

Dear reader as always it is again a blessing to be able to share with you some scriptural truths. The purpose of these articles is to seek the TRUTH according to THE WORD, thereby exposing ERROR, for the purpose of saving our souls. Again we believe this is best done by definitions and the preponderance of scriptures; which is having superior weight, force, importance, or influence of scripture. We believe this allows SCRIPTURE to INTERPRET SCRIPTURE, thereby allowing a better understanding on that topic.

Truly, there are many in the religious world today proclaiming to belong to Christ, "**Christians**": Loving this world and enjoying the things that are in it. True Christians cannot have it their own way, being that they belong to Christ. We must do it His way, if we have gone down in and come up out of that watery grave of baptism according to New Testament scriptures; thereby putting on Christ. Please read and listen, to what the apostle Paul said to the Church of and by Christ in Galatia: "**Gal 3:26** For ye are all the children of God **by faith in Christ Jesus**. **27** For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. **28** There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. **29** And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." So, we are not our own, we have been bought with a price (**1Cor.6:19-20** and **1Cor.7:22-23**). We then must be willing to suffer and follow Christ. For if we choose not to suffer and obey Christ, we will have gone down in the water a "Dry Devil" and then come up out of it a "Wet One". Please read and listen, to what the apostle Paul said to the Church of and by Christ in Philippi: "**Phil 1:29** For unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for his sake; **30** Having the same conflict which ye saw in me, and now hear to be in me." Please read and listen to the apostle Paul as he continues to teach in **Phil. chapter 3 and verses 16-20**. So, True **Christians** must have the same **Conflict** True followers of Christ had; thereby being right, righteous with God, through Christ and his Apostles.

According to scripture, even though we are flesh, the **conflict** is to deny ourselves of these fleshly, earthly pleasures, longings, cravings, appetites, addictions, which are Fleshly Lusts. This would then allow us to become a New Spiritual Creature, rather than the Old Fleshly One. So then, True Christians must strive to deny themselves, take up their cross DAILY; **not** the "cross" that everyone likes to hang on their walls, hold in their hands, hang around their necks, hang on their rear view mirrors, lay on their bibles and build on steeples. But, it is the CROSS of SUFFERING to deny our fleshly likes and wants DAILY while here on earth, thereby being followers Christ. Please read and listen to Jesus Christ: "**Luke 9:22** Saying, The Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be slain, and be raised the third day. **23** And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, (1)let him deny (2)himself, and take up his (3)cross daily, and (4)follow me. **24** For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for my sake, the same shall save it. **25** For what is a man advantaged, if he gain the whole world, and lose himself, or be cast away? **26** For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and in his Father's, and of the holy angels."

**Definitions:**(1)let him deny-720 arneomai (ar-neh'-om-ahee); perhaps from 1 (as a negative particle) and the middle voice of 4483; to contradict, i.e. disavow, reject, abnegate, 2) to deny someone, to deny oneself a) to disregard one's own interests b) to act entirely unlike himself 4) not to accept, to reject, to refuse something offered: KJV-- deny, refuse. (2)himself-1438 heautou (including all other cases)-himself, herself, itself, themselves. (3)take up his cross DAILY-4716 stauros (stow-ros'); from the base of 2476; a stake or post (as set upright), i.e. (specifically) a pole or cross (as an instrument of capital punishment); figuratively, exposure to death, i.e. self-denial: KJV-- cross. (4)and follow me-190 akoloutheo (ak-ol-oo-theh'-o); from 1 (as a particle of union) and keleuthos (a road); properly, to be in the same way with, i.e. to accompany (specially, as a disciple), 1) to follow one who precedes, join him as his attendant, accompany him 2) to join one as a disciple, become or be his disciple: to side with his party: KJV-- follow, reach.

The blueprint of The One Body, The One Church that Christ is building and is the head of, is found in The Apostles' Doctrine, which is in New Testament Scriptures (**Matt. 16:13-19; Acts2:41-47; Eph.4:1-6; 5:22-33; Col.1:12-20; 1Pet.2:6-11**). This is the Church of and by Christ (**Rom.16:16-18; Eph.3:17-**

**21).** We have shared with you in the past, and Lord willing, will share with you again in the future, the articles on a commandment of the Apostle John, as he was guided by The Holy Spirit. The commandment being: **“Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world...” (I John 2:15)** and the scriptural answer of why: **“For all that is in the world...” (I John 2:16).**

**I Jn 2:15** Love not the (1)world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For (2)all that is in the world, the (3)lust of the (4)flesh, and the lust of the (5)eyes, and the (6)pride of (7)life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. 17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.(KJV)

**Definitions:** (1)Love not the **World** -2889 kosmos; 1) an apt and harmonious arrangement or constitution, order, government 2) ornament, decoration, adornment, that is, the arrangement of the stars, 'the heavenly hosts', as the ornament of the heavens, the world, the universe, the earth, the inhabitants of the earth, men, the human race, the ungodly multitude; the whole mass of men alienated from God, and therefore hostile to the cause of Christ, world affairs, the aggregate of things earthly, the whole circle of earthly goods, endowments riches, advantages, pleasures, etc., which although hollow and frail and fleeting, stir desire, seduce from God and are obstacles to the cause of Christ. (2)For **All**-3956 pas (pas); including all the forms of declension; apparently a primary word; all, any, every, the whole: KJV-- all (manner of, means), any one, X daily, + ever, every (one, way), as many as, whole, whosoever. (3)the **Lust**-1939 epithumia; desire, craving, longing, desire for what is forbidden, lust. (4)of the **Flesh**-4561 sarx (sarx); probably from the base of 4563; flesh (as stripped of the skin), or (by extension) the body (as opposed to the soul [or spirit], or as the symbol of what is external, or as the means of kindred), or (by implication) human nature (with its frailties [physically or morally] and passions), or (specifically) a human being (as such): the body of a man, the flesh, denotes mere human nature, the earthly nature of man apart from divine influence, and therefore prone to sin and opposed to God; KJV-- carnal (-ly, + -ly minded), flesh ([-ly]). (5)lust of the **Eyes**-3788 ophthalmos (of-thal-mos'); from 3700; the eye (literally or figuratively); by implication, vision; figuratively, envy (from the jealous side-glance): KJV-- eye, sight, the eye, metaphorically, the eyes of the mind, the faculty of knowing, 3700 optanomai (op-tan'-om-ahēe);KJV-- appear, look, see, shewself. (6)and the**Pride** of -212 alazoneia-1) empty, braggart talk 2) an insolent and empty assurance, which trusts in its own power and resources and shamefully despises and violates divine laws and human rights 3) an impious and empty presumption which trusts in the stability of earthly things. (7)of **Life** is NOT of the Father -979 bios (bee'-os); a primary word; life, i.e. (literally) the present state of existence; by implication, the means of livelihood: KJV-- **good, life, living,** life extensively, the period or course of life, that by which life is sustained, **resources, wealth, goods.**

We will attempt scripturally as always, to examine as to **HOW** we as Christians are to accomplish the command that was given by the Holy Spirit-inspired Apostle John. Now, let's read in the words of the Apostles (**John 17:16-23**), of The Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, as it answers the question **“how”**, and defines those that belong to HIM. He that hath an ear let him hear, and then strive to do, if we are to be "They that are Christ's". Dear reader, again, think about it, if we do those things that are not of the Father, then **WHAT** and **WHO** are we **OF**? Please read, listen and understand what the apostle Paul said to the Church of and by Christ in Corinth: **“2 Cor 4:1** Therefore seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not; **2** But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. **3** But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: **4** In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. **5** For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. **6** For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.” (KJV)

**CRUCIFIED UNTO THIS WORLD** (please get your bible and follow this study):

**Gal 6:14** But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the

world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world. **15** For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, **but a new creature.** **16 And as many as walk according to this rule,** peace be on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. **17** From henceforth let no man trouble me: for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. **18** Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.(KJV)

**Gal 6:14** But God forbid that I **(1)should glory**, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the (2)world is (3)crucified unto me, and I unto the world.(KJV)

**Definitions:** **(1)should glory**-2744 kauchaomai (kow-khah'-om-ahee); from some (obsolete) base akin to that of aucheo (to boast) and 2172; to vaunt (in a good or a bad sense): KJV-- (make) boast, glory, joy, rejoice. **(2)the world**-2889 kosmos-1) an apt and harmonious arrangement or constitution, order, government 3) the world, the universe 5) the inhabitants of the earth, men, the human race 6) the ungodly multitude; the whole mass of men alienated from God, and therefore hostile to the cause of Christ 7) world affairs, the aggregate of things earthly the whole circle of earthly goods, endowments riches, advantages, pleasures, etc., which although hollow and frail and fleeting, stir desire, seduce from God and are obstacles to the cause of Christ. **(3)is crucified** unto me-4717 stauroo-1) to stake, to drive down stakes 2) to fortify with driven stakes, to palisade 3) to crucify: a) to crucify one b) metaphorically, to crucify the flesh, destroy its power utterly (the nature of the figure implying that the destruction is attended with intense pain)

**Gal 6:14 ... God forbid...Ref. Scriptures:**

**Rom 3:3** For what if some did not believe? shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect? **4** God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written, That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged. **5** But if our unrighteousness commend the righteousness of God, what shall we say? Is God unrighteous who taketh vengeance? (I speak as a man) **6** God forbid: for then how shall God judge the world? (KJV)

**Romans 6: 1** What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? **2 God forbid.** How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein? (KJV)

**Gal 6:14 ... that I should glory...Ref. Scriptures:**

**Ps 50:22** Now consider this, ye that forget God, **lest I tear you in pieces,** and there be none to deliver. **23** Whoso offereth praise **glorifieth me: (1)and to him that ordereth his (2)conversation** aright will I shew the salvation of God. (KJV)

**Definitions:****(1)and to him that ordereth**-7760 suwm or siym-to put, to place, to set, to appoint, to make, to put, to set in place, to plant, to fix, to transform into, to constitute, to fashion, to work, to bring to pass...**(2)his conversation** aright-1870 derek (deh'-rek); from 1869; a road (as trodden); figuratively, a course of life or mode of action, often adverb: KJV-- along, away, because of, + by, conversation, custom, journey, manner, passenger, through, toward, [high-] [path-] way.

**Isa 40:12** Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance? **13** Who hath directed the Spirit of the LORD, or being his counsellor hath taught him? **14** With whom took he counsel, and who instructed him, and taught him in the path of judgment, and taught him knowledge, and shewed to him the way of understanding? **15** Behold, **the nations are as a drop of a bucket,** and are counted as the small dust of the balance: behold, he taketh up the isles as a very little thing.

**Isa 40:17** All nations before him are as nothing; and they are counted to him less than nothing, and vanity. **18** To whom then will ye liken God? or what likeness will ye compare unto him?

**Isa 64:6** But we are all as an unclean thing, and all (1)our righteousnesses are as (2)filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

**Definitions:** (1)all our righteousnesses-6666 tsedaqah-justice, used of judge, righteousness, truthfulness, righteousness (as ethically right), righteousness (as vindicated), justification, salvation, prosperity (of people), righteous acts. (2)are as filthy rags-5708 `ed (ayd);from an unused root meaning to set a period [compare 5710, 5749]; the menstrual flux (as periodical); by implication (in plural) soiling: KJV—filthy, menstruation; a filthy rag, a stained garment.

**Jer 9:23** Thus saith the LORD, Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches: **24** But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight, saith the LORD. (KJV)

**Dan 4:34** And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation: **35** And all the inhabitants of the earth are (1)reputed as nothing; and he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?

**Definition:**(1)reputed-2804 chashab (Aramaic) (khash-ab');corresponding to 2803; to regard: KJV—repute, to think, to account

**1 Cor 1:23** But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness; **24** But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God. **25** Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men. **26** For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called: **27** But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; **28** And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are: **29** That no flesh (1)should glory in his presence. **30** But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and (2)righteousness, and (3)sanctification, and (4)redemption: **31** That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.

**Definitions:** (1)That no flesh should glory in his presence-2744 kauchaomai (kow-khah'-om-ah-ee); from some (obsolete) base akin to that of aucho (to boast) and 2172; to vaunt (in a good or a bad sense): KJV-- (make) boast, glory, joy, rejoice... (2)righteousness-1343 dikaiosune-1) in a broad sense: state of him who is as he ought to be, righteousness, the condition acceptable to God a) the doctrine concerning the way in which man may attain a state approved of God b) integrity, virtue, purity of life, rightness, correctness of thinking feeling, and acting 2) in a narrower sense, justice or the virtue which gives each his due... (3)sanctification-38 hagasmos (hag-ee-as-mos'); from 37; properly, purification, i.e. (the state) purity: KJV-- holiness, to separate from profane things and to dedicate to God a) to consecrate things to God b) to dedicate people to God 3) to purify a) to cleanse externally b) to purify by expiation: to free from the guilt of sin c) to purify internally by a renewing of the soul... (4)redemption-629 apolutrosis (ap-ol-oo'-tro-sis); from a compound of 575 and 3083; (the act) ransom in full, i.e. (figuratively) riddance, or (specially) Christian salvation: KJV-- deliverance, redemption.

**1 Cor 3:18** Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise. **19** For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is

written, He taketh the wise in their own craftiness. **20** And again, The Lord knoweth the thoughts of the wise, that they are vain. **21** Therefore let no man (1)glory in men. For all things are yours; (KJV)

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**2 Cor 11:12** But what I do, that I will do, that I may cut off occasion from them which desire occasion; that wherein they glory, they may be found even as we. **13** For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. **14** And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. **15** Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works. (KJV)

**2 Cor 12:10** Therefore **I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake:** for when I am weak, then am I strong. **11** I am become a fool in glorying; ye have compelled me: for I ought to have been commended of you: for in nothing am I behind the very chiefest apostles, **though I be nothing.** (KJV)

**Gal 6:14 ... save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ...Ref. Scriptures:**

**Isa 45:24** Surely, shall one say, in the LORD have I righteousness and strength: even to him shall men come; and all that are incensed against him shall be ashamed. **25** In the LORD shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory. (KJV)

**Rom 1:16** For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. (KJV)

**1 Cor 1:23** But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness; (KJV)

**1 Cor 2:2** For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified. (KJV)

**Phil 3:3** For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh. (KJV)

**Phil 3:7** But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. **8** Yea doubtless, and **I count all things but loss** for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, **that I may win Christ,** **9** And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith: **10** That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, **being made conformable unto his death;** **11** If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead. (KJV)

**Gal 6:14 ... the world is crucified unto me...Ref. Scriptures:**

**John 12:24** Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit. **25** **(1)He that loveth his life shall lose it;** and **(2)he that hateth his life in this world (3)shall keep it unto life eternal.** **26** If any man serve me, **(3)let him follow me;** and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour. (KJV)

**Definitions: (1)He that loveth his life** shall lose it-5368 phileo (fil-eh'-o);from 5384; to be a friend to (fond of [an individual or an object]), i.e. have affection for (denoting personal attachment, as a matter of sentiment or feeling; 1) to love a) to approve of b) to like c) to sanction d) to treat affectionately or kindly,

to welcome, to befriend 2) to show signs of love; to kiss 3) to be fond of doing; specifically, to kiss (as a mark of tenderness): KJV-- kiss, love. **(2)he that hateth** his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal-3404 misero (mis-eh'-o);from a primary misos (hatred); to detest (especially to persecute); by extension, to love less: KJV-- hate (-ful). **(3)shall keep** it-5442 phulasso (foo-las'-so);probably from 5443 through the idea of isolation; to watch, i.e. be on guard (literally of figuratively); by implication, to preserve, obey, avoid: KJV-- beware, c) to guard a person (or thing) that he may remain safe, lest he suffer violence, be despoiled, etc., to protect, to keep from being snatched away, to preserve safe and unimpaired, to guard from being lost or perishing, to guard, that is, to care for, take care not to violate, to observe, to shun, to flee from, to guard for oneself (that is, for one's safety's sake) so as not to violate save. **(4)let him follow me**-190 akoloutheo (ak-ol-oo-theh'-o);from 1 (as a particle of union) and keleuthos (a road); properly, to be in the same way with, i.e. to accompany (specially, as a disciple), 1) to follow one who precedes, join him as his attendant, accompany him 2) to join one as a disciple, become or be his disciple: to side with his party: KJV-- follow, reach.

**John 16:33** These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world. (KJV)

**John 17:1** These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee: **2** As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him. **3** And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent. **4** I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do. **5** And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was. **6** **I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world:** thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word. **7** Now they have known that all things whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee. **8** For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me. **9** **I pray for them: I pray not for the world,** but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine. **10** And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them. **11** And **now I am no more in the world,** but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, **that they may be one, as we are.** **12** While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled. **13** And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves. **14** I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. **15** I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. **16** They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. **17** Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. **18** As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world. **19** And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth. **20** Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; **21** That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. (KJV)

**Acts 20:23** Save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions abide me. **24** But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God. (KJV)

**Rom 6:1** What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? **2** God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein? **3** Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? **4** Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. **5** For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection: **6** Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. **7** For he that is dead is freed from sin. **8**

Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him: **9** Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. (KJV)

**Rom 8:5** For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. **6** For to be (1)carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. **7** Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. **8** So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. **9** But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the **Spirit of Christ, he is none of his**. (KJV)

**Definition:** (1)carnally minded-4561 sarx (sarx);probably from the base of 4563; flesh (as stripped of the skin), i.e. (strictly) the meat of an animal (as food), or (by extension) the body (as opposed to the soul [or spirit], or as the symbol of what is external, or as the means of kindred), or (by implication) human nature (with its frailties [physically or morally] and passions), or (specifically) a human being (as such), 4) the flesh, denotes mere human nature, the earthly nature of man apart from divine influence, and therefore prone to sin and opposed to God: KJV-- carnal (-ly, + -ly minded), flesh ([-ly]).

**1 Cor 15:58** Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord. (KJV)

**2 Cor 5:14** For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: **15** And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again. **16** Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we him no more. (KJV)

**Gal 1:4** Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from **this present evil world**, according to the will of God and our Father: (KJV)

**Gal 2:20** I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me. (KJV)

**Gal 5:19** Now the works of the flesh are manifest, **which are these**; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, **20** Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, **21** Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and **such like**: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. **22** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, **23** Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. **24** And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. **25** If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. **26** Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another. (KJV)

**Phil 1:20** According to my earnest expectation and my hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death. **21** For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. (KJV)

**Phil 1:29** For unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, **not only to believe on him,** but also to suffer for his sake; **30** Having the same conflict which ye saw in me, and now hear to be in me. (KJV)

**Phil 3:3** For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh. **4** Though I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more: **5** Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee; **6** Concerning zeal, persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the law, blameless. **7** But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. **8** Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all

things, and do count them but dung, **that I may win Christ, 9** And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith: **10** That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and **the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;** **11** If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead. **12** Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. **13** Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, **14** I press toward the mark for the prize of the **high calling of God in Christ Jesus.** **15** Let us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus minded: and if in any thing ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you. **16** Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us (1)walk by the same (2)rule, let us mind the same thing. **17** Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an (3)ensample. **18** (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: **19** Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who (4)mind (5)earthly things.) **20** For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: **21** Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

**Definitions:** (1)let us walk -4748 stoicheo (stoy-kheh'-o); from a derivative of steicho (to range in regular line); to march in (military) rank (keep step), i.e. (figuratively) to conform to virtue and piety: KJV-- walk (orderly).1) to proceed in a row as the march of a soldier, to go in order; metaphorically, to direct one's life, to live...(2)by the same rule-2583 kanon (kan-ohn'); from kane (a straight reed, i.e. rod); a rule ("canon"), i.e. (figuratively) a standard (of faith and practice); by implication, a boundary, i.e. (figuratively) a sphere (of activity): KJV-- line, rule, a definitely bounded or fixed space within the limits of which one's power of influence is confined 3) metaphorically, any rule or standard, a principle or law of investigating, judging, living, acting. (3)as ye have us for an **ensample**-5179 tupos (too'-pos); from 5180; a die (as struck), i.e. (by implication) a stamp or scar; by analogy, a shape, i.e. a statue, (figuratively) style or resemblance; specifically, a sampler ("type"), i.e. a model (for imitation) or instance (for warning): KJV-- **en- ex- ample**, fashion, figure, form, manner, pattern, print. (4)who **mind**-5426 phroneo (fron-eh'-o); from 5424; to exercise the mind, i.e. entertain or have a sentiment or opinion; by implication, to be (mentally) disposed (more or less earnestly in a certain direction); intensively, to interest oneself in (with concern or obedience): KJV-- set the affection on, (be like-, + be of one, + be of the same mind (-ed), regard, savour, think. (5)**earthly** things-1919 epigeios (ep-ig'-i-os); from 1909 and 1093; worldly (physically or morally): KJV-- earthly, in earth, terrestrial.existing upon the earth, earthly, terrestrial

**Col 2:20** Wherefore **if ye be dead with Christ** from the rudiments of the world, why, as though living in the world, are ye subject to **(1)ordinances,** **21** (Touch not; taste not; handle not; **22** Which all are to perish with the using;) after the commandments and doctrines of men? **23** Which things have indeed a shew of wisdom in will worship, and humility, and neglecting of the body; not in any honour **to the satisfying of the flesh.** (KJV)

**Definition:** (1)**ordinances**-1379 dogmatizo (dog-mat-id'-zo); from 1378; to prescribe by statute, i.e. (reflexively) to submit to ceremonially rule: KJV-- **be subject to ordinances.**1) doctrine, decree, ordinance a) used of public decrees b) used of the Roman Senate c) used of rulers 2) the rules and requirements of the law of Moses.

**Col 3:1** If ye then be risen with Christ, **(1)seek** those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. **2** **(2)Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.** **3** **For ye are dead,** and your life is hid with Christ in God. (KJV)

**Definitions:** (1)**seek** those things-2212 zeteo (dzay-teh'-o); of uncertain affinity; to seek (literally or figuratively) : KJV-- be (go) about, desire, endeavour, enquire (for), require, (X will) seek (after, for, means). (2)**Set your affection on things above**-5426 phroneo (fron-eh'-o); from 5424; to exercise the mind, i.e. entertain or have a sentiment or opinion; by implication, to be (mentally) disposed (more or less

earnestly in a certain direction); intensively, to interest oneself in (with concern or obedience): KJV-- set the affection on, (be like-, + be of one, + be of the same mind (-ed), regard, savour, think, 1) to have understanding, to be wise 2) to feel, to think, to be of the same mind, that is, agreed together, to cherish the same views, to be harmonious 3) **to direct one's mind to a thing, to seek, to strive for a) to seek one's interest or advantage b) to be of one's party, to side with him (in public affairs)**

**2 Tim 3:10** But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience, **11** Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but out of them all the Lord delivered me. **12** Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution. (KJV)

**James 1:27 Pure religion** and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and **(1)to keep himself (2)unspotted from the (3)world.** (KJV)

**Definitions: (1)to keep himself-5083** tereo-to attend to carefully, to take care of a) to guard b) metaphorically, to keep, one in the state in which he is c) to observe d) to reserve: to undergo something. **(2)unspotted from-784** aspilos-1) spotless 2) metaphorically, a) free from censure, irreproachable b) **free from vice, unsullied.** **(3)the world 2889** kosmos-1) an apt and harmonious arrangement or constitution, order, government 5) the inhabitants of the earth, men, the human race 6) the ungodly multitude; the whole mass of men alienated from God, and therefore hostile to the cause of Christ 7) world affairs, the aggregate of things earthly the whole circle of earthly goods, endowments riches, advantages, pleasures, etc., which although hollow and frail and fleeting, stir desire, seduce from God and are obstacles to the cause of Christ

**1 Pet 2:21** For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: **22** Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth: (KJV)

**1 Pet 4:1** Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, **arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin;** **2** That he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God. **3** For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries: **4** Wherein they think it strange that ye run not with them to the same excess of riot, speaking evil of you: **5** Who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the quick and the dead.(KJV)

**I John 5:4** For whatsoever is born of God **overcometh the world:** and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. **5** Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? (KJV) (See Rom.10:16-17; James 1:21-25 and 2:17-26)

**I Jn 5:18** We know that whosoever is born of God **(1)sinneth** not; but he that **(2)is begotten** of God **(3)keepeth** himself, and that wicked one **(4)toucheth** him not. **19** And we know that we are of God, and the whole world **(5)lieth** in **(6)wickedness.** (KJV)

**Definitions: (1)sinneth** not-264 hamartano- to miss or wander from the path of uprightness and honor, to do or go wrong, to wander from the law of God, violate God's law, sin... **(2)is begotten-1080** gennao- to be born, to be begotten; used of God making Christ his son, used of God making men his sons through faith in Christ's work... **(3)keepeth himself-5083** tereo-to attend to carefully, to take care of, to guard, metaphorically, to keep, one in the state in which he is, to observe, to reserve: to undergo something... **(4)toucheth** him not-680 haptomai (hap'-tom-ahee); reflexive of 681; properly, to attach oneself to, i.e. to touch (in many implied relations): KJV—touch, to fasten oneself to, to adhere to, to cling to... **(5)and the whole world lieth-2749** keimai (ki'-mahee); middle voice of a primary verb; to lie outstretched, used of one buried, used of things that quietly cover some spot; metaphorically: to be (by God's intent) set, that is, destined, appointed, to be made, lies in the power of the Evil One,, that is, is held in subjection by the Devil... **(6)in wickedness-4190** poneros-full of labors, annoyances, hardships, pressed and harassed by labors, bringing toils, annoyances, perils; used of a time full of peril to Christian faith and steadfastness;

causing pain and trouble, bad, of a bad nature or condition, in a physical sense: diseased or blind, in an ethical sense: evil wicked, bad.

True Christians MUST always remember what the Lord's apostles have said, as Jesus has instructed (Matt.28:16-20 and John 17:14-20). And, must keep the ordinances, traditions and instructions as they have delivered them to us (1Cor.11:1-3). Now let's listen and understand as the apostle Paul admonishes Timothy: "**2 Tim 2:10** Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the **salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.** **11 It is a faithful saying:** For if we be dead with him, we shall also live with him: **12 If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: if we deny him, he also will deny us:** **13 If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself.** **14 Of these things put them in remembrance, charging them before the Lord** that they strive not about words to no profit, but to the subverting of the hearers. **15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.** **16 But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness."**

**Once again according to scripture, "CHRISTIAN" is the most misunderstood, misapplied, misused and abused word on earth!**

Dear readers again, remember as always, the purpose of these articles is to seek the TRUTH according to THE WORD, thereby exposing ERROR, for the purpose of **saving our souls.** We believe this is best done by definitions and the PREPONDERANCE OF SCRIPTURES; which is having superior weight, force, importance, or influence of SCRIPTURE. Again we believe this allows SCRIPTURE to INTERPRET SCRIPTURE, thereby allowing a better understanding on that topic. Again, thank you so much for your interest in the **WORD of TRUTH;** GRACE and SALVATION; John 17:17-21; Acts 20:29-32; James1:21-25. After all it is our MAP to HEAVEN and away from HELL, and the **continuance in it,** is the **ONLY** thing that allows the man of God to be perfect, **2Tim.3:12-17!**

**2 Cor 13:5 (1)Examine yourselves,** whether ye be **in the faith;** **(2)prove** your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be **(3)reprobates?** **6** But I trust that ye shall know that we are not reprobates.(KJV)

**Definitions: (1)Examine** yourselves-3985 peirazo (pi-rad'-zo); from 3984; **to test** (objectively), i.e. endeavor, **scrutinize, discipline:** KJV-- assay, examine, go about, prove, try.....**(2)prove** your own selves-1381 dokimazo (dok-im-ad'-zo); from 1384; **to test** (literally or figuratively); by implication, to approve: KJV-- allow, discern, examine, X like, (ap-) prove, try.....**(3)reprobates**-96 adokimos (ad-ok'-ee-mos); from 1 (as a negative particle) and 1384; **unapproved, i.e. rejected;** by implication, **worthless** (literally or morally): KJV-- **castaway,** reprobate.

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