



# The Scripture Collection

**A Curated Collection  
to Help You Thrive in Every Season**



# About This Collection

At the foundation of a thriving life is God's Word.

**The Scripture Collection** was created initially as a personal resource. As I meditated on these scriptures in various seasons of life, they became a key part of my faith. I pray that they will help you in the same way they have helped me — a simple, intentional resource to help you stay anchored in biblical truth as you navigate everyday life, leadership, and work. These carefully selected scriptures serve as reminders of who God is, what He promises, and how His Word guides us in every season.

This booklet is designed to be practical and accessible—something you can return to often. Whether you are beginning your day, facing a challenge, or seeking clarity in a decision, these verses invite you to pause, reflect, and align your heart and actions with God's truth.

As you spend time in Scripture, allow it to shape your perspective, strengthen your faith, and influence how you show up in the places God has called you. Thriving isn't about striving harder—it's about building your life on a strong, biblical foundation.

May **The Scripture Collection** equip and encourage you to live with wisdom, purpose, and confidence—rooted in God's Word.



# Ambassador Mission

**We represent Jesus to our sphere of influence.**

**2 Corinthians 5:20 NIV** - “We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God.”

**Jesus gives us the mission and blueprint for our lives.**

**Matthew 28:19-20 MSG** - “Jesus, undeterred, went right ahead and gave his charge: “God authorized and commanded me to commission you: Go out and train everyone you meet, far and near, in this way of life, marking them by baptism in the threefold name: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Then instruct them in the practice of all I have commanded you. I’ll be with you as you do this, day after day after day, right up to the end of the age.”

**The Holy Spirit empowers you to live a life that impacts others.**

**Acts 1:8 NIV** - “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

**When we think like the world we miss God’s best for our lives.**

**Romans 12:2 NIV** - “Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.”

**We choose our priorities. Making God #1 correctly aligns all things in our life.**

**Matthew 6:33 NIV** - “But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

### **Prayer changes people forever.**

**1 Timothy 2:14 MSG** - “The first thing I want you to do is pray. Pray every way you know how, for everyone you know... This is the way our Savior God wants us to live... He wants not only us but everyone saved.”

### **Our actions reveal what we believe most.**

**John 8:31 NLT** - “Jesus said to the people who believed in him, “You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings.”

### **Don't be weird. Be Normal.**

**Titus 2:78 MSG** - “But mostly, show them all this by doing it yourself, incorruptible in your teaching, your words solid and sane. Then anyone who is dead set against us, when he finds nothing weird or misguided, might eventually come around.”

### **Prayer opens the door to the miraculous.**

**James 5:16 NIV** - “Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.”

### **Actions speak louder than words.**

**1 Peter 2:15 NIV** - “For it is God’s will that by doing good you should silence the ignorant talk of foolish men.”

### **People are always watching us.**

**Acts 16:25 NIV** - “About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them.”

### **Godly character is the best foundation to build a life on.**

**1 Timothy 4:16 MSG** – “Keep a firm grasp on both your character and your teaching. Don’t be diverted. Just keep at it. Both you and those who hear you will experience salvation.”

### **Do not compromise Godly standards in business.**

**Proverbs 11:1 MSG** - “God hates cheating in the marketplace; He loves it when business is aboveboard.”

### **Honest, right living brings peace.**

**Proverbs 10:9 NIV** - “Whoever walks in integrity walks securely, but whoever takes crooked paths will be found out.”

### **Our work is our worship to God.**

**Colossians 3:17 NIV** - “And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.”

### **Living with Godly conviction has the power to change the people around me.**

**Romans 1:16 NIV** - “For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is God’s power for salvation to everyone who believes, first to the Jew, and also to the Greek.”



# Do Not Be Afraid

## To Zechariah about Elizabeth

**Luke 1:13** - “But the angel said to him: “***Do not be afraid***, Zechariah; your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you are to give him the name John.”

## To Mary

**Luke 1:30** - “But the angel said to her, “***Do not be afraid***, Mary you have found favor with God.”

## To Joseph about Mary

**Matthew 1:20** - “But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph son of David, ***do not be afraid*** to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.”

## To the Shepherds

**Luke 2:10** - “But the angel said to them, “***Do not be afraid***. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.”

## To those He called to follow

**Luke 5:10** - “and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon’s partners. Then Jesus said to Simon, “***Do not be afraid***; from now on you will catch men.”

**Mark 5:36** - “Ignoring what they said, Jesus told the synagogue ruler, “***Do not be afraid***; just believe.”

**Luke 8:50** - “Hearing this, Jesus said to Jairus, “***Do not be afraid***; just believe, and she will be healed.”

### To the Apostle Paul

**Acts 18:9** - “One night the Lord spoke to Paul in a vision: “***Do not be afraid***; keep on speaking, do not be silent.”

**Acts 27:24** - “and said, ‘***Do not be afraid***, Paul. You must stand trial before Caesar; and God has graciously given you the lives of all who sail with you.’”

### To the Daughter of Zion

**John 12:15** - “***Do not be afraid***, O Daughter of Zion; see your king is coming, seated on a donkey’s colt.”

### To His Disciples about Persecution

**Matthew 10:26** - “So ***do not be afraid*** of them. There is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known.”

**Matthew 10:28** - “***Do not be afraid*** of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in hell.”

**Matthew 10:31** - “So ***do not be afraid***; you are worth more than many sparrows.”

**Luke 12:4** - “I tell you, my friends, ***do not be afraid*** of those who kill the body and after that can do no more.”

### To His Disciples about Deliverance

**Matthew 14:27** - “But Jesus immediately said to them: “Take courage! It is I. “***Do not be afraid.***”

**Mark 6:50** - “Because they all saw him and were terrified. Immediately he spoke to them and said, “Take courage! It is I. ***Do not be afraid.***”

**John 6:20** - “But he said to them, “It is I; *do not be afraid*; just believe.”

### To His Disciples about Provision

**Luke 12:32** - “*Do not be afraid*, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom.”

**Luke 12:7** - “Indeed, the very hairs of your head are all numbered. *Do not be afraid*, you are worth more than many sparrows.”

### To His Disciples before His Death

**Job 14:27** - “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and *do not be afraid*.”

### To His Disciples at His Transfiguration

**Matthew 17:7** - “But Jesus came and touched them. “Get up,” he said. “*Do not be afraid*.”

### To the Women after the Resurrection

**Matthew 28:5** - “The angel said to the women, “*Do not be afraid*, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified.”

**Matthew 28:10** - “Then Jesus said to them, “*Do not be afraid*. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”



# Faith Confessions

**I can do it! I will do it through Christ.**

**Philippians 4:13 (NIV)** - “I can do everything through him who gives me strength.”

**I am totally convinced, what God started will happen.**

**Philippians 1:6 (NIV)** - “Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.”

**I can conquer any fear because Christ lives in me.**

**Romans 8:37 (NIV)** - “No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.”

**I will have the victory through Jesus.**

**1 Corinthians 15:57 (NIV)** - “But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

**God created me to succeed.**

**Ephesians 2:10 (NIV)** - “For we are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”



# Generosity

**Definition of Generosity:** Showing a readiness to give more of something, as money or time, than is strictly necessary or expected.

**Mark 4:24-25 (MSG)** - “Listen carefully to what I am saying—and be wary of the shrewd advice that tells you how to get ahead in the world on your own. Giving, not getting, is the way. Generosity begets generosity. Stinginess impoverishes.”

**Proverbs 11:24 (MSG)** - “The world of the generous gets larger and larger; the world of the stingy gets smaller and smaller. ”

## Generosity Encouraged

**2 Corinthians 9:6-11 (NIV)** - “<sup>6</sup> Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.

<sup>7</sup> Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

<sup>8</sup> And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

<sup>9</sup> As it is written: “They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor; their righteousness endures forever.”

<sup>10</sup> Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness.

<sup>11</sup> You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.”

## Generous with your Time

**Proverbs 11:25 (NIV)** - “A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.”

**Isaiah 32:8 (NLT)** - “But generous people plan to do what is generous, and they stand firm in their generosity.”

## Generous with your Finances

**Proverbs 3:9-10 (NIV)** - “<sup>9</sup>Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; <sup>10</sup> then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.”

**Deuteronomy 8:18 (NIV)** – “But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today.”

## Generous with your Words

**Proverbs 18:21 (MSG)** - “Words kill, words give life; they’re either poison or fruit—you choose.”

**Ephesians 4:29 (NIV)** - “Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.”

## Generous with your Talents

**1 Peter 4:10 (NIV)** - “Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.”

**Acts 20:35 (NLT)** - “And I have been a constant example of how you can help those in need by working hard. You should remember the words of the Lord Jesus: ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”

## Generous with your Resources

**1 John 3:17 (AMPC)** - “But if anyone has this world’s goods (resources for sustaining life) and sees his brother and fellow believer in need, yet closes his heart of compassion against him, how can the love of God live and remain in him?”

**Galatians 6:7 (PHILLIPS)** - “Don’t be under any illusion: you cannot make a fool of God! A man’s harvest in life will depend entirely on what he sows.”

**Proverbs 22:9 (CSV)** - “A generous person will be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor.”

## Generosity is an Act of Worship

**2 Corinthians 9:11-14 (ESV)** - “<sup>11</sup>You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

<sup>12</sup> For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God.

<sup>13</sup> By their approval of this service, they will glorify God because of your submission that comes from your confession of the gospel of Christ, and the generosity of your contribution for them and for all others,

<sup>14</sup> while they long for you and pray for you, because of the surpassing grace of God upon you.”

**Hebrews 13:16 (MSG)** - “Make sure you don’t take things for granted and go slack in working for the common good; share what you have with others. God takes particular pleasure in acts of worship—a different kind of “sacrifice”—that take place in kitchen and workplace and on the streets.”

## Generosity is a Posture of the Heart

**Matthew 6:21 (NLT)** - “Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.”

**Matthew 6:1,3-4 (NLT)** - “<sup>1</sup>Watch out! Don’t do your good deeds publicly, to be admired by others, for you will lose the reward from your Father in heaven...

<sup>3</sup>But when you give to someone in need, don’t let your left hand know what your right hand is doing.

<sup>4</sup>Give your gifts in private, and your Father, who sees everything, will reward you.”

## Generosity is Following Christ’s Example

**1 John 2:56 (AMP)** - “ But whoever habitually keeps His word and obeys His precepts [and treasures His message in its entirety], in him the love of God has truly been perfected [it is completed and has reached maturity]. By this we know [for certain] that we are in Him: whoever says he lives in Christ [that is, whoever says he has accepted Him as God and Savior] ought [as a moral obligation] to walk and conduct himself just as He walked and conducted Himself.

# Healing

**Matthew 21:22 (NIV)** - “If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer.”

**Psalms 103:2-3 (NIV)** - “<sup>2</sup>Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits — <sup>3</sup>who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases.”

**Mark 11:24 (NIV)** - “Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.”

**James 5:14-15 (NIV)** - “<sup>14</sup>Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup> And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven.

**Luke 1:37 (NIV)** - “For nothing is impossible with God.”

**Exodus 23:25 (NIV)** - “Worship the Lord your God, and his blessing will be on your food and water. I will take away sickness from among you.”

**2 Corinthians 5:7 (NIV)** - “For we live by faith, not by sight.”

**Exodus 15:26 (NIV)** - “He said, “if you listen carefully to the voice of the Lord your God and do what is right in his eyes. if you pay attention to his commands and keep all his decrees, I will not bring on you any of the diseases I brought on the Egyptians, for I am the Lord, who heals you.”

**Hebrews 10:35-36 (NIV)** - “<sup>35</sup>So do not throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded. <sup>36</sup>You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised.”

**Psalms 107:20 NLT** - “He sent out his word and healed them, snatching them from the door of death.”

**Hebrews 13:8 NIV** - “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.”

**Matthew 8:16-17 NIV** - “<sup>16</sup>When evening came, many who were demon-possessed were brought to him, and he drove out the spirits with a word and healed all the sick. <sup>17</sup>This was to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet Isaiah: “He took up our infirmities and carried our diseases.”

# Honor

**Definition of Honor:** to show great esteem, to give worth and value, to acknowledge and commend, to compliment, give praise, glorify and celebrate.

## Honor is a Commandment with a Promise

### **Ephesians 6:2-3**

**NIV** “<sup>2</sup> Honor your father and mother”—which is the first commandment with a promise— <sup>3</sup> “so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.”

**AMP** “<sup>2</sup> Honor (esteem and value as precious) your father and your mother—this is the first commandment with a promise— <sup>3</sup> That all may be well with you and that you may live long on the earth.”

### **1 Samuel 2:30**

**ESV** “Therefore the Lord, the God of Israel, declares: ‘I promised that your house and the house of your father should go in and out before me forever,’ but now the Lord declares: ‘Far be it from me, for those who honor me I will honor, and those who despise me shall be lightly esteemed.’”

**NLT** “Therefore, the Lord, the God of Israel, says: I promised that your branch of the tribe of Levi would always be my priests. But I will honor those who honor me, and I will despise those who think lightly of me.

## Honor Begins with the Heart

### **Isaiah 29:13**

**NIV** “The Lord says: “These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.

Their worship of me is based on merely human rules they have been taught.”

**AMP** “And the Lord said, For as much as this people draw near Me with their mouth and honor Me with their lips but remove their hearts and minds far from Me, and their fear and reverence for Me are a commandment of men that is learned by repetition [without any thought as to the meaning],”

### **Mark 6:4-5**

**NLT** “<sup>4</sup>Then Jesus told them, “A prophet is honored everywhere except in his own hometown and among his relatives and his own family.”

<sup>5</sup> And because of their unbelief, he couldn’t do any miracles among them except to place his hands on a few sick people and heal them.”

**AMP** “<sup>4</sup>But Jesus said to them, A prophet is not without honor (deference, reverence) except in his [own] country and among [his] relatives and in his [own] house.

<sup>5</sup> And He was not able to do even one work of power there, except that He laid His hands on a few sickly people [and] cured them.”

### **Honor One Another**

#### **Romans 12:10**

**CEV** “Love each other as brothers and sisters and honor others more than you do yourself.”

**NIV** “Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above ourselves.”

**ESV** “Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor.”

**MSG** “Love from the center of who you are; don’t fake it. Run for dear life from evil; hold on for dear life to good. Be good friends who love

deeply; practice playing second fiddle.”

### **1 Peter 2:17**

**NKJV** “Honor all people. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king.”

**AMP** “Show respect for all men [treat them honorably]. Love the brotherhood (the Christian fraternity of which Christ is the Head). Reverence God. Honor the emperor.”

### **Honor Time - Yours & Others**

#### **Ephesians 5:16**

**PHILLIPS** “Live life, then, with a due sense of responsibility, not as men who do not know the meaning and purpose of life but as those who do. Make the best use of your time, despite all the difficulties of these days.”

**NASB** “...making the most of your time, because the days are evil.”

#### **Proverbs 14:23**

**GW** “In hard work there is always something gained, but idle talk leads only to poverty.”

**NIV** “All hard work brings a profit, but mere talk leads only to poverty.”

**GNT** “Work and you will earn a living; if you sit around talking you will be poor.”

#### **Proverbs 12:24**

**TLB** “Work hard and become a leader; be lazy and never succeed.”

**MSG** “The diligent find freedom in their work; the lazy are oppressed by work.”



# Humility

**Philippians 2:3-4** - “<sup>3</sup>Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. <sup>4</sup>Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interest of others.”

## Pride:

**(hyperēphania):** Haughtiness, arrogance, selfish, ostentatious. It is characterized as disdainful attitude towards others, as superior attitude.

## Consequences of Pride:

**Destruction** (Professionally & Relationally)

**Proverbs 16:18** - “Pride goes before destruction, a hughty spirit before a fall.”

## **Relationship Destruction**

**Proverbs 13:10** - “Pride only breeds quarrels, but wisdom is found in those who take advice.”

## **People Not Reached**

**Romans 12:16** - “Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.”

## Humility: (Jesus example)

***Praus (prah-ooce')***: A humility that is considerate, unassuming, gentle, mild, meek. Jesus showed a greater power than armed might, the power of humble wisdom and penetrating love. Meekness is not weakness, but power under perfect control.

**Philippians 2:6-8** - “<sup>6</sup>Who, being a very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. <sup>8</sup>And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death - even death on a cross!”

## Benefits of Humility:

### Salvation

**Psalms 149:4** - “For the Lord takes delight in his people; he crowns the humble with salvation.”

### God Speaking to Us

**Numbers 12:3 & 8** - “<sup>3</sup>(Now Moses was a very humble man, more than anyone else on the face of the earth.) <sup>8</sup>With him I speak face to face, clearly and not in riddles; he sees the form of the Lord...”

### Restoration

**2 Chronicles 7:14** - “If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”

### Supernatural Power

**Proverbs 3:34** - “He mocks proud mockers but shows favor to the humble and oppressed.”

## Practical Humility:

### Service

**Acts 20:19** - “I served the Lord with great humility and with tears, although I was severely tested by the plots of the Jews.”

### Staying Teachable

**Psalms 25:9** - “He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way.”

### Taking Correction

**Proverbs 12:1** - “Whoever loves discipline loves knowledge, but he who hates correction is stupid.”

**Proverbs 15:12** - “Mockers resent correction, so they avoid the wise.”

### Apologizing

**Proverbs 6:2-3** - “<sup>2</sup>If you have been trapped by what you said, ensnared by the words of your mouth. <sup>3</sup>So do this, my son, to free yourself, since you have fallen into your neighbor’s hands: Go—to the point of exhaustion— and give your neighbor no rest!”

### Being a Peacemaker

**Romans 14:19** - “Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification.”

### Acknowledging God

**Proverbs 3:5-6** - “<sup>5</sup>Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; <sup>6</sup>in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.”



# True Identity in Christ

**We are justified (declared “not guilty” of sin).**

**Romans 3:24** - “and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

**No condemnation awaits us.**

**Romans 8:1** - “Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus,”

**We are set free from the Law of Sin & Death.**

**Romans 8:2** - “because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.”

**We are more than conquerors in Christ.**

**Romans 8:37** - “No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.”

**We are sanctified (made holy) in Jesus Christ.**

**1 Corinthians 1:2** - “To the church of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be his holy people, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ—their Lord and ours:”

**We are pure & holy in Jesus Christ.**

**1 Corinthians 1:30** - “It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption.”

**We will be made alive at the resurrection.**

**1 Corinthians 15:2** - “By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.”

### **We are new persons.**

**2 Corinthians 5:17** - “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!”

### **We are made right with God.**

**2 Corinthians 5:21** - “God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”

### **We are blessed with every spiritual blessing in Christ.**

**Ephesians 1:3** - “Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.”

### **We are holy & without fault.**

**Ephesians 1:4** - “For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love”

### **We are adopted as God’s children.**

**Ephesians 1:5** - “he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will—”

### **Our sins are taken away & we are forgiven.**

**Ephesians 1:7** - “In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God’s grace”

### **We will be brought under Christ’s authority.**

**Ephesians 1:10-11** - “<sup>10</sup> to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.

<sup>11</sup> In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will,”

**We are marked as belonging to God through the Holy Spirit.**

**Ephesians 1:13** - “And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit,”

**We have been raised up to sit with Christ in the heavenly realms.**

**Ephesians 2:6** - “And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus,”

**We have been given fullness in Christ.**

**Ephesians 2:10** - “For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”

**We are set free from our sinful nature.**

**Colossians 2:11** - “In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self ruled by the flesh was put off when you were circumcised by Christ,”

**We have a spirit of love, power, & a sound mind in Christ.**

**2 Timothy 1:7** - “For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline.”

**We will have eternal glory.**

**2 Timothy 2:10** - “Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.”



# Integrity

**Definition of Integrity:** Strict, uncompromising adherence to a moral code of ethics.

## Having Integrity - It's as Simple as:

### Doing What You Say

**James 5:12 NIV** - "Let your "yes" be yes, and your "no" be no, or you will be condemned."

### Being Honest at Your Job

**Proverbs 16:11 MSG** - "God cares about honesty in the workplace, your business is his business.

**Proverbs 11:1 MSG** - "God hates cheating in the marketplace; he loves it when business is aboveboard.

### Pay Your Taxes & Don't Cheat

**Matthew 22:21 NIV** - "Then he said to them, "give to Caesar's what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."

### Pay What You Owe

**Proverbs 3:27 NIV** - "Do not withhold good from those who deserve it, when it is in your power to act."

### Admit When You Make a Mistake & Make Amends

**Proverbs 6:2-3 NIV** - "<sup>2</sup>You have been trapped by what you said, ensnared by the words of your mouth. <sup>3</sup>So do this, my son, to free yourself, since you have fallen into your neighbor's hands: Go - to the point of exhaustion - and give your neighbor no rest!"

## Increasing Integrity:

### **Make a Decision to Be a Person of Integrity. It's a Choice!**

**Deuteronomy 30:19 NIV** - "This day I call heaven and earth as witness against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live..."

### **Think Before You Act**

**Proverbs 14:8 NIV** - "The wisdom of the prudent is to give thought to their ways, but the folly of fools is deception."

### **Think Before You Speak**

**Proverbs 13:3 MSG** - "Careful words make for a careful life; careless talk may ruin everything."

### **Ask God to Help You Make the Right Choices**

**James 1:5 NIV** - "If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him."

### **Do What God Tells You**

**Proverbs 139:23-24 NIV** - "Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."

### **Have Close Associations with People of Integrity**

**Proverbs 13:20 NIV** - "Become wise by walking with the wise; hang out with fools and watch your life fall to pieces."

### **Have People in Your Life that Keep You Accountable**

**Proverbs 27:17 NIV** - "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another."

## **Benefits of Integrity:**

### **God's Protection is Around People of Integrity**

**Proverbs 13:6 NIV** - "Righteousness guards the man of integrity, but wickedness overthrows the sinner."

### **People Will Receive Jesus, It Is a Great Witness**

**1 Timothy 4:16 NIV** - "Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers."

### **You Will Be Promoted**

**Nehemiah 7:2 NIV** - "I put in charge of Jerusalem my brother Hanani, along with Hananiah the commander of the citadel, because he was a man of integrity and feared God more than most people do."

### **It Will Cause Favor in Your Life**

**Psalms 112:5 NIV** - "Good will come to him who is generous and lends freely, who conducts his affairs with justice."



# Marriage

**Our spouse is perfectly made by God for us.**

**Genesis 2:18 NIV** - “Then the Lord God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him.”

**You and your spouse are one. When one hurts, both hurts; When one succeeds, both succeeds.**

**Genesis 2:24 NIV** - “That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh.”

**The quality of your character affects your marriage.**

**Proverbs 12:4 NIV** - “A wife of noble character is her husband’s crown, but a disgraceful wife is like decay in his bones.”

**Intentionally speak life into each other.**

**Proverbs 15:1 NIV** - “A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.”

**Marriage is an avenue for blessings from God.**

**Proverbs 18:22 NIV** - “He who finds a wife finds what is good and receives favor from the LORD.”

**Your spouse is a gift from God.**

**Proverbs 19:14 NIV** - “Houses and wealth are inherited from parents, but a prudent wife is from the LORD.”

**Good character in marriage is foundational if you want to build a healthy and successful relationship.**

**Proverbs 21:10-12 NIV** - “<sup>10</sup>A wife of noble character who can find? She is worth far more than rubies. <sup>11</sup>Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value.

<sup>12</sup> She brings him good, not harm, all the days of her life.”

**Partnership in marriage makes life enjoyable.**

**Ecclesiastes 9:9 NIV** - “Enjoy life with your wife, whom you love...”

**God sometimes puts the wisdom you need inside your spouse.**

**Proverbs 31:26 NIV** - “She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue.”

**There is nothing more important than unity. Let your actions and efforts pursue unity.**

**Ephesians 4:2-3 NIV** - “<sup>2</sup> Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. <sup>3</sup> Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.”

**Unresolved anger is dangerous. Don't sleep on it. Make every effort to resolve your anger.**

**Ephesians 4:26 NIV** - “In your anger do not sin”: Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry,”

**Speak life over your spouse. Your words become a reality to your marriage.**

**Ephesians 4: 29 NIV** - “Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.”

**The contents of your heart will affect your marriage. Make sure to regularly keep clear accounts and refresh yourself with the spirit of God.**

**Ephesians 4:31-32 NIV** - “<sup>31</sup> Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. <sup>32</sup> Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”

**Selfishness is toxic to a marriage. Live self-less and think of your spouse's interests above your own.**

**Philippians 2:3-4 NIV** - “<sup>3</sup> Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, <sup>4</sup> not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.”



# Need Help? Got Help!

**Consistently asking God to help (intervene) will bring great results.**

## **Matthew 7:7-8**

**NIV** “Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.”

**MSG** “Don’t bargain with God. Be direct. Ask for what you need. This isn’t a cat-and-mouse, hide-and-seek game we’re in. Keep on asking and it will be given to you; keep on seeking and you will find; keep on knocking reverently and the door will be opened to you.”

**AMP** “For everyone who keeps on asking receives; and he who keeps on seeking finds; and to him who keeps on knocking, the door will be opened.”

**NLT** “Keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for. Keep on seeking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives. Everyone who seeks, finds. And to everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.”

**God does not have secrets FROM us; he has secrets FOR us.**

## **Jeremiah 33:3**

**NIV** “Call to Me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.”

**MSG** “Call to Me and I will answer you. I’ll tell you marvelous and wondrous things that you could never figure out on your own.”

**AMP** “Call to Me and I will answer you and show you great and mighty things, fenced in and hidden, which you do not know (do not distinguish and recognize, have knowledge of and understand).”

**NLT** “Ask Me and I will tell you remarkable secrets you do not know about things to come.”

**True wisdom - The right application of truth. This comes only from God & is limitless to those who seek it!**

### **James 1:5**

**NIV** “If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him.”

**MSG** “If you don’t know what you’re doing, pray to the Father. He loves to help. You’ll get His help, and won’t be condescended to when you ask for it.”

**AMPC** “If any of you is deficient in wisdom, let him ask of the giving God, [Who gives] to everyone liberally and ungrudgingly, without reproaching or faultfinding, and it will be given to him.”

**NLT** “If you need wisdom, ask our generous God and He will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking.”

**The reward is that He tells & shows you what to do.**

### **Hebrews 11:6**

**AMP** “But without faith it is impossible to [walk with God and] please Him, for whoever comes [near] to God must [necessarily] believe that God exists and that He rewards those who [earnestly and diligently] seek Him..”

**NLT** “And it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him.”

**Positioning ourselves to hear God & to recognize His voice are key for supernatural breakthrough!**

### **1 Samuel 3:10**

**NIV** “The LORD came and stood there, calling as at the other times, “Samuel! Samuel!” Then Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant is listening.”

**MSG** “Then God came and stood before him exactly as before, calling out, “Samuel! Samuel!” Samuel answered, “Speak. I’m your servant, ready to listen.”

**NKJV** “Now the LORD came and stood and called as at other times, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel answered, “Speak, for your servant hears.”



# Perseverance

## **James 1:24 NIV**

“<sup>2</sup>Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, <sup>3</sup> because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. <sup>4</sup> Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.”

## **James 1:12 NIV**

“Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him.”

## **Galatians 6:9 ESV**

“And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.”

## **Hebrews 6:12 ERV**

“...we want you to be like those who, because of their faith and patience, will get what God has promised.”

## **John 15:20 NIV**

“If they persecuted me, they will persecute you also. If they obeyed my teaching, they will obey yours also.”

## **Job 42:2 CSB**

“I know that you can do all things; no purpose of yours can be thwarted.”

## **2 Chronicles 15:7 ESV**

“But you, take courage! Do not let your hands be weak, for your work shall be rewarded.”

### **Psalm 27:14 ESV**

“Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!”

### **Proverbs 4:25-26 NIV**

<sup>25</sup> Let your eyes look straight ahead; fix your gaze directly before you.  
<sup>26</sup> Give careful thought to the paths for your feet and be steadfast in all your ways.”

### **Lamentations 3:22-24 ESV**

<sup>22</sup> The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; <sup>23</sup> they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.  
<sup>24</sup> “The LORD is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.”

### **Philippians 1:6 ESV**

“And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.”

### **Philippians 13:14 NABRE**

“I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God’s upward calling, in Christ Jesus.”

### **Hebrews 10:23 ESV**

“Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.”

### **Revelation 2:2-3 NIV**

<sup>2</sup> I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked people, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false. <sup>3</sup> You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name, and have not grown weary.”

**Romans 5:3-5 NLT**

“<sup>3</sup>We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. <sup>4</sup>And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. <sup>5</sup>And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.”

**Hebrews 10:36 NIV**

“You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised.”

**Romans 15:13 NIV**

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

**1 Corinthians 15:58 NIV**

“Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.”

**2 Thessalonians 3:13 NIV**

“And as for you, brothers and sisters, never tire of doing what is good.”



# Purpose

## You Are God's Masterpiece

### Ephesians 2:10

**AMP** “For we are His workmanship [His own master work, a work of art], created in Christ Jesus [reborn from above—spiritually transformed, renewed, ready to be used] for good works, which God prepared [for us] beforehand [taking paths which He set], so that we would walk in them [living the good life which He prearranged and made ready for us].”

## God Has a Special Purpose for Your Life

### Jeremiah 29:11-12

**NIV** “<sup>11</sup> For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. <sup>12</sup> Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.”

**GNT** “<sup>11</sup> I alone know the plans I have for you, plans to bring you prosperity and not disaster, plans to bring about the future you hope for. <sup>12</sup> Then you will call to me. You will come and pray to me, and I will answer you.”

## You Are Part of a Greater Plan

### Romans 8:28

**AMP** “And we know [with great confidence] that God [who is deeply concerned about us] causes all things to work together [as a plan] for good for those who love God, to those who are called according to His plan and purpose.”

## You Were Designed for Greatness

### Romans 11:29

**AMP** “For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable [for He does not withdraw what He has given, nor does He change His mind about those to whom He gives His grace or to whom He sends His call].”

## Build God’s Kingdom

### Matthew 6:33

**NIV** “But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

**BAR** “Make the Kingdom of God and life in loyalty to Him, the object of all your endeavor, and you will get all these other things as well. ”

## Serving People

### 1 Peter 4:10

**NIV** “Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.”

# Serving At Work

**Definition of Helper:** someone that meets needs.

**Diakoneo (dee-ak-on-eh'-o):** (Greek) to be a servant; to minister

## Benefits of Serving:

### Keys to Greatness

#### **Matthew 20:25-27**

**NLT** - “<sup>25</sup>But Jesus called them together and said, “You know that the rulers in this world lord it over their people, and officials flaunt their authority over those under them. <sup>26</sup>But among you it will be different. Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant, <sup>27</sup>and whoever wants to be first among you must become your slave.”

**NIV** - “...<sup>26</sup>Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>27</sup>and whoever wants to be first must be your slave.”

### Great Witness

#### **2 Corinthians 9:12-13**

**NIV** - “<sup>12</sup>This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord’s people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. <sup>13</sup>Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else.”

### Protection

#### **Isaiah 54:17**

**NLT** - “But in that coming day no weapon turned against you will

succeed. You will silence every voice raised up to accuse you. These benefits are enjoyed by the servants of the Lord; their vindication will come from me. I, the Lord, have spoken!”

**MSG** - “But no weapon that can hurt you has ever been forged. Any accuser who takes you to court will be dismissed as a liar. This is what God’s servants can expect. I’ll see to it that everything works out for the best.” God’s Decree.”

**AMP** - “This [peace, righteousness, security, triumph over opposition] is the heritage of the servants of the Lord [those in whom the ideal Servant of the Lord is reproduces].”

## God Speaks to Us

### Numbers 12:7-8

**NLT** - “<sup>7</sup>But not with my servant Moses. Of all my house, he is the one I trust. <sup>8</sup>I speak to him face to face, clearly, and not in riddles! He sees the LORD as he is.”

## Practical Serving:

## Helping Others

### 1 Peter 4:10

**NLT** - “God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another.”

**NIV** - “Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.”

## Adding Value to Others

### Ephesians 6:7-8

**NLT** - “<sup>7</sup>Work with enthusiasm, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people. <sup>8</sup>Remember that the Lord will reward each one of us for the good we do, whether we are slaves or free.”

**NIV** - “<sup>7</sup>Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people, <sup>8</sup>because you know that the Lord will reward each one for whatever good they do, whether they are slave or free.”

**MSG** - “Good work will get you good pay from the Master, regardless of whether you are slave or free.”

## Being Loyal

### Colossians 3:22-23

**NKJV** - “<sup>22</sup>Bondservants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh, not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but in sincerity of heart, fearing God. <sup>23</sup>And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men.”

**MSG** - “Servants, do what you’re told by your earthly masters. And don’t just do the minimum that will get you by. Do your best. Work from the heart for your real Master, for God, confident that you’ll get paid in full when you come into your inheritance. Keep in mind always that the ultimate Master you’re serving is Christ. The sullen servant who does shoddy work will be held responsible. Being a follower of Jesus doesn’t cover up bad work.”

## Going the Extra Mile

### Matthew 5:41

**NKJV** - “And whoever compelled you to go one mile, go with him two.”

**MSG** - “And if someone takes unfair advantage of you, use the occasion to practice the servant life. No more tit-for-tat stuff. Live generously.”

## Respect Authority

### 1 Peter 2:18-19

**NLT** - “<sup>18</sup>You who are slaves must accept the authority of your masters with all respect. Do what they tell you - not only if they are kind and reasonable, but even if they are cruel. <sup>19</sup>For God is pleased with you

when you do what you know is right and patiently endure unfair treatment.”

**AMPC** - ”<sup>18</sup>[You who are] household servants, be submissive to your masters with all [proper] respect, not only to those who are kind and considerate and reasonable, but also to those who are surly (overbearing, unjust, and crooked). <sup>19</sup>For one is regarded favorably (is approved, acceptable, and thankworthy) if, as in the sight of God, he endures the pain of unjust suering.”

# Wisdom

## **James 1:5 NIV**

“If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you”

## **1 Corinthians 1:30 CEV**

“You are God’s children. He sent Christ Jesus to save us and to make us wise, acceptable, and holy”

## **Proverbs 1:67 NLV**

“For the Lord gives wisdom. Much learning and understanding come from His mouth. He stores up perfect wisdom for those who are right with Him. He is a safe-covering to those who are right in their walk. ”

## **Proverbs 9:10 NLT**

“Fear of the Lord is the foundation of wisdom. Knowledge of the Holy One results in good judgment.”

## **Colossians 1:9 CEV**

“We have not stopped praying for you since the first day we heard about you. In fact, we always pray that God will show you everything he wants you to do and that you may have all the wisdom and understanding his Spirit gives”

## **Ecclesiastes 10:10 ISV**

“If someone’s ax is blunt—the edge isn’t sharpened— then more strength will be needed. Putting wisdom to work will bring success.”

## **Ecclesiastes 9:18 NLT**

“Better to have wisdom than weapons of war, but one sinner can destroy much that is good.”

**Proverbs 16:16 MSG**

“Get wisdom—it’s worth more than money; choose insight over income every time.”

**Proverbs 13:20 NIV**

“Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm.”

**Ephesians 1:17 NIV**

“I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. “

**Colossians 3:16 TLB**

“Remember what Christ taught, and let his words enrich your lives and make you wise; teach them to each other and sing them out in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing to the Lord with thankful hearts.”

**Romans 16:19B NIV**

“...I want you to be wise about what is good, and innocent about what is evil.”

**Proverbs 3:15 AMPC**

“Skillful and godly Wisdom is more precious than rubies; and nothing you can wish for is to be compared to her.”

**Proverbs 17:24 CSB**

“Wisdom is the focus of the perceptive, but a fool’s eyes roam to the ends of the earth.”

**Proverbs 24:3 ICB**

“It takes wisdom to have a good family. It takes understanding to make it strong.”

**Psalm 19:7 NIV**

“The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple. ”

**Proverbs 5:1 MSG**

“Dear friend, pay close attention to this, my wisdom; listen very closely to the way I see it. Then you’ll acquire a taste for good sense; what I tell you will keep you out of trouble.”

