



THE SCHOOL OF CHRIST



“And that from a child thou hast known the **holy scriptures**, which are able to make thee **wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus**. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.”

2 Timothy 3:15-16 KJV



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WHAT WERE THE
SCRIPTURES?



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WHAT WAS THE
RESULT?



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WHAT DID TIMOTHY DO
WITH THE SCRIPTURES?






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WHAT KIND OF
SALVATION?





***| Genesis to Malachi gives the ability
for one to have insight, skillfulness,
understanding in the salvation that is
through faith in Christ Jesus***




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- Profitable = *ōphelimos* = helpful or serviceable, that is advantageous:
 - Doctrine = *Didaskalia* = A teaching and that which is taught, instruction
 - Reproof = *Elegchos* = Conviction, evidence, a proof, that by which a thing is proved or tested
 - Correction = *epanorthōsis* = restoration to an upright or right state, improvement of life or character, A straightening up, a rectification, a reformation.
 - Instruction = *paideia* = Education and training, which includes disciplining but often within a father – son relationship that leads to growth.
This instruction is often practical and experiential.
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When explained/taught in the light of salvation by faith in Christ, will convince us, become our conviction; a proof by which we prove all things, and set things aright in us, i.e correct us, Allowing God to educate, train us, discipline us, and nurture us as a father does to the child.

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- **Which means that the profitability of the scriptures is faith in the character of the father which leads to the revealing of the character of the father in the Child**
 - **the advantage of the scriptures is revealing of the father's love in the child**
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“Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the commandment of God our Saviour, and Lord Jesus Christ, which is our hope; Unto Timothy, my own son in the faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord. As I besought thee to abide still at Ephesus, when I went into Macedonia, **that thou mightest charge some that they teach no other doctrine, Neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questions, rather than godly edifying which is in faith: so do. Now the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned:”**

1 Timothy 1:1-5 KJV




2Jn 1:9 Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.

2Jn 1:10 If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed:

2Jn 1:11 For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.









Luk 24:25 Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken:

Luk 24:26 Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?

Luk 24:27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.




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- **Enter = eiserchomai = “entering into any condition or state especially for the first time”**
 - *Expounded = diermēneuō = “to unfold the meaning of what is said, explain, expound”*
 - *Moses and the prophets need to be explained, unfolded, expounded, for the meaning of what they said to be understood.*
 - *Concerning = Peri = circuit – pointing to – things spoken on account of*
 - *Moses and the prophets are the mystery = the open secret = needing to be revealed.*
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 Luke 24:44 And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me.

Luke 24:45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,

Luke 24:46 And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:

Luke 24:47 And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.




 *Luke 24:48 And ye are witnesses of these things.*

Luke 24:49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

Opened = dianoigō = to open the mind of one, i.e. to cause to understand a thing, to open the matrix (first born child)

Understanding = nous = the mind, comprising alike the faculties of perceiving and understanding and those of feeling, judging, determining.



Understand = suniēmi = to set or bring together

Jesus caused their mind to be open to the only way of proper interpretation and this helped them put the scriptures together!

JESUS OPENED THEIR UNDERSTANDING FOR THE FIRST TIME

JESUS MADE THEM UNDERSTAND THE SCRIPTURES FOR THE FIRST TIME

JESUS EXPOSED THEIR MINDS TO THE MEANING OF SCRIPTURES FOR THE FIRST TIME


WHAT IS THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW AND THE PROPHETS?

The incarnation and humanity of Christ - The glory of God to man and among men

The death and burial of Christ – The glory of God for man


The resurrection, ascension of Christ – The glory of God in man


The reigning of Christ – the glory of God through man



1Pe 1:10 Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you:


1Pe 1:11 Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow.






1Pe 1:12 Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into.

Rom 16:25 Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began,





Rom 16:26 But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith:

***Rom 16:27 To God only wise, be glory through Jesus Christ for ever.
Amen.***

THE BIBLE IS ONE BIG BOOK OF IN-CHRIST REALITIES!




Col 1:25 *Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God;*

Col 1:26 *Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:*

Col 1:27 *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:*

Col 1:28 *Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus:*



- Love is the fruit of faith in Christ – When I am enrolled in the school of Christ by faith in Him, Love is the resultant  fruit.

- Faith is the believer's liberty to walk in love







***The incarnation and humanity of Christ - The glory of God to man
and among men***



The death and burial of Christ – The glory of God for man

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- *Our walk in the Spirit is a walk in the glory*
 - *Our love walk is a walk in the glory*
 - *Our suffering with and for Christ is a walk in the glory*
 - *Our walk of faith is a walk in the glory*
 - *The summary of the believer's walk is LOVE*
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1. Love is the **summary** of the believer's good conduct
 2. Love is the **sanity** of the believer's spirituality
 3. Love is the **scope** of the believer's sacrifice
 4. Love is the **strength** of the believer's relationships
 5. Love is the **substance** of the believer's spiritual growth
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WHY WE WALK IN LOVE

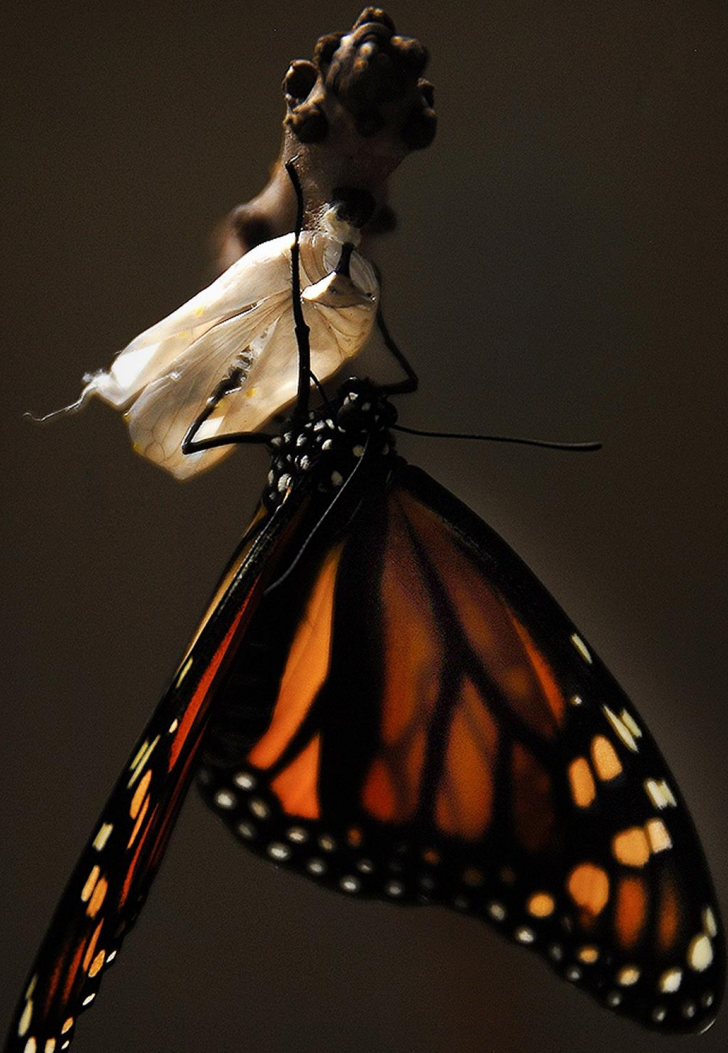
“Be ye therefore **followers of God**, as **dear children**; **And walk in love**, as **Christ also hath loved us**, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savour.”

Ephesians 5:1-2 KJV

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- **FOLLOWERS = mimētēs = an imitator – Acting like someone with respect to a specific behaviour**
 - **DEAR = AGAPETOS = beloved, esteemed, dear, favorite, worthy of love**
 - **CHILDREN = TECKNON = An offspring = one whose nature and nurture flows from the father**
 - **WALK = PERIPATEO = To occupy oneself, to tread a path that has been created**
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- **Maturity in the believer is more predictable than innovative. The father is the theater of the child.**
 - **We learn how to walk in the walk of the father – we mature more by looking at a template than trying to figure things out.**
 - **Love captures the thought and conduct of the father – All that God does can be captured in the word love.**
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- Spiritual maturity is not trail blazing – it is following a path that has already been trod
 - The believer has a walk, his walk can't be separated from His nature, His walk is in the light of another's walk – God's walk.
 - **God's walk is an *example* for the believer, the believer's walk ought to be the *mirror* of the Father's walk.**
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WE HAVE A NEW NATURE!



Eph 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

2Co 5:17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

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- **JEREMIAH 31:33, EZEKIEL 11:19-20, DEUT 30:6, EZEKIEL 26:24-26**
 - **2Co 5:18 And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;**
 - **2Co 5:19 To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.**
 - **2Co 5:20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.**
 - **2Co 5:21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.**
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- **God, in reconciling us, changed what we were worth. He changed our value.**
 - **We were measured in pieces of silver, we upgraded us to be worth His blood (reconciliation is a change of worth)**
 - **We are not linked to the old man by way of nature, identity, worth and family**
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- **We are not just a creation - we are the creation in Him**
 - **We are called sons of God**
 - **We are called men of God**
 - **We are called heirs of God**
 - **We are called saints**
 - **We are called the workmanship of God**
 - **We are called the temple of God**
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- **We are called the righteousness of God**
 - **We are called men who are “of Him”**
 - **We are called one Spirit with the Lord**
 - **We are called those that belong to the name of Jesus**
 - **We are called forgiven**
 - **We are called citizens of heaven**
 - **We are called a peculiar people**
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IT IS THE ONLY ACTION CONSISTENT WITH OUR NATURE



1 JOHN 4:4, 10-16

*THE NEW BIRTH LEADS TO A LOVE
WALK*



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- **Our walk in love is as a result of who we are in Christ**
 - **The love of God is a teacher in the school of Christ**
 - **Faith in Christ leads to eternal life, eternal life leads to walking in love**
 - **No hurt should be strong enough to supply your flesh a resurrection power.**
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**WHEN GOD LOVED ME
WITHOUT FINDING A REASON
TO LOVE ME, HE TOOK AWAY
EVERY REASON FOR ME NOT TO
LOVE PEOPLE**

1 JOHN 3:14-24

*The school of Christ is a school of sacrificial
living*



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- **What God did, he did for us. When we receive what he did, what we do, we do for others.**
 - **God's sacrifice of love to me ought to be my sacrificial service to men.**
 - **The love of God was an action - My love will be seen in my actions too.**
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CHRIST IS THE PROTOTYPE OF THE NEW MAN IN HIM

Hebrews 1:5, 5:5, Acts 13:33

*Whatever is not true of Christ CANNOT be true
of the new man IN HIM.*

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- Jesus in his earthly walk was the “only begotten” (John 1:14, 18, 3:16)
 - He moved from being the “only begotten” to being the “first begotten” (Romans 8:29, Col. 1:18, Hebrews 1:5, Rev. 1:5).
 - The resurrection was the womb of God from which God’s sons emerged - The brethren of Jesus in Him.
 - First begotten = prototokos = that which was born first
 - This also implies he is the model of what the others are like
 - Christ models the nature and the new man.
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- You can't know the new man without knowing Christ
 - You can't define the new man by experiences or by observation.
The new man can only be understood by revelation.
 - Eph 4:20 But ye have not so learned Christ;
 - Eph 4:21 If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:
 - The truth/reality of the new man is JESUS ONLY!
 - Your experiences are not what is true of you, what is true of you is Christ. You are to use what is true of you to determine your experiences.
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1Pe 2:21 For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:

1Pe 2:22 Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth:

1Pe 2:23 Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously:







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1Jn 4:14 And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.

1Jn 4:15 Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

1Jn 4:16 And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

1Jn 4:17 Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.





1Jn 4:18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

1Jn 4:19 We love him, because he first loved us.

1Jn 4:20 If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?

1Jn 4:21 And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also.

