

“Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you The Gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand;” 1 Corinthians 15:1 KJV



The whole of God’s Word, written and incarnate, is epitomized by the person and presence of the LORD Jesus Christ! *“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and Truth: For in Him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead, bodily!”* Jesus is the impregnable, immutable, unchangeable, unsearchable, unconquerable, omniscient, omnipotent, and omnipresent Jehovah! *“For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three ARE ONE.”* Those who believe the Gospel are saved by it. Those who reject it, disobey it, are condemned by it! *“That they all might be damned who believed not the Truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.”* Obedience keeps you safe within the Castle of God, Himself! *“For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory.”* Disobedience tears you from His protection and separates you from the provision and fellowship of the Lord Jesus. *“Backbiters, haters of God, spiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, 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.”* Notice the last phrase: *“Having a FORM of Godliness.”* These are the “good” church members who disobey God and live daily for their own pleasure. They do not know persecution, because only *“those that live Godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.”* You must be ready to live your faith to the death! If you knowingly disobey direct instruction from God’s Word, you have left the Castle! *“Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.”* There is only One Way, One Truth, One Life, and that is to obey God’s Word. *“This Book of the Law (God’s Word)...thou shalt meditate (think) therein DAY AND NIGHT...do...ALL THAT IS WRITTEN therein: for THEN thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have GOOD success.”* I’d say defeating death with eternal pleasure is “GOOD success,” wouldn’t you?

By faithfulness to Christ the LORD,
You safely stand within God’s Word,
It will repel each Tempter’s dart,
And to your soul Great peace impart! ~CGP

You can be happy without joy, but you can’t have joy without having happiness! The only place true joy is found is in the presence of God! *“The Joy of the LORD is your strength.”* When you are there, His Joy brings you joy, because He is delighted with your presence! *“The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord and He delighteth in his way.”* Everything you need is in the Castle of Eternity’s Sovereign! *“At Thy right hand are PLEASURES for evermore!”* With God are eternal fountains and feasting! Without Him are eternal destruction and death!

“Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage (sin).” Galatians 5:1 KJV