

Philippians 4:4

Rejoice in the Lord always;
again I will say, Rejoice.

Philippians 4:5-7

Let your reasonableness be known to everyone.
The Lord is at hand;
do not be anxious about anything,
but in everything by prayer
and supplication with thanksgiving
let your requests be made known to God.

And the peace of God,
which surpasses all understanding,
will guard your hearts and your minds
in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:8

Finally, brothers, whatever is true,
whatever is honorable, whatever is just,
whatever is pure, whatever is lovely,
whatever is commendable,
if there is any excellence,
if there is anything worthy of praise,
think about these things.

Philippians 4:9

What you have learned and received
and heard and seen in me –
practice these things,
and the God of peace will be with you.

Philippians 4:8-9

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think about these things ...
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Whatever is just ...
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and the God of peace will be with you.

Matthew 23:27-28

“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which outwardly appear beautiful, but within are full of dead people’s bones and all uncleanness.

“So you also outwardly appear righteous to others, but within you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness.”

Psalm 1:1-3

Blessed is the man who walks
not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
but his delight is in the law of the LORD,
and on his law he meditates day and night.

He is like a tree planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither.

In all that he does, he prospers.

Matthew 10:24-25

“A disciple is not above his teacher,
nor a servant above his master.

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and the servant like his master.

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John 15:18

“If the world hates you,
know that it has hated me
before it hated you.”

The Cultural Revolution



“Speech was given to man
to disguise his thoughts.”

~Charles Maurice de Talleyrand

1 Peter 3:17

For it is better to suffer for doing good,
if that should be God's will,
than for doing evil.

1 Peter 2:20-25

For what credit is it if,
when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure?
But if when you do good and suffer for it
you endure, this is a gracious thing
in the sight of God.

For to this you have been called,
because Christ also suffered for you,
leaving you an example,
so that you might follow in his steps.

1 Peter 2:20-25

He committed no sin,
neither was deceit found in his mouth.
When he was reviled, he did not revile in return;
when he suffered, he did not threaten,
but continued entrusting himself
to him who judges justly.

1 Peter 2:20-25

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree,
that we might die to sin and live to righteousness.
By his wounds you have been healed.
For you were straying like sheep,
but have now returned to the Shepherd
and Overseer of your souls.

Matthew 9:13

“Go and learn what this means,
‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.’
For I came not to call the righteous,
but sinners.”

Romans 3:9-12

What then? Are we Jews any better off?
No, not at all. For we have already charged
that all, both Jews and Greeks, are under sin,
as it is written:

“None is righteous, no, not one;
no one understands;
no one seeks for God.
All have turned aside;
together they have become worthless;
no one does good,
not even one.”

Romans 3:23-25

For all have sinned and fall short
of the glory of God,
and are justified by his grace as a gift,
through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,
whom God put forward as a propitiation
by his blood, to be received by faith.

This was to show God's righteousness,
because in his divine forbearance
he had passed over former sins.

Romans 1:16-17

For I am not ashamed of the gospel,
for it is the power of God for salvation
to everyone who believes,
to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

For in it the righteousness of God is revealed
from faith for faith, as it is written,
“The righteous shall live by faith.”

2 Corinthians 5:21

For our sake he made him to be sin
who knew no sin,
so that in him we might become
the righteousness of God.

2 Corinthians 4:6-10

For God, who said,
“Let light shine out of darkness,”
has shone in our hearts to give the light
of the knowledge of the glory of God
in the face of Jesus Christ.

But we have this treasure in jars of clay,
to show that the surpassing power
belongs to God
and not to us.

2 Corinthians 4:6-10

We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed;
perplexed, but not driven to despair;
persecuted, but not forsaken;
struck down, but not destroyed;
always carrying in the body the death of Jesus,
so that the life of Jesus may also be
manifested in our bodies.

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ,

he is a new creation.

The old has passed away;

behold, the new has come.

Hebrews 11:1

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for,
the conviction of things not seen.

Hebrews 12:1-3

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 12:1-3

Consider him who endured from sinners
such hostility against himself,
so that you may not grow weary
or fainthearted.

1 Peter 4:12-19

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial
when it comes upon you to test you,
as though something strange
were happening to you.

But rejoice insofar as you share
Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice
and be glad when his glory is revealed.

If you are insulted for the name of Christ,
you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory
and of God rests upon you.

1 Peter 4:12-19

But let none of you suffer as a murderer
or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler.
Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian,
let him not be ashamed,
but let him glorify God in that name.

For it is time for judgment to begin at the
household of God; and if it begins with us,
what will be the outcome for those
who do not obey the gospel of God?
And “If the righteous is scarcely saved,
what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?”

1 Peter 4:12-19

Therefore let those who suffer
according to God's will
entrust their souls to a faithful Creator
while doing good.