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Acts 2: 40 With many other words he testified, and he urged them, “**Be saved from this corrupt generation.**”

Colossians 1

13 **He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness** and brought us into the kingdom of His beloved Son,
14 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.



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Acts 20

28 Keep watch over yourselves and the entire flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers.

Be shepherds of the church of God, which He purchased with His own blood.

29 I know that after my departure, savage wolves will come in among you and will not spare the flock.

30 Even from your own number, men will rise up and distort the truth to draw away disciples after them.

31 Therefore be alert and remember that for three years I never stopped warning each of you night and day with tears.



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Hebrews 5

11 We have much to say about this, but it is hard to explain, because you are dull of hearing.

12 Although by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to reteach you the basic principles of God's word.

You need milk, not solid food!

13 For everyone who lives on milk is still an infant, inexperienced in the message of righteousness.

14 But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained their senses to distinguish good from evil.



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8 But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be under a curse!

9 As we have said before, so now I say again:

If anyone is preaching to you a gospel contrary to the one you embraced, let him be under a curse!



Romans 1

16 I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, first to the Jew, then to the Greek.

17 For the gospel reveals the righteousness of God that comes **by faith from start to finish**,

just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith.”

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2 Corinthians 11

3 I am afraid, however, that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning, your minds may be led astray from your simple and pure devotion to Christ.

4 For if someone comes and proclaims a Jesus other than the One we proclaimed, or if you receive a different spirit than the One you received, or a different gospel than the one you accepted, you put up with it way too easily.



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10 Am I now seeking the approval of men, or of God?

Or am I striving to please men?

If I were still trying to please men, I would not be a servant of Christ.



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Matthew 10

32 Therefore everyone who confesses Me before men, I will also confess him before My Father in heaven.

33 But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny him before My Father in heaven.



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34 Do not assume that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

35 For I have come to turn

**‘A man against his father,
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36 A man’s enemies will be the members of his own household.’



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37 Anyone who loves his father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me;

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38 and anyone who does not take up his cross and follow Me is not worthy of Me.

39 Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.



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11 For I certify to you, brothers, that the gospel I preached is not according to man.

12 I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it; rather, I received it by revelation from Jesus Christ.



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13 For you have heard of my former way of life in Judaism, how severely I persecuted the church of God and tried to destroy it.

14 I was advancing in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries and was extremely zealous for the traditions of my fathers.



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15 But when God, who set me apart from my mother's womb and called me by His grace, was pleased 16 to reveal His Son in me so that I might preach Him among the Gentiles,

I did not rush to consult with flesh and blood,

17 nor did I go up to Jerusalem to the apostles who came before me, but I went into Arabia and later returned to Damascus.



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18 Only after three years did I go up to Jerusalem to confer with Cephas, and I stayed with him fifteen days.

19 But I saw none of the other apostles except James, the Lord's brother.

20 I assure you before God that what I am writing to you is no lie.



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21 Later I went to the regions of Syria and Cilicia.

22 I was personally unknown, however, to the churches of Judea that are in Christ.

23 They only heard the account: “The man who formerly persecuted us is now preaching the faith he once tried to destroy.”

24 And they glorified God because of me.



2 Peter 1

20 Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture comes from one's own interpretation.

21 For no prophecy was ever brought forth by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.



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