

The Composite Reflection Bible

The Composite Reflection Bible is intended to make you think more deeply about the text by progressive comparison of literal versions. The mind works differently when understanding one text, when comparing two texts and when looking at more than two. As a result, an over-all meaning is obtained, which I call a “composite” understanding. When you have reached this level of understanding, you will want to record your thoughts about what the text now says, what it means to you spiritually and how you plan to apply its meaning to your life. I hope that you will find this work a help in your studies and a blessing in understanding what God would like you to know.

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**The World English Bible
American Standard Version of 1901
Young's Literal Translation**

1 Peter

- 1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the chosen ones who are living as aliens in the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia,**
Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the elect who are sojourners of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia,
Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the choice sojourners of the dispersion of Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia,
- 2 according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of the Spirit, to obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace be multiplied.**
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- 3** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to his great mercy became the father of us again to a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
Blessed [be] the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to his great mercy begat us again unto a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
Blessed [is] the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who, according to the abundance of His kindness did beget us again to a living hope, through the rising again of Jesus Christ out of the dead,
- 4** to an incorruptible and undefiled inheritance, and that doesn't fade away, reserved in heaven for you,
unto an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,
to an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and unfading, reserved in the heavens for you,
- 5** who by the power of God are guarded through faith to a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.
who by the power of God are guarded through faith unto a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.
who, in the power of God are being guarded, through faith, unto salvation, ready to be revealed in the last time,
- 6** Wherein you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been put to grief in various trials,
Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, ye have been put to grief in manifold trials,
in which ye are glad, a little now, if it be necessary, being made to sorrow in manifold trials,
- 7** that the proof of your faith, which is more precious than gold that perishes even though it is tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ --
that the proof of your faith, [being] more precious than gold that perisheth though it is proved by fire, may be found unto praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ:
that the proof of your faith -- much more precious than of gold that is perishing, and through fire being approved -- may be found to praise, and honour, and glory, in the revelation of Jesus Christ,

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- 8** whom not having known you love; on whom, though now you don't see him, yet believing, you rejoice greatly with joy unspeakable and full of glory --
 whom not having seen ye love; on whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice greatly with joy unspeakable and full of glory:
 whom, not having seen, ye love, in whom, now not seeing and believing, ye are glad with joy unspeakable and glorified,
- 9** receiving the end of your faith, the salvation of your souls.
 receiving the end of your faith, [even] the salvation of [your] souls.
 receiving the end of your faith -- salvation of souls;
- 10** Concerning this salvation, the prophets sought and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that would come to you,
 Concerning which salvation the prophets sought and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that [should come] unto you:
 concerning which salvation seek out and search out did prophets who concerning the grace toward you did prophecy,
- 11** searching for what or what kind of time the Spirit of Christ, which was in them, pointed to, when he testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glories that should follow them.
 searching what [time] or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did point unto, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glories that should follow them.
 searching in regard to what or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ that was in them was manifesting, testifying beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glory after these,
- 12** To whom it was revealed, that not to themselves, but to you, did they minister these things, which now have been announced to you through those who preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent forth from heaven; which things angels desire to look into.
 To whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto you, did they minister these things, which now have been announced unto you through them that preached the gospel unto you by the Holy Spirit sent forth from heaven; which things angel desire to look into.
 to whom it was revealed, that not to themselves, but to us they were ministering these, which now were told to you (through those who did proclaim good news to you,) in the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, to which things messengers do desire to bend looking.

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- 13** Therefore, prepare your minds for action, be sober and set your hope perfectly on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ --
Wherefore girding up the loins of your mind, be sober and set your hope perfectly on the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;
Wherefore having girded up the loins of your mind, being sober, hope perfectly upon the grace that is being brought to you in the revelation of Jesus Christ,
- 14** as children of obedience, not conforming yourselves according to your former lusts as in your ignorance,
as children of obedience, not fashioning yourselves according to your former lusts in [the time of] your ignorance:
as obedient children, not fashioning yourselves to the former desires in your ignorance,
- 15** but just as he who called you is holy, you yourselves also be holy in all of your behavior;
but like as he who called you is holy, be ye yourselves also holy in all manner of living;
but according as He who did call you [is] holy, ye also, become holy in all behaviour,
- 16** because it is written, "You shall be holy; for I am holy."
because it is written, Ye shall be holy; for I am holy.
because it hath been written, `Become ye holy, because I am holy;`
- 17** If you call on him as Father, who without respect of persons judges according to each man`s work, pass the time of your living as strangers here in reverent fear:
And if ye call on him as Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to each man`s work, pass the time of your sojourning in fear:
and if on the Father ye do call, who without acceptance of persons is judging according to the work of each, in fear the time of your sojourn pass ye,

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- 18** knowing that you were redeemed, not with corruptible things, with silver or gold, from the useless way of life handed down from your fathers,
knowing that ye were redeemed, not with corruptible things, with silver or gold, from your vain manner of life handed down from your fathers;
having known that, not with corruptible things -- silver or gold -- were ye redeemed from your foolish behaviour delivered by fathers,
- 19** but with precious blood, as of a lamb without spot, the blood of Christ;
but with precious blood, as of a lamb without spot, [even the blood] of Christ:
but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and unspotted -- Christ's --
- 20** who was foreknown indeed before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of times for your sake,
who was foreknown indeed before the foundation of the world, but was manifested at the end of times for your sake,
foreknown, indeed, before the foundation of the world, and manifested in the last times because of you,
- 21** who through him are believers in God, that raised him from the dead, and gave him glory; so that your faith and hope might be in God.
who through him are believers in God, that raised him from the dead, and gave him glory; so that your faith and hope might be in God.
who through him do believe in God, who did raise out of the dead, and glory to him did give, so that your faith and hope may be in God.
- 22** Seeing you have purified your souls in your obedience to the truth through the Spirit in sincere brotherly affection, love one another from the heart fervently:
Seeing ye have purified your souls in your obedience to the truth unto unfeigned love of the brethren, love one another from the heart fervently:
Your souls having purified in the obedience of the truth through the Spirit to brotherly love unfeigned, out of a pure heart one another love ye earnestly,

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- 23** having been born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, through the word of God, which lives and remains forever.
 having been begotten again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, through the word of God, which liveth and abideth.
 being begotten again, not out of seed corruptible, but incorruptible, through a word of God -- living and remaining -- to the age;
- 24** For, "All flesh is like grass, And all of man`s glory like the flower in the grass. The grass withers, and its flower falls;
 For, All flesh is as grass, And all the glory thereof as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower falleth:
 because all flesh [is] as grass, and all glory of man as flower of grass; wither did the grass, and the flower of it fell away,
- 25** But the Lord`s word endures forever." This is the word of good news which was preached to you.
 But the word of the Lord abideth for ever. And this is the word of good tidings which was preached unto you.
 and the saying of the Lord doth remain -- to the age; and this is the saying that was proclaimed good news to you.
- 1** Putting away therefore all wickedness, all deceit, hypocrisies, envies, and all evil speaking,
 Putting away therefore all wickedness, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,
 Having put aside, then, all evil, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envyings, and all evil speakings,
- 2** as newborn babes, long for the pure milk of the Word, that you may grow thereby,
 as newborn babes, long for the spiritual milk which is without guile, that ye may grow thereby unto salvation;
 as new-born babes the word`s pure milk desire ye, that in it ye may grow,

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- 3** if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious:
 if ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious:
 if so be ye did taste that the Lord [is] gracious,
- 4** coming to him, a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God, precious.
 unto whom coming, a living stone, rejected indeed of men, but with God elect, precious,
 to whom coming -- a living stone -- by men, indeed, having been disapproved of, but with God choice, precious,
- 5** You also, as living stones, are built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.
 ye also, as living stones, are built up a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.
 and ye yourselves, as living stones, are built up, a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.
- 6** Because it is contained in scripture, "Behold, I lay in Zion a chief cornerstone, elect, precious: He who believes in him will not be put to shame."
 Because it is contained in scripture, Behold, I lay in Zion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: And he that believeth on him shall not be put to shame.
 Wherefore, also, it is contained in the Writing: `Lo, I lay in Zion a chief corner-stone, choice, precious, and he who is believing on him may not be put to shame;`
- 7** For you therefore who believe is the honor, but for such as are disobedient, "The stone which the builders rejected, Has become the chief cornerstone,"
 For you therefore that believe is the preciousness: but for such as disbelieve, The stone which the builders rejected, The same was made the head of the corner;
 to you, then, who are believing [is] the preciousness; and to the unbelieving, a stone that the builders disapproved of, this one did become for the head of a corner,

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- 8** and, "A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense." For they stumble at the word, being disobedient, whereunto also they were appointed.
 and, A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence; for they stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.
 and a stone of stumbling and a rock of offence -- who are stumbling at the word, being unbelieving, -- to which also they were set;
- 9** But you are an elect race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, that you may show forth the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light:
 But ye are a elect race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for [God's] own possession, that ye may show forth the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:
 and ye [are] a choice race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people acquired, that the excellences ye may shew forth of Him who out of darkness did call you to His wondrous light;
- 10** who in time past were no people, but now are the people of God, who had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.
 who in time past were no people, but now are the people of God: who had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.
 who [were] once not a people, and [are] now the people of God; who had not found kindness, and now have found kindness.
- 11** Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, to abstain from fleshly lust, which war against the soul;
 Beloved, I beseech you as sojourners and pilgrims, to abstain from fleshly lust, which war against the soul;
 Beloved, I call upon [you], as strangers and sojourners, to keep from the fleshly desires, that war against the soul,
- 12** having good behavior among the nations, so in that which they speak against you as evil-doers, they may by your good works, which they see, glorify God in the day of visitation.
 having your behavior seemly among the Gentiles; that, wherein they speak against you as evil-doers, they may by your good works, which they behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.
 having your behaviour among the nations right, that in that which they speak against you as evil-doers, of the good works having beheld, they may glorify God in a day of inspection.

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- 13** Therefore subject yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord`s sake: whether to the king, as supreme;
Be subject to every ordinance of man for the Lord`s sake: whether to the king, as supreme;
Be subject, then, to every human creation, because of the Lord, whether to a king, as the highest,
- 14** or to governors, as sent by him for vengeance on evil-doers and for praise to those who do well.
or unto governors, as sent by him for vengeance on evil-doers and for praise to them that do well.
whether to governors, as to those sent through him, for punishment, indeed, of evil-doers, and a praise of those doing good;
- 15** For so is the will of God, that by well-doing you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish men:
For so is the will of God, that by well-doing ye should put to silence the ignorance of foolish men:
because, so is the will of God, doing good, to put to silence the ignorance of the foolish men;
- 16** as free, and not using your freedom for a cloak of wickedness, but as bondservants of God.
as free, and not using your freedom for a cloak of wickedness, but as bondservants of God.
as free, and not having the freedom as the cloak of the evil, but as servants of God;
- 17** Honor all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king.
Honor all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king.
to all give ye honour; the brotherhood love ye; God fear ye; the king honour ye.
- 18** Servants, be in subjection to your masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the wicked.
Servants, [be] in subjection to your masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the froward.
The domestics! be subjecting yourselves in all fear to the masters, not only to the good and gentle, but also to the cross;

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- 19** For it is commendable if someone endures pain, suffering unjustly, because of conscience toward God.
For this is acceptable, if for conscience toward God a man endureth griefs, suffering wrongfully.
for this [is] gracious, if because of conscience toward God any one doth endure sorrows, suffering unrighteously;
- 20** For what glory is it, if, when you sin, you patiently endure beating? But if, when you do well, you patiently endure suffering, this is commendable with God.
For what glory is it, if, when ye sin, and are buffeted [for it], ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer [for it], ye shall take it patiently, this is acceptable with God.
for what renown [is it], if sinning and being buffeted, ye do endure [it]? but if, doing good and suffering [for it], ye do endure, this [is] gracious with God,
- 21** For to this were you called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow his steps,
For hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, that ye should follow his steps:
for to this ye were called, because Christ also did suffer for you, leaving to you an example, that ye may follow his steps,
- 22** who did not sin, "neither was deceit found in his mouth."
who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth:
who did not commit sin, nor was guile found in his mouth,
- 23** Who, when he was reviled, didn't revile back. When he suffered, didn't threaten, but committed himself to him who judges righteously;
who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered threatened not; but committed [himself] to him that judgeth righteously:
who being reviled -- was not reviling again, suffering -- was not threatening, and was committing himself to Him who is judging righteously,

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- 24** who his own self bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live to righteousness; by whose stripes you were healed.
 who his own self bare our sins in his body upon the tree, that we, having died unto sins, might live unto righteousness; by whose stripes ye were healed.
 who our sins himself did bear in his body, upon the tree, that to the sins having died, to the righteousness we may live; by whose stripes ye were healed,
- 25** For you were going astray like sheep; but are now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.
 For ye were going astray like sheep; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.
 for ye were as sheep going astray, but ye turned back now to the shepherd and overseer of your souls.
- 1** In like manner, wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; so that, even if any don't obey the Word, they may be gained by the behavior of their wives without a word;
 In like manner, ye wives, [be] in subjection to your won husbands; that, even if any obey not the word, they may without the word be gained by the behavior of their wives;
 In like manner, the wives, be ye subject to your own husbands, that even if certain are disobedient to the word, through the conversation of the wives, without the word, they may be won,
- 2** seeing your pure behavior in fear.
 beholding your chaste behavior [coupled] with fear.
 having beheld your pure behaviour in fear,
- 3** Let your beauty be not just the outward adorning of braiding the hair, and of wearing jewels of gold, or of putting on fine clothing;
 Whose [adorning] let it not be the outward adorning of braiding the hair, and of wearing jewels of gold, or of putting on apparel;
 whose adorning -- let it not be that which is outward, of plaiting of hair, and of putting around of things of gold, or of putting on of garments,

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- 4** but in the hidden person of the heart, in the incorruptible adornment of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God very precious.
 but [let it be] the hidden man of the heart, in the incorruptible [apparel] of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.
 but -- the hidden man of the heart, in the incorruptible thing of the meek and quiet spirit, which is, before God, of great price,
- 5** For this is how the holy women before, who hoped in God, also adorned themselves, being in subjection to their own husbands:
 For after this manner aforetime the holy women also, who hoped in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection to their own husbands:
 for thus once also the holy women who did hope on God, were adorning themselves, being subject to their own husbands,
- 6** as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord, whose children you now are, if you do well, and are not put in fear by any terror.
 as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose children ye now are, if ye do well, and are not put in fear by any terror.
 as Sarah was obedient to Abraham, calling him `sir,` of whom ye did become daughters, doing good, and not fearing any terror.
- 7** You husbands, in like manner, live with your wives according to knowledge, giving honor to the woman, as to the weaker vessel, as being also joint heirs of the grace of life; not cutting off your prayers.
 Ye husbands, in like manner, dwell with [your wives] according to knowledge, giving honor unto the woman, as unto the weaker vessel, as being also joint-heirs of the grace of life; to the end that your prayers be not hindered.
 The husbands, in like manner, dwelling with [them], according to knowledge, as to a weaker vessel -- to the wife -- imparting honour, as also being heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers be not hindered.
- 8** Finally, be all like-minded, compassionate, loving as brothers, tenderhearted, courteous,
 Finally, [be] ye all likeminded, compassionate, loving as brethren, tenderhearted, humbleminded:
 And finally, being all of one mind, having fellow-feeling, loving as brethren, compassionate, courteous,

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- 9** not rendering evil for evil, or reviling for reviling; but instead blessing; knowing that to this were you called, that you may inherit a blessing.
 not rendering evil for evil, or reviling for reviling; but contrariwise blessing; for hereunto were ye called, that ye should inherit a blessing.
 not giving back evil for evil, or railing for railing, and on the contrary, blessing, having known that to this ye were called, that a blessing ye may inherit;
- 10** For, "He who would love life, And see good days, Let him keep his tongue from evil, And his lips from speaking deceit.
 For, He that would love life, And see good days, Let him refrain his tongue from evil, And his lips that they speak no guile:
 for `he who is willing to love life, and to see good days, let him guard his tongue from evil, and his lips -- not to speak guile;
- 11** Let him turn away from evil, and do good. Let him seek peace, and pursue it.
 And let him turn away from evil, and do good; Let him seek peace, and pursue it.
 let him turn aside from evil, and do good, let him seek peace and pursue it;
- 12** For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, And his ears open to their prayer; But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil."
 For the eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, And his ears unto their supplication: But the face of the Lord is upon them that do evil.
 because the eyes of the Lord [are] upon the righteous, and His ears -- to their supplication, and the face of the Lord [is] upon those doing evil;`
- 13** Now who is he who will harm you, if you become imitators of that which is good?
 And who is he that will harm you, if ye be zealous of that which is good?
 and who [is] he who will be doing you evil, if of Him who is good ye may become imitators?

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- 14** But even if you should suffer for righteousness` sake, you are blessed. "Don` t fear what they fear, neither be troubled."
 But even if ye should suffer for righteousness` sake, blessed [are ye:] and fear not their fear, neither be troubled;
 but if ye also should suffer because of righteousness, happy [are ye]! and of their fear be not afraid, nor be troubled,
- 15** But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and always be ready to give an answer to everyone who asks you a reason concerning the hope that is in you, with humility and fear:
 but sanctify in your hearts Christ as Lord: [being] ready always to give answer to every man that asketh you a reason concerning the hope that is in you, yet with meekness and fear:
 and the Lord God sanctify in your hearts. And [be] ready always for defence to every one who is asking of you an account concerning the hope that [is] in you, with meekness and fear;
- 16** having a good conscience; that, while you are spoken against as evildoers, they may be put to shame who revile your good manner of life in Christ.
 having a good conscience; that, wherein ye are spoken against, they may be put to shame who revile your good manner of life in Christ.
 having a good conscience, that in that in which they speak against you as evil-doers, they may be ashamed who are traducing your good behaviour in Christ;
- 17** For it is better, if the will of God should so will, that you suffer for doing well than for doing evil.
 For it is better, if the will of God should so will, that ye suffer for well-doing than for evil-doing.
 for [it is] better doing good, if the will of God will it, to suffer, than doing evil;
- 18** Because Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring you to God; being put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit;
 Because Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God; being put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit;
 because also Christ once for sin did suffer -- righteous for unrighteous -- that he might lead us to God, having been put to death indeed, in the flesh, and having been made alive in the spirit,

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- 19** in which he also went and preached to the spirits in prison,
 in which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison,
 in which also to the spirits in prison having gone he did preach,
- 20** who before were disobedient, when the longsuffering of God waited patiently in the days of Noah, while the ark was being built. In it, few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water.
 that aforetime were disobedient, when the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water:
 who sometime disbelieved, when once the long-suffering of God did wait, in days of Noah -- an ark being preparing -- in which few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water;
- 21** This is a symbol of baptism, which now saves you - not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, which also after a true likeness doth now save you, [even] baptism, not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the interrogation of a good conscience toward God, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ;
 also to which an antitype doth now save us -- baptism, (not a putting away of the filth of flesh, but the question of a good conscience in regard to God,) through the rising again of Jesus Christ,
- 22** who is at the right hand of God, having gone into heaven, angels and authorities and powers being made subject to him.
 who is one the right hand of God, having gone into heaven; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.
 who is at the right hand of God, having gone on to heaven -- messengers, and authorities, and powers, having been subjected to him.
- 1** Forasmuch then as Christ 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;
 Forasmuch then as Christ suffered in the flesh, arm ye yourselves also with the same mind; for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin;
 Christ, then, having suffered for us in the flesh, ye also with the same mind arm yourselves, because he who did suffer in the flesh hath done with sin,

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- 2** that you no longer should live the rest of your time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God.
 that ye no longer should live the rest of your time in flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God.
 no more in the desires of men, but in the will of God, to live the rest of the time in the flesh;
- 3** For we have spent enough of our past time living in doing the desire of the Gentiles, and to have walked in lasciviousness, lusts, drunken binges, orgies, carousings, and abominable idolatries.
 For the time past may suffice to have wrought the desire of the Gentiles, and to have walked in lasciviousness, lusts, winebibbings, revellings, carousings, and abominable idolatries:
 for sufficient to us [is] the past time of life the will of the nations to have wrought, having walked in lasciviousnesses, desires, excesses of wines, revelings, drinking-bouts, and unlawful idolatries,
- 4** They think it is strange that you don't run with them into the same excess of riot, blaspheming:
 wherein they think strange that ye run not with [them] into the same excess of riot, speaking evil of [of]:
 in which they think it strange -- your not running with them to the same excess of dissoluteness, speaking evil,
- 5** who will give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead.
 who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the living and the dead.
 who shall give an account to Him who is ready to judge living and dead,
- 6** For to this end was the gospel preached even to the dead, that they might be judged indeed as men in the flesh, but live as to God in the spirit.
 For unto this end was the gospel preached even to the dead, that they might be judged indeed according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit.
 for for this also to dead men was good news proclaimed, that they may be judged, indeed, according to men in the flesh, and may live according to God in the spirit.

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- 7** But the end of all things is near. Therefore be of sound mind, self-controlled, and sober in prayer.
But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore of sound mind, and be sober unto prayer:
And of all things the end hath come nigh; be sober-minded, then, and watch unto the prayers,
- 8** And above all things be earnest in your love among yourselves, for love covers a multitude of sins.
above all things being fervent in your love among yourselves; for love covereth a multitude of sins:
and, before all things, to one another having the earnest love, because the love shall cover a multitude of sins;
- 9** Be hospitable one to another without grumbling.
using hospitality one to another without murmuring:
hospitable to one another, without murmuring;
- 10** According as each has received a gift, be ministering it among yourselves, as good stewards of the grace of God in its various forms.
according as each hath received a gift, ministering it among yourselves, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God;
each, according as he received a gift, to one another ministering it, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God;
- 11** If any man speaks, let it be as it were oracles of God. If any man serves, let it be as of the strength which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, whose is the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.
if any man speaketh, [speaking] as it were oracles of God; is any man ministereth, [ministering] as of the strength which God supplieth: that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, whose is the glory and the dominion for ever and ever. Amen.
if any one doth speak -- `as oracles of God;` if any one doth minister -- `as of the ability which God doth supply;` that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom is the glory and the power -- to the ages of the ages. Amen.

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- 12** Beloved, don't be astonished at the fiery trial which has come upon you, to test you, as though a strange thing happened to you.
Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial among you, which cometh upon you to prove you, as though a strange thing happened unto you:
Beloved, think it not strange at the fiery suffering among you that is coming to try you, as if a strange thing were happening to you,
- 13** But because you are partakers of Christ's sufferings, rejoice; that at the revelation of his glory also you may rejoice with exceeding joy.
but inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings, rejoice; that at the revelation of his glory also ye may rejoice with exceeding joy.
but, according as ye have fellowship with the sufferings of the Christ, rejoice ye, that also in the revelation of his glory ye may rejoice -- exulting;
- 14** If you are insulted for the name of Christ, blessed are you; because the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you. On their part he is blasphemed, but on your part he is glorified.
If ye are reproached for the name of Christ, blessed [are ye]; because the [Spirit] of glory and the Spirit of God resteth upon you.
if ye be reproached in the name of Christ -- happy [are ye], because the Spirit of glory and of God upon you doth rest; in regard, indeed, to them, he is evil-spoken of, and in regard to you, he is glorified;
- 15** For let none of you suffer as a murderer, or a thief, or an evil doer, or as a meddler in other men's matters.
For let none of you suffer as a murderer, or a thief, or an evil-doer, or as a meddler in other men's matters:
for let none of you suffer as a murderer, or thief, or evil-doer, or as an inspector into other men's matters;
- 16** But if one of you suffers for being a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God in this matter.
but if [a man suffer] as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God in this name.
and if as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; and let him glorify God in this respect;

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17 For the time [has come] for judgment to begin at the house of God. If it begins first at us, what will happen to those who don't obey the gospel of God?

For the time [is come] for judgment to begin at the house of God: and if [it begin] first at us, what [shall be] the end of them that obey not the gospel of God?

because it is the time of the beginning of the judgment from the house of God, and if first from us, what the end of those disobedient to the good news of God?

18 "If it is hard for the righteous to be saved, what will happen to the ungodly and the sinner?"

And if the righteous is scarcely saved, where shall the ungodly and sinner appear?

And if the righteous man is scarcely saved, the ungodly and sinner -- where shall he appear?

19 Therefore let them also who suffer according to the will of God in doing good entrust their souls to him, as to a faithful Creator.

Wherefore let them also that suffer according to the will of God commit their souls in well-doing unto a faithful Creator.

so that also those suffering according to the will of god, as to a stedfast Creator, let them commit their own souls in good doing.

1 I exhort the elders among you, as a fellow elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and who will also share in the glory that will be revealed.

The elders among you I exhort, who am a fellow-elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, who am also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:

Elders who [are] among you, I exhort, who [am] a fellow-elder, and a witness of the sufferings of the Christ, and of the glory about to be revealed a partaker,

2 Tend the flock of God which is among you, exercising the oversight, not under compulsion, but voluntarily, not for dishonest gain, but willingly;

Tend the flock of God which is among you, exercising the oversight, not of constraint, but willingly, according to [the will of] God; nor yet for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;

feed the flock of God that [is] among you, overseeing not constrainedly, but willingly, neither for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind,

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- 3** neither as lording it over the charge allotted to you, but making yourselves examples to the flock.
 neither as lording it over the charge allotted to you, but making yourselves ensamples to the flock.
 neither as exercising lordship over the heritages, but patterns becoming of the flock,
- 4** When the chief Shepherd will be revealed, you will receive the crown of glory that doesn't fade away.
 And when the chief Shepherd shall be manifested, ye shall receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away.
 and at the manifestation of the chief Shepherd, ye shall receive the unfading crown of glory.
- 5** Likewise, you younger ones, be subject to the elder. Yes, all of you gird yourselves with humility, to subject yourselves to one another; for "God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble."
 Likewise, ye younger, be subject unto the elder. Yea, all of you gird yourselves with humility, to serve one another: for God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace to the humble.
 In like manner, ye younger, be subject to elders, and all to one another subjecting yourselves; with humble-mindedness clothe yourselves, because God the proud doth resist, but to the humble He doth give grace;
- 6** Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time;
 Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time;
 be humbled, then, under the powerful hand of God, that you He may exalt in good time,
- 7** casting all your worries on him, because he cares for you.
 casting all your anxiety upon him, because he careth for you.
 all your care having cast upon Him, because He careth for you.

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- 8 Be sober and self-controlled. Be watchful. Your adversary the devil, walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.**
Be sober, be watchful: your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour,
Be sober, vigilant, because your opponent the devil, as a roaring lion, doth walk about, seeking whom he may swallow up,
- 9 Withstand him steadfast in your faith, knowing that your brothers who are in the world are undergoing the same sufferings.**
whom withstand stedfast in your faith, knowing that the same sufferings are accomplished in your brethren who are in the world.
whom resist, stedfast in the faith, having known the same sufferings to your brotherhood in the world to be accomplished.
- 10 But may the God of all grace (who called you to his eternal glory by Christ Jesus), after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you.**
And the God of all grace, who called you unto his eternal glory in Christ, after that ye have suffered a little while, shall himself perfect, establish, strengthen you.
And the God of all grace, who did call you to His age-during glory in Christ Jesus, having suffered a little, Himself make you perfect, establish, strengthen, settle [you];
- 11 To him be the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.**
To him [be] the dominion for ever and ever. Amen.
to Him [is] the glory, and the power -- to the ages and the ages! Amen.
- 12 Through Silvanus, our faithful brother, as I consider him, I have written to you briefly, exhorting, and testifying that this is the true grace of God in which you stand.**
By Silvanus, our faithful brother, as I account [him], I have written unto you briefly, exhorting, and testifying that this is the true grace of God. Stand ye fast therein.
Through Silvanus, to you the faithful brother, as I reckon, through few [words] I did write, exhorting and testifying this to be the true grace of God in which ye have stood.

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- 13** She who is in Babylon, elect together with you, greets you; and so does Mark, my son.
She that is in Babylon, elect together with [you], saluteth you; and [so doth] Mark my son.
Salute you doth the [assembly] in Babylon jointly elected, and Markus my son.
- 14** Greet one another with a kiss of love. Peace be to you all who are in Christ Jesus. Amen.
Salute one another with a kiss of love. Peace be unto you all that are in Christ.
Salute ye one another in a kiss of love; peace to you all who [are] in Christ Jesus! Amen.