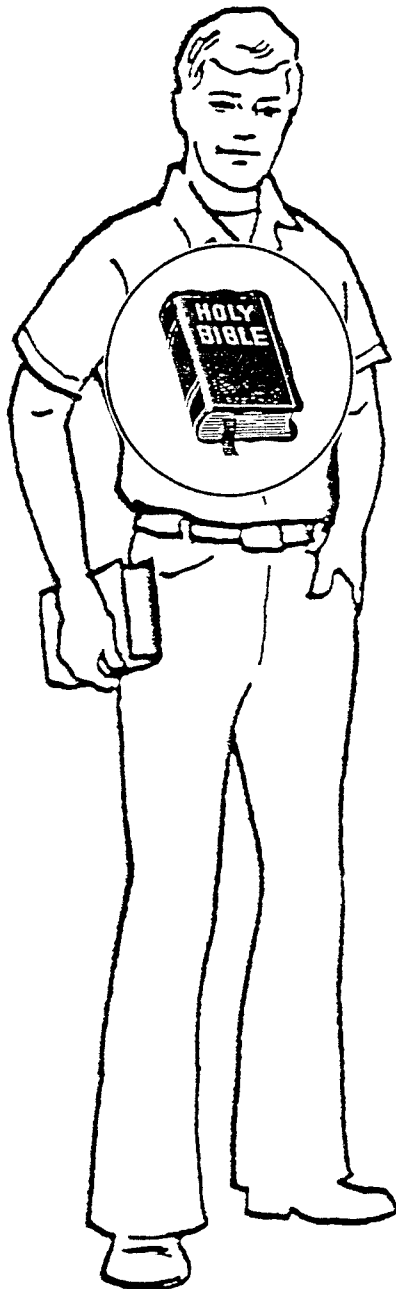


NEW TESTAMENT DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES



GOD'S WORD ABIDING IN
THE BELIEVER

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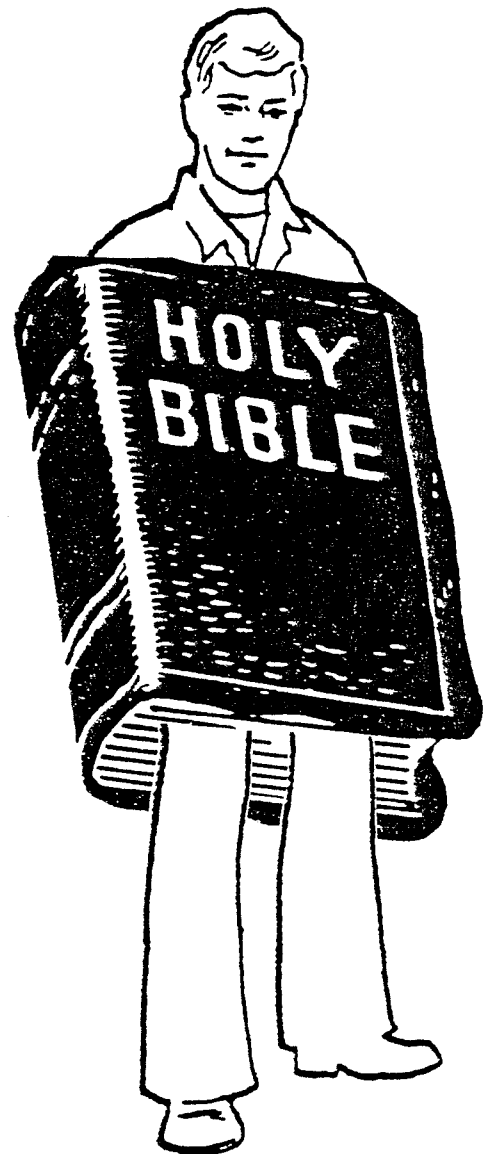
John 15:7
Colossians 3:16
1 John 2:14
Psalm 119:11
Jeremiah 20:9
(contrast: John 5:38)

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A comprehensive and
inductive study of
the Godward and
manward duties and
responsibilities
found on the pages
of the New Testament.

These are arranged
into 78 categories
(55 Godward duties
and 23 manward
duties), with a key
verse and brief
summary statement
for each. The
Scripture references
are then given for
each category in the
order in which they
occur in the New
Testament.



THE BELIEVER ABIDING
IN GOD'S WORD

("I live in the Bible")

John 8:31
2 Timothy 3:14
2 Timothy 2:15
Psalm 1:2-3
Psalm 119:97
(contrast: 2 John 9)

GOD-GIVEN RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES

As Found on the Pages of the New Testament

INTRODUCTION

1. "Moreover it is REQUIRED in stewards, that a man be found FAITHFUL" (1 Corinthians 4:2).
2. We are living in a day that is marked by UNFAITHFULNESS. The mystery of LAWLESSNESS is already working (2 Thess. 2:7) and this condition of total disrespect for God's requirements will reach its climax at the end of this age (2 Thess. 2:7-8). INFIDELITY is rampant, not only with respect to marital obligations, but with respect to any moral obligations. It is a day when men cannot be counted on or trusted for anything. It seems that the only sure thing you can count on is that men will be unfaithful, and this problem is not found exclusively among those outside of Christ. Those who name the name of Christ must be counted among the unfaithful.
3. In this age or in any age, it is a very rare thing to find a faithful man: "Help, LORD; for the godly man ceaseth; for the faithful fail from among the children of men" (Psalm 12:1).
4. Everyone of us shall someday give account to God. The issue then will not be how FAMOUS or FLAMBOYANT (showy) or FLASHLY (outwardly successful) we were, but how FAITHFUL we were: "Well done, thou good and FAITHFUL servant: thou hast been FAITHFUL over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things." (Matt. 25:21).
5. A faithful person is the person who fulfills a given responsibility and who rightfully carries out an obligation or duty. The believer desires to please His Saviour and be faithful to Him. In order to find my God-given responsibilities and duties, I must go to the pages of God's Word, the Holy Bible.
6. Many believers know what is required of them by God but they are totally frustrated by their continual failure to perform that which they know they should do. "For what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I...for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not" (Romans 7:15, 18). God must bring us to the point where we realize that in and of ourselves we do not have what it takes to be faithful.
7. The Lord Jesus Christ is the only SOURCE of a faithful life and an obedient life. He is our LIFE (Col. 3:1-4) and He is our VINE (John 15:1-7). Apart from Him we are totally unfaithful (John 15:5) but in Him we have all the resources that we need to fulfill our duties and keep His commandments (Phil. 4:13; 2:13; Hebrews 13:20-21; 1 Thess. 4:8; 1 Cor. 15:10; Col. 1:29). It's His salvation, it's His life, it's His working, it's His

power, it's His grace and He gets all the glory!

8. Every believer should honestly confess the following: "I acknowledge that, of myself, I am totally unable to fulfill my God-given responsibilities and duties, but I TRUST, even as my Lord Jesus has commanded in His Word that I should do these things, that He will by His grace enable me to do them. I am trusting the LIFE and POWER of the RISEN CHRIST to work in me mightily."
9. The believer finds great comfort and encouragement when he remembers that the Christ who lives in Him IS FAITHFUL (see Hebrews 3:1-2). My faithful Saviour can live out His life in me. Jesus never fails!
10. THE PROCEDURE THAT WAS FOLLOWED:

This study involved only the New Testament although the same procedure could be done in the Old Testament as well.

Beginning with Matthew and ending with Revelation, I tried to examine carefully every verse in the New Testament making a note of any and every responsibility or duty toward God or man, and listing them in various categories.

These Scriptures references are here listed in the various categories. The category name will first be given. This will be followed by a key verse. The responsibility will then be described and summarized by a brief sentence or two. This will be followed by all of the references in the New Testament which relate to this category, either directly or indirectly (those references which relate indirectly are put in parentheses).

Due to my own frailty and weakness, I know that there are verses which relate to a certain duty which have been unintentionally overlooked and thus are missing from the proper category. Even though I examined every verse I know there are things that I missed. As you find these you can add them to this paper under the proper category.

What value does such a study have? First of all, I have never seen a complete listing of all of the God-ward and man-ward responsibilities, and this in itself was very helpful. We need to know what is required of us, and this study presents God's commands and God's requirements in a comprehensive and organized way. Also I was greatly blessed by writing the summary statements and I believe that these will be helpful and edifying to all who read them. This study can also serve as a helpful tool in one's personal time of Bible reading and study. Choose a category of interest and then read all the verses listed. For example, a believer having problems at work may want to study the category entitled, "THE BELIEVER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO HIS EMPLOYER." Finally it's something that a believer can always have at hand for reference when needed.

May the Lord be pleased to use this study for His glory and for the help, benefit and edification of His church!

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I AM RESPONSIBLE...

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TO REMEMBER WHAT HE SAVED ME FROM

TO REMEMBER HIS DEATH

TO CLAIM GOD'S VICTORY AGAINST SATAN

TO LOOK FOR HIS (CHRIST'S COMING)

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MY RESPONSIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO SIN

MY RESPONSIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO WORLDLINESS

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MY RESPONSIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO THE FUTURE

Especially for the saved person:

TRUTHS THAT I AS A BELIEVER MUST RECKON ON AND CLAIM BY FAITH

Especially for the unsaved person:

THE UNSAVED PERSON'S RESPONSIBILITY BEFORE GOD

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MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD ALL MEN

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RESPONSIBILITY OF WIDOWS

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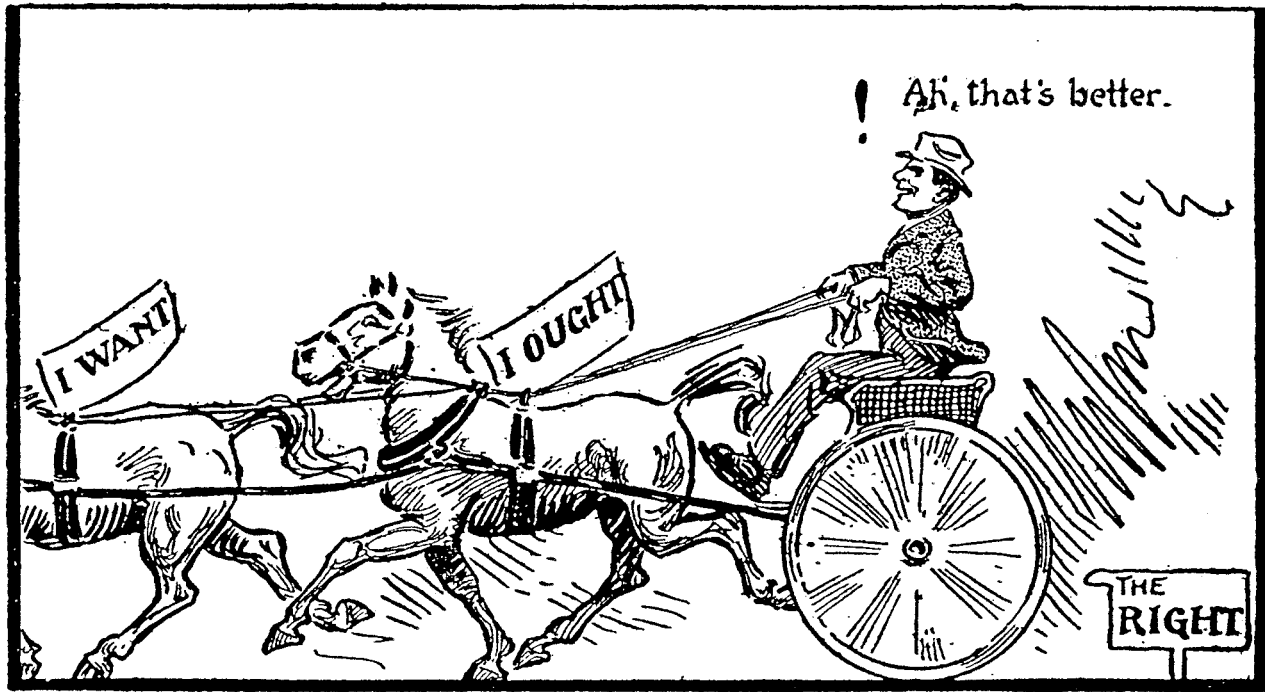
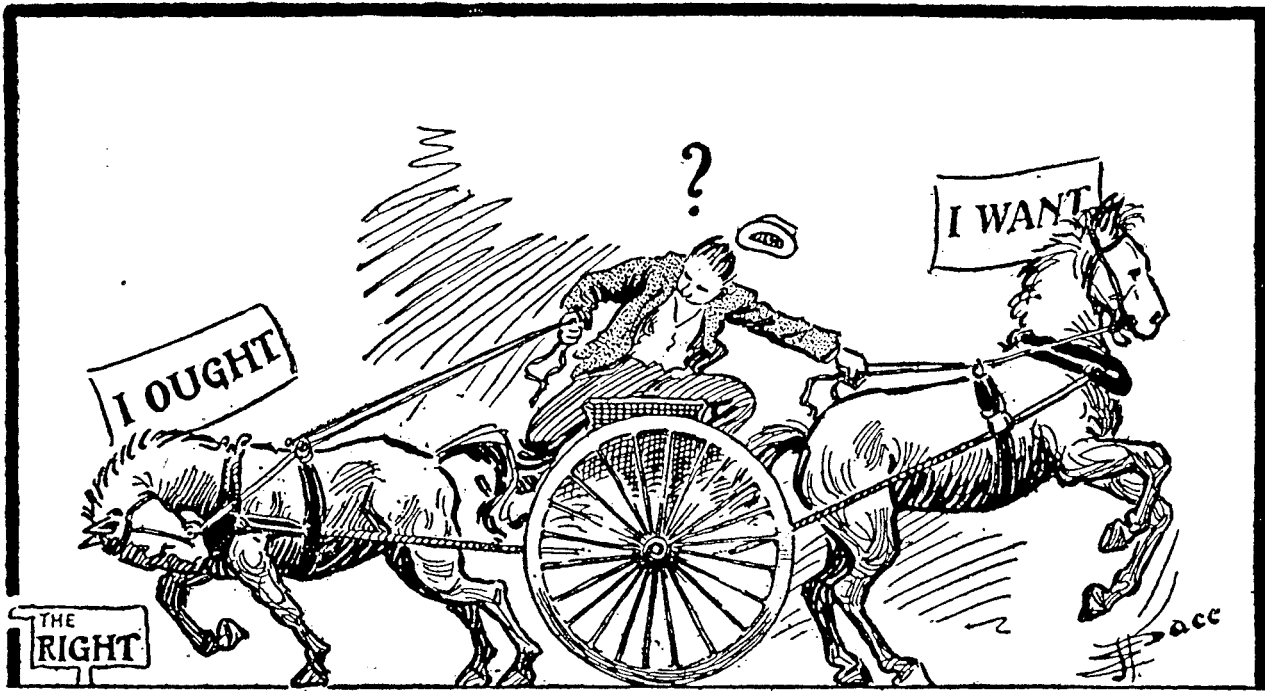
MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD FALSE TEACHING AND FALSE TEACHERS

MY RESPONSIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO MY COUNTRY, MY GOVERNMENT AND MY RULERS

On the following pages this procedure will be followed:

The various categories of responsibilities will be listed in the same order as given in the Table of Contents. To the right of each category will be a Key Verse. This will be followed by a summary statement. Finally the verses that pertain to the category will be listed in the order in which they are found in the New Testament (from Matthew to Revelation). The verses given in parentheses are verses which relate indirectly to the category.

A suggestion for studying a particular category: Choose a category that is of need or interest to you. Prayerfully and carefully look up all the references, jotting down in a notebook what each verse teaches you about this particular responsibility and how God expects you to faithfully perform it. After going through all of the verses, review all your notes and write your own summary paragraph (similar to the summary paragraphs found in the Scofield Bible).



1) GOD-WARD RESPONSIBILITIES

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.
(Matthew 22:37)

I AM RESPONSIBLE...

TO GLORIFY HIM

Phil. 1:20 (Key Verse)

The chief end of man is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever. May those who love His salvation say continually, THE LORD JESUS CHRIST BE MAGNIFIED!

Luke 1:46 (2:20) 17:18; 18:43 (23:47) John 3:30; 15:8 (17:4) 21:19 Acts (4:21) 11:18; 21:20; Romans 1:21; 4:20; 14:7-8; 15:6; 15:9; 16:27; 1 Cor. 6:20; 10:31; 2 Cor. 4:15; Galatians (1:24) Phil. 1:11; 1:20; 4:20; 2 Thess. 1:12; 1 Tim. 1:17; 2 Tim. 4:18; 1 Pet. 2:9 (2:12) 4:11; 4:16; 2 Pet. 3:18; Jude 25; Rev. 1:6 (4:10-11; 5:11-14; 7:12); 14:7; 15:4; 19:1 (19:7).

TO WORSHIP HIM

John 4:23-24

How much is God worth to me? How much do I value and appreciate God for who He is?

Matthew 2:11; 4:10; Luke 4:8; 24:52; John 4:21-24; 9:31; Phil. 3:3; Rev. 7:11; 11:16-17; 14:7; 15:4; 19:4; 19:10 (20:4) 22:9.

TO PRAISE HIM

Acts 2:46-47

With my lips I tell how great and glorious God is and by my life I show that I really believe God is everything He said He is.

Luke (2:20) 18:43; 24:53; Acts 2:47; 3:8; 16:25; Romans 15:11; 1 Cor. 14:15; Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16; Heb. (2:12) 13:15; James 5:13; 1 Pet. 2:9; Rev. 19:5.

TO HONOR HIM (PUT HIM FIRST)

Colossians 1:18

God honors those who honor Him. He is never a loser who puts God first.

Matthew 6:33 (11:6) 12:30; 15:8; 22:21; Mark 7:6; 12:17; Luke 2:49 (7:23) 10:16; 11:2; 11:23; 12:31; 20:25; John 5:23 (8:49-50) Romans 1:21; Phil. 2:21; 3:7-10; Col. 1:18; 3:17; 3:22; 1 Tim. 6:1; 1 Peter (2:13) 3:15; 1 John (5:21) Rev. 3:8.

TO BLESS HIM

Luke 24:53

From my heart and with my lips I must speak well of God, ever blessing the One who has so blessed me (Ephesians 1:3).

Luke 2:28; 7:29; 13:35; 24:53; Eph. (1:3) 1 Pet. (1:3)

TO THANK HIM

1 Thessalonians 5:18

I can be thankful for all things because my God is working all things together for His glory and my good. True thanksgiving should manifest itself in "thanksgiving." Most of all I am thankful for the gift of God's abundant grace in the Person of Jesus Christ (2 Cor. 9:15).

Luke (2:38) 17:16; Rom. 1:21; 6:17; 2 Cor. 2:14; 4:15; 8:16; 9:11; 9:15; Eph. 5:4; 5:20; Phil. 1:3; 4:6; Col. 1:12; 2:7; 3:17; 4:2; 1 Thess. 1:2; 3:9; 5:18; 2 Thess. 1:3; 1 Tim. 1:12; Philemon 4; Heb. 13:15; Rev. 11:17.

I AM RESPONSIBLE...

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TO SERVE HIM

Acts 20:19

As a believer I am free to serve Christ. What a wonderful slavery!

Matthew 4:10; 6:22-24; Luke 1:74 (2:37) 2:49; 4:8; 16:13; John 4:34; 9:4 (17:4)
Acts 9:6; 13:2; 20:19; Romans 1:9; 6:22; 7:6; 12:11; 14:18; 16:12; 1 Cor. 15:10;
15:58; 2 Cor. 6:1; 6:4; Eph. 6:5-7; Phil. 2:16; 2:22; Col. 3:22-24; 4:12; 1 Thess.
1:3; 1:9; Heb. 9:14; 12:28; 1 Pet. 2:16; Rev. (1:1; 7:15; 19:5).

TO LOVE HIM

1 Peter 1:8

*Before I ever loved Him, He first loved me, even when I was dead in sin.
I demonstrate my love for Him by keeping His commandments. Faith is the
root, love is the fruit (Gal. 5:6).*

Matthew 10:37; 22:36-38; Mark 12:29-30; 12:33; Luke (7:44-47) 10:27; 11:42; John
8:42; 14:15; 14:21-24; 16:27; 21:15-17; 1 Cor. 8:3 (10:7; 10:14) 16:22; Eph. 6:24;
2 Thess (3:5); 2 Tim. 3:4; James 1:12; 1 Pet. 1:8; 1 John (2:15); 4:19; 5:2 (5:2);
Rev. (2:4).

TO OBEY HIM

John 14:15

*God is so great that to disobey Him is unthinkable. Obedience is the
very best way to show that I believe. Obedience is love in action.*

Luke (1:6; 2:39) 6:37-49; 9:35; 17:9-10; John 2:5; 14:15; 14:21-23; 15:9-10; Acts
4:19; 5:29; 7:37; 9:6; 1 Cor. 7:19; 2 Cor. 2:9; 10:5; Gal. 5:7; Eph. 6:5; Col. 3:22-
23; 1 Pet. 1:14; 1 John 2:3-5; 3:22; 5:2-3; Rev. 1:3; 3:8; 3:10; 14:12; 22:7; 22:9;
22:14.

TO PLEASE HIM

Ephesians 5:10

*"I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of His face." God is working
in me that which is well pleasing in His sight!*

John (8:29); 1 Cor. 7:32; 7:34; 2 Cor. 5:9; Gal. 1:10; Eph. 5:10; 6:6-7; Phil. 3:8;
Col. 1:10; 3:20; 3:22-23; 1 Thess. 2:4; 4:1; 2 Tim. 2:4; Heb. 11:5-6; 13:18;
13:21; 1 John 3:22.

TO CONFESS HIM

Matthew 10:32

*The redeemed of the Lord need to say so. With our heart and with our
lips we agree with God that Jesus Christ is Lord and that He is the
only Saviour.*

Matthew 10:32; Mark 8:38; Luke 9:26; 12:8-9; Romans 10:9-10; 1 Timothy 6:12

TO REFLECT HIM (SHINE FOR HIM)

2 Corinthians 3:18

*May the beauty of the Lord Jesus be seen in my life. The world must not
see the ugliness of self and sin. As a child of God I bear the family
likeness (1 John 2:29).*

Matthew 5:16; John 3:30; Acts 4:13; 1 Cor. 15:49; 2 Cor. 3:18; Eph. 5:1; Phil. 2:15;
1 Pet. 2:9; 1 John 2:6.

I AM RESPONSIBLE...

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TO TRUST HIM

2 Corinthians 5:7

Faith is the key to the Christian life. I was saved by faith and so I must live. Faith lays hold of the facts in God's Word and makes them real in my experience.

Matthew 4:7; 6:25-34 (14:27-31); Mark 5:36; 11:22; Luke 4:12; 8:24-25; 8:50; 12:7; John 6:20; 14:1; 14:27; Romans 4:20-21; 14:22-23; 15:13; 1 Cor. 10:10; 2 Cor. 1:9; 3:4; 4:13; 5:7; Gal. 2:20; 5:5-6; Eph. 1:15; 3:17; 6:16; Phil. 2:24; 3:3; 4:6; Col. 1:4; 2:5-6; 1 Thess. 1:3; 1:8; 5:8; 2 Thess. 1:3; 1 Tim. 1:5; 1:19; 6:11; 6:17; 2 Tim. 2:22; 3:10; Philemon 5; Heb. (2:13) 3:12; 6:18-19; 10:23; 10:35,38,39; Hebrews chapter 11; 1 Pet. 1:8; 1:21; 3:5; 5:7; 1 John 5:4.

TO FEAR HIM

Hebrews 12:28

Those who fear God need fear nothing else. May I be terribly afraid of doing anything that would displease Him! May my conduct ever be affected by the consciousness of His Person and Presence.

Matthew 10:28; Mark (12:6) Luke 1:50; 12:4-5 (20:13) Acts 9:31; Romans 3:18 (11:20) 2 Cor. 7:1; Eph. (5:4) 5:21 (6:5) Phil. 2:12-13; Col. 3:22; Heb. 4:1; 12:28; 1 Pet. 1:17; 2:17; 3:15; Rev. 14:7; 15:4; 19:5.

TO REPENT

Revelation 3:19

The believer who is not walking in a manner worthy of Jesus Christ is in need of a genuine change of mind and heart and direction.

Luke (22:31-32) 2 Cor. 7:9-10; Rev. 2:5; 3:3; 3:19. Note: The responsibility of the unsaved man to repent will be covered under the category "the unsaved person's responsibility before God".

TO FOLLOW HIM (BE HIS DISCIPLE)

John 8:31-32

The demands of discipleship are great. I have decided to follow Jesus and there is no turning back. I will sit at His feet, hear His Word, worship and follow Him!

Matthew (4:19-22; 8:19-22; 9:9) 10:37-39; 11:28-30; 16:24-25; 19:27; Mark 1:17 (2:14) 8:34-35; 10:28-30; Luke (5:11; 5:27-28) 9:23-25; 9:57-62; 14:26-33; 17:33 (18:22; 18:28-29) John (1:37) 8:31-32; 21:19; 21:22; Acts 9:6; Phil. 3:7-14; Rev. (14:4).

TO FELLOWSHIP WITH HIM (ABIDE)

John 15:4-5

I can enjoy the life that I have in Christ. God has called me unto Himself that I might know Him and walk with Him and enjoy His presence.

Mark 3:14; Luke 10:39-42; John 15:1-7; Acts 4:13; 1 Cor. 1:9 (11:28-32) Phil. 3:10-11; Heb. 4:9-11; James 4:8; 1 John 1:1-10; 2:28; Jude 21.

TO REJOICE IN HIM

Philippians 4:4

Regardless of my circumstances, I can delight myself in the Lord, knowing that He is working out His purpose to conform me to the image of His Son.

Luke 1:47; 10:20; 24:52; John 3:29; 15:11; Acts 5:41; 13:52; Romans 15:10; 15:13; Phil. 2:16; 3:1; 3:3; 4:4; Col. 1:11; 3:16; 1 Thess. 3:9; 5:16; 1 Pet. 1:8; Rev. 19:7).

I AM RESPONSIBLE...

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TO REST IN HIM

Matthew 11:28-30

I can cease from my own lifeless works and I can rest in a great God who works in me mightily.

Matthew 11:28-30; Hebrews 4:9-11

TO LIVE FOR HIM (WALK WITH HIM)

2 Corinthians 5:15

I once lived for self but the cross has brought an end to that. Christ is now my life. In His life I live (in His death I died), all for His glory.

Romans 14:7-9; 2 Cor. 5:15; Gal. 2:19; 2:20; 6:15-16; Eph. 4:1; 5:2; 5:14-15; Phil. 2:12; 2:21; 3:7-11; Col. 1:9-11; 3:17; 1 Thess. 2:12; 4:1; Heb. 12:1-2; Rev. 3:15; 3:19.

TO STAND FIRM IN HIM

Philippians 4:1

I have a perfect position in Christ Jesus. By faith I need to stand firm where God has already placed me.

1 Cor. 16:13; Eph. 6:13-14; Phil. 1:27; 4:1; 1 Thess. 3:8; 2 Thess. 2:15.

TO GIVE ACCOUNT TO HIM

2 Corinthians 5:10-11

I shall someday stand before the One who died for me. My greatest ambition is to hear His well done and to be well-pleasing to Him (2 Cor. 5:9). That which abides and remains in eternity is only that which was done while abiding in Christ in time.

Matthew 16:27; Mark 8:38; Luke 9:26; 12:20; 12:47-48; 19:15,22,26; Romans 14:10-12; 1 Cor. 3:11-15; 4:4-5; 9:24-27; 2 Cor. 5:10-11; Eph. 6:8; Col. 3:24; 1 Tim. 6:19; 2 Tim. 4:8; Heb. 4:13; 10:30-31; 10:35; James 2:12; 3:1; 1 Pet. 4:17; 1 John 2:28; Rev. (3:2) 3:3; 3:11; 22:12.

TO PERSEVERE BY HIS GRACE

Colossians 1:23

I have decided to follow Jesus and there is no turning back. God not only saved me but He also keeps me saved. I am on the ship of faith until I reach the heavenly shore. I may fall down hard on the deck but I will never fall overboard. The same Christ who interceded for Peter and prayed that his faith would not fail is the same great Intercessor that I have today.

Matthew (24:13) Mark (13:13) Luke (21:19) Acts 11:23; 14:22; 1 Cor. 16:13; Phil. 3:12-14; Col. 1:23; 2 Thess. 3:13; 1 Tim. 1:18; 6:12; 2 Tim. 4:7; Heb. 3:6; 3:12; 3:14; 4:14; 6:11-12; 10:23; 10:35-39 (chapter 11) 12:1-2 (12:15) 1 John 2:19; Rev. 14:12 (20:4).

TO SUBMIT TO HIM (SURRENDER)

James 4:7

Christ is my Lord and Master. He is over me and I gladly take my place under Him in humble submission. "Lord, what would you have me to do?"

Acts 9:6; Romans 6:13; 12:1-2; 13:1; 2 Cor. 8:5; Eph. (5:21) 5:22; Heb. 12:5; James 4:7.

I AM RESPONSIBLE...

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TO GROW IN HIM

2 Peter 3:18

Growth is my progress in Christ-likeness through time. It is a process that will not be completed until the day of Christ. God is not finished with me yet. May I allow nothing to hinder my growth in Christ.

Matthew 11:29; 1 Cor. 12:1; 14:20; 2 Cor. 13:11; Eph. 3:18-19; 4:15; Phil. 1:9-10; 3:10; 3:11-14; Col. 1:9-10 (2:2-3) 1 Thess. 4:13; 1 Tim. 4:7; Heb. 6:1; 12:1-2; 13:9; 2 Pet. 1:5-7; 3:18; 1 John 2:13-14.

TO BOAST IN HIM

1 Corinthians 1:31

Salvation is of the Lord! I give God all the credit and put no confidence in the flesh. To God be the glory, great things He hath done!

1 Cor. 1:29-31; 2 Cor. 10:17; Gal. 6:14; Phil. 3:3

TO BE FRUITFUL IN HIM (GOOD WORKS) Colossians 1:10

Fruit is the outflow of God's life. May Christ express Himself through me. May I bear much and more fruit for His glory.

Matthew 3:8; Luke 3:8 (13:9); John 15:1-7; 15:16; Rom. 7:4; 1 Cor. 14:1; Eph. 2:10; Phil. 1:11; Col. 1:10; 1 Tim. 6:18; 2 Tim. 2:21; 3:17; Tit. 2:14; 3:1; 3:8; 3:14; Heb. (9:14) 13:16; 13:20-21; James 2:14-26; 3:13; 3:17; 1 Pet. 2:12; 3:11.

TO BE STRONG IN HIM

Ephesians 6:10

God is my strength! The battle is the Lord's! In Him I am strong and in Him my God causes me always to triumph.

1 Cor. 16:13; 2 Cor. (12:10) Eph. 3:16-17; 6:10-18; Phil. 3:10; 4:1; 4:13; Col. 1:11; 2:7; 1 Tim. 1:18; 6:12; 2 Tim. 2:1.

TO BE CONTENT IN HIM

Philippians 4:11

I have Christ and thus I need nothing else. All I need is found in Him. His grace is enough for me (Hebrews 13:5).

Phil. 2:14; 4:11; 1 Tim. 6:6; 6:8; Heb. 13:5

TO BE PATIENT, WAITING ON HIM

Hebrews 12:1

I can abide under the hardships of life knowing that my God is in control and He is using these trials to conform me to the image of His Son.

Rom. (5:3-4) Heb. 10:36; 12:1; James 1:12; 5:7-8.

TO BE HUMBLE UNDER HIS HAND

1 Peter 5:5-6

The way up is the way down. My Lord went very low so He could raise me to the heights. May I go very low so I can lift up others in the direction of my Saviour.

Matthew 5:3-5; 18:4; Luke (1:48-53) 6:20-21; 14:11; Acts 20:19; Rom. 12:3; 1 Cor. 1:29-31; 4:6-7; 10:12; Gal. 6:3; Eph. 4:1-2; Col. 3:12; 1 Tim. 6:11; 6:17; James 4:9-10; 1 Pet. 3:15; 5:5-6.

I AM RESPONSIBLE...

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TO BE SINCERE AND HONEST

2 Corinthians 8:21

As a sinner saved by grace I have nothing to hide and nothing to cover up. I am an open book for all to read.

2 Cor. 8:21; Eph. 6:5-7; Phil. 2:15; Col. 3:22-23; 1 Peter 2:12

TO BE HOLY

1 Peter 1:15-16

Holiness is God's work of setting me apart as a clean vessel for His service. Jesus Christ is my sanctification and He is my holiness. I have been identified with Christ in His death and resurrection. My responsibility is to know God's facts, count them as true and present myself to Him as one who is alive from the dead (Romans chapter 6).

Matthew 5:8; Luke 1:75; Romans 6:19,22; 1 Cor. 7:34; 2 Cor. 6:17; 7:1; Eph. 1:4; 4:24; 4:26; 5:3; 1 Thess. 4:3; 5:22; 1 Tim. 5:22; 2 Tim. 1:9; 2:21; 2:22; Titus 1:8; 2:14; Heb. (3:1) 12:14; James 4:8-9; 1 Pet. 1:14-16; 2:11; 3:11; 2 Pet. 3:11; 3:14; 1 John 2:1; 3:3.

TO BE FAITHFUL

1 Corinthians 4:2

What am I doing with what God has entrusted to me? Am I faithful even in the little things? It matters not how famous I am but how faithful I am! I can always count on God. Can He count on me?

Matthew 25:14-30; Luke 16:10,12; Luke 19:12-27; 1 Cor. 4:2; Eph. 1:1; 5:16; 1 Tim. 6:20; Tit. 1:7.

TO DO HIS WILL

Matthew 12:50

God's will is revealed in God's Word. It is God who works in me to give me the desire and the ability to do His good pleasure.

Matthew 6:10; 7:21; 12:48-50; Mark 3:33-35; Luke 11:2; 22:42; John (4:34; 5:30; 6:38) 7:17; 9:31 (18:11); Romans 12:2; Eph. 5:17; 6:6; Col. 1:9; 4:12; 2 Thess. 1:11; Heb.(10:7) 13:21; 1 Pet. 4:2; 1 John 2:17.

TO BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT

Ephesians 5:18

The Spirit of God is the power that works in me. I must never hinder or quench His working. He wants to manifest the life of Christ in and through me. The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.

Acts 9:17; 9:31; 13:52; Romans 8:4; 15:13; Gal. 3:3; 5:16 (5:22-23) 5:25; Eph. 4:30 (5:9) 5:18; 1 Thess. 5:19.

TO HAVE THE MIND OF CHRIST (AND TO MIND THE THINGS OF CHRIST)

Philippians 2:5

May my mind be saturated with the Word of God. As I continue in God's Word then more and more I will be thinking God's thoughts after Him and seeing things from His point of view. I must be at home in God's Word and God's Word at home in me (John 15:7; Col. 3:16).

Romans 8:5-6; 12:2; 2 Cor. 4:18; 10:5; 13:11; Eph. 4:23; Phil. 1:27; 2:5; 3:15-16; 4:8; Col. 3:1-2; Heb. 3:1; 12:2-3; 1 Pet. 1:13.

I AM RESPONSIBLE...

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TO LIVE RIGHTEOUSLY

1 Peter 2:24

In Christ's death I have died to sin that I might live unto righteousness (right living, right acting, right thinking, right speaking and right being).

Matthew 5:6; Luke (1:6) 1:75; 6:9; 11:33-36; John 5:29; 7:24; Acts 23:1; Romans 6:4,13; 13:12-14; 1 Cor. 15:34; 2 Cor. 1:12; Gal. (6:4) 6:9; Eph. 4:1; 4:24; 5:8; 6:14; Phil. 1:27; 2:12; 2:15; Col. 1:10; 1 Thess.2:12; 4:1; 5:21-22; 1 Tim. 4:7; 6:6; 6:11; 2 Tim. 2:19; 2:22; 3:10; 3:12; James 3:13; 1 Pet. 2:11-12; 2:24; 4:2; 2 Pet. 1:6-7; 3:11; 1 John 1:7; 2:29; 3:7-10.

TO REMEMBER WHAT HE SAVED ME FROM Ephesians 2:11

God has brought me out of an horrible pit, out of the depths of sin and despair and now I am seated with Christ in heavenly places, all to the praise of the glory of His grace.

1 Cor. 12:2; Eph. 2:11 (4:17-20); Tit.3:3; 2 Peter 1:9. See also Eph. 2:1-3.

TO REMEMBER HIS DEATH

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

I must make sure that the cross is ever before me. When I fail to remember the cross-work of Christ, then I have forgotten the very basis of my communion with my Saviour.

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:23-26; Gal. (6:14)

TO CLAIM GOD'S VICTORY AGAINST SATAN James 4:7

I am in a spiritual battle and I must recognize my true enemy. Satan is no match for the believer who stands under God in humble submission and who stands upon God's Word in total obedience.

Matthew (chapter 4; 16:22-23) Mark (8:31-33) Luke (4:1-13; 8:12) 2 Cor. 2:11; 6:7; (11:3; 11:13-15); Eph. 4:27; 6:11-18; 1 Thess. (5:8) 1 Tim. 3:6-7; 5:14-15; James 4:7; 1 Pet. 5:8-9; 1 John 2:13-14 (3:8; 4:4; 5:19-20) Rev. 12:11.

TO LOOK FOR HIS (CHRIST'S) COMING Titus 2:13

His return is imminent which means that He may come at any time. God does not say "get ready" but "be ready." How can I be ready? By constantly serving and shining (Luke 12:35), which is only possible as I abide in Him (1 John 2:28). May I be among the faithful ones who "love His appearing" (2 Timothy 4:8).

Matthew 24:42,44,46; 25:13; Mark 13:33-37; Luke 12:35-40; 12:42-46; 19:13 (21:28; 21:36) Romans 13:11; 1 Cor. 1:7; (11:26) 2 Cor. 5:8; Gal. 5:5; Phil. 1:10; 4:5; 1 Thess.(1:3) 1:10; 5:6,8; 2 Thess. 3:5; 2 Tim. 4:8; Tit.2:13; Heb.9:28; James 5:7-8; 1 Pet. (1:13) 4:7; 2 Pet.3:12-13; 1 John 2:28; Jude 21; Rev. 2:25; 3:11 (16:15) 22:7.

TO MAKE SURE OF MY SALVATION

2 Corinthians 13:5

Does my life convince people that I am a child of God or do others have doubts and questions as to whether I am really saved? I need to KNOW that I am saved (1 John 5:13) and I need to SHOW that I am saved (James 2:18).

2 Corinthians 13:5; 2 Peter 1:10; 1 John (5:13).

(GOD-WARD RESPONSIBILITIES CONTINUED)

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MY RESPONSIBILITY TO THE WORD OF GOD Matthew 4:4

God's Word is food for my soul. It is to be my constant meditation and delight. It contains light to direct me, food to nourish me and comfort to cheer me. It should fill my memory, rule my heart and guide my feet. I am to read it prayerfully, carefully, slowly, systematically, lovingly, obediently and reverently.

Matthew 4:4; 5:19; 7:24-27; 11:15; 11:29; 13:23; 13:43; 15:3; 17:5; 22:29; Mark 4:20,23 (7:7-8) 7:14,16; 9:7 (10:15) 12:24; Luke 1:4; 1:20 (1:38; 1:45; 2:39) 4:4; 6:46-49 (7:8-9) 8:15; 8:18; 8:21; 9:35; 9:44 (10:16) 10:39-42; 24:25-27; John 2:22; 4:41,50; 5:24; 5:38-39; 5:46-47; 6:11; 8:31,37,47,51; 10:27; 12:47-49; 13:17; 14:15; 14:21-24; 15:7; 15:14; 17:6,8; 18:37; Acts 2:42; 6:1-4; 7:37; 10:33 (17:11; 18:24-28) Romans (3:2) 7:22; 1 Cor. (2:9-16) 3:2; 14:37-39; 2 Cor. 2:17; 3:13-16; 3:18; 4:2; Eph.(4:11-15) 6:17; Phil. 2:16; Col. 3:16 (4:16) 1 Thess (1:6) 2:13 (5:20) 5:21 (5:27) 2 Thess.2:15 (3:6; 3:14) 1 Tim.4:13,15,16; 6:3-4; 2 Tim.1:13; 2:2; 2:5; 2:15; 3:10; 3:14-17; 4:2-4; 4:13; Tit.1:9; 2:1; 2:5 (2:7) 2:10; Hebrews 2:1-3; 3:7-8; 3:15; 4:1-2; 4:7 (4:12) 5:11-6:3; 12:25-27; 13:22; James 1:16; 1:19; 1:21-25; 5:13; 1 Pet. 2:2-3; 2 Pet.(1:12) 1:19-21; 3:2 (3:8) 3:15-18; 1 John 2:3-5; 2:14 (2:24) 3:22; 3:24 (4:1) 4:6; 5:2-3; 5:9-13; Jude 3,17,20; Rev.1:3; 2:7; 2:11; 2:17; 2:29; 3:6; 3:8; 3:10; 3:13; 3:22; 12:17; 13:9; 14:12; 22:7 (22:10) 22:14; 22:18-19.

MY RESPONSIBILITY TO THE THRONE OF GRACE Hebrews 4:16

Through Christ I enjoy blessed access and fellowship and communication with my heavenly Father. What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!

Matthew 5:5-13 (6:16-18) 7:7-11; 9:38; 21:22; 26:41; Mark (1:35; 6:46) 11:24-25 (12:40) 13:33; 14:34; 14:37-38; Luke (5:16) 6:12; 6:28; 10:2; 11:1-13; 11:28; 18:1-8; 19:46 (20:47) 21:36; 22:40; 22:46; John (6:15) 14:13-14; 15:16; 16:23-24; 16:26; Acts 1:14 (1:24) 2:42 (3:1) 4:24-31; 6:6; 12:5; 12:12-17; 13:3; 16:25; 20:36; 27:35; Romans 1:9; 8:26-27; 10:1; 12:12; 15:30-32; 1 Cor.14:15; 2 Cor.1:11; Eph.1:16-20 (2:18) 3:12; 3:14-19; 6:18-19; Phil. 1:3-4; 4:6; Col. 1:3; 1:9-11; 4:2; 4:12; 1 Thess.1:2-3; 5:17; 5:25; 2 Thess.1:3; 1:11; 1 Tim.2:1-3; 2:8; 4:4-5; 2 Tim.1:3; Philemon 4,22; Heb.4:16; 7:19; 10:19-22; James 1:5-7; 4:3; 5:13; 5:16-18; 1 Pet.(1:17) 4:7; 1 John 3:22; 5:14-16; Jude 20; Rev. (8:3-4).

MY RESPONSIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO MONEY AND POSSESSIONS Matthew 6:19-20

May I not be possessed by my possessions. The disciple owns nothing; rather he is owned. As a faithful steward may I use my possessions to the glory of God.

Matthew 2:11; 6:1-4; 6:19-21; 6:25; 6:28-33; 16:26; 19:21-24; 21:12-13; 26:8-12; Mark 8:36; 10:21-25 (11:15-17) 12:41-44; 14:3-8; Luke (1:53) 3:11,13,14; (5:11; 5:27-28) 6:20,24,25,35,38; 8:14 (9:25) 9:58; 10:30-36; 12:15-21; 12:22-30; 12:33-34; 14:33 (15:13; 16:1-2) 16:9-12; 16:13-14 (16:19-25) 18:22-26; 18:28; 19:8; 19:45-46; 21:1-4; John 2:14-17 (3:27) 6:12; 12:5-8; Acts (2:44-45; 4:32; 4:35-37) 5:1-10; 8:17-21; 20:33-35; Romans (1:29) 7:7-8; 1 Cor. 7:30-31 (10:6) 16:2; 2 Cor. 4:18; 6:10; chapters 8-9; Phil. 4:11-19; Col. 3:5; 1 Thess.(2:5; 2:9); 2 Thess. 3:8; 1 Tim.3:3; 3:8; 6:5-10; 6:17-20; 2 Tim.3:2; 3:4; Tit.1:7 (1:11) Heb.10:34-35; 11:26; 13:5; 13:16; James 1:9-11; 2:2-7; 5:1-6; 1 Pet.5:2; Jude (11).

(GOD-WARD RESPONSIBILITIES CONTINUED) (9)

MY RESPONSIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO MY BODY

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

My Body is God's temple; my Heart is Christ's home. What a treasure I have in this earthly vessel! May His life be manifested in my mortal flesh!

Matthew 6:25; 6:31; Luke 12:22-23; Romans (1:24-27) 6:12-13; 6:19; 12:1; 1 Cor. 6:13; 6:19-20; 9:27; 10:8; 2 Cor.4:10-11; Phil. 1:20; 1 Thess.4:4; 1 Tim.4:7-8 (5:23).

MY RESPONSIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO MY TONGUE

Ephesians 4:29

The tongue controlled by the Spirit of God can be a mighty weapon for good. The tongue controlled by the flesh is a powerful instrument for evil. May my tongue be an instrument of righteousness unto God--a tool used to bless God and build up others.

Matthew 5:33-37; 12:34-37; Luke (6:45) John (18:25); Acts 5:1-10; Romans (3:13-14) 1 Cor.2:4 (12:3) 2 Cor.7:14; Eph.4:25; 4:29; 5:4; Col. 3:8-9; 4:6; 1 Thess.4:11; 1 Tim.2:7; 3:8; 3:11; 5:13; 2 Tim.2:14; 2:16; 3:2-3; Tit. (1:7) 2:3; 2:8 (2:9) 3:2; James 1:13; 1:26; 3:1-12; 5:12; 1 Pet.3:10 (3:15) Rev.14:5.

MY RESPONSIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO TRIBULATION AND TRIALS

James 1:2-5

Suffering in the life of the believer ultimately comes from the loving hand of God. May I patiently submit to God's all-wise dealing with me, knowing that it will yield the peaceable fruit of righteousness.

John 16:33; Acts 5:40-41; 14:22; 16:22-25; 20:22-24; 21:11-14; Rom.5:3-5 (8:18) 12:12; 1 Cor.13:7; 2 Cor.1:3-9; 4:8-11 (6:4-10; 7:4-6; 11:23-28) 12:9-10; Phil. (1:12; 3:10; 4:4) 1 Thess.1:6; 3:3-4; 4:13; 2 Thess.1:4-5; 1 Tim.4:10; 2 Tim.1:8; 1:12; 2:3; 2:9-10; 3:1; 3:10-12; 4:5; 4:16-17; Heb. 10:32-34; 11:25-27; 12:1-13; 13:12-13; James 1:2-5; 1:12; 5:10-11; 5:13; 1 Pet.1:6-8; 2:19-20; 4:1; 4:12-13; 4:16; 4:19; Rev. (1:9).

MY RESPONSIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO SIN

Romans 6:11

Sin is anything contrary to the will and Word of God. As a saved person I rejoice in the fact that Christ saved me from sin and that in His death I died to sin.

Matthew 7:3-5; 26:41; Luke 6:41-42; 19:8; 21:34; John 5:14; 8:11; Acts 15:20; 15:29; Romans 1:21-32; 6:1-2; 6:6-19; 12:9; 13:12-14; 16:19; 1 Cor. chapter 5; 6:18; 10:6-11; 15:33-34; 2 Cor. 7:1 (12:20-21) Gal. 5:1; 5:13; 5:16; 5:24; Eph.4:22; 4:26; 4:31; 5:3-7 (5:11) Col.3:5-9; 1 Thess.5:22; 1 Tim.3:3; 3:8; 5:22; 2 Tim.2:22-23; Tit.1:7; 2:3; 2:12 (3:2) Heb.(1:9) 3:13; 4:11; 11:25; 12:1 (12:4) (12:16) James 1:21; 3:14; 4:8-9; 5:16; 1 Pet.1:14; 2:1; 2:11; 3:11; 4:1-4; 1 John 1:8-10 (3:6,9) 1 John 5:18; Rev. 2:5; 2:6; 2:16; 3:3; 3:19.

MY RESPONSIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO WORLDLINESS

1 John 2:15-17

Worldliness is that way of life that leaves God out and seeks to function apart from Him. In independence from God the worldly person says, "I'll do what I want (the lust of the flesh), I'll have what I want (the lust of the eyes) and I'll be what I want (the pride of life)." May I do what God would have me to do, may I have what God would want me to have and may I be what God would want me to be, because the person who does the will of God abides forever.

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MY RESPONSIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO THE WORLD (CONTINUED)

Matthew 6:19; 13:22; Mark 4:19; Luke (9:25) 17:32; 21:34; Romans 12:1-2; Gal. (1:4); 2 Tim. 2:4; 4:10; Tit.2:12; James 1:27; 4:4; 1 John 2:15-17; 3:13; 5:21.

MY RESPONSIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO THE PAST AND WITH RESPECT TO THE FUTURE

Forgetting the things that are behind and not being anxious about tomorrow, I can concentrate on pleasing God and doing His will today.

THE PAST

Philippians 3:13

Eph. 2:11; 5:8; Phil. 3:13; 1 Timothy (1:13-14) Titus 3:3; 1 Peter 1:14

THE FUTURE

Matthew 6:34

Matthew 6:34; 24:6; Mark 13:7; Luke 16:1-9; 21:9; Phil. 3:13-14; 2 Tim. 3:1; Titus 2:14; James 4:13-17; 2 Pet. 3:3.

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Especially for the saved person:

TRUTHS THAT I AS A BELIEVER MUST RECKON ON AND CLAIM BY FAITH (COUNTING ON GOD'S FACTS) Galatians 2:20

In Christ I DIED TO SIN and I AM ALIVE TO GOD. I died with Christ and I am risen with Him. These are great facts that are true of every believer. My responsibility is to RECKON on these facts by faith. The more I claim and appropriate these facts by faith, the more these facts will become true in my actual experience. This is the key to Christian growth and victory.

Luke 10:20 (12:32; 22:29) John 1:29; 5:24; 6:56; 8:36; 14:20; 17:14; 17:16; 19:30; Romans 1:1; 1:6; 4:5; 5:1; 6:1-11; 6:13; 6:17-18; 6:22; 7:4; 7:24-25; 8:1-2; 8:9-12; 8:16-18; 8:28-30; 8:37-39; 1 Cor.1:2; 1:5; 1:9; 2:10,12,16; 3:9; 3:16; 3:21-23; 6:11; 6:19-20; 7:22-23; 10:13; 10:17; 11:3; 15:57; 2 Cor.1:4,5,7,10,20,22; 2:14-16; 3:3; 3:5; 3:18; 4:7-9; 4:14-17; 5:1; 5:8; 5:10-11; 5:14-15; 5:17; 5:21; 6:9-10; 8:9; 9:8; 9:11; 10:4; 12:9-10; Gal. 1:4; 2:16; 2:19-20; 3:7,9,13,26,27,28; 3:29; 4:5-7; 4:28; 4:31; 5:1; 5:13; 5:24; 6:7-9; 6:14; Eph.1:3-14; 1:18-23; 2:4-10; 2:13-22; 3:6; 3:20; 4:24; 4:25; 5:8; 5:27; 5:30; Phil. (1:1) 1:6; 1:21; 2:13 (2:25) 3:20-21; 4:7; 4:13; 4:19; Col. 1:1; 1:13-14; 1:22; 2:10; 2:11-15; 3:3; 3:10-11; 1 Thess. (1:4) 1:10; 2:13; 4:7-8; 5:4-5; 5:9; 5:24; 2 Thess.2:13-14; 2:16; 3:3; 1 Tim.3:16; 2 Tim.1:7; 1:9; 1:12; 2 Tim.2:9; 2:11-13; 2:19; 3:12; 4:1; 4:18; Tit. 1:1-2; 2:11-14; 3:3-7; Heb. 1:3; 1:14; 2:11; 2:17-18; 3:1; 3:6; 3:14; 4:9; 4:14-15; 7:25; 8:1; 8:10; 8:12; 9:15; 9:24; 9:26; 10:10; 10:14; 10:16-17; 11:1; 11:13; 11:16; 12:6; 12:11; 12:18-24; 12:28; 13:5-6; 13:20-21; James 1:18; 4:5-6; 1 Pet. 1:2-5; 1:18-19; 1:23; 2:5; 2:9-10; 2:24-25 (3:7) 3:12; 5:10-11; 2 Pet.1:1-4; 3:15; 1 John 1:3; 2:2; 2:12; 2:20; 3:1-2; 3:5; 3:14; 3:24; 4:4; 4:13; 4:15; 4:16; 5:1; 5:4-5; 5:11-13; 5:18-20; Jude 1,24; Rev. 1:5-6; 2:7; 2:9; 2:11; 2:17; 2:26-28; 3:4-5; 3:12 (3:17) 3:21; 5:9-10 (13:8; 17:8) 17:14; 19:8; 20:6; 21:3-4; 21:7.

Especially for the unsaved person:

THE UNSAVED PERSON'S RESPONSIBILITY BEFORE GOD Acts 16:30-31

God has commanded all men everywhere to repent and to believe on His Son. Those who refuse to believe are disobedient to God's gospel. God's righteous judgment awaits such. They have wickedly rejected God's only remedy for sin.

(the references are found on the next page)

THE UNSAVED PERSON'S RESPONSIBILITY BEFORE GOD (CONTINUED)

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21:28-32; 23:12 (23:37) Mark (1:4) 1:15; 2:15-17 (4:12) 6:12; 9:23-24 (9:43-48)
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15:7; 15:10; 16:27-31; 18:9-14; 18:17; 23:39-43; 24:47; John 1:11-12; 3:3-7;
3:15-21; 3:36; 4:10; 4:14; (4:39,41,42) 5:23-24; 5:34; 5:39-40; 5:43; 5:46-47;
6:27-29; 6:35-37; 6:40; 6:47; 6:51-54; 6:58; 7:24; 7:37-39; 8:24; 9:35-38; 10:9;
11:25-26; 12:24-26 (12:36) 12:44; 12:46; 14:6 (16:27; 17:3) 17:21; 17:23; 18:37;
19:35; 20:26-31; Acts 2:21; 2:36-41; 3:19; 4:4; 4:12; (5:32) 6:7; 8:27-39; 9:18;
10:43; 10:48; 11:21 (12:21-23) 13:38-39; 14:1; 14:15; 16:29-34; 17:11-12; 17:27;
17:30-31; 18:8; 19:18-19; 20:21; 24:16; Romans (2:1-16) 3:21-28; 4:5; 4:24-25;
5:1; 6:17; 10:3-4; 10:9-13; 10:17 (16:26) 1 Cor.1:21; 15:1-4; 2 Cor. 3:13-16; 5:20-
21 (6:1-2; 13:5) Gal.2:16; 3:6-9; 3:14; 3:22-26; Eph. 1:12-13; 2:8-9; Phil. 1:29
(2:9-11) 3:9; 1 Thess.1:9; 2 Thess. (1:8,10) 2:10-12; 1 Tim. (1:15) 4:10; 2 Tim.
(1:9) 3:15; Tit. (3:5) Heb. (2:3; 5:9) 7:25; 1 Pet.4:17; 2 Pet. 3:9; 1 John 3:23;
4:15 (5:1; 5:5) 5:9-13; Rev. 3:20 (16:9; 16:11; 20:11-15) 21:6; 21:8; 22:17.

2) MAN-WARD RESPONSIBILITIES

And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love
thy neighbour as thyself (Matthew 22:39)

MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD OTHERS (TOWARD MY BROTHER, MY NEIGHBOR, ETC.)
Matthew 22:29

*The question is not, "Who is my neighbor?" but rather "Who can I be a
neighbor to?" May God help me to be sensitive to the real needs of those
around me.*

Matthew 5:22-26; 5:37; 5:38-42; 7:1-5; 7:12; 18:21-35; 19:17-19; 20:26-28; 22:39;
23:11; Mark 9:35; 10:19; 10:43-45; 11:25-26; 12:31,33; Luke 3:14; 6:30-31; 6:37;
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4:15; 1 John 2:9-11; 3:10; 3:17-18; 4:7; 4:11-12; 4:21; Jude 22-23.

MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD ALL MEN Galatians 6:10

*As God is concerned for all men (1 Timothy 2:4; John 3:16), so may I
share this godly love and concern for all who cross my path.*

Matthew (5:16) 28:19; Mark 16:15; Acts (1:8) 24:16; Romans 12:17-18; 1 Cor.9:19-
23; 10:31-32; 2 Cor.(5:20); Gal. 6:10; Phil. (2:15) 4:5; Col. (4:5) 1 Thess.3:12;
4:12; 4:14; 5:15; 1 Tim. 2:1; 3:7; 2 Tim. 2:24; Tit. 3:2; Heb. 12:14; 1 Pet.2:17;
3 John 12.

MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD THOSE OUTSIDE OF CHRIST Colossians 4:5-6

*My fervent desire is to know Christ and to make Him known to others.
May the beauty of the Lord rest upon me and may the life of the Lord
be manifested. Of myself I am nothing, but I have a great Saviour and
I'm proud of Him! I want others to know about HIS WORTH (who He is),
HIS WORK (what He has done) and HIS WORD (what He has said).*

MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD THOSE OUTSIDE OF CHRIST (CONTINUED)

Matthew 4:19; 5:13-16; 7:6; 9:36-38; 10:16; 10:32 (26:13) 28:18-20; Mark 1:17 (4:21; 5:19; 6:34; 8:38) 10:14 (13:9; 14:9) 16:15; 16:20; Luke (1:16-17; 1:77,79; 4:18) 5:10; 5:29-32; 8:39; 9:26; 9:54-56 (10:2) 12:8; chapter 15 (16:27-31) 24:47-48; John (1:7) 1:40-42; 1:45-46 (4:29) 4:35-38; 17:18; 20:27; Acts 1:8 (1:22) 4:2; 4:20; 4:29-33; 5:20; 5:28; 5:42; 7:4-5; 7:12; 7:25; 7:35; 9:20; 9:29; 10:42-43; 13:5; 13:49; 14:3; 14:7; 14:21; 16:13-15; 16:32; 17:2-3; 17:16-17; 18:4-5; 18:28; 19:8 (26:18; 26:25-29) 27:35; 28:23; 28:31; Romans 1:14-16; 9:1-4; 10:1; 10:13-15; 15:16; 15:19-21; 1 Cor. 1:17; 7:12-17; 9:16-17; 9:19-23; 10:27-31; 10:32-33; 15:1-4; 2 Cor. 2:12; 4:5-6; 5:18-21 (6:3) 6:14-17 Gal.(1:16) 6:10; Eph. 3:8; 6:19-20; Phil. (1:15-18) 2:15-16; 4:5; Col. (1:23) 4:3-6; 1 Thess.2:2; 2:4; 4:12; 1 Tim. (1:11; 1:16) 2:1-7; 3:7; 2 Tim. 1:8; 2:10; 4:5 (4:17) 1 Pet. 3:1-2; 3:15-16; 1 John 4:14-15.

MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD WIDOWS, THE POOR, NEEDY, SICK, ETC.

James 1:27

May those who are poor and needy know that there is a great God who is rich for their poverty and sufficient for their every need.

Matthew 6:1-4; 19:21 (25:34-45) 26:9-12; Mark (10:21; 12:40) 14:3-7; Luke 3:11; 4:18; 7:22; 10:30-36 (11:41; 12:33) 14:13-14 (18:22; 19:8; 20:47) John 12:4-8; Acts (3:2-6) 6:1-6; 11:29-30; 20:35; Romans 12:13; 12:16; 15:26-27; 2 Cor. 8:1; 8:4; 9:1 (9:9) 9:13; Gal. 2:10; Eph. 4:28; 1 Thess. 5:14; 1 Tim. 5:3,9,10,11,16; James 1:27; 2:15-16; 1 John 3:17-18.

RESPONSIBILITY OF WIDOWS

1 Timothy 5:5

May those who have lost their husbands not lose their love and zeal for their Saviour. May they be widows indeed! May they remember that they are married to the risen Christ (Romans 7:4).

Luke 2:37 (9:36-39) 1 Timothy chapter 5.

MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD FELLOW BELIEVERS

Hebrews 10:24-25

It's a joy to be a part of the family of God and a member of Christ's body. I need my brothers and sisters in Christ and they need me. May I encourage and edify and exhort the brethren daily.

Matthew 10:40-42; 20:25-28; 23:11 (25:34-45) Mark 9:35; 9:38-41; 10:43-45; Luke 9:49-50; 22:26-27; John (13:14) 13:34; 15:12-13; 15:17 (21:21-22) Acts 4:31-32; Romans 12:9-10; 12:13; 12:15-16; 12:18; 13:8; 14:1-7; 14:10-23; 15:1-3; 15:5-7; 15:14; 16:1-2; 1 Cor. 1:10; 4:6-7; 5:4-5; 5:7; 5:11; 5:13; 6:1-8; 8:1; 8:9-13; 10:24; 10:32; 12:25-26; 13:4-7; 16:14 (16:20) 2 Cor. 2:7-8; 4:5; 6:6; 6:11 (7:13; 7:15) 8:5; 12:15; 12:19; 13:11 (13:12) Gal. 5:13-15; 5:26; 6:2; 6:10; Eph. 1:15; 4:2-3; 4:29; 4:31-32; 5:2; Phil. 1:3-5; 1:8; 1:27; 2:2-4; 2:25; 3:17 (4:2) 4:3; 4:21; Col. 1:3; 1:4; 3:12-15; 3:16; 4:12-13; 1 Thess. (1:3) 3:9; 3:12; 4:9-10; 4:18; 5:11; 5:13; 5:14; 5:25 (5:26) 2 Thess.1:3; 1:11; 3:6; 3:14-15; 1 Tim. (4:12) 5:1-3; 5:10; 2 Tim. (1:16-18) Philemon 4-5,6,7,20,22; Heb.3:13; 6:10; 10:24-25; 13:1-3; 13:18; James 4:11; 5:9; 5:19-20; 1 Peter 1:22; 2:17; 3:8; 4:8-9; 4:10-11; 1 Pet. 5:5 (5:14) 2 Peter 1:7; 1 John 2:9-11; 3:10-11; 3:14-15; 3:16; 3:23; 4:7; 4:11-12; 4:21 (5:1) 5:16; Jude (22-23).

MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD THOSE WHO PERSECUTE ME (Matthew 5:44)

MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD THOSE WHO WRONG ME (Romans 12:21)

MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD THOSE WHO SIN AGAINST ME (Luke 17:3)

Ephesians 4:32

I have a great High Priest who was without sin, yet He fully experienced persecution and suffering "without a cause." May He teach me how to love my enemies and forgive the ungodly, remembering that He loved and forgave even me (Romans 5:6,8,10; Ephesians 4:32).

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MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD THOSE WHO PERSECUTE ME, WRONG ME AND/OR SIN AGAINST ME

Matthew 5:10-12; 5:39; 5:44-48; 6:14-15 (10:14) 10:16; 10:26; 10:28; 18:15-17
Mark (6:11) 11:25-26 (13:9; 13:11) Luke 6:22-23; 6:27-29; 6:32-36; 6:37 (9:5; 10:3;
10:10-11) 12:4 (12:58-59) 14:27; 17:3-4 (23:34) John 16:1-4; Acts 4:21-29; 5:26-29;
5:40-42; 7:58-60; 13:51-52; 16:19-34; 18:6; 20:22-24; Romans 12:14; 12:17-21;
15:30-31; 1 Cor. 4:9-13; chapter 5; 6:1-8; 2 Cor. 2:7-8 (4:9; 6:8-9; 11:23-28)
Gal.(4:29; 5:11) 6:1 (6:12; 6:17) Eph.4:32; Phil.1:28-29; Col. 3:13,15; 1 Thess.
5:15; 2 Thess.1:4-9; 3:1-2; 2 Tim.1:8; 1:12; 3:10-12; 4:14; Philemon (whole book);
Heb. (10:33) 12:3-4; 13:13; 1 Pet. 2:19-23; 3:9; 3:14; 4:14; Rev. (1:9) 2:10
2:13 (6:9-11; chapter 13).

MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD MY MARRIAGE PARTNER

Matthew 19:5-6

God never divorces the believer who is married to Him (Rom. 7:4) and I shall never be separated from His love. May my marriage picture this relationship and may I remain loyal to my partner until we are parted by death or until the Lord Jesus comes.

Matthew 5:27-28; 5:32 (14:3-4) 19:3-10; Mark 10:2-12; Luke 16:18; John (4:17-18)
Romans 7:1-3 (13:13) 1 Cor. 6:15-18; 7:3-5; 7:10-11; 7:12-16; Eph.4:26; James 2:11.

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF HUSBANDS

Ephesians 5:25

As I observe the godly husband I am seeing a picture of Christ's sacrificial love for His Church.

Mark 10:11; Luke 16:18; 1 Cor. 7:3-5; 7:11; 7:12-16; 7:27; 7:33; 11:3-16;
16:13; Eph. 5:25-33; Col. 3:19; 1 Tim. 2:8; 3:2; 3:4-5; 3:12; 1 Tim. 5:8;
Tit. 1:6; 3:2; 3:6-8; 1 Pet. 3:7.

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF WIVES

Ephesians 5:24

As I observe the godly wife, I am seeing a picture of how I should submit and respond to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Mark 10:12; John (4:16-18) Rom. 7:1-3; 1 Cor. 7:3-5; 7:10-11; 7:13-16; 7:34;
7:39-40; 11:3-16; 14:34-35; Eph. 5:22-24; 5:33; Col. 3:18; 1 Tim. 2:9-15;
3:11; 5:9; 5:10; 5:14; 2 Tim. (1:5) Tit.3:3-5; 1 Pet. 3:1-6.

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THOSE WHO ARE UNMARRIED (SINGLE)

1 Cor. 7:32,34

The unmarried person is to be concerned about the things of the Lord-- enjoying Him, pleasing Him, giving Him first place. God can take care of my needs for companionship in His way and in His time. As for now, He is the only intimate Companion I need.

Matthew 19:10-12; Rom. 13:13-14; 1 Cor. 6:18-20; 7:1-9; 7:25-37; 2 Cor.
6:14-17; Eph. 5:3; Col. 3:5; 1 Thess. 4:3-5; 1 Tim. 5:14 (5:22) 2 Tim. 2:22;
Rev. (14:4).

MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD PARENTS

Ephesians 6:1-2

God has given me parents so that I might begin to learn reverence and obedience. May I never cease to honor and obey my Heavenly Father (Mal.1:6).

Matthew 15:4-6; Mark 7:10-13; 10:7; Luke 2:51; John (19:26-27) Romans (1:30)
Eph. 6:1-3; Col. 3:20; 1 Tim. 5:4; 5:8; 2 Tim. (3:2) Tit.1:6; 1 Pet. (1:14).

What a privilege to bring little ones to the Saviour and to the truth of God's Word. May I not hinder them in any way.

Matthew 19:14; Mark 10:14; Luke 11:13; 18:15-16; 2 Cor. (12:14) Eph. 6:4; Col.3:21; 1 Tim.3:4-5; 3:12; 5:8; 5:10; 2 Tim. (1:5); Tit. 1:6; 2:4.

MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD MY EMPLOYER (BOSS)

Colossians 3:22-24

The Lord is the One for whom I work. As I serve my Heavenly Master I will also please my earthly master. May I work hard and do the best job I can possibly do for the glory of God.

Luke 3:14 (13:14) 17:7-10; 1 Cor. (4:12) Eph. 4:28; 6:5-8; Col. 3:17; 3:22-25; 1 Thess. 4:11; 2 Thess. 3:6-15; 1 Tim. 5:8; 6:1-2; Tit. 2:9-10; 1 Pet. 2:18-19.

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EMPLOYERS TOWARDS WORKERS Colossians 4:1

As a believing employer, may I never forget that I also have a Master and Lord who is over me and before whom I am accountable.

Ephesians 6:9; Colossians 4:1

MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD HIS (CHRIST'S) LOCAL CHURCH Hebrews 10:25

It is a privilege and joy to be a part of God's program for this age which centers in the local assembly of believers. May I never despise or forsake God's assembly in my locality. May I be fully committed to my Lord and thus to His Church.

John (2:16) Acts 2:42; 4:31-32; 10:33; 11:26; 12:5; 12:12; 14:27; 20:7; Romans 12:4-8; 15:5-6; 16:1; 1 Cor. 1:10; 3:16-17; 10:32; 11:2; 11:17-34; 12:12-31; Eph. (1:22-23; 2:19-22) 4:3-6; 4:11-16; Phil. (1:27; 2:2-3) Col. (2:2) 3:15; 1 Tim. (3:9) 3:15; Heb. 10:25; 1 Pet. 3:8; 4:10-11; 1 John 2:19.

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE LOCAL CHURCH

Ephesians 5:24

The local assembly of believers is to function according to the pattern and blueprint found in the New Testament epistles. As the body of believers is healthy the life of Christ will be manifested and God will be glorified.

Acts 2:42; 1 Cor. chapter 5; 6:1-8; 14:23-26; 14:40; Eph. 3:10 (3:21) 4:11-16; 5:24; Col. 1:18; (2:2) 2:5; 1 Thess. 1:7-8; 1 Tim. 3:15; 5:19-21; 1 Pet. 2:5; Jude 3; Rev. chapters 2-3.

MY RESPONSIBILITY TO MY PASTOR AND CHURCH LEADERS

1 Thessalonians 5:12-13

Am I thankful for the gifted men God has given to me (Eph. 4:11)? Am I submitting to my leaders, setting a high value on them because of the work Christ has given them to do? Do I cause them GRIEF or JOY (Heb.13:17)?

Matthew (10:10; 10:40-42) Luke (10:7) Acts (6:1-4; 14:23) 15:40; 21:17; Romans (16:1-2) 16:4,6,9; 1 Cor. 4:16; 9:6-14; 11:1; 16:15-16; 2 Cor. 6:11-13 (7:2; 8:7) Gal. (4:12; 4:14-15) 6:6; Phil. (2:17-18; 2:29-30) 4:9; 4:10-19; Col. 4:3-4; 1 Thess. 1:6; 4:1-3; 5:12-13; 5:25; 2 Thess. 2:15; 3:1-2; 3:4; 3:6-7; 3:14; 1 Tim. 5:17-18; 5:19; 2 Tim. (1:16-18) Heb. 13:7; 13:17; 13:22; James 5:14.

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THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PASTOR AND LOCAL CHURCH LEADERS Hebrews 13:17

The great Shepherd of the flock has set over His local assembly certain faithful men and has entrusted them with shepherding duties. The responsibilities are awesome but God is totally sufficient.

Matthew (7:15) 28:19-20; Luke 22:32; John 21:15-17; Acts 6:1-4; 11:25-26; 14:21-22; 15:32,35,36,41; 18:11; 20:2; 20:7; 20:9; 20:17-35; Romans 1:11; (1:21-22) 1 Cor. 1:17; 1:21; 1:23; 2:1-7; 4:1-2 (4:16) 4:17 (11:1; 14:3-6) 14:19; 14:26 (14:40) 15:10; 16:15; 2 Cor. 4:1-5; 6:3-11 (7:3; 7:12) 10:8; 10:12-18; 11:2 (11:7-9; 11:28) 12:14-15; 12:19; Gal. 2:4-5; 2:11; 2:14; 4:19; Eph. 4:1; 4:11-12; 4:15; Phil. (1:25-26) 2:17-18 (2:20) 4:1 (4:9; 4:12) Col. 1:24-29; 4:17; 1 Thess. 1:5; 2:1-12; 3:2; 3:10; 4:1-3; 5:12; 2 Thess. 3:6-10; 1 Tim. 1:3-4; 1:11-12; 1:19-20; 2:1; chapter 3; 4:6-8; 4:10-16; 5:1-3; 5:7; 5:17; 5:19-22; 6:2; 6:11-14; 6:20; 2 Tim. 1:6; 1:14; 2:1-8; 2:14-16; 2:21-26; 3:1; 3:5; 3:10; 3:14; 4:1-5; Tit. 1:3 (1:5) 1:6-9,11,13,14; 2:1-15; Tit. 3:1-2; 3:8-10; Heb. 13:7; 13:17; 13:22; James 5:14-15; 1 Pet. 5:1-4; 2 Peter 1:12-13; 3:1; Jude 3 (5); Rev. 2:2-3.

MY RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD FALSE TEACHING AND FALSE TEACHERS 1 John 4:1

False doctrine is the poison of the soul. It must ever be exposed by the light of God's truth. It must never be tolerated. "Truth cannot be perpetuated through compromise and compromise cannot be avoided without separation" (John C. Whitcomb).

Matthew 7:15; 15:13-14; 16:6-12 (23:13-33) 24:4-5; 24:11; 24:23-26; Mark 8:15; 12:38-40; 13:5-6; 13:21-23; Luke 6:39 (11:37-54) 12:1; 20:46-47; 21:8; John 10:8,10; Acts 20:28-31; Romans 16:17-18; 2 Cor. 6:14-17 (11:4; 11:13-15) Gal. 1:6-9; 2:4-5 (5:7-12) Eph. 5:6-7; 5:11; Phil. 3:2; 3:18-19; Col. 2:4; 2:8; 2:16; 2:18-19; 1 Thess. 5:21; 2 Thess. 1:2-3; 1 Tim. 1:3-4; 1:6-7; 1:19-20; 4:1-3; 4:15-16; 6:3-5 (6:20-21) 2 Tim. 2:17-21; 2:25-26; 3:5-9 (3:13; 4:10) 4:14-15; Titus 1:9-16; 3:10-11; Heb. 13:9; 2 Peter chapter 2; 3:16-17; 1 John (2:18; 2:26) 3:7; 4:1-5; Jude 3-21; Rev. 2:2 (2:14-15; 2:20-23; 13:14; 18:4-5; 18:20).

MY RESPONSIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO MY COUNTRY, MY GOVERNMENT AND MY RULERS
Romans 13:1

God Almighty is my King and as I gladly submit to His government I also learn to submit to those earthly authorities who have been placed over me by my Sovereign Lord.

Matthew 14:3-4; 17:24-27; 22:17-21; Mark 6:17-18; 12:14-17; Luke 20:22-25; Acts 4:18-20; 5:24-29; 23:2-5; Romans 13:1-8; Phil. (3:20); 1 Tim. 2:1-3; Titus 3:1; 1 Peter 2:13-15; 2:17; 2 Peter (2:10) Jude (8).

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