Jesus' First Coming:

With Gifts of Forgiveness and Everlasting Life.

Jesus' Second Coming:

To Destroy Evil and Establish His Kingdom of Righteousness.

1 Thessalonians:

Ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God; And to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, even Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come.

1Thessalonians 1:9, 10

But as we were allowed of God to be put in trust with the gospel, even so we speak; not as pleasing men, but God, which tries our hearts. For neither at any time used we flattering words ... nor a cloak of covetousness ... nor of men sought we glory ... For ye remember ... our labor and travail: for our laboring night and day, because we would not be chargeable (an expense) unto any of you, we preached unto you the gospel of God ... For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming? For ye are our glory and joy.

1Thessalonians 2:4-6, 9, 19, 20

And <u>the Lord make you</u> to increase and <u>abound in love</u> one <u>toward another</u>, <u>and</u> toward <u>all men</u>, even as we do toward you: <u>To the end He may establish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father</u>, at the coming of our Lord <u>Jesus Christ</u> with all His saints.

1Thessalonians 3:12, 13

But I would not have you to be ignorant ... concerning them which are asleep {have died}, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep {die} in Jesus will God bring with Him.

For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

1Thessalonians 4:13-18

But of the times and the seasons brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. For when they shall say, Peace and safety, then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

Therefore, let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. For they that sleep, sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night.

But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.

For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him. Wherefore comfort yourselves

together, and edify one another, even as also ye do ...

Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. Abstain from all appearances of evil.

And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He that calls you, who will do it ...

I charge you by the Lord that this epistle be read unto all the holy brethren.

1Thessalonians 5:1-11, 21-24, 27

2 Thessalonians:

To you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of His power; When He shall come to be glorified in His saints, and to be admired in all them that believe ...

2 Thessalonians 1:7-10

Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto Him, that ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

Let no man deceive you by any means; for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sits in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things? And now ye know what withholds that he might be revealed in his time.

For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now lets will let, until he be taken out of the way. And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of His mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming: Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

But we are bound to give thanks always to God for you... because <u>God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth</u>: Whereunto He called you <u>by our gospel</u>. 2 Thessalonians 2:1-14

1 Timothy:

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who ... enabled me ... counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry; who was before a blasphemer, and a persecutor, and injurious {insulting}: but I obtained mercy, because I did it ignorantly in unbelief. And the grace of our Lord was exceeding abundant with faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.

This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief. Howbeit for this cause, I obtained mercy, that in me, first Jesus Christ might show forth all longsuffering, for a pattern to them which should hereafter believe on Him to life everlasting.

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

1 Timothy 1:12-17

I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of <u>God our Savior</u>; who will have all men to be saved, and come unto the knowledge of the truth.

For there is one God, and <u>one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; who gave Himself</u> <u>a ransom for all</u>, to be testified in due time.

1 Timothy 2:1-6

Now the Spirit speaks expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth ...

If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shall be a good minister (servant) of Jesus Christ ... But refuse profane and old wives' fables, and exercise thyself rather unto godliness. For bodily exercise profits little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.

1 Timothy 4:1-3, 6-8

<u>Godliness with contentment is great gain</u>. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. <u>And having food and raiment let us be therewith content</u>.

But they that be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil ... flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness. Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life ... keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ ... the King of kings, and Lord of lords.

1 Timothy 6:6-12, 14

2 Timothy:

*God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God; Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began, but is now made manifest by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel ... I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day.

2 Timothy 1:7-10, 12

It is a faithful saying: For if we be dead with Him, we shall also live with Him: If we suffer, we shall also reign with Him: if we deny Him, He will deny us: If we believe not {are faithless} yet He abides faithful: He

And the servant of the Lord must not strive {be quarrelsome}; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, in meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

2 Timothy 2:11-13, 19, 24-26

In the last days, perilous times shall come. For men will be lovers of their ownselves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent {no self-control}, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away ... ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth ... these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate {counterfeit} concerning the faith ...

cannot deny Himself ...

The foundation of God stands sure, having this seal, The Lord knows them that are His. *And, Let every one that names the name of Christ depart from iniquity ...

But thou hast fully known my doctrine... what persecutions I endured: but out of them all the Lord delivered me... All that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution. But evil men and seducers {imposters} shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of ... that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

2 Timothy 3:1-5, 7, 8, 10-17

I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick (living) and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom; Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

<u>But watch</u> thou in all things, <u>endure afflictions</u>, <u>do the work of an evangelist</u>, make full proof of thy ministry.

For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing.

2 Timothy 4:1-8

Titus:

The grace of God that brings salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ; Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works...

Titus 2:11-14

For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another. But after that the kindness and love of God our Savior toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; Which He shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior; That being justified by His grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Titus 3:3-7

Colossians:

For it pleased the Father that in Him should all fullness dwell; And having made peace through the blood of His cross, by Him to reconcile all things unto Himself ... And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath He reconciled in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in His sight. If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel ... To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery ... which is Christ in you, the hope of glory ... In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Colossians 1:19-23, 27; 2:3 (KJV)

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