens*" was offered to Israel by:** | **John the Baptist,**  ([Mat. 3:1-2](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+3%3A1-2&version=NKJV)) | **Jesus,**  ([Mat. 4:17](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+4%3A17&version=NKJV)) | and **The Twelve.**  ([Mat. 10:7](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+10%3A7&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Offers of the “kingdom of the heavens” (offer of the scepter held by Satan and his angels) were given in:** | ***the gospels*** record the original offer of this kingdom to Israel, | ***the book of Acts*** records the re-offer of this kingdom to Israel (as well as recording the bringing into existence of the Church), | and ***the epistles*** record the subsequent (the present) offer being extended to Christians. |
|  | **Before God created man for regal purposes he created:** | **Angels,**  Man will one day rule the earth in the stead of ***angels***, realizing the reason for his creation in the beginning ([Heb. 2:5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+2%3A5&version=NKJV)). | the **material universe,** | and **His universal government.** |
|  | **Apostle Paul sought *to warn “every man*,” and *teach “every man* in all wisdom,” in order that he might *present “every man perfect [‘mature,’ ‘complete’] in Christ Jesus”.* His message was really threefold:**  **(**[Col. 1:28](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Col.+1%3A28&version=NKJV)) | ***a present preparation*,** | in view of ***a coming evaluation*,** | in furtherview of ***the kingdom to follow*.** |
|  | **“The hope of glory” in** [**Col. 1:27**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Col.+1%3A27&version=NKJV) **has to do with that hope Christians possess of one day occupying positions as co-heirs with Christ in the kingdom. This is referred to elsewhere in Scripture as:** | **“that blessed hope,”**  **(**[Titus 2:13](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Titus+2%3A13&version=NKJV)) | **“the hope set before us…as an anchor of the soul,”**  ([Heb. 6:18-19](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+6%3A18-19&version=NKJV)) | and **“the hope that is in you.”**  ([I Peter 3:15](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=I+Peter+3%3A15&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **The Gospel of Matthew outlines a sequence of events pertaining to Israel and the kingdom, which anticipate the existence of the Church, after a manner not seen in the other three gospels. The central message in Matthew’s gospel, leading up to the events surrounding Calvary, pertains to:** | ***the offer of the kingdom of the heavens to Israel,***  ([Mat. 4:12-25](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+4%3A12-25&version=NKJV)  [Offer and Reoffer of the Kingdom to Israel](http://bibleone.net/john/Signs%20in%20John_s%20Gospel,%20Introduction%20IV.pdf) | ***the rejection of the kingdom by Israel,***  ([Mat. 8:11-12; 23:13](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+8%3A11-12%3B+23%3A13&version=NKJV)**)** | and ***the removal of the kingdom from Israel.***  ([Mat 21:43](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+21%3A43&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **The expression “outer darkness” only appears three times in Scripture, and all three are found in Matthew’s gospel:** | [**Mat. 8:12**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+8%3A12&version=NKJV) | [**Mat. 22:13**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+22%3A13&version=NKJV) | [**Mat. 25:30**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+25%3A30&version=NKJV) |
|  | **The heavenly portion of the kingdom was taken from Israel so another separate and distinct group could occupy that which did not naturally belong to them. This group would be Gentiles who, at that time, were:**  ([Matt. 21:43](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matt.+21%3A43&version=NKJV); [Eph. 2:11-12](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Eph.+2%3A11-12&version=NKJV)) | ***aliens,*** | ***without hope,*** | and ***without God.*** |
|  | **The third appearance of “outer darkness” in Matthew’s gospel is in a tripartite called the Olivet Discourse which deals with three groups:**  ([Mat. 25:14-30](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+25%3A14-30&version=NKJV)) | ***the Jews,***  *The first part* of the discourse ([Mat. 24:4-36](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+24%3A4-36&version=NKJV)) deals exclusively with events pertaining to **Israel** during the coming Tribulation and with the return of the nation’s Messiah at the conclusion of the Tribulation. Israel had rejected the offer of the kingdom of the heavens, and now the nation must pass through the Great Tribulation and await her Messiah “in the way of thy judgments” ([Isa. 26:8](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Isa.+26%3A8&version=NKJV).  +++++++++++++++++++  (God will complete His dispensational dealings with Israel **second** [which includes judgment].) | ***the Christians,***  *The second part* of the discourse ([Mat. 24:37-25:30](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+24%3A37-25%3A30&version=NKJV)) deals with the **new recipients** of the offer of the kingdom of the heavens. The emphasis throughout this section is upon present faithfulness in view of a future time of reckoning, anticipating the kingdom.  +++++++++++++++++++  (God will complete His dispensational dealings with Christians **first** [which includes judgment].) | and ***the Gentiles.***  *The third part* of the discourse ([Mat. 25:31-46](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+25%3A31-46&version=NKJV)) deals with judgment upon living, saved **Gentiles** following Christ’s return at the conclusion of the Tribulation. These would be Gentiles saved mainly under the ministry of the 144,000 of [Rev. 7:4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+7%3A4&version=NKJV) who proclaim the “gospel of the kingdom” to the ends of the earth during the last half of the Tribulation.  +++++++++++++++++++  **(Then** God will judge saved Gentiles coming out of the tribulation immediately prior to His 1,000 year reign over this earth.) |
|  | ***As He was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying,***  ([Mat 24:3](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+24%3A3&version=NKJV)) | *"Tell us, when will these things happen,*  **When** would **these things** happen; that is, when would the temple be destroyed? | *and what will be the sign of Your coming,*  **What** would **be the sign of** His **coming**; that is, what supernatural event would precede His return to the earth to set up His kingdom? | *and of the end of the age?"*  What would be the sign **of the end of the age**; that is, what would announce the end of the age immediately prior to His glorious reign? (The second and third questions are essentially the same.) |
|  | **The manner in which the present government of the earth has been established is really quite simple in its overall scope:** | **God rules over all,** | **Satan (with his angels) rules under God,** | and **man rules under Satan (and his angels).** |
|  | **Through the nation which would emanate from the loins of Abraham through Isaac and Jacob, God was going to accomplish three things:** | **provide man with a Redeemer,** | **provide man with a written revelation, revealing His plans and purposes,** | and **ultimately place man in the position for which he had been created.** |
|  | **Skeletal Framework is clothed with:**  ([Eze. 37:6](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Eze.+37%3A6&version=NKJV)) | **Sinews** | **Flesh** | **Skin** |
|  | **The concept and meaning of salvation in the Scriptures is multi-dimensional:** | **A past aspect—justification,** agift from God of everlasting life received by faith alone in Christ alone, | **a present aspect—sanctification**, a progressive work that involves the faith and the works of the believer, | and **a future aspect—glorification,** for the overcomer as a positive results of the previous two aspects. |
|  | **It is a pervading characteristic of the whole course of redemption that God chooses:**  ([Reign of the Servant Kings by Joseph Dillow](http://www.bibleone.net/RSK_preface.html)) | **the younger before the elder,**  ([1 Cor. 1:26-27; Gen. 25:23; 48:14; Ex. 7:1; 1 Sam. 16:6-13; Heb. 8:13; 1 Cor. 15:45; Mat. 19:30](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+1%3A26-27%3B+Gen.+25%3A23%3B+48%3A14%3B+Ex.+7%3A1%3B+1+Sam.+16%3A6-13%3B+Heb.+8%3A13%3B+1+Cor.+15%3A45%3B+Mat.+19%3A30&version=NKJV)) | **sets the smaller in priority to the greater,** | and **chooses the second before the first.** |
|  | **Moses’ life is divided into three stages of 40 years:**  He lived 120 years.  ([Deut. 34:7](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deut.+34%3A7&version=NKJV)). | **His first forty years were spent in Egypt,** | **the second forty were spent in Midian as a shepherd,**  ([Acts 7:29](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Acts+7%3A29&version=NKJV)) | and **the last forty were spent in the wilderness.**  ([Num. 32:13](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Num.+32%3A13&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Each of Israel's first three kings reigned for forty years:** | **Saul,**  reigned eighteen years, during Samuel's life, and twenty two years after Samuel’s death, which make the space of forty years.  ([Act. 13:21](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Act.+13%3A21&version=NKJV)) | **David,**  ([2 Sam. 5:4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Sam.+5%3A4&version=NKJV)) | **Solomon,**  ([1 Ki. 11:42](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Ki.+11%3A42&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Naomi decided to move back to Judah when she heard that there was plenty of food there. Her two daughters-in-law started to accompany her. But when she urged them to return . . . to their homes in Moab, reminding them that she had no more sons to offer to them as husbands, Orpah kissed her mother-in-law and went back.**  ([Ruth 1:6-15](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ruth+1%3A6-15&version=NKJV))  **Notice the different attitudes of the three widows:** | **Naomi** was a *grieving* widow, stripped of the earthly joys of husband and family by divine judgment. | **Orpah**, having soberly considered the words of her mother-in-law, proved to be a *leaving* widow, choosing the easiest and most convenient course. | But **Ruth** was a *cleaving* widow, clinging to Naomi in spite of the latter's discouragements. When Ruth chose a new |
|  | **The death of three Jews in a Gentile land showed *a completeness (Divine perfection) in God’s judgment because of Israel’s disobedience:*** | **Elimelech,**  Naomi’s husband.  ([Ruth 1:3](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ruth+1%3A3&version=NKJV)) | **Mahlon,**  Naomi’s son.  ([Ruth 1:5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ruth+1%3A5&version=NKJV)) | **Chilion**,  Naomi’s son.  ([Ruth 1:5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ruth+1%3A5&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Christians are to be properly preparing themselves to meet Christ at His judgment seat in the same threefold manner seen in** [**Ruth 3:3**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ruth+3%3A3&version=NKJV)**:** | ***Washing oneself***has to do with cleansing (keeping oneself clean from the defilement connected with this present world system), | ***anointing oneself***has to do with the filling of the Spirit, | and***putting on******raiment***has to do with the wedding garment. |
|  | **Ruth and Orpah, following their husbands’ deaths, occupied the following relationship in the story of Ruth:** | **widowed Gentile women,** | **who are members of a Jewish family,** | **where *death* is involved in the family relationship.** |
|  | **There is nothing about the Christian life which is not, in some way, dependent on and connected with Israel:** | **Christians have a Jewish Saviour,** | **they have a Jewish instruction book (the Word of God),** | and **they are being offered positions in a sphere of the kingdom which was taken from Israel in time past (the heavenly sphere of the kingdom).** |
|  | ***A new nation* — *the one new man* “in Christ,” *the Church* — was called into existence to be the recipient of that which Israel had rejected. The existence of this new nation was dependent:** | ***First,* on spiritual life being acquired through a Jewish Saviour.** | ***Then,* it was dependent on an identity with Abraham through a work of the Spirit, placing the individual “in Christ.”** | ***And beyond that,* there was the Word of God, given through Jews, revealing all that a person needed to know about the Christian life.** |
|  | **The three main things seen in the Book of Ruth between an individual passing from death unto life** ([Ruth 1](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ruth+1&version=NKJV)a) **and that individual subsequently appearing before the judgment seat** ([Ruth 3](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ruth+3&version=NKJV)b) **are:** | ***1) the journey toward another land***  ([Ruth 1](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ruth+1&version=NKJV)b)**,** | ***2) work in the field throughout the present dispensation*** ([Ruth 2](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ruth+2&version=NKJV))**,** | and ***3) preparation for meeting Christ on His threshing floor, His judgment seat*** ([Ruth 3](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ruth+3&version=NKJV)a)***.*** |
|  | **The saving of the soul has to do with:** | ***present sufferings and***  ***death,*** | with a view to ***future glory and life,*** | to be realized in ***the coming kingdom of Christ.*** |
|  | [**Revelation 12**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Revelation+12&version=NKJV)**, as all of the book and the Bible as a whole, is rich in metaphors. Three metaphors are used to depict individuals or groups of individuals:** | a***woman****,*  (“The woman” can only be identified as *Israel* [from that stated about her in the chapter]). | a***dragon****,*  (“The dragon” is identified as *Satan* [[Rev. 12:9](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+12%3A9&version=NKJV)]). | and a***man child****.*  (“The man child” can only be identified as *“the remnant of her seed”* [[Rev. 12:17](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+12%3A17&version=NKJV)] — the 144,000 previously introduced and about to be dealt with again [[Rev. 14](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+14&version=NKJV)]). |
|  | **In** [**Revelation 6-16**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Revelation+6-16&version=NKJV)**, there are *three sets of sevens* comprising all of the judgments seen in the seven-sealed scroll:**  (“Three” is *the number of divine perfection,* and “seven” is *a complete number,* used throughout Scripture as *God’s number.)* | **seven seals,** | **seven trumpets,** | and **seven vials.** |
|  | **The people of Israel will be brought to the place where they will do that which God has said that they must do. The people of Israel:**  **And God, in turn, will then do that which He has said that He will do. God will:**  ([II Chron. 7:14](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=II+Chron.+7%3A14&version=NKJV)) | **will *humble themselves,***  ***hear from heaven,*** | ***pray and seek God’s face,***  ***forgive their sin,*** | **and turn from their wicked ways.**  ***and heal their land.*** |
|  | **The man typified by “Haman” in the Book of Esther is the prophesied *man of sin, the Antichrist,* who will arise at the very end of the time fulfilling Daniel’s Seventy-Week prophecy. He will control *all of Gentile world power.* Satan will give to this man:**  ([Rev. 13:2](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+13%3A2&version=NKJV)b) | **“his power,** | **and his seat [‘throne’],** | **and great authority.”**  (At the end of Man’s Day, he will occupy the same position which Satan offered to Christ during the temptation account, at Christ’s first coming [[Luke 4:5-6](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+4%3A5-6&version=NKJV)]). |
|  | **The Old Testament can be divided into three major sections:** | **Genesis through Esther (historic),** | **Job through the Song of Solomon (personal**  **and experiential),** | and **Isaiah through Malachi (prophetic).** |
|  | **The government of the earth will undergo a complete change in the Lord’s Day. Governmental rule will pass *from* the hands of:**  ***Into* the hands of:** | **Satan**  **Christ,** | **his angels,**  **His co-heirs,** | and **the Gentile nations,**  and **the nation of Israel.** |
|  | **God deals with mankind at large through Abraham’s seed, Isaac and Jacob:**  **God’s three firstborn Sons:** | descendants of Jacob through his twelve sons **(the nation of Israel)**;  **Israel**, | descendant of Jacob through Judah and David, Who is destined to sit on David’s throne **(Christ)**;  **Christ***,* | those placed “in Christ,” through a work of the Spirit during the present dispensation **(Christians)**.  *and the* **Church***.* |
|  | **Israel in that day (Messianic Era) will be *great* (at the head of the nations, rather than as today):**  (*cf.* [Luke 1:31-33; 2:13-14](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+1%3A31-33%3B+2%3A13-14&version=NKJV)). | the Jewish people will be ***accepted***(the present-day situation will be reversed), | the Jewish people will do that which is ***good***(looking out for the welfare of all), | and there will be ***worldwide******peace****.* |
|  | **The life of Joseph forms one of the most complete, overall types of Christ to be found in Scripture. Joseph sets forth in type:**  ([Gen. 37-45](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+37-45&version=NKJV)) | the ***beloved son of the father***who was sent to his brethren, | the ***son who was hated by his brethren,*** | and the ***son who eventually found himself exalted over all Egypt****.* And, being ***exalted over all Egypt****,* his brethren are seen coming into his presence and ***bowing before him****.* |
|  | **The life of Christ from His pre-incarnate existence with the Father to His future appearance in glory is depicted in the experiences of Joseph. Christ experiences in the antitype:** | ***Past History* (with the Father in the beginning, and sent to His brethren about 2,000 years ago).** | ***Present Position* (exalted to the right hand of Power, with His brethren removed from the scene, during which time He takes a Gentile bride).** | ***Future Glory* (following His dealings with His brethren once again, His revelation to them, their bowing before Him).** |
|  | **Joseph was *faithful* in every recorded experience God brought to pass in his life:**  And God has set him forth as a ***testimony***in things relating to His Son. | ***Potiphar’s house,***  ([Gen. 39:1-19](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+39%3A1-19&version=NKJV)) | ***in prison,***  ([Gen. 39:20-41:36](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+39%3A20-41%3A36&version=NKJV)) | and ***on the throne.***  ([Gen. 41:37](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+41%3A37&version=NKJV)ff) |
|  | **Joseph’s brothers hated him because of:**  ([Gen. 37:3-11](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+37%3A3-11&version=NKJV))  **Jesus was hated by His brethren because of:**  ([Matt. 26:59-68; 27:17-18; John 5:18; 7:7](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matt.+26%3A59-68%3B+27%3A17-18%3B+John+5%3A18%3B+7%3A7&version=NKJV)) | ***who*** he was**,**  ***Who*** He was, | the ***position***in which his dreams placed him,  the ***position*** in which His message placed Him, | and ***what*** he said**.**  and ***what*** He said. |
|  | **The bride is to be taken from Christians who are able to draw from the Word of God. (a*ble to draw water from the well)*:** | **Not only was Isaac’s bride found by a well,**  ([Gen. 24:11-20](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+24%3A11-20&version=NKJV)) | **but also Jacob’s bride,**  ([Gen. 29:6-10](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+29%3A6-10&version=NKJV)) | **and Moses’ bride**.  ([Ex. 2:16-21](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ex.+2%3A16-21&version=NKJV)). |
|  | **An evident connection between man’s rule and his partaking of the tree of life can be seen by noting:**  (*cf*. [Gen. 1:26-28; Rev. 2:26-27](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+37%3A3-11&version=NKJV)) | ***the appearance of this tree***in the Book of Genesis when man was in a position to rule,  (in Eden) | ***the absence of this tree***during the entire period when man is not in a position to rule,  (in the world today) | and ***the reappearance of this tree***in the Book of Revelation when man will once again be brought back into a position to rule.  (in the midst of the paradise of God) |
|  | **The fruit of this tree of life *would have provided* (for Adam) and *will provide* (for Christians) the necessary wisdom and understanding to govern:**  **(Just as Solomon possessed)** | **In Equity,** | **In Justice,** | and **In Righteousness.** |
|  | **The house of Israel, during time covered by events seen in the seven parables in** [**Mat. 13**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+13&version=NKJV)**, was to be left:**  ([Mat. 12:44; cf. Matt. 23:38](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+12%3A44%3B+Matt.+23%3A38&version=NKJV)) | **empty,** | **swept,** | and **garnished** (put in order). |
|  | **In Israel, when Christ was on earth the first time, the religious leaders misled the people and the prophecy of Isaiah was fulfilled in the actions of the Israelites of that day:** | **“For this people’s heart is waxed gross,** | **and their ears are dull of hearing,** | **and their eyes they have closed…”**  (Matt. 13:15a;  *cf.* Isa. 6:9-10, [Matt. 13:15; Isa. 6:9-10](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matt.+13%3A15%3B+Isa.+6%3A9-10%29&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Jesus speaks in parables because:** | **“…..while seeing they do not see,**  [Mat. 13:13](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+13%3A13&version=NKJV) | **and while hearing they do not hear,**  [Mat. 13:13](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+13%3A13&version=NKJV) | **nor do they understand.**  ([Mat. 13:13](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+13%3A13&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **The message of the hour proclaimed throughout Christendom at the beginning of this dispensation (Church) centered around:**  **This was the message which Paul referred to as:** | ***the faith,***  **“my gospel”,**  ([Rom. 16:25](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rom.+16%3A25&version=NKJV)) | ***the saving of the soul,***  **“our gospel”,**  ([II Cor. 4:3](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=II+Cor.+4%3A3&version=NKJV)) | ***the Word of the Kingdom.***  and **“the glorious gospel of Christ [*lit.,* ‘the gospel of the glory of Christ’]”.**  ([II Cor. 4:4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=II+Cor.+4%3A4&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Apostates are individuals who have initially *heard, understood,* and *received the truth,* but then “stood away from” the truth. They:** | **turned from the truth,** | **began to speak out against the truth,** | and**, in the process, taught that which was untrue.** |
|  | **In the Parable of the Treasure the Man:**  **Can only be a reference to three events occurring in the past:**  ([Mat. 13:44](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+13%3A44&version=NKJV)) | **finding the treasure,**  ***Christ’s ministry to Israel at His first coming,*** | **hiding the treasure,**  ***Israel being set aside,*** | and **selling all that He had.**  and ***Christ’s finished work at Calvary.*** |
|  | ***Helplessness* and *need* in the lives of Christians will be manifested as never before as Christians move deeper into the present ever increasing apostasy. To see safely through these dark days Christians need:**  ([Jude 2](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Jude+2&version=NKJV)) | ***mercy***(Divine help), | ***peace***(peace of God), | and ***love***(love of God). |
|  | ***“The word of God is:***  ([Heb. 4:12](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+4%3A12&version=NKJV)a) | ***quick* [*lit., ‘alive’*]*,*** | ***and powerful,*** | ***and sharper than any two-edged sword…”*** |
|  | ***Many will say unto Me in that day, Lord, Lord:***  ([Mat. 7:22](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+7%3A22&version=NKJV)) | ***have we not prophesied in Thy name?*** | ***And in Thy name have cast out devils* [‘*demons’*]*?*** | ***And in Thy name done many wonderful works?*** |
|  | **Those in the minority school view the six days in** [**Gen. 1-2**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+1-2&version=NKJV) **as time revealing God’s restoration of a ruined creation:** | **(*creation* seen in** [**Gen. 1:1**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+1%3A1&version=NKJV)**,** | ***a ruin of this creation* seen in** [**Gen. 1:2**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+1%3A2&version=NKJV)**a,** | and ***God’s restoration of the ruined creation* seen in** [**Gen. 2**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+2&version=NKJV)**b ff.)** |
|  | **The “nation, bringing forth the fruits thereof” is the second group of God’s people, the Church** ([1 Peter 2:9-10](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Peter+2%3A9-10&version=NKJV))**. This group begins at Pentecost and ends at the “rapture of the church.” To be a member of this group one must have:** | **lived between the time of the cross and the rapture,** | **exercised faith in the Lord Jesus Christ,** | and **brought forth spiritual fruit from his life.**  ([Matt. 21:43](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matt.+21%3A43&version=NKJV)). |
|  | **In this amazing Old Testament prophecy written 780 years before the birth of Jesus Christ, God once again uses His time scale of “a day with the Lord is as a thousand years.” But, unlike the message of 2 Peter, here He uses it to tell Israel:**  ([Hos. 5:15-6:2](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Hos.+5%3A15-6%3A2&version=NKJV)) | **how long their judgment will last,** | **when their restoration will come,** | **and when their Messiah will return to earth.** |
|  | **Our Lord describes His specific work in the lives of those who produce fruit and in those that do not, while giving us a beautiful picture of:**  ([John 15:1-2](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+15%3A1-2&version=NKJV)) | **Himself as the grapevine,** | **of the church as the branches,** | **and of God the Father as the one who tends the vine (the husbandman).** |
|  | **Those sons from whom the firstborn are resurrected at the judgment seat are presently known as:** | **“the general assembly,”** | **“the called,”** | and **“the body of Christ.”** |
|  | **God furnishes every need of the Christian that is running the race. “Therefore take no thought, saying,**  ([Mat. 6:31](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+6%3A31&version=NKJV)) | **What shall we eat?** | **or, what shall we drink?** | **or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?** |
|  | **The fear of the Lord is a reverential fear of not pleasing God. A fear of “suffering of loss”:**  ([Prov. 2:1-5](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Prov.+2%3A1-5&version=NKJV)) | **a fear of the consequences of willful sin,** *i.e*. unconfessed sin, | **a fear of the judgment of God that will come upon all the believers that have wasted their lives in the fulfillment of the things of this world,** | and **a fear of the sentence of God’s judgment that will last one thousand years.** |
|  | ***And Mephibosheth*** (type of the five foolish virgins) ***the son of Saul came down to meet the king; and he had neither:***  ([2 Sam. 19:24](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Sam.+19%3A24&version=NKJV)) | ***dressed his feet,***  (no witness in his walk) | ***nor trimmed his beard,***  (no witness in his talk) | ***nor washed his clothes, from the day the king departed until the day he came home in peace.***  (no confession of sin) |
|  | [**2 Timothy 4:7-8**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Timothy+4%3A7-8&version=NKJV) **seems to be saying that one cannot obtain the Crown of Righteousness without *first* winning the Crown of Life and the Incorruptible Crown. We see this in the construction of verse 7 which says:** | ***“I******have fought a good fight,*** | ***I have finished the course,*** | ***I have kept the faith:”*** |
|  | **Before a believer can serve God and bring forth fruit, he must *reckon* that he is dead *to* the law already, and can only be alive in Christ Jesus. For we not only:**  ([Rom. 6:4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rom.+6%3A4&version=NKJV)) | ***died* in Him,** | **but we were *buried* with him,** | **and then we were *raised* with Him.** |
|  | **God tells us that Israel is His firstborn son. This Includes:**  ([Exodus 4:22](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Exodus+4%3A22&version=NKJV)**)** | **Jacob (named Israel by God),** | **His twelve sons,** | **and all who have been born of the twelve tribes of Israel down through time unto today.** |
|  | **Is it possible for a believer to be dead but not alive? The answer is “yes” if he has not *reckoned* himself *dead* to the law and *alive* to Christ by faith. This can be illustrated as one:** | **dying,** | **being buried,** | **and then remaining in his grave when he has the power residing in him to rise to a new life.** |
|  | **In this dispensation (church) the “*gospel of the kingdom*” is not known by that title, but rather by the titles:** | **“the word of the kingdom,”**  ([Matt.13:19](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matt.13%3A19&version=NKJV)) | **“my gospel”**  ([Rom.16:25](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rom.16%3A25&version=NKJV)), | and **“the Great Salvation.”**  ([Heb. 2:3](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+2%3A3&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **Gehenna is a region of *destruction* and ruin which will contain:** | **fire,** | **the graves of the slain bodies of apostates,** | **and the blackness of darkness where the bodiless souls will be confined.** |
|  | **What will happen to those who are positioned to become a member of the bride, but instead *fall* away from God?**  ([Mat. 24:45-51](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+24%3A45-51&version=NKJV)) | First, He is going to **surprise them at His coming** (the rapture). | Secondly, He is going to ***cut* them asunder** (Gr. “*dichotomeo*” meaning to bisect), i.e. literally *slay* them by separating or bisecting their soul from the *body.* | Thirdly, He is going to ***appoint***(Gr. “*tithemi*,” meaning to place properly in a passive or horizontal posture) **their portion** (Gr. ‘*meros*,’ meaning an allotment or share) **with the hypocrites.** |
|  | **Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness When your fathers:**  ([Heb. 3:8-9](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+3%3A8-9&version=NKJV)) | **tempted me,** | **proved me,** | **and saw my works forty years.** |
|  | **Therefore prophesy and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, 0 my people,**  ([Eze. 37:12](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Eze.+37%3A12&version=NKJV)) | **I will open your graves,** | **and cause you to come up out of your graves,** | **and bring you into the land of Israel.** |
|  | **The second resurrection of the saved will be just after the millennium and just before the raising of the lost to be judged. There are three reasons for this position:** | First, God would not leave the bodies of the saints in the grave while He raises the lost, and judges them. The entire body of Christ will be witnesses to that great judgment. | Second, their sentence in Gehenna will be over at the conclusion of Christ’s kingdom on the earth. And we do not believe that God will allow them to stay there in confinement and in the grave one second more than is required. | Third, this resurrection will have to happen before Christ destroys death itself, since His saints cannot remain in the grave once this happens. |
|  | **In order for one to gain this spiritual body, he must have his spirit *redeemed,* his body *redeemed* and his soul *redeemed:*** | The **spirit** is redeemed the moment one believes on Jesus Christ. | The **body** is redeemed at the rapture of the church, | and the **soul** is redeemed at the Judgment Seat of Christ (or from “outer darkness” or Gehenna one thousand years later). |
|  | **These triads are drawn from OT examples of apostates:**  ***Yet in the same way these men, also by dreaming,***  ([Jude 8](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Jude+1%3A8&version=NKJV))  ***Woe to them!***  ([Jude 11](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Jude+11&version=NKJV)) | ***defile the flesh,***  ***For they have gone the way of Cain,*** | ***and reject authority,***  ***and for pay they have rushed headlong into the error of Balaam,*** | ***and revile angelic majesties.***  ***and perished in the rebellion of Korah.*** |
|  | **The promised Redeemer in** [**Gen. 3:15**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+3%3A15&version=NKJV) ***MUST,* at some following point in time, effect man’s redemption after the established pattern in** [**Gen. 3:21**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+3%3A21&version=NKJV)**. That is:** | first of all *the* ***Redeemer must be God****,* for only God can perform the work of redemption; | second, *the* ***Redeemer must provide a vicarious sacrifice****;* | and third, ***blood must be shed****.* |
|  | **"Men of Israel, listen to these words: Jesus the Nazarene, a man attested to you by God with:**  ([Acts 2:22](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Acts+2%3A22&version=NKJV)) | **miracles** | **and wonders** | **and signs which God performed through Him in your midst, just as you yourselves know--** |
|  | **Following a rebellion of the people, caused by their believing the false report given by ten of the twelve spies, Caleb and Joshua both sought to *encourage* them. They stressed that the people of Israel were not to fear those in the land. Then they pointed out three things:**  ([Num. 14:9](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Num.+14%3A9&version=NKJV)) | ***“they are bread for us,”*** | ***“their defence is departed from them,”*** | and ***“the Lord is with us.”*** |
|  | **The Messianic Era will be ushered in only following three things coming to pass:** | **the present dispensation running its course,** | **the Church being removed from the earth (along with attendant events surrounding Christians in heaven),** | and **God completing His dealings with Israel during a dispensation that lacks seven years to complete.** |
|  | **At the time of Christ’s first coming, the religious leaders in Israel belonged mainly to one of three different sects:** | the **Pharisees,** | the **Sadducees,** | or the **Herodians.** |
|  | **The “Synoptic Gospels,” cover numerous parallel events and presenting an overall scope of Christ’s ministry:** | **Matthew** | **Mark** | **Luke** |
|  | **Three divisions of mankind in Man’s Day:** | *The first dispensation* extends from **Adam to Abraham** — a ***2,000-year period*** — wherein God dealt with mankind in general (those we would know today as “Gentiles,” for there were no Jews or Christians at this time). | *The second dispensation* extends from **Abraham to Christ’s return** at the end of the Tribulation — another ***2,000-year period***, wherein God dealt/will deal with the Jewish people. However, time during this dispensation was stopped seven years short of completion, | and *a third* ***2,000-year dispensation***is seen within God’s plans and purposes prior to the last seven years of the second dispensation being fulfilled. *This third dispensation* began on the **day of** **Pentecost in 30 A.D., and it will end at the time of the Church’s removal.** |
|  | **The book of Revelation divides itself into three main sections in the opening chapter.**  ([Revelation 1:19](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Revelation+1%3A19&version=NKJV)) | *"Therefore write the things which you have seen,* | *and the things which are,* | *and the things which will take place after these things.* |
|  | **The Jews divide the OT into three parts:**  (The three-fold division is probably due to the official position and status of the writers and not to degrees of inspiration, differences of content or chronology.) | *The* ***Tora,***  *(Pentateuch)* | *the* ***prophets*** *(Former and Latter)* | *and the* ***Writings.*** |
|  | **The twin themes of blessing and cursing are carefully woven throughout the fabric of Genesis, and indeed the whole word of God.**  **The great *curses* are:**  **The great *blessings* are:** | *the* ***penalities of the Fall,***  *the* ***promise of a Redeemer,*** | *the* ***universal Flood***  *the* ***salvation of a remnant through the Flood,*** | *and the* ***confusion of tongues at Babel.***  *and the* ***choice of a special nation to be a channel of God’s grace, Israel.*** |
|  | **Eve yielded to the threefold temptation:**  ([Gen. 3:6](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+3%3A6&version=NKJV)) | *the lust of the flesh (****good for food****),* | *the lust of the eyes*  *(****pleasant to the eyes****),* | *and the pride of life (****a tree desirable to make one wise****).* |
|  | **For all that is in the world:**  ([1 John 2:16](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1John+2%3A16&version=NKJV)) | *the* ***lust of the flesh*** | *and the* ***lust of the eyes*** | *and* ***the boastful pride of life****, is not from the Father, but is from the world.* |
|  | **Jesus was going throughout all Galilee:**  ([Mat. 4:23](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+4%3A23&version=NKJV)) | ***teaching in their synagogues*** | ***and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom,***  Note: First use of “gospel” in the NT. | ***and healing every kind of disease and every kind of sickness among the people.*** |
|  | **These are *the records of* the generations of Noah.**  ([Gen. 6:9](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+6%3A9&version=NKJV)) | ***Noah was a righteous man,*** | ***blameless in his time;*** | ***Noah walked with God.*** |
|  | **But You, O LORD**  ([Psa. 3:3](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psa.+3%3A3&version=NKJV)) | ***are a shield about me,***  As his **shield**, the Lord gives him complete protection from enemy assaults. | ***My glory,***  As his glory, the Lord gives him honor, dignity and vindication in place of the shame, reproach and slander that were being heaped upon him. | ***and the One who lifts my head.***  As the lifter of his head, the Lord encourages and exalts him. |
|  | [**Proverbs 3:19-20**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Proverbs+3%3A19-20&version=NKJV) **describe the wisdom of God in creation, in judgment, and in providence:** | the **wisdom** of God in **creation**,  In creation He **founded the earth** and **established the heavens**. | in **judgment**,  With **understanding**, He opened up the fountains of the great deep at the time of the Flood. | and in **providence**.  By **providence**, He lifts the water from the ocean into the **clouds**, then distributes it again as rain upon the earth. |
|  | **"But I say to you that:**  ([Mat 5:22](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+5%3A22&version=NKJV))  There is no mistaking the severity of the Savior's words.  The progressive heightening of the crimes demand three degrees of punishment:  In the kingdom, Jesus will deal with sins according to severity. | ***everyone who is angry with his brother shall be guilty before the court;***  He teaches that anger contains the seeds of murder,  the ***judgment***, | ***and whoever says to his brother, 'You good-for-nothing,' shall be guilty before the supreme court;***  that abusive language contains the spirit of murder,  the ***council***, | ***and whoever says, 'You fool,' shall be guilty enough to go into the fiery hell.***  and that cursing language implies the very desire to murder.  and ***hell fire*.** |
|  | **God made a marvelous covenant with Abram which included the following significant promises:**  ([Gen. 13:14-17](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen.+13%3A14-17&version=NKJV)) | **a land**—that is, the **land** of Canaan; | **a great nation**— namely, the Jewish people; material and spiritual prosperity for Abram and his seed; | a **great name** for Abram and his posterity. |
|  | **We see on Calvary God's perfect Lamb Who met the three conditions of the Father:** | He was God's own gift, | He died in the place of others and | it was by the shedding of His own precious blood. |
|  | **My son, observe the commandment of your father And do not forsake the teaching of your mother; Bind them continually on your heart; Tie them around your neck.**  ([Pro. 6:20-22](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Pro.+6%3A20-22&version=NKJV))  **(**[Pro. 6:23](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Pro.+6%3A23&version=NKJV)) | ***When you walk about, they will guide you;***  Guidance  ***For the commandment is a lamp***  for guidance | ***When you sleep, they will watch over you;***  Protection  ***and the teaching is light;***  for protection | ***And when you awake, they will talk to you.***  Instruction  ***And reproofs for discipline are the way of life***  for teaching |
|  | ***for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.***  ([Luke 2:11](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+2%3A11&version=NKJV)) | First, He is **a Savior**, which is expressed in His name, Jesus. | Then He is **Christ**, the Anointed of God, the Messiah of Israel. | Finally, He is **the Lord**, God manifest in the flesh. |
|  | **There was a threefold purpose behind the call of the twelve:**  ([Mark 3:13-16](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark+3%3A13-16&version=NKJV)) | ***they would be with Him,*** | ***and that He could send them out to preach,*** | ***and to have authority to cast out the demons.*** |
|  | ***The Spirit of the LORD will rest on Him,***  ([Isa 11:2](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Isa+11%3A2&version=NKJV))  **W. E. Vine explains them clearly and concisely:**  ([Isa 11:2](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Isa+11%3A2&version=NKJV)) | ***The spirit of wisdom and understanding,***  [relates to powers of mind: wisdom discerns the nature of things, understanding discerns their differences] | ***The spirit of counsel and strength,***  [relates to practical activity: counsel is the ability to adopt right conclusions, might is the power exercised in carrying them out] | ***The spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.***  [relates to fellowship with Jehovah; knowledge is here a knowledge of Jehovah (both details of this pair go with "of Jehovah"); Christ Himself said "ye have not known Him (*gin–sk–*, *i.e*., ye have not begun to know Him), but I know Him (*oida*, *i.e*., I know Him intuitively and fully)", [John 8:55](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8%3A55&version=NKJV).] |
|  | **The disciples are warned in the Parable of the Sower against the three great antagonists of the gospel:**  ([Mat 13:18-23](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+13%3A18-23&version=NKJV)) | (1) **the devil** (the birds—the evil one); | (2) **the flesh** (the scorching sun—tribulation or persecution); and | (3) **the world** (the thorns— cares of the world and the delight in riches). |
|  | ***They speak falsehood to one another; With flattering lips and with a double heart they speak.***  ([Psalm 12:2](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+12%3A2&version=NKJV)) | ***They speak falsehood to one another;***  **Lies**—They are guilty not only of blatant forms of deceit, but of white lies, half-truths, exaggerations and broken promises. | ***With flattering lips and***  **Flattery**—They heap insincere compliments on others. Praise is not the same as flattery; it only becomes flattery when it ascribes virtues to a person which he is known not to possess. And flattery usually has some sinister or selfish motive. | ***with a double heart they speak.***  **Two-facedness**—They think one thing and say something quite different. Like Machiavelli, they practice duplicity and intrigue. |
|  | ***Our Lord then exposed the man's failure to love his neighbor as himself by telling him to:***  ([Mat 19:21](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+19%3A21&version=NKJV)) | ***sell*** *all his possessions* | ***and give*** *the money* ***to the poor****.* | *Then he should* ***come*** *to Jesus and* ***follow*** *Him.* |
|  | ***"The vine-growers took his slaves and*:**  **(**[Mat 21:35](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+21%3A35&version=NKJV)) | ***beat one,*** | ***and killed another,*** | ***and stoned a third.*** |
|  | ***"When the harvest time approached, he sent his slaves to the vine-growers to receive his produce.***  **(**[Mat 21:34](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+21%3A34&version=NKJV)) | ***"The vine-growers took his slaves and beat one, and killed another, and stoned a third.***  **(**[Mat 21:35](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+21%3A35&version=NKJV)) | ***"Again he sent another group of slaves larger than the first; and they did the same thing to them.***  **(**[Mat 21:36](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+21%3A36&version=NKJV)) | ***"But afterward he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.'***  **(**[Mat 21:37](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+21%3A37&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?"**  **And He said to him, " 'YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD:**  ([Mat 22:36-37](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+22%3A36-37&version=NKJV)) | **WITH ALL YOUR HEART,**  The heart speaks of the emotional nature, | **AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL,**  the soul of the volitional nature, | **AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND.'**  and the mind of the intellectual nature. |
|  | **Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.**  **And after He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He then became hungry.**  ([Mat 4:1-2](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+4%3A1-2&version=NKJV)) | *And the tempter came and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread."*  *But He answered and said, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE, BUT ON EVERY WORD THAT PROCEEDS OUT OF THE MOUTH OF GOD.'"*  ([Mat 4:3-4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+4%3A3-4&version=NKJV)) | *Then the devil \*took Him into the holy city and had Him stand on the pinnacle of the temple,*  *and \*said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down; for it is written, 'HE WILL COMMAND HIS ANGELS CONCERNING YOU'; and 'ON their HANDS THEY WILL BEAR YOU UP, SO THAT YOU WILL NOT STRIKE YOUR FOOT AGAINST A STONE.'" Again, the devil \*took Him to a very high mountain and \*showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory;*  *Jesus said to him, "On the other hand, it is written, 'YOU SHALL NOT PUT THE LORD YOUR GOD TO THE TEST.'"*  ([Mat 4:5-7](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+4%3A5-7&version=NKJV)) | *Again, the devil \*took Him to a very high mountain and \*showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory;*  *and he said to Him, "All these things I will give You, if You fall down and worship me."*  *Then Jesus \*said to him, "Go, Satan! For it is written, 'YOU SHALL WORSHIP THE LORD YOUR GOD, AND SERVE HIM ONLY.'"*  ([Mat 4:8-10](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+4%3A8-10&version=NKJV)) |
|  | **When the King judges the nations notice that three classes are mentioned:**  *And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats:*  ([Mat 25:32](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+25%3A32&version=NKJV)) | **sheep,**  (The first two classes, over whom Christ sits in judgment, are saved Gentiles alive at the end of the Tribulation.)  ([Mat 25:32](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+25%3A32&version=NKJV)) | **goats,**  (These are saved Gentiles alive at the end of the Tribulation. The sheep will be allowed to “inherit the kingdom,” but not so with the goats.)  ([Mat. 25:34, 41](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat.+25%3A34%2C+41&version=NKJV)) | and **Christ's brethren**.  *And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.*  ([Mat 25:40](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+25%3A40&version=NKJV)) |
|  | *But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth,*  ([Mat 13:23](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+13%3A23&version=NKJV))  Note: These three levels of fruit bearing represent the three levels of rule in the coming kingdom and are seen in other parables of Matthew. | *some an hundredfold,* | *some sixty,* | *some thirty.* |
|  | **Comparing the Parable of the Sower to itself, recorded in two other gospels, there is a marked difference in its settings, word constructions and meanings. The Holy Spirit has purposely done this to give a complete picture of the three-fold salvation of those (the good soil) who will inherit the kingdom.** | **Luke’s** parable of the sower shows the fruit-bearing Christian by emphasizing the “**salvation of the spirit**”;  ([Luke 8:5-18](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+8%3A5-18&version=NKJV)) | **Mark’s** gospel reveals the fruit-bearing Christian by emphasizing the “**salvation of the soul**”, i.e., his submission to the Lordship of Christ over his life.  ([Mark 4:3-20](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark+4%3A3-20&version=NKJV)) | Finally, **Matthew** completes the trinity of salvation, revealing the fruit-bearing Christian by emphasizing his submission to the word of the kingdom, *i.e*., the “**great salvation**” ([Heb. 2:3](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Heb.+2%3A3&version=NKJV)).  ([Mat 13:3-23](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mat+13%3A3-23&version=NKJV)) |
|  | ***Now he*** (Joseph) ***had still another dream, and related it to his brothers, and said, "Lo, I have had still another dream; and behold,***  ([Gen 37:9](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen+37%3A9&version=NKJV)) | ***the sun*** | ***and the moon*** | ***and eleven stars were bowing down to me."*** |
|  | ***He said, "What pledge shall I give you?" And she said,***  (Tamar decided to "hook" Judah by laying a trap.)  ([Gen 38:18](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Gen+38%3A18&version=NKJV)) | ***"Your seal*** | ***and your cord,*** | ***and your staff that is in your hand." So he gave them to her and went in to her, and she conceived by him.*** |
|  | ***But as it is written:***  ([1 Cor. 2:9](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Cor.+2%3A9&version=NKJV)) | ***"EYE HAS NOT SEEN,*** | ***NOR EAR HEARD,*** | ***NOR HAVE ENTERED INTO THE HEART OF MAN THE THINGS WHICH GOD HAS PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM."*** |
|  | ***The "how's" of*** [***Romans 10:14***](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+10%3A14&version=NKJV)***.*** | ***How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed?*** | ***And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard?*** | ***And how shall they hear without a preacher?*** |
|  | ***Write the***  ([Rev 1:19](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev+1%3A19&version=NKJV)) | ***who is***  *the faithful witness,*  ***"who is***  ***things which you have seen,*** | *and* ***who was***  *the firstborn from the dead,*  *and* ***who was***  *and the* ***things which are,*** | *and* ***who is to come****, and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne,*  *and the ruler over the kings of the earth.*  *and* ***who is to come****, the Almighty."*  *and the* ***things which will take place after this*** |
|  | ***and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part***  ([Rev. 22:19](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+22%3A19&version=NKJV)) | ***from the Book of Life,*** | ***from the holy city,*** | ***and from the things which are written in this book.*** |
|  | ***For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself;***  ([Mar 4:28](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mar+4%3A28&version=NKJV)) | ***first the blade,*** | ***then the ear,*** | ***after that the full corn in the ear.*** |
|  | ***Unholy Trinity***  ([Rev. 13:1-18](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+13%3A1-18&version=NKJV)) | ***Satan, also known as the dragon and the devil***  ([Rev. 13:4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+13%3A4&version=NKJV)) | ***First beast also known as the antichrist***  ([Rev. 13:4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+13%3A4&version=NKJV)) | ***The false prophet also known as the second beast***  ([Rev. 13:11](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+13%3A11&version=NKJV)ff) |
|  | **Stories about "finding."**  ([Luke 15:3-32](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+15%3A3-32&version=NKJV)) | A single sheep was lost and found  ([Luke 15:4-7](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+15%3A4-7&version=NKJV)) | a coin was lost and found  ([Luke 15:8-10](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+15%3A8-10&version=NKJV)) | a son was lost and found  ([Luke 15:11-32](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+15%3A11-32&version=NKJV)) |
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| Jon. 1:17 *And Jehovah prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah; and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights* | |
| Mat. 12:40 *for as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the whale; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.* | |
| Mar. 9:31 *For he taught his disciples, and said unto them, The Son of man is delivered up into the hands of men, and they shall kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he shall rise again.* | |
| Mar. 10:34 *and they shall mock him, and shall spit upon him, and shall scourge him, and shall kill him; and after three days he shall rise again.* | |
| **Leaven** | The leaven which the woman hid in the **three measures of meal** in [Matt. 13:33](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matt.+13%3A33&version=NKJV) has done its damaging work, and it will continue working until *the whole of Christendom* has been leavened; and, because of the working of the leaven, the Church will exist at the end of the dispensation in the state depicted by the Church in Laodicea — “wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked”. These three measures of meal that the woman was attempting to destroy with leaven represents the **threefold doctrine** of Christ (doctrine of redemption, doctrine of the lordship of Jesus Christ and doctrine of the coming kingship of Jesus Christ) ([Rev. 3:14](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Rev.+3%3A14&version=NKJV)ff). |
| **Jesus** | Jesus was in the tomb only **three days** ([Acts 2:27](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Acts+2%3A27&version=NKJV)).  Peter denied Jesus **three** times.  **Three** times Pilate wanted to release Jesus, but **three** times the chief priests and rulers rejected Him ([Luke 23:13-25](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+23%3A13-25&version=NKJV)).  **Three** days were enough to prove that Jesus had conquered sin, death, and the grave. |
| **Jonah** | Jonah was in the belly of the big fish **three** days. |
| **Samuel** | Samuel heard his name called three times before Eli confirmed that it was God calling Samuel.  ([I Samuel 3:8](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=I+Samuel+3%3A8&version=NKJV)). |
| **Tabernacle** | The Holy of Holies was a **cube** (10 cubits x 10 cubits x 10 cubits) |
| **Temple** | The Holy of Holies was a **cube** (20 cubits x 20 cubits x 20 cubits) |

**The Trinity**

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|  | **Father** | **Son** | **Holy Spirit** |
| **Called God** | Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.  *(Phil. 1:2)* | In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. *(John 1:1, 14)*  For in him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily.  *(Col. 2:9)* | But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back *part* of the price of the land?  Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God.  *(Acts 5:3-4)* |
| **Creator** | But now, O LORD, thou *art* our father; we *are* the clay, and thou our potter; and we all *are* the work of thy hand.  Thus saith the LORD, thy redeemer, and he that formed thee from the womb, I *am* the LORD that maketh all *things*; that stretcheth forth the heavens alone; that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself; *(Isaiah 64:8, 44:24)* | All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.  Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: *(John 1:3)*  For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether *they be* thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:  And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.  *(Col 1:15-17)* | The Spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life.  By his spirit he hath garnished the heavens; his hand hath formed the crooked serpent.  *(Job 33:4, 26:13)* |
| **Resurrects** | And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, *even* Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come. *(1 Thess. 1:10)* | Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.  Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again.  *(John 2:19, 10:17)* | But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you*.*  *(Rom 8:11)* |
| **Indwells** | And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in *them*; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. *(Cor. 6:16)* | To whom God would make known what *is* the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory: *(Col. 1:27)* | *Even* the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. *(John 14:17)* |
| **Everywhere** | But will God indeed dwell on the earth? behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house that I have builded? *(1 Kings 8:27)* | Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, *even* unto the end of the world. Amen. *(Matt. 28:20)* | Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence?  If I ascend up into heaven, thou *art* there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou *art there*.  *If* I take the wings of the morning, *and* dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea;  Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.  *(Psalm 139:7-10)* |
| **All knowing** | For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things.  *(1 John 3:20)* | Now are we sure that thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask thee: by this we believe that thou camest forth from God. He saith to him again the second time, Simon, *son* of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep.  *(John 16:30, 21:17)* | But God hath revealed *them* unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.  For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. *(1 Cor. 2:10-11)* |
| **Sanctifies** | 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.  *(1 Thess. 5:23)* | For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified *are* all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren,  *(Heb. 2:11)* | Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied. *(1 Peter 1:2)* |
| **Life giver** | And the LORD God formed man *of* the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.  *(Gen. 2:7)*  For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth *them*; even so the Son quickeneth whom he will. *(John 5:21)* | All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth *them*; even so the Son quickeneth whom he will. *(John 1:3, 5:21)* | Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.  How shall not the ministration of the spirit be rather glorious?  *(2 Cor. 3:6, 8)* |
| **Fellowship** | That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship *is* with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ. *(1 John 1:3)* | God *is* faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.  *(1 Cor. 1:9)* | The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, *be* with you all. Amen. *(2 Cor. 13:14)*  If *there be* therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies,  *(Phil. 2:1)* |
| **Eternal** | Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou *art* God. *(Ps. 90:2)* | Now gather thyself in troops, O daughter of troops: he hath laid siege against us: they shall smite the judge of Israel with a rod upon the cheek.  But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, *though* thou be little among the thousands of Judah, *yet* out of thee shall he come forth unto me *that is* to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth *have been* from of old, from everlasting.  *(Micah 5:1-2)* | But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.  *(Rom. 8:11)*  How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?  *(Heb. 9:14)* |
| **A Will** | Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.  *(Luke 22:42)* | Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.  *(Luke 22:42)* | But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.  *(1 Cor. 12:11)* |
| **Speaks** | And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. *(Matt. 3:17)*  For what is a man advantaged, if he gain the whole world, and lose himself, or be cast away? *(Luke 9:25)* | And when he saw their faith, he said unto him, Man, thy sins are forgiven thee.  And he said unto her, Thy sins are forgiven.  *(Luke 5:20; 7:48)* | Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot.  And the Spirit bade me go with them, nothing doubting. Moreover these six brethren accompanied me, and we entered into the man’s house:  As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.  *(Acts 8:29; 11:12; 13:2)* |
| **Love** | For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.  *(John 3:16)* | Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; *(Eph. 5:25)* | Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ’s sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in *your* prayers to God for me; *(Rom. 15:30)* |
| **Searches the heart** | I the LORD search the heart, *I* try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, *and* according to the fruit of his doings. *(Jer. 17:10)* | And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works. *(Rev. 2:23)* | But God hath revealed *them* unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.  *(1 Cor, 2:10)* |
| **We belong to** | I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine. *(John 17:9)* | I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word. (Jn. 17:6) |  |
| **Savior** | Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the commandment of God our Saviour, and Lord Jesus Christ, *which is* our hope;  For this *is* good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour;  For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe. *(1 Tim. 1:1; 2:3; 4:10)* | But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel:  *(2 Tim. 1:10)*  To Titus, *mine* own son after the common faith: Grace, mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour.  Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour;  *(Titus 1:4; 3:6)* |  |
| **We serve** | Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.  Then the devil leaveth  *(Matt. 4:10-11)* | Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ. *(Col. 3:24)* |  |
| **Believe in** | Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. *(John 14:1)* | Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. *(John 14:1)* |  |
| **Gives joy** |  | This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. *(John 15:11)* | If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.  *(John 14:7)* |
| **Judges** | "But I do not seek My glory; there is One who seeks and judges.  *(John 8:50)* | For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth *them*; even so the Son quickeneth whom he will. *(John 5:21)* |  |