Fill 'er up.

No... I'm not talking about the "other spirits"... And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess... (Ephesians 5:18)\*.

I'm thinking of... the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps... greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world (Matthew 25:4; 1 John 4:4).

Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets... Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you... (Proverbs 1:20-23)

Who is the man who fears the LORD? He will instruct him in the way he should choose. His soul will abide in prosperity, And his descendants will inherit the land. The secret of the LORD is for those who fear Him, And He will make them know His covenant (NASB) (Psalm 25:12-14).

**By humility and the fear of the Lord** are riches, and honour, and life (Proverbs 22:3-5).

Jesus Christ is the "first born" among us... he might be the firstborn among many brethren (Romans 8:29)... so we could become conformed to His image.

Is He not the model... the pattern... the trail blazer... that we're to follow... he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice (John 10:3-4)?

He suffered and lost His life... and, we're asked to share in this. If we do, we experience... the spirit of glory and of God resting upon us making us happy...

If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me...

rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy. If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, **happy are ye**; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you... (Matthew 16:24-25; 1 Peter 4:12-14).

No... at the moment, suffering isn't pleasant... but, beyond the present, there's hope.

When we accept Jesus Christ's sacrifice at the cross... His Life (His Spirit... the Holy Spirit) enters us—He becomes our High Priest for the forgiveness of our sins before the Father... And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father...

Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; And having an high priest over the house of God; Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water (Galatians 4:5-7; Hebrews 10:19-23).

We start our journey to become conformed to His image. I say... start—it's a work in progress throughout one's life...

have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him... Christ is all, and in all...

that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him... as he is, so are we in this world...

For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons...

which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ... (Colossians 3:9-11; 1 John 4:16-17; Hebrews 12:5-8; Philippians 1:6).

Jesus Christ... our God... our Savior... our King... our Creator... seems to subject Himself to what He asks of us. He yields to... the Spirit of the fear of the Lord... to be the King of kings... And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord; And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears: But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth (Isaiah 11:1-9)...

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Behold my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; **I have put my spirit upon him**: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles. <sup>2</sup> He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause his voice to be heard in the street. <sup>3</sup> A bruised reed shall he not break, and the smoking flax shall he not quench: he shall bring forth judgment unto truth. <sup>4</sup> He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till he have set judgment in the earth: and the isles shall wait for his law. <sup>5</sup> Thus saith God the LORD, he that created the heavens, and stretched them out; he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein: <sup>6</sup> I the LORD have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles; <sup>7</sup> To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house...

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, <sup>18</sup> Behold my servant, whom I have chosen; my beloved, in whom my soul is well pleased: **I will put my spirit upon him**, and he shall shew judgment to the Gentiles. <sup>19</sup> He shall not strive, nor cry; neither shall any man hear his voice in the streets. <sup>20</sup> A bruised reed shall he not break, and smoking flax shall he not quench, till he send forth judgment unto victory. <sup>21</sup> And in his name shall the Gentiles trust. (Isaiah 42:1-7; Matthew 12:17-21).

This language also looks similar...<sup>5</sup> The LORD is exalted; for he dwelleth on high: **he hath filled**Zion with judgment and righteousness. <sup>6</sup> And wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times, and strength of salvation: the fear of the LORD is his treasure (Isaiah 33:5-6).

The... fear of the LORD... seems to be the Lord's... treasure... <sup>12</sup> But where shall wisdom be found? and where is the place of understanding? <sup>13</sup> Man knoweth not the price thereof; neither is it found in the land of the living. <sup>14</sup> The depth saith, It is not in me: and the sea saith, It is not with me. <sup>15</sup> It cannot be gotten for gold, neither shall silver be weighed for the price thereof. <sup>16</sup> It cannot be valued with the gold of Ophir, with the precious onyx, or the sapphire. <sup>17</sup> The gold and the crystal cannot equal it: and the exchange of it shall not be for jewels of fine gold. <sup>18</sup> No mention shall be made of coral, or of pearls: for the price of wisdom is above rubies. <sup>19</sup> The topaz of Ethiopia shall not equal it, neither shall it be valued with pure gold [Proverbs 3:11-17; 8:10-12]. 20 Whence then cometh wisdom? and where is the place of understanding? 21 Seeing it is hid from the eyes of all living, and kept close from the fowls of the air. <sup>22</sup> Destruction and death say, We have heard the fame thereof with our ears. <sup>23</sup> <u>God understandeth the way thereof, and he</u> knoweth the place thereof. <sup>24</sup> For he looketh to the ends of the earth, and seeth under the whole heaven; <sup>25</sup> To make the weight for the winds; and he weigheth the waters by measure. <sup>26</sup> When he made a decree for the rain, and a way for the lightning of the thunder: <sup>27</sup> Then did he see it, and declare it; he prepared it, yea, and searched it out. <sup>28</sup> And unto man he said, Behold, the fear of the LORD, that is wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding... so... is the... the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD... to also be our treasure? This is where our heart will be (Job 28:12-28; Matthew 6:19-23).

(To see more cross-references... go to the <u>Series essays... The Spirit of Wisdom... The Treasure...</u> <u>at HopelsHere.com</u>.)

One day the Saints—those who believe Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of God... who accept His sacrifice for their sins... and, remain faithful until they meet Him again—will lead others... Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world... And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth (1 Corinthians 6:2-3; Revelation 5:10).

According to... the Spirit of Wisdom... a "Saint-leader" engages what Jesus Christ does to be a leader... The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate... **By me** kings reign, and princes decree justice... princes rule, and nobles, even all the judges of the earth... (Proverbs 8:13-16).

According to Proverbs 8, to act in strength of... the Spirit of the Fear of the Lord... is to hate evil—we'll be able to... reign... decree justice... rule... judge... in the age to come while being groomed by God for our future role, today... And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations... (Revelation 2:26-27).

A man after God's own heart... King David... said... <sup>2</sup> The Spirit of the LORD spake by me, and his word was in my tongue. <sup>3</sup> The God of Israel said, the Rock of Israel spake to me, <u>He that ruleth</u>

<u>over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God</u>. <sup>4</sup> And he shall be as the light of the morning, when the sun riseth, even a morning without clouds; as the tender grass springing out of the earth by clear shining after rain. (2 Samuel 23).

King David's son... King Solomon...asked God for a heart of wisdom [Sounds like the heart of flesh of the New Covenant given to the Saint. (also, see the Series essay... Trusting For Heart)]... and... God answered him... <sup>7</sup> And now, O LORD my God, thou hast made thy servant king instead of David my father: and I am but a little child: I know not how to go out or come in. <sup>8</sup> And thy servant is in the midst of thy people which thou hast chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude. <sup>9</sup> Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people? <sup>10</sup> And the speech pleased the LORD, that Solomon had asked this thing. <sup>11</sup> And God said unto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern judgment; 12 Behold, I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so that there was none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee. <sup>13</sup> And I have also given thee that which thou hast not asked, both riches, and honour: so that there shall not be any among the kings like unto thee all thy days. <sup>14</sup> And if thou wilt walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as thy father David did walk, then I will lengthen thy days. (1 Kings 3:7-14). What are we, as Saints, promised if we remain faithful to the end—is it not Eternal Life (length of days) and to inherit all things as a co-heir with Christ Jesus (riches and honor)?

How did Jesus Christ become anointed with... the Spirit of the Fear of the Lord? He does what we're also asked to—He has... loved righteousness, and hated iniquity... and, therefore... He is anointed by the Father with... the oil of gladness... and, He is... crowned with glory and honour... (Hebrews 1:8-11; Psalm 45:6-7; Hebrews 2:9).

The "oil"... I see... as well as others\*\*... as representing the Holy Spirit. As do I see... *glory...* honor... grace... joy... strength... also being represented in the Holy Spirit\*\*\*... For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness [Isaiah 41:10], and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost (Romans 14:17).

The... oil of gladness... Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding... Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy is every one that retaineth her... (Proverbs 3:13-18).

And... the anointing...

Jesus Christ is "the anointed one"... therefore God, even thy God, hath\_anointed thee with the oil of gladness <u>above thy fellows</u>—we can only receive ... the anointing... from God through Christ. In other words... we can be anointed... but, we're not "the anointed one"—only Jesus

Christ is—He's... the only begotten Son of God (John 3:18; Hebrews 5:5). He shares with us... the anointing... bestowed upon Him by the Father...

But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name...

Being therefore by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, **he hath poured forth this, which ye see and hear** (NASB)...

And Peter said unto them, Repent ye, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ unto the remission of your sins; and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit (ASV)...

the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; **that they may be one, even as we are one**. I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one...

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is For brothers to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious oil [the oil of gladness... the Holy Spirit] upon the head, Coming down upon the beard, Even Aaron's beard, Coming down upon the edge of his robes. It is like the dew of Hermon Coming down upon the mountains of Zion; For there the LORD commanded the blessing—life forever (NASB) [...he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you... Romans 8:11] (John 1:12; Acts 2:33,38; John 17:21-23; Psalm 133:1-3)...

[Aaron was a high priest (Exodus 30:10; Hebrews 5:4,7:11-14)—Jesus Christ is the High Priest over the House of God... and, He is the head of the Church—His Body. The... precious oil... ran from... the head... down upon the edge of his robes—the members of Christ's Body, the Saints, receive the... precious oil... from their head... Jesus Christ.]

...But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you...

Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, **is God**; **Who hath also sealed us**, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts...

The Spirit of the Lord GoD is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn [Who is the Comforter... John 14:16?]; To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise [... that cover with a covering, but not of my spirit... is this garment of praise... the covering of the Holy Spirit... Job 29:14; Isaiah 61:10; 30:1?] for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness

[Blessed is the man that trusteth in the LORD... For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters... neither shall cease from yielding fruit... <u>Jeremiah 17:7-8</u>], the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified [Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples... <u>John 15:8</u>]...

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised... (1 John 2:27; 2 Corinthians 1:21-22; Isaiah 61:1-3; Luke 4:17-19).

If we're anointed... we're strengthened by God...

I have found David my servant; with my holy oil have I anointed him. With whom my hand shall be established: mine arm also shall strengthen him...

But thou, Israel, art my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend...
Thou art my servant; I have chosen thee, and not cast thee away... I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness [...Length of days is in her right hand... Proverbs 3:16... also... righteousness... in the Holy Ghost... Romans 14:17]...

Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts...

For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power... (Psalm 89:20-21; Isaiah 41:8-10; Zechariah 4:6; 2 Timothy 1:7).

The opposite of "anointing"... I'd say would be described as... *grieving... quenching*—all caused by... acting prideful and arrogant (<u>Proverbs 8:13</u>)... harboring bitterness in our hearts... not controlling the tongue\*\*\*\*... committing sin...

sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath: Neither give place to the devil...

Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth... grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption... Let all bitterness... be put away from you, with all malice...

Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord: **Looking** diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God [the Holy Spirit... <u>Hebrews 10:29</u>]; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled...

Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of **a good** conversation his works with meekness of wisdom [the Holy Spirit]. But if ye have bitter envying

and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against **the truth** [the Holy Spirit... the Spirit of truth... John 14:17]. This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish...

Quench not the Spirit... Abstain from all appearance of evil. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly [Is this another way of saying... Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness... Psalm 45:7?]...

<sup>1</sup>Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, **perfecting holiness in the fear of God**. [Is this another way of saying... Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness... Psalm 45:7?]...

<sup>1</sup>Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children...

<sup>8</sup> For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light: <sup>9</sup>(For the fruit of the Spirit <u>is in</u> all goodness and righteousness and truth;) (KJV)

<sup>10</sup> trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but instead even expose them...

<sup>14</sup> "Awake, sleeper, And arise from the dead, And Christ will shine on you (NASB) [Is this another way of saying... Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness... <u>Psalm 45:7</u>—this is how the fruit of the Spirit is born?] (Ephesians 4:25-31; Hebrews 12:14-15; James 3:13-16; 1 Thessalonians 5:19-23; 2 Corinthians 7:1; Ephesians 5:1, 8-15).

Then... charity [love (NASB)]... which seems to have the attributes of the Holy Spirit... is described as... <sup>4</sup> Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, <sup>5</sup> Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; <sup>6</sup> Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth [Is this another way of saying... Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness... Psalm 45:7?]; <sup>7</sup> Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. <sup>8</sup> Charity never faileth... <sup>13</sup> And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity. (1 Corinthians 13).

Was this who Job was... and, what did God say about him... <sup>8</sup> And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, <u>a perfect and an upright man</u>, <u>one that feareth God, and escheweth evil?</u> (Job 1:8)?

And... if we continue to *grieve* or *quench* the Holy Spirit... we'll regret it...

I will also laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your dread comes... Then they will call on me, but I will not answer; They will seek me diligently but they will not find me, Because they hated knowledge And **did not choose the fear of the Lord**. "They would not accept my counsel, They spurned all my reproof. "So they shall eat of the fruit of their own way And be satiated with their own devices (NASB) (Proverbs 1:25-31).

Did we see this principle played out with Israel... *Because thou servedst not the Lord thy God with joyfulness, and with gladness of heart* [Does not *joyfulness* come from the Holy Spirit... *the oil of gladness...* Galatians 5:22; Romans 14:17?], for the abundance of all things; Therefore shalt thou serve thine enemies which the Lord shall send against thee, in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want of all things... (Deuteronomy 28:47-48)?

I see Ephesians 5 saying... the will of the Lord is... to... be filled with the Spirit—having the anointing of...

So then do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is... be filled with the Spirit... making melody with your heart to the Lord; always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father; and be subject to one another **in the fear of Christ** [the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD... the Holy Spirit... <u>Isaiah 11:2</u>] (NASB)...

Then had the churches rest throughout all Judaea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost [Is this another way of saying... Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness... Psalm 45:7?], were multiplied...

But he who listens to me [the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD... Proverbs 1:29; Isaiah 11:2; Proverbs 8:13] shall live securely And will be at ease from the dread of evil." (NASB) [Is this another way of saying... Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness... Psalm 45:7?]...

But **the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost**, whom the Father will send in my name... **Peace** [the Holy Spirit] I leave with you, **my peace** [the Holy Spirit... Romans 14:17] I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid...

This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh... (Ephesians 5:17-21; Acts 9:31; Proverbs 1:33; John 14:26-27; Galatians 5:16-17).

I've found the legs of anger and maliciousness are crippled when I'm... making melody with your [my] heart to the Lord; Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ (Ephesians 5:19-20). I've also found it somewhat difficult to... make melody... giving thanks... when I've forgotten... can't see... "my anchor is weakened to"... the city—the New Jerusalem... By faith Abraham... looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God (Hebrews 11:8-10).

In other words... if I can't trust God to provide for me (through... the spirit of the LORD) in the New Jerusalem... how can I trust Him, today. If I can't trust Him for the "greater"... it is impossible for God to lie, we may have a strong encouragement, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us: which we have as an anchor of the soul, a hope both sure and stedfast and entering into that which is within the veil; whither as a forerunner Jesus entered for us, having become a high priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek (ASV) (Hebrews 6:13-

<u>20</u>)... how can I trust Him for the "lesser"? And, when I don't trust Him... "peace" goes out the window... I sin... walk in the flesh—the enemy of... *be filled with the Spirit*... the Holy Spirit is "quenched".

When I look to Jesus Christ, the High Priest over the House of God, standing at the right hand of the Father—seeing who He is... the "once and for all atonement" for my, past, present, and future sins... and, His righteousness placed in me (the Holy Spirit)—I'm reminded of the foolishness and destructiveness of sin...

Therefore He is able also to save forever those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them... who does not need daily, like those high priests, **to offer up sacrifices**, first for His own sins and then for the sins of the people, because this He did once for all when He offered up Himself (NASB)...

For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified... By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; And having an high priest over the house of God; Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with **pure water** [the Holy Spirit... John 4:1-24; 7:37-39; Isaiah 44:3; Revelation 22:17]...

Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God... but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure...

But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness...

**But of him are ye in Christ Jesus**, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption... He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord...

For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him...

that I may win Christ, And **be found in him**, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but **that which is through the faith of Christ,** the righteousness which is of God by faith: That I may know him, and **the power** [the Holy Spirit... the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead... Romans 8:10-11] of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death...

For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection: [...he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you... Romans 8:11] Knowing this, that our old man is

crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin...

For everyone who partakes **only of milk is not accustomed to the word of righteousness**, for he is an infant. But solid food is for the mature, who because **of practice have their senses trained to discern good and evil** (NASB) (<u>Hebrews 7:21-28;10:14-22; 1 John 3:1-3; Romans 4:5; 1</u> Corinthians 1:29-31; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Philippians 3:8-11; Romans 6:5-6; Hebrews 5:13-14).

I realize what Christ has given me—His Life... the Holy Spirit... the ability and confidence to approach the Father before His throne...

For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father...

Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God... was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need (Ephesians 2:16-18; Hebrews 4:14-16).

[The "acronym part" of the following is my viewpoint—it's not mentioned this way in the Bible per se.

When I think of "sin"... I wonder if the acronym could stand for... (s)eparated... (i)n... (n)ature. In other words... we're born separated from the "nature of God"—His Spirit—the Holy Spirit... For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God... (Romans 3:23).

And... Christ's blood at the cross healed this separation.

I believe I was healed when I accepted Jesus Christ as my Savior... but, I can still weaken the "nature of Christ"—His Life—in me.

When one acts in ways not congruent with Christ's nature... or character... they sin—they're in the process of "separating in nature" from God... i.e. "grieving and quenching the Holy Spirit". And, if not repented of... they continue to separate further (it gets easier to rationalize sin... And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind... Romans 1:28) towards complete separation from God... ending up in the Lake of Fire... For it is impossible for those... who were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance... (Hebrews 6:4-6; 10:26-31). That's a sobering thought!]

King David and his son, King Solomon, really did sum it up for... *fill 'er up—the anointing—* having oil for our lamps for when the bridegroom, Jesus Christ, arrives at His 2<sup>nd</sup> coming...

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise endureth for ever [the joy of the Lord—the oil of gladness—the Holy Spirit]...

For God giveth to a man that is good in his sight **wisdom, and knowledge, and joy** [Is this another way of saying... Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness... <u>Psalm 45:7</u>?]...

Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man...

Cast away from you all your transgressions which you have committed and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! [Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me... Psalm 51:9-11] For why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone who dies," declares the Lord God. "Therefore, repent and live." (NASB)...

Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you... the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut... (Psalm 111:9-10; Ecclesiastes 2:26; 12:13; Ezekiel 18:31-32; Matthew 25:7-12).

The anointing... will never leave us... if we remain faithful until the bridegroom arrives...

for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee...

If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever... for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you...

And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive **a crown of glory**<sup>[\*5]</sup> that fadeth not away...

be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life...

Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown... (Hebrews 13:5; John 14:15-17; 1 Peter 5:4; Revelation 2:10;3:11).

The Holy Spirit is our... anointing ... joy and strength... to love God and one another.

Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it,

Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets...

And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment. **And he that keepeth his commandments** dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that **he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us...** 

**Owe no man any thing, but to love one another**: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law...

If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love [the Holy Spirit... And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it: that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them... John 17:26] is perfected in us. Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit... (Matthew 22:36-40; 1 John 3:21-24; Romans 13:7-8; 1 John 4:11-13).

All to say... Gentile Christians are *wild olive branches* grafted into the *natural olive tree* to be with the *natural olive branches* of Israel (Romans 11:16-17). And... *fruitful* olive branches bear olives. An olive is a fruit. The olive fruit can be prepared as food... or crushed to produce olive oil—useful and enjoyable products for people (i.e. lamp oil to bear light).

Explained through the context of... the natural—like I did in *Unnaturally Cheap...* and, in *The Family Fortune*—this is like growing... flourishing... "Capital" (the Holy Spirit) to bear "free cash flow" (the fruit of the Holy Spirit) in the Family fruit business...

If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you [Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness...], ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you [...therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness... If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him... And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one... Psalm 45:7; Luke 11:13; John 17:22]. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples. As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love [the Holy Spirit... John 17:26]. If ye keep my commandments [Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness...], ye shall abide in my love [...therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness... Psalm 45:7]; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love [the Holy Spirit... John 17:26; Psalm 45:7]. These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy [the Holy Spirit... Romans 14:17; Proverbs 8:30] might remain in you, and that your joy might be full [So then do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is... but be filled with the Spirit... Ephesians 5:17-18] (John 15:7-11).

Is this the process... or the key... to an effective ministry—participating in the Great Commission? Does it begin with... thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness...

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit. Then will I teach transgressors thy ways [sharing the Gospel of the Kingdom of God—the Great Commission]; and sinners shall be converted unto thee. Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation: and my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness. O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise. For thou desirest not sacrifice; else would I give it: thou delightest not in burnt offering. **The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart** [The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom... The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate... Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure. Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God... Sacrifice and offering thou didst not desire; mine ears hast thou opened: burnt offering and sin offering hast thou not required... I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart Psalm 111:10; Proverbs 8:13; Hebrews 10:5-9; Psalm 40:6-8.], O God, thou wilt not despise (Psalm 51:9-17)?

Is the alternative to escape from... thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness... by living in the land of... many dreams... many words... where... emptiness... is found...

Do not be hasty in word or impulsive in thought to bring up a matter in the presence of God... let your words be few. For the dream comes through much effort and the voice of a fool through many words... For in many dreams and in many words there is emptiness. Rather, fear God (NASB)...

But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking... for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him (Ecclesiastes 5:2-7; Matthew 6:7-8)?

Thus... this writing—the conviction... is for me. I've chased my share of "noise"—the "signs and wonders"—and, I've found... *emptiness*. In other words, "power" is not in the "noise".

The High Priest over the House of God... Jesus Christ... my Lord and Savior... provides me the grace to see the basics of... *The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding... The fear of the Lord is to hate evil...* (Proverbs 9:10; 8:13). Then, from... *thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness...* the *anointing* of His power—the power of the Holy Spirit—can operate through me...

Though a sinner do evil an hundred times, and his days be prolonged, yet surely I know that **it** shall be well with them that fear God, which fear before him: But **it shall not be well with the** 

wicked, neither shall he prolong his days, which are as a shadow; because he feareth not before God...

A wise man's heart directs him toward **the right** [Jesus Christ... righteousness... Eternal Life... Proverbs 3:16; Isaiah 41:10], but the foolish man's heart directs him toward **the left** [riches and honor... Proverbs 3:16]. Even when the fool walks along the road, his sense is lacking and he demonstrates to everyone that he is a fool [His focus... talk (many words)... is dominated by... "riches and honor"—they are his obsession.] (NASB) (Ecclesiastes 8:12-13; 10:2-3).

Seek the *right* and... the *left* (*riches and honor* that will not rust... rot... depreciate) will be experienced in Eternity...

Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy...

thou hast not asked riches, wealth, or honour... but hast asked wisdom and knowledge [the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD... Proverbs 8:13-15] for thyself, that thou mayest judge my people... Wisdom and knowledge is granted unto thee; and I will give thee riches, and wealth, and honour...

That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures...

*In the house of the righteous is much treasure...* 

There **is treasure** to be desired **and oil** in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up. He that followeth after righteousness and mercy findeth life, righteousness, and honour...

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us...

For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire... If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire (1 Timothy 6:17; 2 Chronicles 1:11-12; Proverbs 8:20-22; 15:5-7; 21:20-21; 2 Corinthians 4:6-8; 1 Corinthians 3:11-15).

Seek the *left* and... we'll miss out on the *right* and lose that which we've sought (1 Kings 10 & 11).

The conclusion, when all has been heard, is: fear God and keep His commandments, because this applies to every person (NASB). Ecclesiastes 12:13

<sup>21</sup> Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God. <sup>22</sup> Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently: <sup>23</sup> Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever. <u>1 Peter 1:21-23</u>

<sup>19</sup> I am speaking in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness, resulting in further lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, resulting in sanctification. <sup>20</sup> For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. <sup>21</sup> Therefore what benefit were you then deriving from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the outcome of those things is death. <sup>22</sup> But now having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you derive your benefit, resulting in sanctification, and the outcome, eternal life. <sup>23</sup> For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. (NASB) Romans 6:19-23

We can have confidence and take comfort in... <sup>6</sup> Now know I that the LORD saveth his anointed; he will hear him from his holy heaven with the saving strength of his right hand. (Psalm 20:5-9).

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus said... <sup>6</sup> Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. (Matthew 5). Is this another way of saying... <sup>7</sup> Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. (Psalm 45:7)?

I'm still learning... subject to correction... checkout the scriptures in context to verify for yourself.

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<sup>\*</sup>All text reference scripture quoted or discussed is King James Version unless otherwise noted. Bold, colored lettering, brackets [my understanding of things—possible cross-reference meanings], and underline—mine.

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<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup>see the essay... The Best of Us at www.HopelsHere.com

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