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James 1:

1:1 James, a bondservant of Yahweh and of the Lord Yah'shua the Messiah, To the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad: Greetings.

1:2 My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials,

1:3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.

1:4 Let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.

1:5 If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of Yahweh, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

1:6 But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind.

1:7 For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from Yahweh;

1:8 he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

1:9 Let the lowly brother glory in his exaltation,

1:10 but the rich in his humiliation, because as a flower of the field he will pass away.

1:11 For no sooner has the sun risen with a burning heat than it withers the grass; its flower falls, and its beautiful appearance perishes. So the rich man also will fade away in his pursuits.

1:12 Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which Yahweh has promised to those who love Him.

1:13 Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by Yahweh"; for evil cannot temp Yahweh, nor does He Himself tempt anyone.

1:14 But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed.

1:15 When desire conceives it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

1:16 Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren.

1:17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.

1:18 Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of

firstfruits of His creatures.

1:19 So then my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath;

1:20 for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of Yahweh.

1:21 Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your spirits.

1:22 But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.
1:23 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his temporal face in a mirror;
1:24 for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was.

1:25 But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.

1:26 If anyone among you thinks he is righteous, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this one's righteousness is useless.

1:27 Pure and undefiled righteousness before Yahweh and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world.

James 2:

2:1 My brethren, do not hold the faith of our Lord Yah'shua, the Lord of glory, with partiality.

2:2 For if there should come into your assembly a man with gold rings, in fine apparel, and there should also come in a poor man in filthy clothes,

2:3 and you pay attention to the one wearing the fine clothes and say to him, "You sit here in a good place," and say to the poor man, "You stand there," or, "Sit here at my footstool,"

2:4 have you not shown partiality among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts?

2:5 Listen, my beloved brethren: Has Yahweh not chosen the poor of this world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him?

2:6 But you have dishonored the poor man. Do not the rich oppress you and drag you into thecourts?

2:7 Do they not blaspheme that noble name by which you are called?

2:8 If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you do well;

2:9 but if you show partiality, you commit sin, and are convicted by the law as transgressors.

2:10 For whoever shall keep the whole law, and yet stumble in one point, he is guilty of all.

2:11 For He who said, "Do not commit adultery," also said, "Do not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery, but you do murder, you have become a transgressor of the law.

2:12 So speak and so do as those who will be judged by the law of liberty.

2:13 For judgment is without mercy to the one who has shown no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment.

2:14 What does it profit, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can faith save him?2:15 If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food,

2:16 and one of you says to them,

"Depart in peace, be warmed and filled," but you do not give them the things which are needed for the body, what does it profit?

2:17 Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

2:18 But someone will say, "You have faith, and I have works." Show me your faith without your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

2:19 You believe that there is one God. You do well. Even the demons believe - and tremble!

2:20 But do you want to know, O foolish man, that faith without works is dead?2:21 Was not Abraham our father

justified by works when he offered Isaac his son on the altar?

2:22 Do you see that faith was working together with his works, and by works faith was made perfect?

2:23 And the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "Abraham believed Yahweh, and it was accounted to him for righteousness." And he was called the friend of Yahweh.

2:24 You see then that a man is justified by works, and not by faith only.

2:25 Likewise, was not Rahab the harlot also justified by works when she received the messengers and sent them out another way?

2:26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

James 3:

3:1 My brethren, let not many of you become teachers, knowing that we shall receive a stricter judgment.

3:2 For we all stumble in many things. If anyone does not stumble in word, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle the whole body.

3:3 Indeed, we put bits in horses' mouths that they may obey us, and we turn their whole body.

3:4 Look also at ships: although they are so large and are driven by fierce winds, they are turned by a very small rudder wherever the pilot desires.

3:5 Even so the tongue is a little member and boasts great things. See how great a forest a little fire kindles!
3:6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body,

and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by evil.

3:7 For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and creature of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by mankind.

3:8 But no man can tame the tongue. It is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.3:9 With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of Yahweh.

3:10 Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so.

3:11 Does a spring send forth fresh water and bitter from the same opening?
3:12 Can a fig tree, my brethren, bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Thus no spring yields both salt water and fresh.

3:13 Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show by good conduct that his works are done in the meekness of wisdom.

3:14 But if you have bitter envy and selfseeking in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth.

3:15 This wisdom does not descend from above, but is earthly, sensual, demonic.

3:16 For where envy and self-seeking exist, confusion and every evil thing are there.

3:17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy.

3:18 Now the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

James 4:

4:1 Where do wars and fights come from among you? Do they not come from your desires for pleasure that war in your members?

4:2 You lust and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain.

You fight and war. Yet you do not have because you do not ask.

4:3 You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures.

4:4 Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with Yahweh? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of Yahweh.

4:5 Or do you think that the Scripture says in vain, "His Spirit who dwells in us yearns jealously"?

4:6 But He gives more grace. Therefore He says:

"Yahweh resists the proud,

But gives grace to the humble."

4:7 Therefore submit to Yahweh. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

4:8 Draw near to Yahweh and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

4:9 Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom.

4:10 Humble yourselves in the sight of Yahweh, and He will lift you up.

4:11 Do not speak evil of one another, brethren. He who speaks evil of a brother and judges his brother, speaks evil of the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge.

4:12 There is one Lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy. Who are you to judge another?

4:13 Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a city, spend a year there, buy and sell, and make a profit";

4:14 whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away.

4:15 Instead you ought to say, "If Yahweh wills, we shall live and do this or that."

4:16 But now you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil.

4:17 Therefore, to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin.

James 5:

5:1 Come now, you rich, weep and howl for your miseries that are coming upon vou!

5:2 Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are moth-eaten.

5:3 Your gold and silver are corroded. and their corrosion will be a witness against you and will eat your flesh like fire. You have heaped up treasure in the last days.

5:4 Indeed the wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, cry out; and the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of Sabaoth.

5:5 You have lived on the earth in pleasure and luxury; you have fattened your hearts as in a day of slaughter. 5:6 You have condemned, you have murdered the just; he does not resist vou.

5:7 Therefore be patient, brethren, until the coming of the Messiah. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, waiting patiently for it until it receives the early and latter rain.

5:8 You also be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Messiah is at hand.

5:9 Do not grumble against one another, brethren, lest you be condemned. Behold, the Judge is standing at the door!

5:10 My brethren, take the prophets, who spoke in the name of Yahweh, as an example of suffering and patience. 5:11 Indeed we count them blessed who endure. You have heard of the perseverance of Job and seen the end intended by Yahweh - that Yahweh is very compassionate and merciful. 5:12 But above all, my brethren, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or with any other oath. But let your "Yes," be "Yes," and your "No," "No," lest you fall into judgment.

5:13 Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms.

5:14 Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the congregation, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Messiah. 5:15 And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and Yahweh will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

5:16 Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.

5:17 Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months. 5:18 And he prayed again, and the clouds gave rain, and the earth produced its fruit.

5:19 Brethren, if anyone among you wanders from the truth, and someone turns him back.

5:20 let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a spirit from death and cover a multitude of sins.

I Peter 1:

1:1 Peter, an apostle of Yah'shua the Messiah, To the pilgrims of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia,

1:2 elect according to the foreknowledge of Yahweh the Father, in sanctification of His Spirit, for obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Yah'shua the Messiah: Grace to you and peace be multiplied.

1:3 Blessed be Yahweh, the God and Father of our Lord Yah'shua the Messiah, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Yah'shua the Messiah from the dead, **1:4** to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you,

1:5 who are kept by the power of Yahweh through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.1:6 In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials,

1:7 that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Yah'shua the Messiah.

1:8 whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory,

1:9 receiving the end of your faith - the eternal salvation of your spirits.1:10 Of this salvation the prophets have

inquired and searched carefully, who prophesied of the grace that would come to you,

1:11 searching what, or what manner of time, the Spirit of Yahweh who was in them was indicating when He testified beforehand the sufferings of the Messiah and the glories that would follow.

1:12 To them it was revealed that, not to themselves, but to us they were ministering the things which now have been reported to you through those who have preached the gospel to you by His Holy Spirit sent from heaven - things which angels desire to look into.

1:13 Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Yah'shua the Messiah;

1:14 as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance;

1:15 but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct,1:16 because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."

1:17 And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay here in fear;

1:18 knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers,
1:19 but with the precious blood of the Messiah, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

1:20 He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you
1:21 who through Him believe in Yahweh, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith

and hope are in Yahweh.

1:22 Since you have purified your bodies in obeying the truth through His Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,

1:23 having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of Yahweh which lives and abides forever,

1:24 because "All flesh is as grass, And all the glory of man as the flower of the grass.

The grass withers, And its flower falls away,

1:25 But the word of Yahweh endures forever." Now this is the word which by the gospel was preached to you.

I Peter 2:

2:1 Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking,

2:2 as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby,

2:3 if indeed you have tasted that Yahweh is gracious.

2:4 Coming to Yah'shua as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by Yahweh and precious,

2:5 you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to Yahweh through Yah'shua the Messiah.

2:6 Therefore it is also contained in the Scripture, "Behold, I lay in Zion; A chief cornerstone, elect, precious, And he who believes on Him will by no means be put to shame."

2:7 Therefore, to you who believe, He is precious; but to those who are disobedient,

"The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone,"

2:8 and "A stone of stumbling; And a rock of offense."

They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed.

2:9 But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

2:10 who once were not a people but are now the people of Yahweh, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

2:11 Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the body,

2:12 having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, glorify Yahweh in the day of visitation.

2:13 Therefore submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for Yahweh's sake, whether to the king as supreme,2:14 or to governors, as to those who are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers and for the praise of those who do good.

2:15 For this is the will of Yahweh, that by doing good you may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men-

2:16 as free, yet not using liberty as a cloak for vice, but as bondservants of Yahweh.

2:17 Honor all people. Love the brotherhood. Respect Yahweh. Honor the king.

2:18 Servants, be submissive to your masters with all respect, not only to the good and gentle, but also to the harsh.
2:19 For this is commendable, if because of conscience toward Yahweh one endures grief, suffering wrongfully.
2:20 For what credit is it if, when you are beaten for your faults, you take it patiently? But when you do good and suffer, if you take it patiently, this is commendable before Yahweh.

2:21 For to this you were called, because the Messiah also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps:

2:22 "Who committed no sin, Nor was deceit found in His mouth";

2:23 who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously;

2:24 who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness
by whose stripes you were healed.
2:25 For you were like sheep going

astray, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your spirits.

I Peter 3:

3:1 Wives, likewise, be submissive to your own husbands, that even if some do not obey the word, they, without a word, may be won by the conduct of their wives,

3:2 when they observe your chaste conduct accompanied by respect.
3:3 Do not let your adornment be merely outward - arranging the hair, wearing gold, or putting on fine apparel3:4 rather let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the incorruptible beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of Yahweh.

3:5 For in this manner, in former times, the holy women who trusted in Yahweh also adorned themselves, being submissive to their own husbands,3:6 as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling

him lord, whose daughters you are if you do good and are not afraid with any terror.

3:7 Husbands, likewise, dwell with them with understanding, giving honor to the wife, as to the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers may not be hindered.
3:8 Finally, all of you be of one mind, having compassion for one another; love as brothers, be tenderhearted, be courteous:

3:9 not returning evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary blessing, knowing that you were called to this, that you may inherit a blessing.

3:10 For "He who would love life; And see good days, Let him refrain his tongue from evil, And his lips from speaking deceit.

3:11 Let him turn away from evil and do good; Let him seek peace and pursue it. **3:12** For the eyes of Yahweh are on the righteous, And His ears are open to their prayers; But the face of Yahweh is against those who do evil."

3:13 And who is he who will harm you if you become followers of what is good?
3:14 But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you are blessed.
"And do not be afraid of their threats,

nor be troubled."

3:15 But sanctify the Lord Yahweh in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and respect;

3:16 having a good conscience, that when they defame you as evildoers, those who revile your good conduct in the Messiah may be ashamed.

3:17 For it is better, if it is the will of Yahweh, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil.

3:18 For the Messiah also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to Yahweh, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by His Spirit,

3:19 by whom also He went and preached to the spirits in prison,
3:20 who formerly were disobedient, when once the Divine longsuffering waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight bodies, were saved through water.

3:21 There is also an antitype which now saves us - baptism (not the symbolic removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward Yahweh), through the resurrection of Yah'shua the Messiah,
3:22 who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of Yahweh, angels and authorities and powers having been made subject to Him.

I Peter 4:

4:1 Therefore, since the Messiah suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same mind, for he who has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin,

4:2 that he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh for the lusts of men, but for the will of Yahweh.

4:3 For we have spent enough of our past lifetime in doing the will of the Gentiles - when we walked in lewdness, lusts, drunkenness, revelries, drinking parties, and abominable idolatries. **4:4** In regard to these, they think it

strange that you do not run with them in the same flood of dissipation, speaking evil of you.

4:5 They will give an account to Him who is ready to judge the living and the dead.

4:6 For this reason the gospel was preached also to those who are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to Yahweh in the spirit.

4:7 But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers.

4:8 And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins."

4:9 Be hospitable to one another without grumbling.

4:10 As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of Yahweh.

4:11 If anyone speaks, let him speak the oracles of Yahweh. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which Yahweh supplies, that in all things Yahweh may be glorified through Yah'shua the Messiah, to whom belong

the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amam.

4:12 Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you;

4:13 but rejoice to the extent that you partake of the Messiah's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy.

4:14 If you are reproached for the name of the Messiah, blessed are you, for His Spirit of glory and of Yahweh rests upon you. On their part He is blasphemed, but on your part He is glorified.

4:15 But let none of you suffer as a murderer, a thief, an evildoer, or as a busybody in other people's matters.

4:16 Yet if anyone suffers as a Nazarene, let him not be ashamed, but

let him glorify Yahweh in this matter.

4:17 For the time has come for

judgment to begin at the house of Yahweh; and if it begins with us first,

what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of Yahweh?

4:18 Now "If the righteous one is scarcely saved, Where will the ungodly and the sinner appear?"

4:19 Therefore let those who suffer according to the will of Yahweh commit

their spirits to Him in doing good, as to a faithful Creator.

I Peter 5:

5:1 The elders who are among you I exhort, I who am a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of the Messiah, and also a partaker of the glory that will be revealed:

5:2 Shepherd the flock of Yahweh which is among you, serving as overseers, not by compulsion but willingly, not for dishonest gain but eagerly;

5:3 nor as being lords over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock;

5:4 and when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away.

5:5 Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for "Yahweh resists the proud,

But gives grace to the humble."

5:6 Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of Yahweh, that He may exalt you in due time,

5:7 casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

5:8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

5:9 Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.

5:10 But may Yahweh, the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by the Messiah, Yah'shua, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you.

5:11 To Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amam.5:12 By Silvanus, our faithful brother as

I consider him, I have written to you briefly, exhorting and testifying that this is the true grace of Yahweh in which you stand. **5:13** She who is in Babylon, elect together with you, greets you; and so does Mark my son.

5:14 Greet one another with a kiss of love. Peace to you all who are of the Messiah, Yah'shua. Amam.

II Peter 1:

1:1 Simon Peter, a bondservant and apostle of Yah'shua the Messiah, To those who have obtained like precious faith with us by the righteousness of our God Yahweh and our Messiah Yah'shua:

1:2 Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of Yahweh and of Yah'shua our Lord,

1:3 as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of

Him who called us by glory and virtue, **1:4** by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the Divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

1:5 But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge,

1:6 to knowledge self-control, to selfcontrol perseverance, to perseverance godliness,

1:7 to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness, love.

1:8 For if these things are yours and abound, you will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Yah'shua the Messiah.

1:9 For he who lacks these things is shortsighted, even to blindness, and has forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins.

1:10 Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble;

1:11 for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting

kingdom of our Lord and Savior Yah'shua the Messiah.

1:12 For this reason I will not be negligent to remind you always of these things, though you know and are established in the present truth.

1:13 Yes, I think it is right, as long as I am in this tent, to stir you up by reminding you,

1:14 knowing that shortly I must put off my tent, just as our Yah'shua the Messiah showed me.

1:15 Moreover I will be careful to ensure that you always have a reminder of these things after my decease.

1:16 For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Yah'shua the Messiah, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty.

1:17 For He received from Yahweh the Father honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

1:18 And we heard this voice which came from the sky when we were with Him on the holy mountain.

1:19 And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts;

1:20 knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation,

1:21 for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of Yahweh spoke as they were moved by His Holy Spirit.

Il Peter 2:

2:1 But there were also false prophets among the people, even as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Messiah who bought them, and bring on themselves swift destruction. 2:2 And many will follow their destructive ways, because of whom the way of truth will be blasphemed.
2:3 By covetousness they will exploit you with deceptive words; for a long time their judgment has not been idle, and their destruction does not slumber.
2:4 For if Yahweh did not spare the angels who sinned, but cast them down to *tartaroos* [*a place of restraint reserved only for angels*] and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved for judgment;

2:5 and did not spare the ancient world, but saved Noah, one of eight people, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly;
2:6 and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, condemned them to destruction, making them an example to those who afterward would live ungodly;

2:7 and delivered righteous Lot, who was oppressed by the filthy conduct of the wicked

2:8 (for that righteous man, dwelling among them, tormented his righteous spirit from day to day by seeing and hearing their lawless deeds)-

2:9 then Yahweh knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations and to reserve the

unjust under punishment for the day of judgment,

2:10 and especially those who walk according to the flesh in the lust of uncleanness and despise authority. They are presumptuous, self-willed. They are not afraid to speak evil of

dignitaries, 2:11 whereas angels, who are greater in

power and might, do not bring a reviling accusation against them before Yahweh.

2:12 But these, like natural brute beasts made to be caught and destroyed, speak evil of the things they do not understand, and will utterly perish in their own corruption,

2:13 and will receive the wages of unrighteousness, as those who count it pleasure to carouse in the daytime. They are spots and blemishes, carousing in their own deceptions while they feast with you,

2:14 having eyes full of adultery and that cannot cease from sin, enticing unstable spirits. They have a heart trained in covetous practices, and are accursed children.

2:15 They have forsaken the right way and gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Beor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness;

2:16 but he was rebuked for his iniquity: a dumb donkey speaking with a man's voice restrained the madness of the prophet.

2:17 These are wells without water, clouds carried by a tempest, for whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever.

2:18 For when they speak great swelling words of emptiness, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through lewdness, the ones who have actually escaped from those who live in error.
2:19 While they promise them liberty, they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by whom a person is overcome, by him also he is brought into bondage.

2:20 For if, after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Yah'shua the Messiah, they are again entangled in them and overcome, the latter end is worse for them than the beginning.

2:21 For it would have been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than having known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered to them.

2:22 But it has happened to them according to the true proverb: "A dog returns to his own vomit," and, "a sow, having washed, to her wallowing in the mire."

II Peter 3:

3:1 Beloved, I now write to you this second epistle (*in both of which I stir up your pure minds by way of reminder*),
3:2 that you may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us, the apostles of Yah'shua our Lord and Savior,

3:3 knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts,

3:4 and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation."

3:5 For this they willfully forget: that by the word of Yahweh the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of water and in the water,

3:6 by which the world that then existed perished, being flooded with water.
3:7 But the heavens and the earth which are now preserved by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.
3:8 But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with Yahweh one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

3:9 Yahweh is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

3:10 But the day of Yahweh will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.

3:11 Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,

3:12 looking for and hastening the coming of the day of Yahweh, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat?

3:13 Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

3:14 Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless;

3:15 and consider that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation - as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you, **3:16** as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which untaught and unstable people twist to their own destruction, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures.

3:17 You therefore, beloved, since you know this beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked;

3:18 but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Yah'shua the Messiah. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amam.

I John 1:

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, concerning the words of life-1:2 the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was spoken from the Father and was manifested to us-

1:3 that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Firstborn Son Yah'shua the Messiah.

1:4 And these things we write to you that your joy may be full.

1:5 This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that

Yahweh is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

1:6 If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.

1:7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Yah'shua the Messiah His Son cleanses us from all sin.

1:8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1:10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

I John 2:

2:1 My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Yah'shua the Messiah, being the Righteous.

2:2 And the Messiah Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.

2:3 Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments.

2:4 He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

2:5 But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of Yahweh is perfected in him.

By this we know that we are in Him. **2:6** He who says he abides in Him ought

himself also to walk just as He walked. **2:7** Brethren, I write no new

commandment to you, but an old commandment which you have had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which you heard from the beginning.

2:8 Again, a new commandment I write to you, which thing is true in Him and in you, because the darkness is passing away, and the true light is already shining.

2:9 He who says he is in the light, and hates his brother, is in darkness until now.

2:10 He who loves his brother abides in the light, and there is no cause for stumbling in him.

2:11 But he who hates his brother is in darkness and walks in darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

2:12 I write to you, little children, Because your sins are forgiven you through His name's sake.

2:13 I write to you, fathers, Because you have known Him who is from the beginning.

I write to you, young men, Because you have overcome the wicked one. I write to you, little children, Because

you have known the Father.

2:14 I have written to you, fathers, Because you have known Him who is from the beginning. I have written to you, young men, Because you are strong, and the word of Yahweh abides in you,

And you have overcome the wicked one.

2:15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

2:16 For all that is in the world - the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life - is not of the Father but is of the world.

2:17 And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of Yahweh abides forever.

2:18 Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that the Anti-Messiah is coming, even now many Anti-Messiahs have come, by which we know that it is the last hour.

2:19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out that they might be made manifest, that none of them were of us.

2:20 But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and you know all things.2:21 I have not written to you because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and that no lie is of the truth.

2:22 Who is a liar but he who denies that Yah'shua is the Messiah? He is Anti-Messiah who denies the Father or the Son.

2:23 Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father either; he who acknowledges the Son has the Father also.

2:24 Therefore let that abide in you which you heard from the beginning. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, you also will abide in the Son and in the Father.

2:25 And this is the promise that He has promised us - eternal life.

2:26 These things I have written to you concerning those who try to deceive you.

2:27 But the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you do not need that anyone teach you; but as the same Spirit teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you will abide in Him.

2:28 And now, little children, abide in Him, that when He appears, we may have confidence and not be ashamed before Him at His coming.

2:29 If you know that He is righteous, you know that everyone who practices righteousness is born of Him.

I John 3:

3:1 Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of Yahweh! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.

3:2 Beloved, now we are children of Yahweh; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. **3:3** And everyone who has this hope in Yahweh purifies himself, just as He is pure.

3:4 Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness.3:5 And you know that Yah'shua was manifested to take away our sins, and in

Him there is no sin. **3:6** Whoever abides in Him does not sin. Whoever sins has neither seen Him nor known Him.

3:7 Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous.

3:8 He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of Yahweh was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

3:9 Whoever has been born of Yahweh does not sin, for His seed remains in him; and he cannot sin, because he has been born of Yahweh.

3:10 In this the children of Yahweh and the children of the devil are manifest: Whoever does not practice righteousness is not of Yahweh, nor is

he who does not love his brother.

3:11 For this is the message that you heard from the beginning, that we should love one another,

3:12 not as Cain who was of the wicked one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his works were evil and his brother's righteous.
3:13 Do not marvel, my brethren, if the world hates you.

3:14 We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love his brother abides in death.

3:15 Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.
3:16 By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

3:17 But whoever has this world's goods, and sees his brother in need,

and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of Yahweh abide in him? **3:18** My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth.

3:19 And by this we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before Him.

3:20 For if our heart condemns us, Yahweh is greater than our heart, and

knows all things.

3:21 Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence toward Yahweh.

3:22 And whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight.

3:23 And this is His commandment: that we should believe on the name of His Son Yah'shua the Messiah and love one another, as He gave us commandment.

3:24 Now he who keeps His commandments abides in Him, and He in him. And by this we know that He abides in us, by His Spirit whom Yahweh has given us.

I John 4:

4:1 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of Yahweh; because many false prophets have gone into the world.

4:2 By this you know the Spirit of Yahweh: Every spirit that confesses that Yah'shua the Messiah has come in the flesh is of Yahweh,

4:3 and every spirit that does not confess that Yah'shua the Messiah has come in the flesh is not of Yahweh. And this is the spirit of the Anti-Messiah, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world.

4:4 You are of Yahweh, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.

4:5 They are of the world. Therefore they speak as of the world, and the world hears them.

4:6 We are of Yahweh. He who knows Yahweh hears us; he who is not of Yahweh does not hear us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

4:7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of Yahweh; and everyone who loves is born of Yahweh and knows Yahweh.

4:8 He who does not love does not know Yahweh, for Yahweh is love.
4:9 In this the love of Yahweh was manifested toward us, that Yahweh has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him.
4:10 In this is love, not that we loved Yahweh, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

4:11 Beloved, if Yahweh so loved us, we also ought to love one another.4:12 No one has seen Yahweh at any

4:12 No one has seen Yahweh at any time. If we love one another, Yahweh abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us.

4:13 By this we know that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He gave us of His own Spirit.

4:14 And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world.

4:15 Whoever confesses that Yah'shua is the Son of Yahweh, Yahweh abides in him, and he in Yahweh.

4:16 And we have known and believed the love that Yahweh has for us.

Yahweh is love, and he who abides in love abides in Yahweh, and Yahweh in him.

4:17 Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as Yahweh is, so are we in this world.

4:18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love.

4:19 We love Yahweh because He first loved us.

4:20 If someone says, "I love Yahweh," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love Yahweh whom he has not seen?

4:21 And this commandment we have from Him: he who loves Yahweh must love his brother also.

I John 5:

5:1 Whoever believes that Yah'shua is the Messiah is born of Yahweh, and everyone who loves Him who begot, also loves him who is begotten of Him.
5:2 By this we know that we love the children of Yahweh, when we love Yahweh and keep His commandments.
5:3 For this is the love of Yahweh, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.
5:4 For whatever is born of Yahweh overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world - our faith.

5:5 Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Yah'shua is the Son of Yahweh?
5:6 This is He who came by water and blood-Yah'shua the Messiah; not only by water, but by water and blood. And it is Yahweh's Spirit that bears witness, because His Spirit is truth.

5:7 For there are three that bear witness on earth;

5:8 His Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three witnesse unto truth.

5:9 If we receive the witness of men, the witness of Yahweh is greater; for this is the witness of Yahweh which He has testified of His Son.

5:10 He who believes in the Son of Yahweh has the Witness in himself; he who does not believe Yahweh has made Him a liar, because he has not believed the testimony that Yahweh has given of His Son.

5:11 And this is the testimony: that Yahweh has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.

5:12 He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of Yahweh does not have life.

5:13 These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of Yahweh, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of Yahweh.

5:14 Now this is the confidence that we have in Yahweh, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.
5:15 And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.
5:16 If anyone sees his brother sinning a sin which does not lead to death, he will ask, and He will give him life for those who commit sin not leading to death. There is sin leading to death. I do not say that he should pray about that.
5:17 All unrighteousness is sin, and there is sin not leading to death.

5:18 We know that whoever is born of Yahweh does not sin; but he who has been born of Yahweh keeps himself, and the wicked one does not touch him. **5:19** We know that we are of Yahweh, and the whole world lies under the sway of the wicked one.

5:20 And we know that the Son of Yahweh has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, and in His Son Yah'shua the Messiah. This is Yahweh, the true God and eternal life.

5:21 Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amam.

II John 1:

1:1 THE ELDER,

To the elect lady and her children, whom I love in truth, and not only I, but also all those who have known the truth, **1:2** because of the truth which abides in us and will be with us forever:

1:3 Grace, mercy, and peace will be with you from Yahweh the Father and

from the Lord Yah'shua the Messiah, the Son of the Father, in truth and love. **1:4** I rejoiced greatly that I have found some of your children walking in truth, as we received commandment from the Father.

1:5 And now I plead with you, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment to you, but that which we have had from the beginning: that we love one another. 1:6 This is love, that we walk according to Yahweh's commandments. This is the commandment, that as you have heard from the beginning, you should walk in it.

1:7 For many deceivers have gone out into the world who do not confess Yah'shua the Messiah as coming in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an Anti-Messiah.

1:8 Look to yourselves, that we do not lose those things we worked for, but that we may receive a full reward.

1:9 Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of the Messiah does not have Yahweh. He who abides in the doctrine of the Messiah has both the Father and the Son.

1:10 If anyone comes to you and does not bring this doctrine, do not receive him into your house nor greet him;

1:11 for he who greets him shares in his evil deeds.

1:12 Having many things to write to you, I did not wish to do so with paper and ink; but I hope to come to you and speak face to face, that our joy may be full.

1:13 The children of your elect sister greet you. Amam.

III John 1:

1:1 THE ELDER,

To the beloved Gaius, whom I love in truth:

1:2 Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your spirit prospers.

1:3 For I rejoiced greatly when brethren came and testified of the truth that is in you, just as you walk in the truth.

1:4 I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.

1:5 Beloved, you do faithfully whatever you do for the brethren and for strangers,

1:6 who have borne witness of your love before the congregation. If you send them forward on their journey in a manner worthy of Yahweh, you will do well,

1:7 because they went forth for His name's sake, taking nothing from the Gentiles.

1:8 We therefore ought to receive such, that we may become fellow workers for the truth.

1:9 I wrote to the congregation, but Diotrephes, who loves to have the preeminence among them, does not receive us.

1:10 Therefore, if I come, I will call to mind his deeds which he does, prating against us with malicious words. And not content with that, he himself does not receive the brethren, and forbids those who wish to, putting them out of the congregation.

1:11 Beloved, do not imitate what is evil, but what is good. He who does good is of Yahweh, but he who does evil has not seen Yahweh.

1:12 Demetrius has a good testimony from all, and from the truth itself. And we also bear witness, and you know that our testimony is true.

1:13 I had many things to write, but I do not wish to write to you with pen and ink; **1:14** but I hope to see you shortly, and we shall speak face to face. Peace to you. Our friends greet you. Greet the friends by name.

Jude 1:

1:1 Jude, a bondservant of Yah'shua the Messiah, and brother of James, To those who are called, sanctified by Yahweh the Father, and preserved through Yah'shua the Messiah:

1:2 Mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.

1:3 Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.

1:4 For certain men have crept in unnoticed, who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, ungodly men, who turn the grace of our God into lewdness and deny Yahweh as the only God and our Lord Yah'shua as the Messiah.

1:5 But I want to remind you, though you once knew this, that Yahweh, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed those who did not believe.

1:6 And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own abode, He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day;

1:7 as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities around them in a similar manner to these, having given themselves over to sexual immorality and gone after strange flesh, are set forth as an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

1:8 Likewise also these dreamers defile the flesh, reject authority, and speak evil of dignitaries.

1:9 Yet Michael the archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses, dared not bring against him a reviling accusation, but said, "Yahweh rebuke you!"

1:10 But these speak evil of whatever they do not know; and whatever they

know naturally, like brute beasts, in these things they corrupt themselves. **1:11** Woe to them! For they have gone in the way of Cain, have run greedily in the error of Balaam for profit, and perished in the rebellion of Korah. **1:12** These are spots in your love feasts, while they feast with you without respect, serving only themselves. They are clouds without water, carried about by the winds; late autumn trees without fruit, twice dead, pulled up by the roots; **1:13** raging waves of the sea, foaming up their own shame; wandering stars for whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever.

1:14 Now Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men also, saying, "Behold, Yahweh comes with ten thousands of His saints,
1:15 "to execute judgment on all, to convict all who are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have committed in an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him."

1:16 These are grumblers, complainers, walking according to their own lusts; and they mouth great swelling words, flattering people to gain advantage.

1:17 But you, beloved, remember the words which were spoken before by the apostles of our Lord Yah'shua the Messiah:

1:18 how they told you that there would be mockers in the last time who would walk according to their own ungodly lusts.

1:19 These are sensual persons, who cause divisions, not having His Spirit.
1:20 But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying by His Holy Spirit,

1:21 keep yourselves in the love of Yahweh, looking for the mercy of our Lord Yah'shua the Messiah unto eternal life.

1:22 And on some have compassion, making a distinction;

1:23 but others save with respect, pulling them out of the fire, hating even the garment defiled by the flesh.

1:24 Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, And to present you faultless

Before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy,

1:25 To Yahweh our Savior, Who alone is wise, Be glory and majesty, Dominion and power, Both now and forever. Amam.