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One thing I was never taught is that God requires man to seek Him continually all the days of our lives. In the first century, the Jewish Christian converts had to learn how to worship God outside the temple, as the one-time sacrifice of Jesus obsoleted the entire temple system, and replaced it and Passover with Holy Communion. But they either continued or re-started the daily habits of seeking the Lord continually.

[NOTE: For more detail on Seeking the Lord, please see our free eBook, *Spirit Power Dynamics* and the *Faith Actions* Articles, on the website Articles page.]

When Jesus said “follow” me (Matt 4:19; 8:22; 16:24; 19:21) that meant copy me and do as I do, as my disciple-duplicates meaning likeness, union, going and doing in the same way, discipleship. This is total lifestyle change to do what God commanded in Joshua 1:5-9. For, “As He is, so are you in this world,” 1 John 4:17.

When Joseph and Mary raised Jesus, they knew to go to the book of Joshua as Joshua is the Greek version of the Hebrew Yeshua, or English Jesus. Holy Spirit had prepared this for Jesus to be trained rightly in the ways or walk of God.

One of Jesus’ purposes was to, as spoken by Zacharias, Luke 1:79 “To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.” The ‘way of peace’ is lifestyle, not just events, i.e., the way of continual right faith-actions over redemption truths to continually seek and *koinonia* union with Father God, Jesus, and Holy Spirit, and then other people.

God is very direct about the requirement for people to continually seek the Lord as God described in the Bible. Rom 3:10 “As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one: 11 **There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God.** 12 They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.”

Here understanding means: to put the things of God together rightly, wise, comprehending to right faith-actions. Wise-understanding includes: astute, aware, careful, educated, enlightened, experienced, informed, judicious, knowledgeable, perceptive, prudent, sagacious, sane, sensible, smart, thoughtful, wary, well-informed, contemplative, keen, knowing, sage, sharp, sound, understanding so you continually do the right, important things.

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The opposites of wise, understanding include: dull, stupid, delusional, self-absorbed, inconsiderate, blinded, dull of hearing, rebellious, and insensitive.

From God's perspective, by not continually seeking the Lord as your lifestyle, means you are unprofitable, don't do good, and are unrighteous, and wicked in your thoughts, words, and deeds, and by extension, not prosperous and not successful in God, see Rom 3:12-18.

A strong New Testament command to seek the Lord is: Col 3:1 "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. 2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For ye are dead, and your *zoe*/life is hid with Christ in God. 4 When Christ, who is our *zoe*/life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory."

And again: Heb 11:5 "By *pistis*/faith (*continual right faith-actions*) Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God. 6 But without *pistis*/faith (*continual right faith-actions*) it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must *pisteuo*/believe (*continual right faith-actions with joy behaviors*) that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him *by continual right faith-actions*."

In 2 Chron 15:13 they put to death those who would not seek the Lord, great or small, man or woman. This is a level of seriousness not seen in modern Christianity where most is "whatever seems good to you," and fear of offending others, which Jesus had no problem doing to those who would not accept the miracles He did.

The prophets condemned the leaders, both priests and kings, of falling into error because they sought not the Lord as continual lifestyle and thus healed their people "lightly." As Jerimiah lamented: Jer 4:14 "O Jerusalem, wash thine heart from wickedness, that thou mayest be saved. How long shall thy vain thoughts lodge within thee?" This is the penalty of not continually seeking the Lord rightly that cleans you soul of wickedness and iniquity.

Vain thoughts pretty well summarizes modern Christian organizations that do not produce Jesus disciple-duplicates per Eph 5:13-14.

Jerimiah says again: Jer 6:13 "For from the least of them even unto the greatest of them every one is given to covetousness; and from the prophet even unto the priest every one dealeth falsely. 14 They have healed also the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace." These are the fruits of

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a false religion that tries to heal with modern psychology, or new age Spiritism, or witchcraft, or carnality, and not God's eternal truth in power.

Jer 10:21 "For the pastors (*shepherds, leaders*) are become brutish (*animal like, carnal, and lost in carnal lusts*), and have not sought the Lord: therefore they shall not prosper, and all their flocks shall be scattered."

Ezekiel repeats the same lamentation about the prophets, priests, shepherds, and kings: Ezek 34:3 "Ye eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill them that are fed: but ye feed not the flock. 4 The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up that which was broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, neither have ye sought that which was lost; but with force and with cruelty have ye ruled them. 5 And they were scattered, because there is no shepherd: and they became meat to all the beasts of the field, when they were scattered." Verse 4 is a basis for all the healing Jesus did.

Jesus said: Matt 9:35 "And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. 36 But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. 37 Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; 38 Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest. 10:1 And when he (*Jesus*) had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them *dunamis/miracle* power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease." This is the doing of a right shepherd of God.

Notice Jesus immediately set His disciples to work destroying the devil's kingdom, Acts 10:38. Matt 28:19-20 is part of the Great Commission to disciple to Jesus duplicates all nations and to teach them to do what Jesus taught them to do, including divinely healing the sick.

I heard many quote, Isa 55:6 "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, *aiteo*-call ye upon him while he is near: 7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord (*by rightly seeking the Lord by right faith-actions*), and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. 8 For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord." Seeking the Lord will change your verse 8 thoughts.

This is a total rebuke of the nations' current behaviors before God. Ezek 34:8 is a terrible condemnation that while they had access to the word of God, their thoughts

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and ways/lifestyles were not like God's. Not that they could not think like God, but that they did not do the right faith-actions of seeking the Lord to amend, adjust, and train their thoughts to His in every part of life (which is the Bible definition of the word – trust!) and divinely heal the sick!

Yet in spite of this command to seek the Lord, I never heard any of these preachers tell me how to seek the Lord the way God requires. In this ignorance, today many use new age activities to seek what they call “Lord,” and are not.

One of the messages of Jesus is that God no longer dwells in a temple built by hands, but in the spirit of a man, as is Jesus, and that we, the born-again, can operate the powers of God by the right faith-actions of seeking the Lord continually all the days of our lives in and with the Scriptures. This is the way of peace, or victory, over the evil in this world. Christ in you (Col 1:27) means God is totally near you, and in you, and even closer than your breath, and to please God, Heb 11:6.

The time to start seeking the Lord is now: 1 Cor 15:55 “O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? 56 The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. 57 But thanks be to God, which giveth us the *zoe life* victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 58 Therefore, my *agapao*/beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the *right faith-action* work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your *right faith-action* labour *to exhaustion of seeking the Lord* is not in vain in the Lord.” Whatever you do of right faith-actions, works.

Teaching Jesus: So it is a safe assumption to know Joseph and Mary taught Jesus how to obey: Josh 1:5 “There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. 6 Be strong and of a good courage (*by continual right faith-actions*): for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I swear unto their fathers to give them. 7 Only be thou strong and very courageous (*continual right faith-actions to continually cleave to God and force your mind to think like God does*), that thou mayest observe to do (*not just study but to do gladly*) according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest. 8 This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate (*mutter, speak, ponder, sing, and shout – like cow chews its cud*) therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success. 9 Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage (*continual right faith-actions to continually cleave to God and*

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force your mind to think like God does); be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.”

This is a simple description of how to seek the Lord by right faith-actions and the rewards you will obtain: verse 8: “...for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.” Yes, if you want this, you have to rightly work for it by the continual right faith-actions of seeking the Lord.

Notice you make these results, not God. It is your job as a Jesus disciple-duplicate to make your way prosperous and have good success. God does not give it; you build it and maintain it by a right faith-action lifestyle. Any blessing means you have to do the things to release that blessing to manifest it on the earth. Jesus had to do His part, as do we, to get the right results. In Jesus, it was His resurrection. Most would be happy with just earthly prosperity and good success.

This is the will of God for all of us: 3 John 2 “Beloved, I wish (*pray, aiteo*) above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.” You prosper your soul by renewing your mind into redemption truth Jesus obtained for us, and for us to walk in, by continual right faith-actions.

For Christians, this is extended to us as a command by: 1 John 2:5 “But whoso keepeth his (*Jesus*) word, in him/her verily is the *agape*/love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him. 6 He/she that saith he/she abideth in him (*Jesus*) ought himself/herself also so to walk (*in the right faith-action lifestyle of continually seeking to Lord to be able to please God in all your ways, see Heb 11:6*), even as he (*Jesus*) walked.”

And Joshua 1:5-9 is part of how Jesus walked, and therefore all subsequent believers. And 1 John 5:3 “For this is the *agape*/love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his [*1050 New Testament*] commandments are not grievous.”

Seek

The Greek word for “seek” is: Strong’s NT: 2212, *zeteo*, meaning: be (go) about, desire, endeavour, enquire (for), require, (X will) seek (after, for, means). It includes zeal and intense focus to obtain and operate in God as Jesus did by right faith-actions to release God’s *zoe* life by Holy Spirit to work miracles or answers for what you desire with intensity and for *koinonia* unity with God. It includes the intensity and necessity of seeking your car keys when getting ready to go out.

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Jesus commanded: Matt 7:7 “*Aiteo/Ask (demand as due by covenant promise)*, and it shall be given you; *zeteo/seek (exert yourself in right faith-actions as if your life depended on it)*, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: 8 For every one that *aiteo/asketh (continually demand as due by covenant promise)* receiveth; and he that *zeteo/seeketh* findeth; and to him that knocketh (*make right faith-action sounds in persistence*) it shall be opened.”

Since you are seeking God, the only physical thing directly of God in this universe is God’s word in the Bible. So your primary place of seeking the Lord is in and by the unchangeable Scriptures. John 1:1 “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 The same was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made by him (*Jesus*); and without him was not any thing made that was made. 4 In him was *zoe/life*; and the *zoe/life* was the light of men. ... 14 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.”

1 John 1:1 “That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of *zoe/life*; 2 (For the *zoe/life* was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal *zoe/life*, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;)” Jesus is the walking and acting of the entire Bible.

God and His word are one. Jesus and His Word are one. The more you write the word of God on your heart, by constant repetition and application, to acting as Jesus would, the more Jesus can manifest in and through your life with Holy Spirit *zoe* life. This is one of the benefits of continually seeking the Lord with right faith-actions.

The basic assumption of the New Testament is that the reader had memorized the first 5 books of the Bible, and most of the rest of the Old Testament, and lived a life-style of continually seeking the Lord in right faith-actions, which by itself is 3-6 hours per day, every day. The goal of this seeking the Lord is to *koinonia* connect to and with God in spirit, *zoe* life, and truth (the Word of God, the Scriptures) and to *zao* live a connected, *koinonia* union and interchange-life all day, every day, in everything you do. And of course to make their ways prosperous and of good success.

All religions do this, as the devil’s substitute for God’s ways.

This lifestyle of 3-6 hours a day of cleaving to your god/life source is common to most all active participants of world religions, including all forms of heathenism, Satanism, and witchcraft. Gentile converts had to learn to stop doing what they did daily to worship their heathen idols and get blessings from them, and replace that effort

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with worship of God by the Lord Jesus in what developed into Holy Communion and the right faith-action lifestyle, including memorizing the Bible.

This 3-6 hours a day, and, if under stress, 24 hours a day, is how to defeat the human problems of doubt, stress, and evil fear operating in and around you. Failure to do this leads to depression. And modern secular media is the chief source of this.

The average heathen idolater spent (and still does) some 3-6 hours every day seeking, by various activities, to get blessings from their gods, if not more. This is still true in idolatry and heathen religions around the world. Even the Muslims pray 5 times a day for all to see. At 30 minutes per prayer time, this public demonstration is some 2.5 hours per day. Devotion can easily lead to 6 hours a day.

In the first century, when a Gentile got converted to Christianity, they were entered into a 3 year program to memorize the first 5 books of the Old Testament, the Pentateuch. Then another 4 years to memorize the rest of the Old Testament. And in the process this was to follow such as Joshua 1:5-9, and Psalm 105 on seeking the Lord every day. This went on for some 300-500 years and got lost as the typical modern, Christian church-structure developed. And along with that went the power of the church in supernatural events. We are re-discovering the miracle power operated by continually seeking the Lord by right faith-actions every day.

Grace: We are *sozo* saved by grace and access the benefits of grace by *pistis* faith-actions in this life. By grace we have an eternal home with the Father. Rom 4:16 “Therefore it is of *pistis*/faith (*by the continual right faith-actions which include seeking the Lord*), **that it might be by grace**; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the *pistis*/faith (*by the continual right faith-actions which include seeking the Lord*) of Abraham; who is the father of us all...” You operate grace by *pistis* faith-actions.

Rom 9:31 “But Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained to the law of righteousness. 32 Wherefore? Because they sought it not by *pistis*/faith *by continual right faith-actions*, but as it were by the *sacrificial* works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumblingstone; 33 as it is written, Behold, I lay in Sion a stumblingstone and rock of offence: and whosoever *pisteuo*/believeth (*by continual right faith-actions with joy behaviors*) on him (*Jesus*) shall not be ashamed.”

Rom 5:2 “By whom also we have access by *pistis*/faith (*by the continual right faith-actions which include seeking the Lord*) **into this grace** wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.” You access grace by *pistis* faith-actions

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Eph 2:8 “For by grace are ye *sozo/saved* through *pistis/faith* (*by the continual right faith-actions which include seeking the Lord*); and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God.” Right *pistis* faith-actions are how you walk in and release God’s salvation into your life, family, your nation, and the earth.

Pistis faith is the law of God we are to use to release and enjoy the blessings-grace of God. Rom 3:26 “To declare, I say, at this time his (*Father God’s*) righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier (*made of no sin and free for any future committed sin*) of him which *pisteuo/believeth* (*by continual right faith-actions*) in Jesus. 27 Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay: **but by the law of *pistis/faith*** (*continual right faith-actions to keep your soul cleaving to God continually*). 28 Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by *pistis/faith-actions* without the (*sacrificial*) deeds of the law (*of Moses*).”

Pistis faith by continual right faith-actions is a biblical law by which men access and release the grace of God for anything of His covenant promises.

The gift of God, grace, is accessed and operated by right *pistis/faith-actions*, which include seeking the Lord. No right faith-actions and you will not walk in all the blessings, grace of God, you already have decreed for you and yours, Eph 1:3.

But this is works and not grace!

You are showing ignorance of the scriptures. *Pistis* faith by continual right faith-actions is a law of God. And God say *pistis* faith-actions are of, or by, grace.

Rom 4:16 “Therefore it is of *pistis/faith* (*continual right faith-actions*), that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the *pistis/faith continual right faith-actions* of Abraham; who is the father of us all.”

Pistis faith right actions are by grace. To operate like Abraham, and Sarah, and get what they got, then you operate in right faith actions over redemption truths all the days of your life.

Eph 2:8 “For by grace are ye *sozo/saved* through *pistis/faith* (*continual right faith-actions*); and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God.” You get and operate grace by right faith-actions. Knowing this is how David charged and defeated Goliath, and Jesus went to the cross to rise from the dead to be crowned both Lord and Christ!

THE ONLY WAY TO PLEASE GOD IS:

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God tells us Enoch walked with God and was no more, due to a lifestyle of pleasing God by continually seeking the Lord by the right actions of *pistis* faith. Heb 11:5 “By *pistis*/faith-actions Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God. [**NOW GOD EXPLAINS THE ONLY WAY TO PLEASE HIM:**] 6 But without *pistis*/faith-actions it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must *pisteuo*/believe (*by continual right faith-actions*) that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him (*inquiring for and of Him and requiring Him, both by right of vital necessity and of the promises of God's Word by continual right faith-actions*).” And that is what Enoch did, and God still requires to please Him.

God tells us one of man's primary purposes is to continue seeking the Lord: Acts 15:17 “That the residue of men **might seek (*crave continually*) after the Lord**, and all the Gentiles, upon whom my name is called, saith the Lord ...”

Acts 17:26 “(God) ...hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation; 27 **that they should seek (*be continually seeking, craving*) the Lord (*continually by right faith-actions*)**, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us.” Notice all mankind is to seek the Lord continually as a disciplined way of life. This was common apostolic teaching and is now being re-discovered.

Enoch is part of mankind, and as God is no respecter of persons, and can show no partiality, and Heb 11:5-6 tells us the criteria and disciplines to live like Enoch was known at that time, and Paul knew of them also, but has since been lost to the modern Christian church in general.

The prophets shouted that the end result of rightly turning to the Lord is begin and maintain the lifestyle of continually seeking the Lord and see His Face manifest through them.

In the Old Testament God was far away and outside of man. In the New Testament He lives in and with you, closer than your breath! But if you do not seek the Lord using the New Testament, you will still stay in an Old Covenant mentality, yet as God warns in 1 Cor 10-11, and Heb 2-6, you can have the God of all might, wisdom, power, and love inside you, but live and die just like an Israelite in the desert of unbelief in the work of God through the cross and resurrection by Jesus.

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In these above passages God states that all men are to continually seek the Lord. So how are we to do this?

Your Job: Seeking the Lord is part of right faith-actions, which is a habitual lifestyle new Christians are to develop and maintain all their lives. Being a Christian means you have Holy Spirit dwelling in you, the awesome blessing of Abraham, for which Jesus suffered and died to get for you (Gal 3:13-14), and to be released on the earth.

Right Christianity is the lifestyle habits of continual right faith-actions as described in the Bible to release Holy Spirit in *zoe* life in every aspect of life to manifest the Kingdom of God. You do them as part of the disciplines of being a disciple of Jesus to become a Jesus-duplicate per Eph 4:13-15, and Matt 28:19. It takes the disciplines of discipleship to be able to release God in power for any need or desire.

You may be able to get answers to divine intervention prayer as a gift of grace because God loves you and/or the one you are praying for, but without the lifestyle of right faith-actions, to renew your mind continually, to shape your mind to His continually, it will not be a lifestyle of divine intervention and manifestation of Eph 4:13-15 that makes you prosperous and of good success.

That word of grace is your sins are eternally remitted in the blood of Jesus, you can be born-again in spirit unto eternal salvation, you can be divinely healed by God now, divinely prospered now, Holy spirit can dwell in you now, you can operate in the *agape* love and power of God anytime you want in the good works ordained for you to walk in as a Jesus disciple-duplicate, and God will work in you as you seek Him by continual right faith-actions, to will and to do of His good pleasure.

A basic Christian discipleship program can be summarized as 3-6 hours daily in the actions of continually seeking the Lord, stirring up yourself into: Holy Spirit zeal; encouragement, and wisdom; Bible study and right meditation; doing the acts of *agape* love; doing the 1,050 New Testament commands; and then doing Holy Spirit speaking and singing in tongues 1-6 hours daily. This can start as a project, but must transition to right faith-action lifestyle. Notice seeking the Lord is just part of this right faith-action lifestyle. The Christian from the start of the new birth has more capability than even Elijah or Moses, or even John the Baptist had, and they wanted to be like you.

Glory: We are called to live out the glory of Jesus in this life continually, and it comes by doing the right faith-action lifestyle that includes continually seeking the Lord. Rom 5:2 “By whom also we have access by *pistis*/faith (*continual right faith-*

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actions including seeking the Lord continually) into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.” YAHOO!

1 Thess 2:12 “That ye would walk (*habitual lifestyle*) worthy of God, **who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory.**” YAHOO!

2 Thess 2:14 “Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the **obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ** (*now in this life, Eph 4:13-15*).” YAHOO!

1 John 2:6 “He that saith he abideth in him (*Jesus*) ought himself also so to walk, even as he (*Jesus*) walked (*in the continual right faith-action lifestyle including continually seeking the Lord*).” YAHOO!

John 5:30 “I (*Jesus*) can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek (*by continual right faith-actions*) not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.” YAHOO!

2 Peter 1:3 “According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto *zoe*/life and godliness (*piety, Jesus-duplication*), through the *epignosis*/knowledge (*walking as a master craftsman as a Jesus-duplicate and disciplining others to Jesus-duplication*) of him that hath **called us to glory and virtue (goodness and power)**: 4 whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be *koinonia*/union-interchange partakers of the divine nature (*in this life now*), having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust (*by the new birth*).”

Col 1:26 “Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints: 27 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**: 28 whom we preach, warning every man/woman, and teaching every man/woman in all wisdom; that we may present every man/woman perfect (*fully mature, Eph 4:13-15*) in Christ Jesus: 29 whereunto I also labour (*by continual right faith-actions*), striving (*to exhaustion*) according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.” God’s grace put Paul to work, which included continual right faith-actions which includes healing the sick, raising the dead, casting out devils, etc. YAHOO!

That feeling of “something missing,” is not the need for revival, but Holy Spirit telling you to get busy doing the right faith-action lifestyle of continually seeking the Lord and His face to walk as a Jesus disciple-duplicate. YAHOO!

Money Box: It is like someone buried a big box of money on the top of a tall and rugged mountain. All you have to do to get it, is to climb the mountain and carry it

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back. To perform this climb you will need to get into superior physical shape for this extreme physical act. If you do not do the disciplines of getting into shape, you will never survive the journey, and much less bring back the prize.

The lifestyle of right faith-actions, which include the right actions of continually seeking the Lord, are the same way. Remember, the promise is you can be like Enoch and never die, or be wealthy as Abraham, Job, or Solomon, or walk in divine health, and duplicate-Jesus by continually doing the right faith-actions, which include seeking the Lord. Without the right faith-action lifestyle, you may have legal right to all the treasures of grace, but you will not walk in them unless you, or someone else does the right faith-actions for you. It is the force of right faith-actions that manifests them.

While the process of seeking the Lord is described in the Old Testament directly, it is only referenced in the New Testament as if all the New Testament readers were already trained and well-practiced in seeking the Lord. As we look at the Old Testament details, we will see the related New Testament instructions.

In these above passages God states that all men are to continually seek the Lord.

Hear God describe the full meaning of the Hebrew word, seek: Zeph 2:3 “Seek the Lord [**inquire for Him, inquire of Him, and require Him as the foremost necessity of your life**], all you humble of the land who have acted in compliance with His revealed will and have kept His commandments; seek righteousness, seek humility [**inquire for them, require them as vital**]. It may be you will be hidden in the day of the Lord's anger.” AMP This is how Daniel, and his friends survived the death of Babylon.

There is nothing casual in seeking the Lord, it is intense in seeking for good attributes and situations, and expelling or rejecting evil attributes and situations. Seeking the Lord requires much *aiteo-dabar* commanding right faith-actions.

And what are we to seek? Rom 2:6 “Who will render to every man according to his deeds: 7 to them who by patient continuance in well doing (*right faith-actions*) seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal *zoe*/life: 8 but unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath, 9 tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile; 10 but glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile. 11 For there is no respect of persons with God.”

Here we are told to seek God and His face in personal connection and attributes of: Rom 3:7: “glory and honour and immortality, eternal *zoe*/life.” And rewards of Rom 3:10: glory (*free reign of Holy Spirit*), honour, and peace (*victory as a Jesus-duplicate*), to every man or woman that worketh *Jesus-good by continual right faith-actions*.

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Notice we will manifest the glory of God as we seek the Lord by continual right faith-actions. This is quite the prize or reward of *zoe* life for your good, Jesus-duplicate works or labor of seeking the Lord continually by right faith-actions. Add to this the reward of stability and assurance from relating directly to God, immeasurable.

So how are we to do this?

One definition of faith is: Heb 11:6 “But without *pistis*/faith (*continual right faith-actions*) it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must *pisteuo*/believe (*by continual right faith-actions unto joy behaviors*) that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him (*inquiring for and of Him and requiring Him, both by right of vital necessity and of the promises of God's Word by continual right faith-actions*).” Here *pistis* faith is defined as:

- a) Believing that God is, means doing continual right faith-actions.
- b) Diligently and continually seeking the Lord in expectation of rewards (*inquiring for and of Him, and requiring Him, both by right of vital necessity and of the promises of God's Word by continual right faith-actions*).
- c) These rewards include both physical manifestation of God’s glory on the Earth now, prosperity and good success now, and rewards on the Day of Judgment.

The chief question is, “How does the Bible describe effective seeking the Lord?”

The process of seeking the Lord or stirring up yourself in God to joy is described here: Ps 105:1 “O give thanks unto the Lord; *aiteo-dabar*-call upon his name: make known his deeds among the people. 2 Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him: talk ye of all his wondrous works. 3 Glory ye in his holy name (*with exuberant thanksgiving, praise, joy, affirmations, etc.*): let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord. 4 Seek the Lord, and his strength: seek his face evermore. 5 Remember his marvelous works that he hath done; his wonders, and the judgments (*deliverances, redemption in the blood of Jesus, saving decrees, zoe life, and promises, your or other's testimonies of what God has done*) of his mouth.” [Note all the miracles in the Bible are enacted judgments against the devil, including divine healing.]

And again: 1 Chron 16:10 “Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord. 11 Seek the Lord and his strength, seek his face continually. 12 Remember his marvelous works that he hath done, his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth.” This is repeated in Psalm 105.

And again: Ps 40:16 “Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: let such as love thy salvation say continually, The Lord be magnified.”

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And again: Ps 9:10 “And they that know thy name will put their trust (*amend their minds*) in thee (*with continual right faith-actions*): for thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek thee.”

And again: Rom 5:1 “Therefore being justified by *pistis*/faith (*by continual right faith-actions*), we have peace (*victory over the devil, zoe life*) with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: 2 By whom also we have access by *pistis*/faith (*by continual right faith-actions*) into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. 3 And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; 4 and patience, experience; and experience, hope: 5 and hope maketh not ashamed; because the *agape*/love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us. 6 For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. 8 But God commendeth his *agape*/love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.”

Did you see it in verse 3? We access or release the grace of God in Jesus for us by the right faith-actions of seeking the Lord in *pistis* faith unto rejoicing in the hope of coming expected good in this life and eternally while in tribulations. This rejoicing is part of effectual seeking the Lord in *pisteuo*/believing right faith-actions. Remember biblical joy is based on decision, not feelings. See also James 1:2.

And again for a New Testament version: Eph 5:17 “Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. 18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be (*continually being*) filled with the Spirit; 19 speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; 20 giving thanks always for all things [*especially our redemption in the work and blood of Jesus*] unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; 21 submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.” YAHOO! YAHOO! YAHOO!

Here God tells us if we want to be filled continually with His spirit, we must do the actions of Eph 5:18-21.

Notice, biblical trust or depending, continually amending your mind to God’s mind, the Christ mind within you, is just like *aman-pisteuo* believing. These actions to seek the Lord, include most of the right faith-actions we have already listed. See website Articles Page for more on right faith-actions.

Seeking the Lord Elements:

These elements are listed this way to get you started. You can begin with one or two and keep going till you are doing all of them over the course of a day or a week.

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Start with ones you understand and go from there. For example thanksgiving can start with listing all your blessings, starting with having breath, and expand from there.

Ps 105:

- 1 “O give thanks unto the Lord;
- 2 Call upon his name: (*aiteo-dabar-laleo* commands, ministry)
- 3 Make known his deeds among the people (*testimonies of His works, Bible*)
- 4 Sing unto him,
- 5 Sing psalms unto him:
- 6 Talk ye of all his wondrous works. (*miracles, power acts, prayer answers, faithful in prophecy, look at, proclaim and rejoice over all the miracles in the Bible, especially the New Testament, as God is no respecter of persons, if you did what they did, He will do them or release them for you.*)
- 7 3 Glory ye in his holy name (*with exuberant thanksgiving, praise, joy, affirmations, etc.*):
- 8 Let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord. (*force yourself to exuberant behaviors of joy*)
- 9 4 Seek the Lord, (*His presence on the throne, within you, and in situations*)
10. And his strength: (*stir yourself up into His strength He used to raise Jesus from the dead as available to you by your right faith-actions, aiteo commands; set your mind on things where Crist sits on the right hand of God, Col 3.*)
11. Seek his face evermore. (*experience Him in koinonia union in meditation over Scriptures and times of worship, dancing before Him, throughout the day*)
12. Remember his marvelous works that he hath done; (*Wonders like creation, the love of child, Bible miracles, testimonies of others, Job 37:14, anything of creation or providence you consider good, 2 Cor 5:21 righteousness, power of right Holy Communion – 1 Cor 11:30 lament; redemption in Jesus, Psalm 96:3, salvation, truths of redemption in Jesus and the new birth*)
13. His wonders, (*Psalm 9, the sky, the universe, the wonders of the Earth, etc., prophetic words past and yet to be; 1050 New Testament Commands to release zoe life*)
14. The judgments (*deliverances, miracles, removing oppressions, afflictions, and infirmities, redemption in the blood of Jesus, saving decrees, zoe life, and promises, your or other’s testimonies of what God has done*) of his mouth.” (*Lots of Bible reading, and listening, obeying and doing the 1,050 NT Commands.*)
15. 1 Chron 16:10 “...Seek his face continually. (*practicing the presence of the Lord continually, singing to Him in tongues, songs, and spiritual songs, seek*

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Him in Scripture meditation, recite, study, and apply the 1,050 New Testament Commands)

16. Ps 40:16 “Let all those that seek thee rejoice and (*yell, scream, shout, dance, laugh, smile, wave arms, etc. shout praises, and thanksgivings, etc.*)

17. Be glad in thee: (*a little less exuberant than joy, singing to the Lord*)

18. Let such as love thy salvation say continually, The Lord be magnified.”

19. Ps 9:10 “And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee (*with right faith-actions*): for thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek thee.”

20. Eph 5:17-21 Wherefore be ye not unwise, (*do the right faith-actions diligently*)

21. But understanding what the will of the Lord is. (*know and proclaim this is the will of God for you*)

22. 18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be (*continually being*) filled with the Spirit; (*sing in tongues until you are drunk in the Lord*)

23. 19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, (*lots of speaking and singing in diverse tongues, Scripture memory songs*)

24. Singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; (*talk, sing to Him*)

25. 20 Giving thanks always for all *redemption* things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; (*recite and give thanks, praise, and joy over redemption facts – see Discovering Our Redemption, website Articles page*)

26. 21 Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.” (*honor and be gentle and forgiving of others, walk in 1 Cor 13*)

27. Whenever troubles over anything, do Phil 4:4-9, James 1:2 continually

28. Col 3:14 “And above all these things put on *agape/charity (actions)*, which is the bond of perfectness.

29. 15 And let, *make* the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.

30. 16 Let, *make* the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; (*recite and apply redemption facts to yourself and others with aiteo commands and proclamations, and affirmations – see OK God, Now What Affirmation Magnets*)

31. Teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, (*recite, study the psalms, do what they say when they say it. Alleluia is a command to praise the Lord, not a praise,*)

32. Singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. (*goodness in redemption facts, recite all the acts of grace in the Bible*).

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33. 17 And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.”
34. Seek Him in valid Christian works like Jesus did, do the acts of *agape* love, do continually the right faith-actions.
35. 1 Thess 5:9-25 “For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,
36. 10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should *zao*/live together with him.
37. 11 Wherefore comfort yourselves together,
38. And edify (*build up, strengthen*) one another, even as also ye do.
39. 12 And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you;
40. 13 And to esteem them very highly in *agape*/love-actions for their work's sake.
41. And be at peace among yourselves.
42. 14 Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly,
43. Comfort the feebleminded,
44. Support the weak,
45. Be patient toward all men/*women*.
46. 15 See that none render evil for evil unto any man/*woman*;
47. But ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men.
48. 16 Rejoice evermore.
49. 17 Pray without ceasing.
50. 18 In every thing give thanks *for redemption facts*: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.
51. 19 Quench not the Spirit.
52. 20 Despise not prophesyings.
53. 21 Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.
54. 22 Abstain from all appearance of evil. (*dress, words, actions, lifestyle*)
55. 23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
56. 24 Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.
57. 25 Brethren, pray for us.
58. Col 3:1 “If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God [*in the joy and praises of Heaven where Jesus’ work of redemption is celebrated continually*].

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59.2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For ye are dead, and your *zoe*/life is hid with Christ in God.” *This is part of seeking the Lord and His strength with right faith-actions.*

The basic assumption of the New Testament is that the reader has the first 5 books of the Bible memorized and most of the rest of the Old Testament, and lives a lifestyle of continually seeking the Lord in right faith-actions, which by itself is 3-6 hours per day, every day. Then it was extended to add in the New Testament speaking in tongues. So the early believers had the Old Testament memorized, and the New Testament also. I suggest you perhaps start with the New Testament, then the Psalms, and then the rest of the Bible.

The goal of this seeking the Lord is to *koinonia* connect to and with God in spirit, *zoe* life, and truth (the Word of God, the Scriptures) to amend your mind to His, and to live a connected, *koinonia* union and interchange *zoe* life all day, every day in everything you do.

The Bible is spirit, *zoe* life, and truth, and God Himself. If you are going to listen to God, or relate to Him, start with His word first and continually to stay in truth.

For example: Again, Daniel prayed/worshiped 3 times a day, every day. Why 3 times a day? It appears our basic human problem, born-again or not, is that we need regular “re-freshers” or “re-connects” throughout the day. Once a day is not enough, and there is no limit on how many we can do in a day, except the demands of daily living. Continually as a word ranges from non-stop to multiple events per day, so consider 3 times a day as a starter then expand as you can. Yes, you will get addicted to the presence, power, and the mind of Christ in the process.

Daniel studied the books of the Old Testament and used it to guide his prayer life. And they were his primary connection to God, as it should be for us.

Paul did similar: Phil 4:9 “Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and **heard, and seen** in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you. 10 But I **rejoiced in the Lord greatly**, that now at the last your care of me hath flourished again; wherein ye were also careful, but ye lacked opportunity.” Rejoicing is loud and exuberant behaviors

Getting Started:

The list above is rather extensive. So we suggest a way to get started. Seeking the Lord as a process or lifestyle, has elements of activity and introspection, do both. The biggest difference in seeking the Lord than perhaps other spiritual disciplines is to make sure you do periods of thanksgiving, praise, joy, gladness, *aiteo* commands, and affirmations with physical movement, and emotion behaviors of and by the Scriptures. There is

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no real connection to God without the Scriptures, preferably in 3-25 page chunks, or meditate on one passage for all day, or a whole week.

Here is a suggested way to start seeking the Lord:

- a) You may need to sit or lie down first, to replace your existing negative or toxic thoughts with thoughts on the goodness of God. Even if you have many verses memorized, get your Bible and use the Scriptures to read, speak, sing and shout. Start with Ps 23, 34, 91, 100, 112, Ephesians, and Colossians. Seeking the Lord is an active, and not a passive process. It is one of stopping, replacing, and filling thoughts and words. The goal is to see God in the Scriptures unto joy and gladness, and not just the words of the Scriptures. Speaking or singing is the quickest way to get control of your thoughts and re-direct them to God. Read slowly, not fast.
- b) Take one Scripture and mutter, chew, think, ponder and then apply it to your life to stir yourself up into glad pleasure, thanksgiving, praise, joy, and affirmations. Repeat with different scriptures. Take 3-15 minutes for each Scripture to do this. This is how you redirect your soul into the Scriptures and God.
- c) Go and read every miracle or wonder in the Bible and rejoice over them. For example Jesus did some 41 miracle acts in the Gospels. Go over every one often. One source can be, *All the Miracles of the Bible*, by Herbert Lockyer. (I made one Bible with all the miracle events highlighted in yellow.)
- d) Godly music can be helpful, but you need to put the good-promise Scriptures on your lips and in your mind to redirect your thinking. You want your mind engaged, not empty. Listening to does not help, you need to sing, preferably Scripture memory songs. This is an active process, not a passive one of just sitting empty minded or listening to songs or words. This is how to use the modern practice of “soaking” effectively, but it is only a first step. Handle’s *Messiah* is also great.
- e) Keep doing this until you are in thanksgiving, praise, joy, affirmations, Holy Spirit tongues, blessings, and *aiteo* commands leading to various acts of *agape* love (such as praying for others and/or make of list of good ideas that come to you as you seek the Lord, then go and bless someone as Jesus would).

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- f) After a few Scriptures, even while lying down or sitting, start the thoughts, words, and actions of joy and keep at it until you are feeling joy. This includes muttering, speaking, singing, and shouting Scriptures, along with smiling, laughing, arm waving, clapping, etc. Remember, emotions follow thoughts, words, and actions. Do the thoughts and actions of joy to get the emotions of joy.
- g) As New Testament Christians, add in speaking and singing in Holy Spirit tongues. You can start slow and quiet, and then work to fast, loud, and hard, aimed at your situations. (We recommend you organize yourself to speak in tongues for 2 cumulative hours every day as a basic maintenance practice. This can be in one session or throughout the day.)
- h) Keep doing this until your right faith-actions are vibrant and exuberant.
- i) After a while, get on your feet and start moving around. Transition to walking, jumping, dancing, clapping, twirling, spinning, etc., as you keep the thoughts and words going.
- j) If you are *zao* living in Holy Spirit, this will be your normal way of life.
- k) As with most things in God, you start in the flesh and move into the spirit. You do the actions by rote until you are what you are seeking. You do the actions of seeking the Lord. When you “find” Him; that will be who you are filled with. For example, you start the actions of thanksgiving, counting your blessings one by one, doing praise, and joy thoughts, words, and acts until you are thankful, praiseful and joyful. Making lists of these helps. This is a “stirring-up” process. You are starting out in need, fear, apathy, or complacency, and move into heartfelt response by priming the pump with right thoughts, words, and actions. Much like an athlete or dancer who starts out stretching and moving slowly until they can move with power and skill.
- l) Once you are skilled in seeking the Lord unto joy, you may not be so much as in need, but rather in communion with God, and more of His tangible presence. This enters the area of relationship with God. The more successful you are at it, the more you will walk like Peter and Paul until you are walking just like Jesus. Eph 5:1 “Be ye therefore followers (*imitators, copycats*) of God, as (*agape* loved) dear children (*who are to grow up and be like their Father in Jesus*).” Once developed this can be all day, every day.
- m) Each time this may take a few moments or hours depending on where you are starting from.

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- n) The Bible goal in seeking the Lord is joy (Ps 40:16), not momentary comfort, which evaporates rather quickly, and has little strength against negative events. The strength and confidence in God for effective and powerful *pistis* faith comes with repetitive joy behaviors in the Lord over time.
- o) We have a series called the (1) Divine Healing Sessions, the (2) Redemption Teaching Sessions, and (3) Faith Evidence Teaching Sessions on our web-site in the Free Downloads section of the Book Store. These are all MP3 files and are FREE. Get some and listen to them. They are full of new-creation scriptures and comments. Stop every 5 minutes or so, and at whatever is being talked about, focus on the good news of God and do behaviors of thanksgiving, praise, joy, *aiteo* commands (good come, evils go, all in the Name of Jesus) etc. over these truths. Join in with the prayers. Use them to stir you into God's redemption facts. And yes, we have testimonies of people getting healed as they listened to them.

Seeking by Joy: Notice that we are to seek the Lord by rejoicing. Biblical joy is exuberant and based on decision, not feeling. Great if there are corresponding feelings, but you can joy by decisions just as exuberant. Rejoice means to call to mind the events and promises that can stir you to joy. This includes all the miracles and answered prayer in the Bible, those you have seen, heard about, or performed, to stir you up into glad remembrance, thanksgiving, praise, happiness, confidence, and the joy of extreme thanks that you will see these and more in the situations you have now.

1 Cor 2:5 "That your *pistis*/faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the *dynamis*/miracle working power of God."

Here are some statements of God on the benefits of seeking the Lord continually and diligently: 2 Chron 14:7 "Therefore he said unto Judah, Let us build these cities, and make about them walls, and towers, gates, and bars, while the land is yet before us; because we have sought the Lord our God, we have sought him, and he hath given us rest on every side. So they built and prospered."

1 Chron 26:4 "And he did that which was right in the sight of the Lord, according to all that his father Amaziah did. 5 And he sought God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding in the visions of God: and as long as he sought the Lord, God made him to prosper."

If you need prosperity, seeking the Lord diligently is God's way of getting it (*inquiring for and of Him and requiring Him, both by right of vital necessity and of the promises of God's Word by continual right faith-actions*).

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Ps 34:3 “O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together. 4 I sought the Lord, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears. 5 They looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed. 6 This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles.”

If you have troubles, seeking the Lord is how you get saved of them.

Also the Bible words for thanksgiving and praise are similar to joy. The major difference being that in joy, the words are mostly unintelligible, while in thanksgiving and praise, they are intelligible, but all three are exuberant behaviors.

JOY: (from Dictionary.com): the expression or display of glad feeling; festive gaiety. The displayed emotion of great delight or happiness caused by something exceptionally good or satisfying; keen pleasure; elation: A state of happiness or felicity; bubbling over.

From Strong's and Vines combined: *chairō* (NT: 5463), "to rejoice, be glad," life, excited, exuberant, delight, exceedingly cheerful, and an explosion of human positive actions. It is contrasted with weeping and sorrow and depression. Joy can be a spiritual force.

Joy behaviors are often seen in a sports event, where a favorite team scores and the crowd erupts in joy with extreme physical activity and noise. That is the sound of joy.

Bible joy is energetic and excited. If you are not in superb physical shape, you can only do Bible joy behaviors for a few moments. Conversely, the more joy in God you do, the more your body will get in physical, soulful, and spiritual shape.

Here is one of God's New Testament commands, echoing Psalm 105, on when to do these joy behaviors: Phil 4:4 “Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice.”

“Rejoice” means to call to mind the things that stirred you to joy, and repeat by doing the same thoughts to joy behaviors again. This is intentional and focused activity. “Always” means always as a daily manner of life, echoing the command continually – doing them on a daily, multi-event schedule, and as occasion serves. Again, this is intentional and focused activity by decision and focused will.

Here Paul is repeating the command to rejoice, so it is clear for immediate action.

The Joy Rub: Now here comes the rub with modern concepts of faith. Bible faith is joyful, exuberant. So the actions of biblical faith all day long are much like all day dancing and celebration. If you are doing the actions of biblical *pistis* faith, or biblical *pisteuo* believing, you are doing these excited and exuberant actions. If you are not doing these actions, you are not doing the actions of Bible *pistis* faith, i.e., there is no evidence you are “*pisteuo* believing.” And no visible evidence means you are not in Bible-defined *pistis* faith.

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To some this is very new and different. And you may say you got answers to prayer without even one shout. This is fine.

- First, these are what the Bible words mean, so the Bible is right and not you.
- Second, there is a vast world of answered prayer you have waiting for you as you humble yourself to do it God's way.
- Third, it may well be that your past actions had little to do in getting those answers, but someone else did the "*pistis* faith works" and not you.
- Fourth, as you do it God's way, in exuberant behaviors for more than a few minutes at a time, you will get healthier and happier in the process anyway.

God gave us the ability to rejoice, to walk in exuberant thanksgiving, praise, joy, affirmations, blessings, courage, and *aiteo* commands, and the other right faith-actions. Little children love to be joyful for almost no reason. The world seeks to satisfy our need for godly joy with substitutes that either deaden our right feelings or misdirect them. Doing joy behaviors in the Lord, is seeking "the real thing."

So what does the kind of joy God is talking about? You may not like this because our modern church culture has very little of it, and the buildings are not designed to make Bible joy easier inside with most fixed pews.

Consider this occurrence of Holy Spirit joy: Acts 2:11 "...we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God. ...13 Others mocking said, These men are full of new wine. 14 But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judaea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words: 15 for these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day."

Notice, they were hearing the disciple speaking loudly the wonderful works of God, or praises of God. They were so exuberant they appeared drunk, so it probably was loud and boisterous celebration as they proclaimed the wondrous works of God which could have included the miracles of Jesus and the disciples.

And here are some examples: 1 Sam 18:6 "And it came to pass as they came, when David was returned from the slaughter of the Philistine, that the women came out of all cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet king Saul, with tabrets, with joy, and with instruments of musick."

2 Sam 6:16 "And as the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal Saul's daughter looked through a window, and saw king David leaping and dancing before the Lord..."

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This is what biblical thanksgiving, praise, and joy look like. They are loud and highly visible. They look and sound more like the celebration seen in sports arenas, or weddings, and in Jewish dancing (think the party in *Fiddler on the Roof*, or Israeli Defense Force soldiers dancing).

Much of modern Christianity operates on Scripture fragments, and are easily shattered, or correctly adjusted with studying them in the context of the Scripture passages they come from, and including them in a whole survey of the Bible.

The behaviors of thanksgiving, praise, and joy are celebratory, zealous, invigorated, and enthusiastic. The only difference is that in joy, often there are shouts and laughing that are not intelligible in excitement, but in thanksgiving and praise they are, as they communicate ideas and not just excitement, but do also include excitement shouts and laughter. Also included in all of them are dancing, arm waving, smiling, laughing, and song. This is vastly different than many church services.

Heaven on Earth: Since Heaven is filled with thanksgiving, praise, joy, and affirmations of truth, to seek those things of Heaven you have to dress with behaviors like in Heaven, and that means a mind filled with the joy of the Lord exhibited with outward actions of some kind.

As Holy Spirit had Paul write: Col 3:1 “If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God [*in the joy and praises of Heaven*]. 2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For ye are dead, and your *zoe*/life is hid with Christ in God.” This is part of seeking the Lord and His strength with right faith-actions.

Here is this seeking or setting your affections process summarized in the next few verses: Col 3:16 “Let (*make*) the *redemption* word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. 17 And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him for the facts of redemption.”

Here it is summarized in the psalms. The gates or entranceway of the Lord are not in heaven, but in your heart/soul. God resides in your born-again spirit in full kingly authority, and *zoe* life power. This is the process of aligning your soul so you can operate at the throne of God effectively. Ps 100:4 “Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name. 5 For the Lord is good; his *chesed*/mercy (*grace, kindness*) is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.”

So like a runner, you set time aside for this physical activity of right faith-actions to be a biblical believer. If you are not doing these actions, you are not in biblical faith. You

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may call it faith, but biblical *pistis* faith has a specific meaning, and it is not quiet or still body behaviors, it is exuberant actions. Remember, his enemies could hear Daniel as he sought the Lord daily, 3 times a day, Dan 6:10. This is what got him put into the lion's den.

And your believing actions are the only evidence that you are in Bible faith over a specific promise from God. Others do not have to see them, but if others cannot see and/or hear your faith evidence due to your inaction or silence, you are not in biblical faith, no matter how much you protest you are in faith.

Resources and Helps

All of the materials on our website are designed to help you in effectively seeking the Lord.

I suggest for starters, a combination of Bible study and using our resources to get you going. Most of our materials are +50% Scripture followed by explanations of what the Scriptures mean. I recommend you spend at least 1 hour a day on reading our resources with always at least 1 hour in the Scriptures.

For example, for immediate prayer needs, *Battle Prayer for Divine Healing, Field Manual 2 (FM2)* has a proven track record all over the earth. *OK God Now What* has an effective mind renewing program. These two books are “how to,” while the others are more explanatory. All our books can be part of your seeking the Lord program.

Another way to seek the Lord is to sing and meditate on Scripture Memory songs and Handel's *Messiah*.

List of Bible Miracles:

Miracle's fall into two, but not totally distinct, categories:

- a) Promises fulfilled, usually in response to prophetic *aiteo*.
- b) Judgements against the works of the devil. For example Acts 10:38 tell us every miracle of Jesus was judgements of God against the devil. And by inference, every divine work of God by a Christian is also a judgment of God against the devil unto victory, Isa 25:8, Matt 12:20 as we continue the same mission.

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There are so many miracles in the Bible such that some are taken for granted because they are not fully highlighted. However, here are more than 89 miracles recorded in the Old Testament, and more than 92 found in the New Testament.

This list is not exhaustive, and many more could be added, so use this as a starter set to study, rehearse, and proclaim the judgements of God as part of your seeking the Lord activities and right faith-actions.

Miracles In The Old Testament

1. Creation – Genesis 1:1–27
2. Sin where Adam and Eve knew they were naked – Gen 3:7
3. God makes clothes for Adam and Eve – Genesis 3:21
4. Flaming sword put at the gate of the tree of life – Genesis 3:24
5. God puts warning mark on Cain – Genesis 4:15
6. Enoch's translation – Genesis 5:24
7. The Flood – Genesis 7:17–24, God shut them in verse 16
8. Confusion of tongues at Babel -Genesis 11:3–9
9. Sodomites blinded – Genesis 19:11
10. Cities of Sodom and Gomorrah destroyed - Genesis 19:24–25
11. Lot's wife turned to a pillar of salt – Genesis 19:26
12. Ass speaking in human voice - Numbers 22:21–35
13. Burning bush – Exodus 3:3
14. God demo - Moses' rod changed into a serpent – Exodus 4:3–4
15. God demo - Moses' hand made leprous – Exodus 4:6–7
16. Moses' rod changed into a serpent – Exodus 4: 30
17. Moses' hand made leprous – Exodus 4: 30
18. Aaron's rod changed into a serpent – Exodus 7:8–10
19. River turned to blood – Exodus 7:20–25
20. Frogs – Exodus 8:1–15
21. Gnats – Exodus 8:16–19
22. Flies – Exodus 8:20–24
23. Murrain (plague) – Exodus 9:1–7
24. Boils – Exodus 9:8–12
25. Hail – Exodus 9:18–24
26. Locusts – Exodus 10:1–20

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27. Darkness – Exodus 10:21–23
28. First-born destroyed in Egypt – Exodus 12:29–30
29. Pillar of cloud and fire – Exodus 13:21–22; 14:19–20
30. Crossing the Red Sea – Exodus 14:21–23
31. Bitter waters sweetened – Exodus 15:25
32. Manna sent – Exodus 16:13–36
33. Water from the rock in Rephidim – Exodus 17:5–8
34. Amalek defeated – Exodus 17:9–13
35. Strange fire on Aaron's sacrifice – Leviticus 9:24
36. Nadab and Abihu destroyed – Leviticus 10:1–2
37. Israel's judgment by fire – Numbers 11:1–3
38. Miriam's leprosy – Numbers 12:10–15
39. Korah and gang destroyed by unnatural means – Numbers 16:31–35
40. Murmurers destroyed by a ravaging plague – Numbers 16:41–50
41. Aaron's rod blossoms – Numbers 17:8
42. Water from the rock in Kadesh – Numbers 20:8–11
43. Brazen serpent healed many bitten by fiery serpents – Numbers 21:9
44. Jordan supernaturally divided – Joshua 3:14–17
45. Fall of Jericho – Joshua 6:6–20
46. Dew on Gideon's fleece – Judges 6:37–40
47. Sun and Moon stood still – Joshua 10:12–14
48. Angel in flame – Judges 13:20
49. Lion slain by Samson – Judges 14:5–6
50. Thirty Philistines killed by Samson – Judges 14:19
51. Water from the hollow place Lehi – Judges 15:19
52. City gates carried away by Samson – Judges 16:3
53. Dagon's house pulled down by Samson – Judges 16:29–30
54. Dagon's fall before the Ark – 1 Samuel 5:1–12
55. Men of Beth-shemesh destroyed – 1 Samuel 6:19–20
56. Thunder and rain in harvest-time – 1 Samuel 12:18
57. Uzzah's mysterious death – 2 Samuel 6:6–7
58. Jeroboam's hand withered and restored – 1 Kings 13:4–6
59. Rending of the altar in Bethel – 1 Kings 13:5
60. Drought ordered by Elijah – 1 Kings 17:1; James 5:17
61. Elijah fed by ravens – 1 Kings 17:4–6
62. Widow's oil and meal supernaturally increased – 1 Kings 17:12–17
63. Widow's son raised from dead – 1 Kings 17:17–23

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64. Sacrifice consumed by fire – 1 Kings 18:38
65. Rain in answer to prayer – 1 Kings 18:41
66. Captains destroyed by Elijah's command of fire – 2 Kings 1:9–12
67. Jordan divided by Elijah's mantle – 2 Kings 2:8
68. Elijah translated to heavens in a chariot of fire – 2 Kings 2:11
69. Jordan divided by Elisha with Elijah's mantle – 2 Kings 2:14
70. Waters of Jericho healed – 2 Kings 2:20–22
71. Young mockers of Elisha torn by bears – 2 Kings 2:24
72. Waters supernaturally supplied for Jehoshaphat – 2 Kings 3:16–20
73. Widow's supernaturally multiplied – 2 Kings 4:1–7
74. Shunammite's raised from dead – 2 Kings 4:19–37
75. Poisoned pottage made harmless – 2 Kings 4:38–41
76. Hundred fed with 20 loaves – 2 Kings 4:42–44
77. Naaman cured of leprosy – 2 Kings 5:10–14
78. Gehazi struck with leprosy – 2 Kings 5:27
79. Axehead caused to float – 2 Kings 6:5–7
80. Ben-Hadad's plans revealed – 2 Kings 6:8–13
81. Syrian army defeated – 2 Kings 6:18–20
82. Resurrection by touch with Elisha's bones – 2 Kings 13:21
83. Sennecherib's army of 186,000 destroyed by an angel – 2 Kings 19:35
84. Hezekiah healed – 2 Kings 20:7
85. Shadow returned to sundial – 2 Kings 20:11
86. Uzziah afflicted with leprosy – 2 Chronicles 26:16–21
87. Three men delivered from fiery furnace – Daniel 3:19–27
88. Daniel delivered from the lion's den – Daniel 6:16–23
89. Preservation of Jonah in the belly of fish for 3 days – Jonah 2:1–10

If you want to learn more about this topic, you may enjoy the book, [All the Miracles of the Bible, by Herbert Lockyer.](#)

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1. Elizabeth has a child in old age – Luke 1:13, 24
2. Zacharias made dumb – Luke 1:20
3. Zacharias released to speak at John's circumcision – Luke 1:64
4. Mary with child by Holy Spirit – Matt 1:16-18; Luke 1:35
5. Angel tell Joseph to take Mary as his wife – Matt 1:20

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6. Angel tells Joseph to flee to Egypt – Matt 2:13
7. Angel tells Joseph to return from Egypt – Matt 2:19-20
8. Joseph warned in a dream to go to Galilee – Matt 2:22
9. Jesus led into the desert 40 days and refutes Satan – Matt 4:4-11
10. Water made wine in Cana – John 2:1-11
11. Son of nobleman healed in Cana – John 4:46-54
12. Christ passed unseen through crowd in Nazareth – Luke 4:28-30
13. Demoniac in synagogue healed in Capernaum – Mark 1:23-26
14. Jesus heals many in Galilee – Matt 4:23-24
15. Peter's mother-in-law healed in Capernaum – Matthew 8:14-17
16. Draught of fishes in lake of Galilee – Luke 5:1-11
17. Leper cleansed in Capernaum – Matthew 8:1-4
18. Paralytic healed in Capernaum – Matthew 9:1-8
19. Impotent man healed in Jerusalem – John 5:1-9
20. Withered hand restored in Galilee – Matthew 12:10-13
21. Centurion's servant cured of palsy in Capernaum – Matthew 8:5-13
22. Widow's son raised in Nain – Luke 7:11-17
23. Demoniac healed in Galilee – Matthew 12:22-23
24. Tempest stilled in lake Galilee – Matthew 8:23-27
25. Two demoniac cured in Gadara – Matthew 8:28-34
26. Jairus' daughter raised from dead – Matthew 9:23
27. Woman with issue of blood healed – Matthew 9:20-22
28. Blind men cured – Matthew 9:27-31
29. Dumb spirit cast out in Capernaum – Matthew 9:32-33
30. Five thousand supernaturally fed – Matthew 14:15-21
31. Walking on the sea – Matthew 14:25-33
32. Syrophenician daughter healed – Matthew 15:21-28
33. Four thousand supernaturally fed – Matthew 15:32-39
34. Transfiguration of Christ – Matthew 17:1-6
35. Tribute money supernaturally provided -Matthew 17:24-27
36. Deaf and dumb man healed – Mark 7:31-37
37. Blind man healed – Mark 8:22-26
38. Devil cast out of boy -Mark 9:14-29
39. Miracles by the seventy – Luke 10:17
40. Ten lepers cleansed – Luke 17:11-19
41. Jesus passed unseen through crowd in the temple – John 8:59
42. Man born blind healed – John 9:1-7

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43. Lazarus raised from dead – John 11:38–44
44. Woman with infirmity cured – Luke 13:11–17
45. Man with dropsy cured – Luke 14:1–6
46. Two blind men cured in Jericho – Luke 18:35–43
47. Fig tree cursed and withered -Mark 11:12–14
48. Malchus' ears healed – Luke 22:50–51
49. Second draught of fishes – John 21:1–14
50. Resurrection of Christ – Luke 24:6
51. Christ's appearance to Mary Magdalene – Mark 16:9
52. Christ's appearance to other women -Matthew 28:9
53. Christ's appearance to two disciples – Luke 24:15–31
54. Christ's appearance to Peter -1 Corinthians 15:5
55. Christ's appearance to ten apostles (Thomas absent) – John 20:19–24
56. Christ's appearance to eleven apostles (Thomas present) – John
20:26–28
57. Christ's appearance to seven disciples fishing – John 21:1–24
58. Christ's appearance to eleven apostles in Galilee – Matthew 28:16–17
59. Christ's appearance to five hundred brethren – 1 Corinthians 15:6
60. Christ's appearance to James – 1 Corinthians 15:7
61. Christ's appearance to eleven apostles on Ascension – Acts 1:2–9
62. Outpouring of the Holy Spirit – Acts 2:1–14
63. Christ's appearance to Paul at his conversion – Acts 9:1–5; 1 Corin-
thians 15:18
64. Lame man (Ananias) cured by Peter – Acts 3:6
65. Death of Ananias and Sapphira – Acts 5:5, 10
66. Many sick people healed by Peter – Acts 5:15
67. Apostles freed from prison by angelic intervention – Acts 5:19; 12:7–11
68. Stephen's great miracles – Acts 6:8
69. Dying Stephen's vision of Christ – Acts 7:55–56
70. Philip cast out unclean spirit – Acts 8:6–13
71. Ananias' vision – Acts 9:10
72. Paul's sight restored – Acts 9:17–18
73. Aeneas healed of palsy – Acts 9:34
74. Dorcas restored to life – Acts 9:40
75. Cornelius' vision – Acts 10:3–4, 30–32
76. Peter's vision – Acts 10:9–20
77. Holy Spirit falls on household of Cornelius – Acts 10:44-45

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78. Agabus' prophecies – Acts 11:28; 21:11
79. Peter released from prison by angelic intervention – Acts 12:7–11
80. Elymas blinded – Acts 13:11
81. Lame man cured by Paul – Acts 14:10
82. Damsel delivered from evil spirit – Acts 14:10
83. Paul's vision on the way to Damascus – Acts 16:9
84. Earthquake released Paul and Silas – Acts 16:25–26
85. Gift of tongues – Acts 19:6
86. Special miracles by Paul – Acts 19:11–12
87. Evil spirit overpowered Sceva's seven sons – Acts 19:13–16
88. Eutychus restored to life – Acts 20:10
89. Paul unharmed by viper's bite – Acts 28:5
90. Publius' father healed – Acts 28:8
91. John's vision on Patmos – Revelation 1:9; 22:21
92. Innumerable miracles of Christ not recorded but witnessed by the apostles – John 20:30; cf. Acts 10:38–39

There are so many miracles in the Bible such that some are taken for granted because they are not fully highlighted. However, here are more than 89 miracles recorded in the Old Testament and more than 92 found in the New Testament.

A Harmony of the Gospels: showing the sequence of Gospel events and the ones that appear to be covered in the various Gospels. In general, the first 3 Gospels are called the Synoptic Gospels as they roughly have the same sequence of events, but not the same exact descriptions of each event, or all of the events. Then there is the Gospel of John where John said he wrote to cover what was left out of the 3 Synoptic Gospels. Other than the crucifixion, which all four cover, the only miracle covered in all 4 is the feeding of the 5,000.

There is much debate over the exact sequence of Gospel events as historical accuracy is not their purpose, but to show what is important for effective Christian life. Studying and meditation on the Gospels can be part of seeking the Lord, especially if you intersperse much rejoicing as you work through them. YAHOO!

I found similar harmonies of the Gospels in the appendix sections of some of my different Bibles. Also I have bought and used several different Harmony books. As it seems with everything in Christianity, there is much debate over the exact sequence of events and other details, so there is no guarantee that one Harmony chart or book will be exactly the same as another.

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You may discover that much theology is inaccurate as many do not use the full, available descriptions of various events. Any single Harmony can help you cover and learn from the same events.

The key is to not get lost in debate, but find one or more you can work with, and work with them until you can duplicate what Jesus did as a Jesus disciple-duplicate. After you are walking in *dunamis* power, *agape* love, and a sound mind like Jesus has, avoid debate and keep doing the Jesus ministry.

This Harmony below is from <https://www.blueletterbible.org/assets-v3/pdf/Harmony-of-the-Gospels.pdf>

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Harmony of the Gospels				
The Harmony of the Gospels offers a comparative study chart for Matthew, Mark, Luke and John's Gospel accounts. Categorized by subjects, this study resource allows quick, side-by-side viewing of what each apostle recorded in each of the four Gospels.				
Subjects	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Pre-Christ Narratives				
St. Luke's preface			1:1-4	
"God the Word"				1:1-14
The Birth and Early Childhood of Christ				
Birth of John Baptist foretold			1:5-25	
Annunciation of the birth of Jesus			1:26-38	
Mary visits Elizabeth			1:39-56	
Birth of John the Baptist			1:57-80	
The two genealogies	1:1-17		3:23-38	
Birth of Jesus Christ	1:18-25		2:1-7	
The watching shepherds			2:8-20	
The circumcision			2:21	
Presentation in the temple			2:22-38	
The wise men from the East	2:1-12			
Flight into Egypt, and return to Nazareth	2:13-23		2:39	
Christ in the temple with the doctors			2:40-52	
The Baptism of Christ				
Ministry of John the Baptist	3:1-12	1:1-8	3:1-18	1:15-31
Baptism of Jesus Christ	3:13-17	1:9-11	3:21-22	1:32-34
The Temptation of Christ				
The temptation	4:1-11	1:12-13	4:1-13	
The Early Ministry of Christ				
Andrew and another disciple and Simon Peter				1:35-42
Philip and Nathanael				1:43-51
The marriage in Cana of Galilee				2:1-11
Passover and cleansing the temple				2:12-25
Nicodemus comes to Jesus by night				3:1-21
Christ and John baptizing				3:22; 4:2
Christ at the well of Sychar				4:3-42
John the Baptist in prison	4:12; 14:3	1:14; 6:17	3:19-20	3:24
Christ returns to Galilee	4:12	1:14-15	4:14-15	4:43-45
The synagogue at Nazareth			4:16-30	
Andrew and Simon, James and John called	4:13-22	1:16-20	5:1-11	

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Miracles of Christ	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
The nobleman's son at Capernaum healed				4:46-54
The demoniac in the synagogue healed		1:21-28	4:31-37	
Simon's wife's mother healed	8:14-17	1:29-34	4:38-41	
Circuit round Galilee	4:23-25	1:35-39	4:42-44	
Healing a leper	8:1-4	1:40-45	5:12-16	
Christ stills the storm	8:18-27	4:35-41	8:22-25	
Demoniacs in the land of the Gadarenes	8:28-34	5:1-20	8:26-39	
Jairus' daughter. Woman healed	9:18-26	5:21-43	8:40-56	
Blind men and demoniac	9:27-34			
Healing the paralytic	9:1-8	2:1-12	5:17-26	
Matthew the publican	9:9-13	2:13-17	5:27-32	
"Thy disciples fast not"	9:14-17	2:18-22	5:33-39	
The Feast and Miracle at Bethesda				
The feast at Jerusalem				5:1
The pool of Bethesda				5:2-15
Jesus and the irate Jews				5:16-47
Ministry and Parables				
Plucking ears of corn on the Sabbath	12:1-8	2:23-28	6:1-5	
The withered hand. Miracles	12:9-21	3:1-12	6:6-11	
The twelve apostles	10:2-4	3:13-19	6:12-16	
The sermon on the mount	5:1-7:29		6:17-49	
The centurion's servant healed	8:5-13		7:1-10	
The widow's son at Nain			7:11-17	
Messengers from John	11:2-19		7:18-35	
Woe denounced to the cities of Galilee	11:20-24			
Call to the meek and suffering	11:25-30			
Anointing the feet of Jesus			7:36-50	
Second circuit round Galilee			8:1-3	
Parable of the sower	13:1-23	4:1-20	8:4-15	
Parable of the candle under a bushel		4:21-25	8:16-18	
Parable of the seed growing secretly		4:26-29		
Parable of the wheat and tares	13:24-30			
Parable of the grain of mustard seed	13:31-32	4:30-32	13:18-19	
Parable of the leaven	13:33		13:20-21	
On teaching by parables	13:34-35	4:33-34		
The wheat and tares explained	13:36-43			
The hid treasure, the pearl, the net	13:44-52			
His mother and His brethren	12:46-50	3:31-35	8:19-21	
Reception at Nazareth	13:53-58	6:1-6		
Third circuit round Galilee	9:35-38; 11:1	6:6		
Sending forth of the twelve	10:5-42	6:7-13	9:1-6	
Herod's opinion of Jesus	14:1-2	6:14-16	9:7-9	

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Ministry and Parables	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Death of John the Baptist	14:3-12	6:17-29		
Feeding of the five thousand	14:13-21	6:30-44	9:10-17	6:1-15
Christ walking on the sea	14:22-33	6:45-52		6:16-21
Miracles in Gennesaret	14:34-36	6:53-56		
"The bread of life"				6:22-65
The washed hands	15:1-20	7:1-23		
The Syrophenician woman	15:21-28	7:24-30		
Miracles of healing	15:29-31	7:31-37		
Feeding of the four thousand	15:32-39	8:1-9		
The sign from heaven	16:1-4	8:10-13		
The leaven of the Pharisees	16:5-12	8:14-21		
Blind man healed		8:22-26		
Outside of Galilee				
Peter's profession of faith	16:13-19	8:27-29	9:18-20	6:66-71
The passion foretold	16:20-28	8:30-38; 9:1	9:21-27	
The transfiguration	17:1-9	9:2-10	9:28-36	
The coming of Elias	17:10-13	9:11-13		
The lunatic healed	17:14-21	9:14-29	9:37-42	
Back in Galilee				
The passion again foretold	17:22-23	9:30-32	9:43-45	
The fish caught for the tribute	17:24-27			
the little child	18:1-5	9:33-37	9:46-48	
One casting out devils		9:38-41	9:49-50	
Offences	18:6-9	9:42-48	17:2	
The lost sheep	18:10-14		15:4-7	
Forgiveness of injuries	18:15-17			
"Binding and loosing"	18:18-20			
Parable of the unmerciful servant	18:21-35			
"Salt with fire"		9:49-50		
Ministry in Jerusalem				
Journey to Jerusalem			9:51	7:1-10
Fire from heaven			9:52-56	
Answers to disciples	8:19-22		9:57-62	
Teaching at the feast of tabernacles				7:11-53
Woman taken in adultery				8:1-11
Dispute with the Pharisees				8:12-59
The man born blind				9:1-41
The good shepherd				10:1-21
Feast of the dedication				10:22-30
Departure beyond Jordan				10:40-42
In Galilee				
Mission of the seventy			10:1-16	

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In Galilee	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
The return of the seventy			10:17-24	
The good Samaritan			10:25-37	
Mary and Martha			10:38-42	
The Lord's prayer	6:9-13		11:1-4	
Prayer effectual	7:7-11		11:5-13	
The blasphemous Pharisees reproved	12:22-37	3:20-30	11:14-23	
The unclean spirit returning	12:43-45		11:24-28	
The sign of Jonah	12:38-42		11:29-32	
The light of the body	5:15; 6:22-23		11:33-36	
The Pharisees	23:1-39		11:37-54	
What to fear	10:26-33		12:1-12	
Covetousness	6:25-33		12:13-31	
Watchfulness			12:32-59	
Galileans that perished			13:1-9	
Woman healed on the Sabbath			13:10-17	
The grain of mustard-seed	13:31-32	4:30-32	13:18-19	
The leaven	13:33		13:20-21	
Towards and At Jerusalem				
Journey towards Jerusalem			13:22	
"Are there few that be saved?"			13:23-30	
Warning against Herod			13:31-33	
Prophecy against Jerusalem	23:37-39		13:34-35	
Dropsy healed on the Sabbath day			14:1-6	
Choosing the chief rooms			14:7-14	
Parable of the great supper	22:1-14		14:15-24	
Following Christ with the cross	10:37-38		14:25-35	
Parables of the lost sheep, piece of money, prodigal son			15:1-32	
Parables of the steward, rich man and Lazarus			16:1-31	
Offences	18:6-15		17:1-4	
Faith and merit	17:20		17:5-10	
The ten lepers			17:11-19	
How the kingdom cometh			17:20-37	
Parable of the unjust judge			18:1-8	
Parable of the Pharisee and the publican			18:9-14	
Divorce	19:1-12	10:1-12		
Infants brought to Jesus	19:13-15	10:13-16	18:15-17	
The rich man inquiring	19:16-26	10:17-27	18:18-27	
Promises to the disciples	19:27-30	10:28-31	18:28-30	
Laborers in the vineyard	20:1-16			
Death of Christ foretold	20:17-19	10:32-34	18:31-34	
Request of James and John	20:20-28	10:35-45		
Blind men at Jericho	20:29-34	10:46-52	18:35-43	

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Towards and At Jerusalem	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Zaccheus			19:1-10	
Parable of the ten talents	25:14-30		19:11-28	
Raising of Lazarus				11:1-44
Meeting of the Sanhedrin				11:45-53
Christ Departs to Ephraim				11:54-57
The anointing by Mary ¹	26:6-13	14:3-9	7:36-50	12:1-11
Christ enters Jerusalem	21:1-11	11:1-10	19:29-44	12:12-19
Cleansing the temple (second)	21:12-16	11:15-18	19:45-48	
The barren fig tree	21:17-22	11:11-14, 11:19-23		
Exhortation to prayer and forgiveness	6:14-15	11:24-26		
The questioning of the chief priests	21:23-27	11:27-33	20:1-8	
Parable of the two sons	21:28-32			
Parable of the wicked husbandmen	21:33-46	12:1-12	20:9-18	
Parable of the wedding-garment	22:1-14		14:16-24	
The tribute money	22:15-22	12:13-17	20:20-26	
The Sadducees confuted	22:23-33	12:18-27	20:27-40	
The great commandment	22:34-40	12:28-34		
David's Son and David's Lord	22:41-46	12:35-37	20:41-44	
The hypocrisy and ambition of the Pharisees	23:1-39	12:38-40	20:45-47	
The widow's mite		12:41-44	21:1-4	
Christ's second coming foretold	24:1-51	13:1-37	21:5-36	
Parable of the ten virgins	25:1-13			
Parable of the talents	25:14-30		19:11-27	
The last judgment	25:31-46			
Greeks visit Jesus. Voice from heaven				12:20-36
The judgment of unbelief				12:37-50
Last passover. Conspiracy of Jews	26:1-5	14:1-2	22:1-2	
Judas Iscariot	26:14-16	14:10-11	22:3-6	
Paschal supper	26:17-30	14:12-26	22:7-23	13:1-35
Contention of the apostles			22:24-30	
Peter's fall foretold	26:31-35	14:27-31	22:31-39	13:36-38
Last discourse. The departure. The Comforter				14:1-31
The vine and the branches. Abiding in love				15:1-27
Work of the Comforter in the disciples				16:1-33
The prayer of Christ for them				17:1-26
Gethsemane	26:36-46	14:32-42	22:40-46	18:1
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The Betrayal and Trial of Christ				
The betrayal	26:47-56	14:43-52	22:47-53	18:2-11
Christ before Annas and Caiaphas.	26:57-58,	14:53-54,	22:54-65	18:12-27
Peter's denial	26:69-75	14:66-72		

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The Betrayal and Trial of Christ	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Christ before the Sanhedrin	26:59-68	14:55-65	22:66-71	
Christ before Pilate	27:1-2, 27:11-14	15:1-5	23:1-6	18:33-40
The traitor's death	27:3-10			
Christ before Herod			23:7-12	
Accusation and condemnation	27:15-26	15:6-15	23:13-25	18:29; 19:16
The Crucifixion and Burial of Christ				
Treatment by the soldiers	27:27-31	15:16-20	23:36-37	19:1-3
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