

bringing a roll of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pounds of it.^a 40 So they took the body of Jesus and bound it up with bandages with the spices,^b just the way the Jews have the custom of preparing for burial. 41 Incidentally, at the place where he was impaled there was a garden, and in the garden a new memorial tomb,^c in which no one had ever yet been laid. 42 There, then, on account of the preparation^d of the Jews, they laid Jesus, because the memorial tomb was nearby.

20 On the first day^e of the week Mary Mag'da-lene came to the memorial tomb early, while there was still darkness, and she beheld the stone already taken away from the memorial tomb.^f 2 Therefore she ran and came to Simon Peter and to the other disciple,^g for whom Jesus had affection, and she said to them: "They have taken away the Lord out of the memorial tomb,^h and we do not know where they have laid him."

3 Then Peterⁱ and the other disciple went out and started for the memorial tomb. 4 Yes, the two together began to run; but the other disciple ran ahead of Peter with greater speed and reached the memorial tomb first. 5 And, stooping forward, he beheld the bandages lying,^j yet he did not go in. 6 Then Simon Peter also came following him, and he entered into the memorial tomb. And he viewed the bandages lying,^k 7 also the cloth that had been upon his head not lying with the bandages but separately rolled up in one place. 8 At that time, therefore, the other disciple who had reached the memorial tomb first also went in, and he saw and believed. 9 For they did not yet discern the scripture that he must rise from the dead.^l 10 And so the disciples went back to their homes.

CHAP. 19

a 2Ch 16:14
Lu 23:56
Joh 7:50
b Joh 20:7
c Isa 53:9
Ac 13:29
d Mt 27:62
Joh 19:14

CHAP. 20

e Le 23:11
1Co 15:20
f Mt 28:1
Mr 16:1
Lu 24:1
g Joh 13:23
Joh 19:26
Joh 21:24
h Joh 19:41
i Lu 24:12
j Joh 19:40
k Joh 11:44
l Ps 16:10
Isa 53:10
Mt 16:21
Joh 2:22
Ac 2:27
1Co 15:4

Second Col.

a Mr 16:5
Heb 1:14
Re 19:14
b Lu 24:16
Lu 24:31
Joh 21:4
c Joh 1:38
d Joh 10:3
e Mr 10:51
Joh 1:38
f Ps 22:22
Mt 12:50
Mt 25:40
Mt 28:10
Ro 3:29
Heb 2:11
g Joh 14:28
Joh 16:28
h 1Co 11:3
Eph 1:17
Col 1:3
i Ge 17:7
Heb 11:16
j Mt 28:10
Lu 24:10
k Lu 24:1
l Joh 9:22
m 1Co 15:5
n Mt 10:12
Lu 10:5
Lu 24:36
o Joh 19:34
lJo 1:1
p Joh 16:22
q Isa 61:1
Joh 5:36

11 Mary, however, kept standing outside near the memorial tomb, weeping. Then, while she was weeping, she stooped forward to look into the memorial tomb. 12 and she viewed two angels^a in white sitting one at the head and one at the feet where the body of Jesus had been lying. 13 And they said to her: "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them: "They have taken my Lord away, and I do not know where they have laid him." 14 After saying these things, she turned back and viewed Jesus standing, but she did not discern it was Jesus.^b 15 Jesus said to her: "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?"^c She, imagining it was the gardener, said to him: "Sir, if you have carried him off, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." 16 Jesus said to her: "Mary!"^d Upon turning around, she said to him, in Hebrew: "*Rabboni!*"^e (which means "Teacher!") 17 Jesus said to her: "Stop clinging to me. For I have not yet ascended to the Father. But be on your way to my brothers^f and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father^g and your Father and to my God^h and your God.'ⁱ" 18 Mary Mag'da-lene came and brought the news to the disciples: "I have seen the Lord!" and that he said these things to her.^j

19 Therefore, when it was late on that day, the first of the week,^k and, although the doors were locked where the disciples were for fear^l of the Jews, Jesus came^m and stood in their midst and said to them: "May you have peace."ⁿ 20 And after he said this he showed them both his hands and his side.^o Then the disciples rejoiced^p at seeing the Lord. 21 Jesus, therefore, said to them again: "May you have peace. Just as the Father has sent me forth,^q I also am send-

ing you."^a 22 And after he said this he blew upon them and said to them: "Receive holy spirit.^b" 23 If you forgive the sins of any persons,^c they stand forgiven to them; if you retain those of any persons, they stand retained.^d

24 But Thomas,^e one of the twelve, who was called The Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 Consequently the other disciples would say to him: "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them: "Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails and stick my finger into the print of the nails and stick my hand into his side,^f I will certainly not believe."^g

26 Well, eight days later his disciples were again indoors, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and he stood in their midst and said: "May you have peace."^h 27 Next he said to Thomas: "Put your finger here, and see my hands, and take your handⁱ and stick it into my side, and stop being unbelieving but become believing."^j 28 In answer Thomas said to him: "My Lord and my God!"^k 29 Jesus said to him: "Because you have seen me have you believed? Happy are those who do not see and yet believe."^l

30 To be sure, Jesus performed many other signs also before the disciples, which are not written down in this scroll.^m 31 But these have been written downⁿ that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ the Son of God, and that, because of believing,^o you may have life by means of his name.

21 After these things Jesus manifested himself again to the disciples at the sea of Tib'e-ri-as; but he made the manifestation in this way. 2 There were in company Simon Peter and Thomas, who was called The Twin,^a and Na-than'a-el^b from Ca'na of Gal'i-lee and the sons of

CHAP. 20

a Mt 28:19
Joh 17:18
2Ti 2:2

b Lu 1:67
Lu 2:25
Ac 2:2
Ac 2:4

c Mt 16:19

d Ac 13:11

e Joh 11:16

f Joh 19:34

g 2Co 5:7

h Joh 20:19

i lJo 1:1

j Isa 9:6

Joh 1:1

Joh 1:18

Joh 14:28

Joh 20:17

Joh 20:31

k 2Co 5:7

lPe 1:8

m Joh 21:25

n Lu 1:4

o Joh 3:15

Joh 5:24

lPe 1:9

lJo 5:13

CHAP. 21

o Joh 11:16

Joh 20:24

p Joh 1:45

Second Col.

a Mt 4:21

b Lu 5:5

c Lu 24:16

Joh 20:14

d Lu 5:4

e Lu 5:6

f Joh 13:23

Joh 19:26

Joh 20:2

g Mt 14:29

h lKi 19:6

i Ac 10:41

j Lu 24:30

Zeb'e-dee^a and two others of his disciples. 3 Simon Peter said to them: "I am going fishing." They said to him: "We also are coming with you." Out they went and got aboard the boat, but during that night they caught nothing.^b

4 However, just as it was getting to be morning, Jesus stood on the beach, but the disciples did not, of course, discern that it was Jesus.^c 5 Then Jesus said to them: "Young children, you do not have anything to eat, do you?" They answered "No!" to him. 6 He said to them: "Cast the net on the right side of the boat and you will find some."^d Then they cast it, but they were no longer able to draw it in because of the multitude of the fishes.^e 7 Therefore that disciple whom Jesus used to love^f said to Peter:^g "It is the Lord!" Hence Simon Peter, upon hearing that it was the Lord, girded about himself his top garment, for he was naked, and plunged into the sea. 8 But the other disciples came in the little boat, for they were not a long way from land, only about three hundred feet away, dragging the net of fishes.

9 However, when they disembarked onto land they beheld lying there a charcoal fire^h and fish lying upon it and bread. 10 Jesus said to them: "Bring some of the fish you just now caught." 11 Simon Peter, therefore, went on board and drew the net to land full of big fishes, one hundred and fifty-three of them. But although there were so many the net did not burst. 12 Jesus said to them: "Come, take your breakfast."ⁱ Not one of the disciples had the courage to inquire of him: "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. 13 Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them,^j and the fish likewise. 14 This

makes all his works^a cooperate together for the good of those who love God, those who are the ones called according to his purpose;^b 29 because those whom he gave his first recognition^c he also foreordained^d to be patterned^e after the image^f of his Son, that he might be the firstborn^g among many brothers.^h 30 Moreover, those whom he foreordainedⁱ are the ones he also called;^j and those whom he called are the ones he also declared to be righteous.^k Finally those whom he declared righteous are the ones he also glorified.^l

31 What, then, shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who will be against us?^m 32 He who did not even spare his own Sonⁿ but delivered him up for us all,^o why will he not also with him kindly give us all other things?^p 33 Who will file accusation against God's chosen ones?^q God is the One who declares them righteous.^r 34 Who is he that will condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died, yes, rather the one who was raised up from the dead, who is on the right hand^s of God, who also pleads for us.^t

35 Who will separate us from the love of the Christ?^u Will tribulation or distress or persecution or hunger or nakedness or danger or sword?^v 36 Just as it is written: "For your sake we are being put to death all day long, we have been accounted as sheep for slaughtering."^w 37 To the contrary, in all these things we are coming off completely victorious^x through him that loved us. 38 For I am convinced that neither death nor life^y nor angels^z nor governments^a nor things now here nor things to come nor powers^b 39 nor height nor depth nor any other creation will be able to separate us from God's love that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.^c

CHAP. 8

- a Ps 145:17
- b Joh 9:3
- c Ro 9:11
- d Eph 1:11
- e 2Ti 1:9
- f 1Co 15:23
- g Ge 3:15
- h Joh 13:15
- i Joh 17:23
- j Ro 6:5
- k 1Co 15:49
- l Eph 4:24
- m Ps 89:27
- n Heb 1:6
- o Mt 25:40
- p Heb 2:11
- q LJo 3:2
- r Eph 1:5
- s 1Ph 3:12
- t 1Th 2:14
- u Heb 3:1
- v k Ro 5:18
- w 1Co 6:11
- x Tit 3:7
- y 1Co 3:7
- z 2Co 3:18
- a 2Co 4:6
- b m Ps 118:6
- c LJo 4:4
- d n Joh 3:16
- e o Ro 3:25
- f 2Co 5:21
- g LJo 4:9
- h p Eph 2:4
- i q Isa 50:8
- j Col 1:22
- k r Ac 13:39
- l Heb 10:17
- m s Ps 110:1
- n t Heb 7:25
- o LJo 2:1
- p u Joh 15:10
- q v 2Co 4:9
- r w Ps 44:22
- s x Joh 16:33
- t y 1Co 3:22
- u z 1Pe 3:22
- v a Eph 1:21
- w b Eph 6:12
- x c 2Th 3:5

Second Col.

CHAP. 9

- a 1Ti 2:7
- b Ga 1:20
- c Ro 10:1
- d Ex 32:32
- e Ro 16:7
- f 2Co 11:22
- g Php 3:5
- h Ex 4:22
- i h De 26:19
- j Ac 3:25
- k Ac 7:8
- l j Ex 24:12
- m k Ac 26:7
- n Heb 9:1
- o l Ac 13:32
- p Ro 4:13
- q m De 10:15
- r n Mt 1:17
- s o Ps 103:19
- t p Nu 23:19
- u q Mt 23:38
- v Ro 2:28
- w Re 2:9
- x r Joh 8:39
- y Ga 3:29

9 I am telling the truth^a in Christ; I am not lying,^b since my conscience bears witness with me in holy spirit, 2 that I have great grief and unceasing pain in my heart.^c 3 For I could wish that I myself were separated as the cursed one from the Christ in behalf of my brothers,^d my relatives according to the flesh,^e 4 who, as such, are Israelites,^f to whom belong the adoption as sons^g and the glory^h and the covenantsⁱ and the giving of the Law^j and the sacred service^k and the promises;^l 5 to whom the forefathers^m belong and from whom the Christ sprang according to the flesh:ⁿ God,^o who is over all, be blessed forever, Amen.

6 However, it is not as though the word of God had failed,^p For not all who spring from Israel are really "Israel."^q 7 Neither because they are Abraham's seed are they all children,^r but "What will be called 'your seed' will be through Isaac."^s 8 That is, the children in the flesh^t are not really the children of God,^u but the children by the promise are counted as the seed. 9 For the word of promise was as follows: "At this time I will come and Sarah will have a son."^v

10 Yet not that case alone, but also when Re-bek'ah conceived twins^w from the one man, Isaac our forefather: 11 for when they had not yet been born nor had practiced anything good or vile,^x in order that the purpose of God respecting the choosing might continue dependent, not upon works, but upon the One who calls,^y 12 it was said to her: "The older will be the slave of the younger."^z 13 Just as it is written: "I loved Jacob, but E'sau I hated."^a

s Ge 21:12; Heb 11:18; t Isa 57:4; Ga 4:22; u Joh 1:13; v Isa 54:1; Ga 4:28; w Ge 18:14; x Ge 25:24; y Ps 139:16; z Ro 8:23; Heb 5:4; a Ge 25:23; b Mal 1:3; Heb 12:16.

14 What shall we say, then? Is there injustice with God?^a Never may that become so! 15 For he says to Moses: "I will have mercy upon whomever I do have mercy, and I will show compassion to whomever I do show compassion."^b 16 So, then, it depends, not upon the one wishing nor upon the one running, but upon God,^c who has mercy.^d 17 For the Scripture says to Phar'aoth: "For this very cause I have let you remain, that in connection with you I may show my power, and that my name may be declared in all the earth."^e 18 So, then, upon whom he wishes he has mercy,^f but whom he wishes he lets become obstinate.^g

19 You will therefore say to me: "Why does he yet find fault? For who has withstood his express will?"^h 20 O man,ⁱ who, then, really are you to be answering back to God?^j Shall the thing molded say to him that molded it, "Why did you make me this way?"^k 21 What? Does not the potter^l have authority over the clay to make from the same lump one vessel for an honorable use, another for a dishonorable use?^m 22 If, now, God, although having the will to demonstrate his wrath and to make his power known, tolerated with much long-suffering vessels of wrath made fit for destruction,ⁿ 23 in order that he might make known the riches^o of his glory upon vessels^p of mercy, which he prepared beforehand for glory,^q 24 namely, us, whom he called not only from among Jews but also from among nations,^r what of it? 25 It is as he says also in Ho-se'a: "Those not my people^s I will call 'my people,' and her who was not beloved 'beloved';^t 26 and in the place where it was said to them, 'You are not my people,' there they will be called 'sons of the living God.'"^u

27 Moreover, Isaiah cries out

CHAP. 9

- a De 32:4
- b 2Ch 39:6
- c Job 34:10
- d Ex 33:19
- e Ps 115:3
- f De 4:31
- g Tit 3:5
- h Ex 9:16
- i LXX
- j Ex 20:6
- k Ex 10:1
- l Ex 14:4
- m 2Ch 20:6
- n Job 23:13
- o Da 4:35
- p i Ro 2:1
- q j Job 40:2
- r k Isa 29:16
- s Isa 45:9
- t l Isa 64:8
- u Jer 18:6
- v m 2Ti 2:20
- w n 1Th 5:9
- x o Col 1:27
- y p Ac 9:15
- z q Php 4:19
- a r Ro 11:13
- b Eph 3:6
- c s Eph 2:12
- d t Ho 2:23
- e Mt 21:43
- f lPe 2:10
- g u Ho 1:10
- h Ga 3:26

Second Col.

- a Ge 22:17
- b 1Ki 4:20
- c b Isa 10:22
- d Ro 11:5
- e c Isa 10:23
- f d Ps 103:21
- g e Isa 1:9
- h Jer 50:40
- i f Ro 10:20
- j g Ro 1:17
- k Ro 4:11
- l Php 3:9
- m h Ga 2:21
- n Ga 5:4
- o i Ga 2:16
- p j Lu 20:18
- q lCo 1:23
- r k Ps 118:22
- s Mt 21:42
- t lPe 2:6
- u l Isa 3:14
- v m Isa 28:16
- w Isa 49:23

CHAP. 10

- a n Ro 9:3
- b o Mt 7:22
- c Ac 21:20
- d Ga 1:14
- e Php 3:6
- f p Eph 1:17
- g q Ro 1:17
- h r Lu 16:15
- i Lu 18:9
- j Php 3:9
- k s Mt 15:6
- l Lu 7:30
- m t Mt 5:17
- n Ro 7:6
- o Eph 2:15
- p Col 2:14
- q u Ac 13:39
- r Ga 3:24

concerning Israel: "Although the number of the sons of Israel may be as the sand of the sea,^a it is the remnant that will be saved.^b 28 For Jehovah will make an accounting on the earth, concluding it and cutting it short."^c 29 Also, just as Isaiah had said aforetime: "Unless Jehovah of armies^d had left a seed to us, we should have become just like Sod'om, and we should have been made just like Go-mor'rah."^e

30 What shall we say, then? That people of the nations, although not pursuing righteousness, caught up with righteousness,^f the righteousness that results from faith;^g 31 but Israel, although pursuing a law of righteousness, did not attain to the law.^h 32 For what reason? Because he pursued it, not by faith, but as by works.ⁱ They stumbled on the "stone of stumbling";^j 33 as it is written: "Look! I am laying in Zion a stone^k of stumbling and a rock-mass of offense,^l but he that rests his faith on it will not come to disappointment."^m

10 Brothers, the goodwill of my heart and my supplication to God for them are, indeed, for their salvation.ⁿ 2 For I bear their witness that they have a zeal^o for God; but not according to accurate knowledge;^p 3 for, because of not knowing the righteousness of God^q but seeking to establish their own,^r they did not subject themselves to the righteousness of God.^s 4 For Christ is the end of the Law,^t so that everyone exercising faith may have righteousness.^u

5 For Moses writes that the man that has done the righteousness of the Law will live by it.^v 6 But the righteousness resulting from faith speaks in this manner: "Do not say in your

v Le 18:5; Ne 9:29; Eze 20:11; Ga 3:12.

2 If, then, there is any encouragement in Christ,^a if any consolation of love, if any sharing of spirit,^b if any tender affections^c and compassions, **2** make my joy full in that you are of the same mind^d and have the same love, being joined together in soul, holding the one thought in mind,^e **3** doing nothing out of contentiousness^f or out of egotism,^g but with lowliness of mind considering that the others are superior^h to you, **4** keeping an eye, not in personal interest upon just your own matters,ⁱ but also in personal interest upon those of the others.^j

5 Keep this mental attitude in you that was also in Christ Jesus,^k **6** who, although he was existing in God's form,^l gave no consideration to a seizure, namely, that he should be equal to God.^m **7** No, but he emptied himself and took a slave's formⁿ and came to be in the likeness of men.^o **8** More than that, when he found himself in fashion as a man,^p he humbled himself and became obedient as far as death,^q yes, death on a torture stake.^r **9** For this very reason also God exalted him to a superior position^s and kindly gave him the name that is above every other name,^t **10** so that in the name of Jesus every knee should bend of those in heaven and those on earth and those under the ground,^u **11** and every tongue should openly acknowledge^v that Jesus Christ is Lord^w to the glory of God the Father.^x

12 Consequently, my beloved ones, in the way that you have always obeyed,^y not during my presence only, but now much more readily during my absence, keep working out YOUR own salvation with fear^z and trembling; **13** for God is the one that, for the sake of his good pleasure, is acting within you^a in or-

CHAP. 2

- a Ro 1:12
- b 2Co 13:14
- c Php 1:8
- Col 3:12
- 1Pe 1:22
- d Ro 15:5
- 2Co 13:11
- 1Pe 3:8
- e 1Co 1:10
- f 2Co 12:20
- Php 1:15
- Php 1:17
- Jas 3:14
- g Ga 5:26
- h Mt 23:11
- Eph 4:2
- Eph 5:21
- i Ro 12:10
- 1Co 10:33
- 1Co 13:5
- j 1Co 10:24
- k Mt 11:29
- Joh 13:16
- l Col 1:15
- Heb 1:3
- m Joh 14:23
- n Isa 53:3
- o Joh 1:14
- Ro 1:3
- p Heb 2:9
- Heb 10:5
- q Isa 50:5
- Joh 10:17
- Heb 5:8
- r De 21:23
- Ga 3:13
- s Isa 52:13
- Ac 2:33
- Eph 1:21
- t Ac 4:12
- u Joh 5:23
- v Ro 10:9
- w Ac 2:36
- x Ps 22:27
- y Ro 16:19
- z 2Co 7:15
- Heb 12:28
- a Jer 31:33
- 2Co 3:5
- Heb 13:21

Second Col.

- a 2Ch 30:12
- 1Th 4:8
- b 1Co 10:10
- 1Pe 4:9
- c 1Ti 2:8
- d 1Co 1:8
- Eph 5:27
- e Ro 8:16
- Eph 5:1
- f De 32:5
- Mt 17:17
- 1Pe 2:12
- g Mt 5:14
- Eph 5:8
- 1Pe 2:9
- h Joh 6:68
- Heb 4:12
- i 2Co 1:14
- 1Th 2:19
- j Isa 49:4
- Ga 2:2
- 1Th 3:5
- k Ex 29:40
- 2Ti 4:6
- l Heb 13:15
- 1Pe 2:5
- m 2Co 12:15
- n Php 1:18
- o Php 3:1

der for you both to will and to act.^a **14** Keep doing all things free from murmurings^b and arguments,^c **15** that you may come to be blameless^d and innocent, children^e of God without a blemish in among a crooked and twisted generation,^f among whom you are shining as illuminators in the world.^g **16** Keeping a tight grip on the word of life,^h that I may have cause for exultation in Christ's day,ⁱ that I did not run in vain or work hard in vain.^j **17** Notwithstanding, even if I am being poured out like a drink offering^k upon the sacrifice^l and public service to which faith has led you,^m I am glad and I rejoiceⁿ with all of you. **18** Now in the same way you yourselves also be glad and rejoice with me.^o

19 For my part I am hoping in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you shortly, that I may be a cheerful soul^p when I get to know about the things pertaining to you. **20** For I have no one else of a disposition like his who will genuinely care^q for the things pertaining to you. **21** For all the others are seeking their own interests,^r not those of Christ Jesus. **22** But you know the proof he gave of himself, that like a child^s with a father he slaved with me in furtherance of the good news. **23** This, therefore, is the man I am hoping to send just as soon as I have seen how things stand concerning me. **24** Indeed, I am confident in the Lord that I myself shall also come shortly.^t

25 However, I consider it necessary to send to you E-paphroditus,^u my brother and fellow worker^v and fellow soldier,^w but YOUR envoy and private servant for my need, **26** since he

p Pr 25:25; 2Co 7:7; q 1Co 4:17; 1Co 16:10; r 1Co 10:24; Ga 4:17; 2Ti 4:10; s 1Co 4:17; 2Ti 1:2; t Php 1:25; Phm 22; u Php 4:18; v 2Co 8:23; w Phm 2

is longing to see all of you and is depressed because you heard he had fallen sick. **27** Yes, indeed, he fell sick nearly to the point of death; but God had mercy^a on him, in fact, not only on him, but also on me, that I should not get grief upon grief. **28** Therefore with the greater haste I am sending him, that on seeing him you may rejoice again and I may be the more free from grief. **29** Therefore give him the customary welcome^b in the Lord with all joy; and keep holding men of that sort dear,^c **30** because on account of the Lord's work he came quite near to death, exposing his soul to danger,^d that he might fully make up for YOUR not being here to render private service to me.^e

3 Finally, my brothers, continue rejoicing in the Lord.^f To be writing the same things to you is not troublesome for me, but it is of safety to you.

2 Look out for the dogs,^g look out for the workers of injury, look out for those who mutilate the flesh.^h **3** For we are those with the real circumcision,ⁱ who are rendering sacred service by God's spirit^j and have our boasting in Christ Jesus^k and do not have our confidence in the flesh,^l **4** though I, if anyone, do have grounds for confidence also in the flesh.

If any other man thinks he has grounds for confidence in the flesh, I the more so:^m **5** circumcised the eighth day,ⁿ out of the family stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin,^o a Hebrew born from Hebrews;^p as respects law, a Pharisee;^q **6** as respects zeal, persecuting the congregation;^r as respects righteousness that is by means of law, one who proved himself blameless. **7** Yet what things were gains to me, these I have considered loss on account of the Christ.^s **8** Why, for that

CHAP. 2

- a Ps 30:3
- Ps 34:19
- b Col 4:10
- c 1Co 16:18
- 1Th 5:12
- d Ac 20:24
- e 1Co 16:17
- Phm 13

CHAP. 3

- f 2Co 13:11
- Php 4:4
- 1Th 5:16
- g Re 22:15
- h Ro 2:28
- Ga 5:2
- i De 10:16
- Jer 4:4
- Ro 2:29
- Col 2:11
- j Ac 2:17
- Ro 8:26
- k Ga 6:14
- Heb 9:14
- l 2Co 11:18
- m 2Co 11:22
- n Ge 17:12
- Le 12:3
- o Ro 11:1
- p 2Co 11:22
- q Ac 23:6
- Ac 26:5
- r Ac 8:3
- Ac 9:1
- Gal 1:13
- s Mt 13:44

Second Col.

- a Eph 4:13
- 2Pe 3:2
- b 1Co 2:18
- c Ro 3:20
- Ro 10:3
- d Ro 4:5
- Ro 9:30
- Ga 2:16
- e Ro 1:17
- Ro 3:21
- f 1Co 15:22
- 2Co 13:4
- g Ro 8:17
- 2Co 4:10
- Col 1:24
- h Ro 6:5
- i Lu 14:14
- 1Th 4:16
- Re 20:6
- j Heb 12:23
- k Lu 13:24
- l 1Ti 6:12
- m Ac 9:15
- n Lu 9:62
- o 1Co 9:24
- p Heb 12:1
- q 2Ti 4:8
- r Ro 8:30
- Heb 3:1
- s 1Co 2:6
- 1Co 14:20
- Heb 5:10
- t Php 2:5
- u Ga 6:16
- v 1Co 4:16
- 2Th 3:9
- w Php 4:9
- Tit 2:7
- 1Pe 5:3

matter, I do indeed also consider all things to be loss on account of the excelling value of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord.^a On account of him, I have taken the loss of all things and I consider them as a lot^b refuse,^b that I may gain Christ^c **9** and be found in union with him, having, not my own righteousness, which results from law,^c but that which is through faith^d in Christ, the righteousness that issues from God on the basis of faith,^e **10** so as to know him and the power of his resurrection^f and a sharing in his sufferings,^g submitting myself to a death like his,^h **11** to see if I may by any means attain to the earlier resurrectionⁱ from the dead.

12 Not that I have already received it or am already made perfect,^j but I am pursuing^k to see if I may also lay hold^l on that of which I have also been laid hold^m on by Christ Jesus. **13** Brothers, I do not yet consider myself as having laid hold on it; but there is one thing about it: For getting the things behindⁿ and stretching forward to the things ahead,^o **14** I am pursuing downward toward the goal^p for the prize^q of the upward call^r of God by means of Christ Jesus. **15** Let us, then, as many of us as are mature,^s be of this mental attitude; and if you are mentally inclined otherwise in any respect, God will reveal the above attitude to you. **16** At any rate, to what extent we have made progress, let us go on walking orderly^t in this same routine.

17 Unitedly become imitators^v of me, brothers, and keep YOUR eye on those who are walking in a way that accords with the example you have in us.^w **18** For there are many, I used to mention them often but now I mention them also with weeping,

who are walking as the enemies of the torture stake of the Christ,^a 19 and their finish is destruction,^b and their god is their belly,^c and their glory consists in their shame,^d and they have their minds upon things on the earth.^e 20 As for us, our citizenship^f exists in the heavens,^g from which place also we are eagerly waiting^h for a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,ⁱ 21 who will refashion our humiliated body^j to be conformed to his glorious body^k according to the operation^l of the power that he has, even to subject^m all things to himself.

4 Consequently, my brothers beloved and longed for, my joy and crown,ⁿ stand firm^o in this way in the Lord, beloved ones.

2 Eu-o'di-a I exhort and Syn'ty-che I exhort to be of the same mind^p in the Lord. 3 Yes, I request you too, genuine yokefellow,^q keep assisting these women who have striven side by side with me^r in the good news along with Clement as well as the rest of my fellow workers,^s whose names^t are in the book of life.^u

4 Always rejoice in the Lord.^v Once more I will say, Rejoice!^w 5 Let your reasonableness^x become known to all men. The Lord is near.^y 6 Do not be anxious over anything,^z but in everything by prayer and supplication^a along with thanksgiving let your petitions be made known to God;^b 7 and the peace^c of God that excels all thought will guard your hearts^d and your mental powers by means of Christ Jesus.

8 Finally, brothers, whatever things are true, whatever things are of serious concern, whatever things are righteous, whatever things are chaste,^e whatever things are lovable, whatever things are well spoken of, whatever virtue there is and whatever

- CHAP. 3
a Ga 5:11
Ga 6:12
b 2Co 11:15
2Pe 2:1
c Ro 16:18
d Jude 13
e Ro 8:5
1Co 3:3
2Ti 3:4
Jas 3:15
f Eph 2:19
g Joh 18:36
Eph 2:6
Col 3:1
h 1Th 1:10
Heb 9:28
i 1Co 1:7
Tit 2:13
j 1Co 15:42
k Ro 8:29
1Co 15:49
l Eph 1:19
m 1Co 15:27
Heb 2:8

- CHAP. 4
n 1Th 2:19
o Php 1:27
p Ro 15:5
1Co 1:10
2Co 13:11
Php 2:2
1Pe 3:8
q Mt 11:29
r Lu 8:3
s Ro 16:3
t Lu 10:20
u Ps 69:28
v Ps 64:10
Ps 104:34
w De 26:11
Ps 97:12
Isa 9:3
1Th 5:16
x Tit 3:2
Jas 3:17
y Jas 5:8
z Mt 6:25
Lu 12:22
1Pe 5:7
a Ro 12:12
Jas 1:5
b Ps 145:18
Joh 16:23
c Joh 14:27
Ro 5:1
d Col 3:15
e 2Co 11:3
1Ti 4:12
1Ti 5:2
1Pe 3:2

- Second Col.
a Ga 5:22
Col 3:2
b Php 3:17
Col 1:23
c Ro 15:33
1Co 14:33
Heb 13:20
d 2Co 11:9
e 1Ti 6:6
Heb 13:5
f 1Co 4:11
2Co 6:10
g 2Co 11:27

praiseworthy thing there is, continue considering these things,^a 9 The things that you learned as well as accepted and heard and saw in connection with me, practice these;^b and the God of peace^c will be with you.

10 I do rejoice greatly in the Lord that now at last you have revived your thinking in my behalf,^d to which you were really giving thought, but you lacked opportunity. 11 Not that I am speaking with regard to being in want, for I have learned, in whatever circumstances I am, to be self-sufficient.^e 12 I know indeed how to be low on provisions,^f I know indeed how to have an abundance. In everything and in all circumstances I have learned the secret of both how to be full and how to hunger, both how to have an abundance and how to suffer want.^g 13 For all things I have the strength by virtue of him who imparts power to me.^h

14 Nevertheless, you acted well in becoming sharersⁱ with me in my tribulation.^j 15 In fact, you Phi-lip'pi-ans, also know that at the start of declaring the good news, when I departed from Mac-e-do'ni-a, not a congregation took a share with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you alone;^k 16 because, even in Thes-sa-lo-ni'ca, you sent something to me both once and a second time for my need. 17 Not that I am earnestly seeking the gift,^l but that I am earnestly seeking the fruitage^m that brings more credit to your account. 18 However, I have all things in full and have an abundance. I am filled, now that I have received from E-paph-ro-di'tusⁿ the things from you, a sweet-smelling odor,^o an accept-

- h Isa 12:2; Isa 40:29; Joh 15:5; 2Co 4:7; 2Co 12:9; 2Ti 4:17; i Php 1:7; j Eph 3:13; Heb 10:33; k 2Co 11:8; l 1Co 9:11; m Ro 15:28; n Php 2:25; o Ex 29:18; Eze 20:41.

able sacrifice,^a well-pleasing to God. 19 In turn, my God^b will fully supply all your need^c to the extent of his riches^d in glory by means of Christ Jesus. 20 Now to our God and Father be the glory forever and ever.^e Amen.

21 Give my greetings^f to every holy one in union^g with Christ Jesus. The brothers who are with

- CHAP. 4
a Heb 13:15
b Ps 23:1
c De 2:7
2Co 9:8
d Ro 9:23
Eph 1:7
e Ro 16:27
Ga 1:5
f Col 4:18
g 1Th 1:1

me send you their greetings. 22 All the holy ones, but especially those of the household of Caesar, send you their greetings.^a

23 The undeserved kindness of the Lord Jesus Christ be with the spirit you show.^b

- Second Col. a Php 1:13; b Ga 6:18.

TO THE COLOSSIANS

1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus through God's will,^a and Timothy^b our brother 2 to the holy ones and faithful brothers in union^c with Christ at Co-los'sae: May you have undeserved kindness and peace from God our Father.^d

3 We thank^e God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ always when we pray for you,^f 4 since we heard of your faith in connection with Christ Jesus and the love you have for all the holy ones^g 5 because of the hope^h that is being reserved for you in the heavens.ⁱ This hope you heard of before by the telling of the truth of that good news^j 6 which has presented itself to you, even as it is bearing fruit^k and increasing^l in all the world^m just as it is doing also among you, from the day you heard and accurately knew the undeserved kindnessⁿ of God in truth.^o 7 That is what you have learned from Ep'a-phras^p our beloved fellow slave, who is a faithful minister of the Christ on our behalf, 8 who also disclosed to us your love^q in a spiritual way.

9 That is also why we, from the day we heard of it, have not ceased praying for you^r and asking that you may be filled with

- CHAP. 1
a Eph 1:1
b 1Co 4:17
c Joh 17:21
d Ro 1:7
Ga 1:3
e 1Co 1:4
Php 1:3
f Eph 1:16
g Ro 15:25
Phm 5
Heb 6:10
h Eph 1:18
2Ti 4:8
Heb 6:19
i 1Pe 1:4
j Ro 10:17
Eph 1:13
k Joh 15:16
l Mr 4:8
m Col 1:23
1Ti 3:16
n Eph 3:2
Tit 2:11
o 2Pe 1:12
p Col 4:12
Phm 23
q 1Pe 1:22
r Eph 1:16
Jas 5:16

- Second Col.
a Php 1:9
b 1Co 2:7
Col 2:3
c 2Ti 2:7
1Jo 5:20
d Eph 4:1
e Mic 4:5
f Eph 2:10
g Eph 1:17
2Pe 1:2
2Pe 1:8
h Eph 3:16
i Ro 5:3
j Ac 26:18
Ro 3:17
Eph 1:14
k Eph 2:19
l Isa 60:20
m Lu 22:53
Eph 2:2
n Ro 11:24

the accurate knowledge^a of his will in all wisdom^b and spiritual comprehension,^c 10 in order to walk worthily^d of Jehovah^e to the end of fully pleasing him as you go on bearing fruit in every good work^f and increasing in the accurate^g knowledge of God, 11 being made powerful with all power to the extent of his glorious might^h so as to endureⁱ fully and be long-suffering with joy, 12 thanking the Father who rendered you suitable for your participation in the inheritance^j of the holy ones^k in the light.^l

13 He delivered us from the authority^m of the darkness and transferredⁿ us into the kingdom^o of the Son of his love,^p 14 by means of whom we have our release by ransom, the forgiveness of our sins.^q 15 He is the image^r of the invisible^s God, the firstborn^t of all creation; 16 because by means of him^u all other things were created in the heavens and upon the earth, the things visible and the things invisible, no matter whether they are thrones or lordships or governments or authorities.^v All other things have

- o Joh 18:36; Heb 1:8; p Fr 3:30; q Eph 1:7; r Joh 10:30; Joh 14:9; 2Co 4:4; s Joh 4:24; t 1Ti 1:17; t Re 3:14; u Joh 1:3; v Eph 1:21.

been created through him^a and for him. 17 Also, he is before all other things^b and by means of him all other things were made to exist.^c 18 and he is the head of the body, the congregation.^d He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,^e that he might become the one who is first^f in all things; 19 because God saw good for all fullness^g to dwell in him, 20 and through him to reconcile^h again to himself all other thingsⁱ by making peace^j through the blood^k he shed on the torture stake,^l no matter whether they are the things upon the earth or the things in the heavens.

21 Indeed, you who were once alienated^m and enemies because your minds were on the works that were wicked,ⁿ 22 he now has again reconciled^o by means of that one's fleshly body through his death,^p in order to present you holy and unblemished^q and open to no accusation^r before him, 23 provided, of course, that you continue in the faith,^s established on the foundation^t and steadfast^u and not being shifted away from the hope of that good news which you heard,^v and which was preached^w in all creation^x that is under heaven. Of this good news I Paul became a minister.^y

24 I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for you,^z and I, in my turn, am filling up what is lacking of the tribulations^a of the Christ in my flesh on behalf of his body, which is the congregation.^b 25 I became a minister^c of this congregation in accordance with the stewardship^d from God which was given me in your interest to preach the word of God fully, 26 the sacred secret^e that was hidden from the past systems of things^f and from the past generations. But now it has been made manifest^g to his holy ones, 27 to

CHAP. 1

- a Joh 1:10
- Heb 1:2
- b Joh 17:5
- c Heb 1:3
- d Eph 1:22
- e Re 1:5
- f 1Co 15:23
- g Joh 1:16
- Col 2:3
- h 2Co 5:19
- i Eph 1:10
- j Eph 2:14
- k Le 17:11
- l Isa 53:10
- Heb 12:2
- m Eph 2:12
- n 2Co 10:5
- o Ro 5:10
- p Eph 2:16
- q Heb 9:16
- r 2Pe 3:14
- s Re 2:10
- t 1Co 3:11
- u 1Co 15:58
- Heb 3:14
- v Ro 10:17
- w Mt 24:14
- x 1Ti 3:16
- y 2Co 11:23
- z Eph 3:8
- 1Ti 1:11
- a Ac 9:18
- b 1Co 10:17
- Eph 1:23
- c Eph 3:7
- d Lu 16:2
- 1Co 9:17
- Eph 3:2
- e Eph 3:5
- Eph 3:52
- f Lu 8:19
- 1Co 2:7
- g Ro 16:26

Second Col.

- a Ro 9:23
- 2Co 4:6
- Eph 3:8
- b Eph 3:9
- c Eph 3:6
- Eph 3:17
- d Ro 8:18
- 1Ti 1:1
- e Ac 20:20
- f 1Co 1:30
- Col 3:16
- g Eph 4:13
- h Lu 13:24
- i Eph 3:7
- j Php 4:13

CHAP. 2

- k Php 1:30
- 1Co 4:16
- m 2Co 1:8
- n Col 3:14
- o Eph 3:18
- p 1Co 2:1
- 1Co 2:7
- Eph 3:6
- q 1Co 1:30
- 1Co 2:16
- r Ro 16:18
- Eph 3:6

whom God has been pleased to make known what are the glorious riches^a of this sacred secret^b among the nations. It is Christ^c in union with you, the hope of his glory.^d 28 He is the one we are publicizing,^e admonishing every man and teaching every man in all wisdom,^f that we may present every man complete^g in union with Christ. 29 To this end I am indeed working hard, exerting myself^h in accordance with the operationⁱ of him and which is at work in me with power.^j

2 For I want you to realize how great a struggle^k I am having in behalf of you and of those at La-o-di-ce'a^l and of all those who have not seen my face in the flesh, 2 that their hearts may be comforted,^m that they may be harmoniously joined together in loveⁿ and with a view to all the riches of the full assurance of their understanding,^o with a view to an accurate knowledge of the sacred secret of God, namely, Christ.^p 3 Carefully concealed in him are all the treasures of wisdom and of knowledge.^q 4 This I am saying that no man may delude you with persuasive arguments.^r 5 For though I am absent in the flesh, all the same I am with you in the spirit,^s rejoicing and beholding your good order^t and the firmness of your faith^u toward Christ.

6 Therefore, as you have accepted Christ Jesus the Lord, go on walking in union^v with him, 7 rooted^w and being built up^x in him and being stabilized in the faith,^y just as you were taught, overflowing with faith in thanksgiving.^z

8 Look out; perhaps there may be someone who will carry^a you off as his prey through the philosophy^b and empty decep-

s Ac 17:16; 1Co 5:3; 1Ti 14:40; n 1Co 15:58; Heb 3:14; 1Pe 5:10; v Joh 17:21; w Eph 3:17; x Eph 2:20; y Mt 7:24; Jude 20; z Eph 3:20; 1Th 5:18; a Heb 13:9; b 1Co 2:13; 2Pe 1:16.

tion^a according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary^b things of the world and not according to Christ; 9 because it is in him that all the fullness^c of the divine^d quality^e dwells bodily. 10 And so you are possessed of a fullness by means of him, who is the head of all government and authority.^f 11 By relationship^g with him you were also circumcised^h with a circumcision performed without hands by the stripping off the body of the flesh,ⁱ by the circumcision that belongs to the Christ, 12 for you were buried with him in his baptism,^j and by relationship with him you were also raised^k up together through your faith^l in the operation^m of God, who raised him up from the dead.ⁿ

13 Furthermore, though you were dead in your trespasses and in the uncircumcised state of your flesh, God made you alive together with him.^o He kindly forgave us all our trespasses^p 14 and blotted^q out the handwritten document^r against us, which consisted of decrees^s and which was in opposition to us;^t and He has taken it out of the way by nailing^u it to the torture stake.^v 15 Stripping the governments and the authorities^w bare, he exhibited them in open public as conquered,^x leading them in a triumphal procession^y by means of it.

16 Therefore let no man judge^a you in eating and drinking^b or in respect of a festival^c or of an observance of the new moon^d or of a sabbath;^e 17 for those things are a shadow^f of the things to come, but the reality^g belongs to the Christ.^h 18 Let no man depriveⁱ you of the prize^j who takes delight in a mock humility and a form of worship of the angels, "taking his stand on" the things he has seen, puffed up without

CHAP. 2

- a Eph 5:6
- b Ga 4:3
- c Eph 1:23
- Col 1:19
- d Ac 17:29
- e Joh 1:16
- Ro 1:20
- f Eph 1:21
- Col 1:16
- 1Pe 3:22
- g Mt 5:19
- h De 10:16
- Ro 2:29
- Php 3:3
- i Ro 6:6
- j Ro 6:4
- 1Co 15:29
- k Eph 2:6
- Col 3:1
- l Eph 2:8
- m Eph 1:19
- n Ac 3:24
- o Eph 2:1
- Eph 2:5
- Eph 2:13
- p Ac 2:38
- q Ac 3:19
- r Ex 34:27
- De 31:24
- 2Ki 23:2
- Eph 2:14
- Heb 7:18
- s De 4:8
- Eph 2:15
- t Ro 7:10
- Ga 3:10
- u Joh 20:25
- v Ga 3:13
- Heb 9:15
- 1Pe 2:24
- w Eph 6:12
- x 1Jo 5:4
- Re 3:21
- y Ps 68:24
- 2Co 2:14
- z Ro 14:3
- a Ro 14:17
- b Ro 14:6
- c Ps 81:3
- d Ga 4:10
- e Ex 25:40
- Heb 8:5
- Heb 10:1
- f Joh 14:6
- Heb 9:23
- g Heb 9:11
- h Ro 16:18
- Eph 5:6
- 2Pe 2:14
- 1Jo 2:26
- i Php 3:14

Second Col.

- a Eph 1:22
- b Eph 2:21
- c Eph 4:16
- d Ga 2:20
- e Ga 4:3
- f Joh 17:16
- 1Jo 2:15
- g Eph 2:15
- Col 2:14
- h Le 7:23
- i Le 5:2
- j Isa 29:13
- Mt 15:9
- k 1Ti 4:3
- l Ro 13:14

CHAP. 3

- m Eph 2:6

proper cause by his fleshly frame of mind, 19 whereas he is not holding fast to the head,^a to the one from whom all the body, being supplied and harmoniously joined together^b by means of its joints and ligaments, goes on growing with the growth that God gives.^c

20 If you died^d together with Christ toward the elementary^e things of the world,^f why do you, as if living in the world, further subject yourselves to the decrees?^g 21 "Do not handle, nor taste,^h nor touch,"ⁱ 22 respecting things that are all destined to destruction by being used up, in accordance with the commands and teachings of men.^j 23 Those very things are, indeed, possessed of an appearance of wisdom in a self-imposed form of worship and mock humility, a severe treatment of the body,^k but they are of no value in combating the satisfying of the flesh.^l

3 If, however, you were raised up^m with the Christ, go on seeking the things above,ⁿ where the Christ is seated at the right hand of God.^o 2 Keep your minds fixed on the things above,^p not on the things upon the earth.^q 3 For you died,^r and your life^s has been hidden with the Christ in union^t with God. 4 When the Christ, our life,^u is made manifest, then you also will be made manifest^v with him in glory.^w

5 Deaden,^x therefore, your body members^y that are upon the earth as respects fornication, uncleanness, sexual appetite,^z hurtful desire, and covetousness,^a which is idolatry. 6 On account of those things the wrath of God is coming.^b 7 In

n Mt 6:33; o Ps 110:1; 1Pe 3:22; p Php 3:20; Php 4:8; 1Pe 1:13; q Joh 3:31; 1Jo 2:15; r Ro 6:2; s Ga 2:20; t Joh 17:21; u Joh 11:25; v 2Ti 4:8; w 1Co 15:43; x Ga 5:24; y Mr 9:43; z 1Co 6:18; Eph 5:3; 2Ti 2:22; a Ex 20:17; b Ro 1:18; Eph 5:6.