**THE GREAT DESIRE OF THE UPRIGHT**

Ps 112:1 Praise ye the LORD. Blessed is the man that feareth the LORD, that delighteth greatly in his commandments. {Praise...: Heb. Hallelujah}

2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed.

3 Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever.

4 Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.

5 A good man sheweth favour, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs with discretion.

6 Surely he shall not be moved for ever: the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.

7 He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the LORD.

8 His heart is established, he shall not be afraid, until he see his desire upon his enemies.

9 He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor; his righteousness endureth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.

10 The wicked shall see it, and be grieved; he shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away: the desire of the wicked shall perish.

We can’t become divided from the God fearing but must divide from the wicked.

Take Personal responsibility for all suffering, charity towards all malice toward none. 600,000 Chosen

The Scarlet thread

Reconstruction healing and justice at the same time for all.

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**Manifest the glory, life and light of Jesus**

THE BRIDES DELIGHT

Ps 112:1 ¶ Praise ye the LORD. Blessed is the man that feareth the LORD, that delighteth greatly in his commandments.

Deut. 4:2*—Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it,*

SOS1:4”We will be glad and rejoice in Thee.”

1. The Brides delight is in the Person of the Bridegroom be glad and rejoice in Him.- not just what He can do for you.

She is not rejoicing in what He is doing, but she is rejoicing in what He is. She is rejoicing in Him.

* 1. Delighting in who He is as well as what He is.

She has a new appreciation for Him.

We need a new appreciation for Him.

Re 19:7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.

8 And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.

We should realize and appreciate His presence and His person.

Light/counsel/consolation, in the midst of doubts, tribulations, and afflictions, See the conflict before it begins, the upright become a target for the wicked. Darkness against the light, the upright See the conflict as a cause between light and darkness

4 Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.

1Co 4:1 ¶ Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God.

1Co 4:5 Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.

1Co 14:1 ¶ Follow after charity, and desire spiritual gifts, but rather that ye may prophesy.

1Co 12:31 But covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way.

1Co 14:39 Wherefore, brethren, covet to prophesy, and forbid not to speak with tongues.

1Th 5:5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. 20 Despise not prophesyings.

Eph 5:8 For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light: 1Peter 2:9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light: 1John 2:9 He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now.

Nu 14:8 If the LORD delight in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it us; a land which floweth with milk and honey.

1Sa 15:22 And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams.

Ps 1:2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

2Sa 22:20 He brought me forth also into a large place: he delivered me, because he delighted in me. Ps 18:19 He brought me forth also into a large place; he delivered me, because he delighted in me. Ps.37:4 Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. 6 And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday. 9 For with thee is the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light.

Mic 7:9 I will bear the indignation of the LORD, because I have sinned against him, until he plead my cause, and execute judgment for me: he will bring me forth to the light, and I shall behold his righteousness. Jer. 2:13 For my people have committed two evils; they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters, and hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water.

Ps 37:11 But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace. 23 The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way.

God prospers the faithful because they walk in his ways with an upright conscience.

40:8 I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart.

94:19 In the multitude of my thoughts within me thy comforts delight my soul. 119:16 I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word.

24 Thy testimonies also are my delight and my counsellors.

35 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments; for therein do I delight. 47 And I will delight myself in thy commandments, which I have loved.

70 Their heart is as fat as grease; but I delight in thy law.

77 Let thy tender mercies come unto me, that I may live: for thy law is my delight.

143 Trouble and anguish have taken hold on me: yet thy commandments are my delights.

**The Great Conflict is seen in those who know not the truth**

1. The law of evil

7:21 I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.

1. The Law of God

Ro 7:22 For I delight in the law of God after the inward man: 25 I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

1. The law of the mind

Ro 7:23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. 25 I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

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Light God is light darkness

Isa 5:20 Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! 50:10 Who is among you that feareth the LORD, that obeyeth the voice of his servant, that walketh in darkness, and hath no light? let him trust in the name of the LORD, and stay upon his God. 59:9 Therefore is judgment far from us, neither doth justice overtake us: we wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, but we walk in darkness. (A rare thing that any obey correctly God's true ministers)

Isa 58:13 If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honourable; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words:

Lu 8:14 And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and **riches and pleasures** of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection.

1Ti 5:6 But she that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth.

2Ti 3:4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

Jas 5:5 Ye have lived in pleasure on the earth, and been wanton; ye have nourished your hearts, as in a day of slaughter.

Joh 5:35 He was a burning and a shining light: and ye were willing for a season to rejoice in his light.

Eph 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

1Co 12:28 And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.

Php 2:15 That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world;

Php 2:12 ¶ Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

Work at being blameless and harmless, the **sons of God**, without rebuke

**The Great Conflict is seen in those who love not the truth**

**The Great Conflict is seen in those who walk not in the truth**

**The Great Conflict** **is seen** in A Divided Church I Corinthians

OVERVIEW of Unity 1-9 Grace Spirit Fellowship

OVERVIEW of DIVISION 10-16 **Unity-Division** (Potential division)-present

1Co 1:10 Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. 11 For it hath been declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them which are of the house of Chloe, that there are contentions among you.

1. The answer to every conflict in the world is the cross. 17-25
2. The answer to every conflict in the church is the called 26-31
3. The answer to every conflict in the individual is the Word 2:1-5

2Co 6:7 By the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left,

1. Sound Preaching

1Co 2:1 ¶ And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God.

* 1. Sound preaching anointed with the Power of the Holy Ghost

1Co 2:4 And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: 1Th 1:5 For our gospel came not unto you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance; as ye know what manner of men we were among you for your sake.

* 1. Sound Anointed Preaching leads to sound Faith in the Power of God.

1Co 2:5 That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

* 1. A Perfect trust in the highest wisdom

1Co 2:6 Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought: 7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory: 10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God. 13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual. 16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.

Ps 112:7 He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the LORD.

Blessed is the Man

1. Praise ye the LORD
2. feareth the LORD,
3. that delighteth greatly in his commandments.

Obedient ear Obedient faith Obedient heart Obedient fear

A Servant of The Lord

Ps. 112:10 The wicked shall see it, and be grieved; he shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away: the desire of the wicked shall perish.

J.P. Morgan looked not at the conflict as a problem but business opportunity

Consolidated steel and iron businesses to create the United States Steel Corporation Carnegie agreed to sell the business to Morgan for $487 million. The deal was closed without lawyers and without a written contract. U.S. Steel was founded the first billion-dollar company in the world with an authorized capitalization of $1.4 billion.

Morgan was the founder of the Metropolitan Club of New York. President 1891 to 1900. He donated the land on 5th Avenue and 60th Street $125,000 Commanded Stanford White, Build a club fit for gentlemen forget expense

Book collector, pictures, clocks, paintings, owned 50,million dollars of art

An avid yachtsman, Morgan owned several sizeable yachts. Morgan’s response to a question about the cost of maintaining a yacht

*"If you have to ask the price, you can't afford it"*

Morgan was scheduled to travel on the maiden voyage of the [*Titanic*](http://titanic). Morgan was to have his own private suite and promenade deck on the ship. but he canceled at the last minute

JP Morgan had become one of America's most important gem collectors (over 1000 pieces). The exhibit won two golden awards

His house on Madison Avenue was the first electrically lit private residence in New York. His interest in the new technology was a result of his financing [Thomas Edison](http://edison)'s [Edison Electric Illuminating Company](http://company) in 1878. At the time of his death, he still held 19% of his own net worth, an estate worth $68.3 million

Paid $300 for a substitute for war 5000 $3.50 Fremont sold $22 each. defective rifles shot thumbs

Andrew Carnegie became a man of the gospel of wealth, Industrial age (thought)-need rails for the railroad? (invest in iron)

**Serve** through an agony through hard times through a war in Heaven

Re 12:7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, 8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. 9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. 10 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. 11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

Joe 2:14 Who knoweth if he will return and repent, and leave a blessing behind him; even a meat offering and a drink offering unto the LORD your God? 17 Let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O LORD, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God? 19 Yea, the LORD will answer and say unto his people, Behold, I will send you corn, and wine, and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a reproach among the heathen: 21 Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the LORD will do great things. 23 Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month.

former rain moderately-teacher of righteousness=according to righteousnes

Jas 5:7 Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.

Ho 6:3 Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the LORD: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth.

Zec 10:1 Ask ye of the LORD rain in the time of the latter rain; so the LORD shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field.

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1. There are opportunities to show Grace.
   1. In every concern
   2. In every command
   3. In every contrast
   4. In every contest
   5. In every Conflict
   6. In every battle
   7. In every fight
2. There is responsibility to do it in truth.
   1. The man that feareth the LORD, that delighteth greatly in his commandments.
      1. An obedient ear
      2. An obedient fear

Eph 6:5 Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ;

* + 1. Obedient heart
    2. An obedient faith

Ac 6:7 And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.

Ps 112:1 Praise ye the LORD.

We reverence his authority; we are obedient to his directions; and we dread lest anything should be undone or ill done which is delivered to us in the name of the Lord.

Ps 119:16 I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word. 35 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments; for therein do I delight. 47 And I will delight myself in thy commandments, which I have loved. 70 Their heart is as fat as grease; but I delight in thy law.

Ps 119:143 Trouble and anguish have taken hold on me: yet thy commandments are my delights. Lu 22:44 And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

a contest; an effort:--conflict, contention, fight, race. A battle, war.

Jas 1:27 Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

Ps 112:4 Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.

The faithful and gracious know that all will go well with them in all their adversities for God will be merciful and just.

Heb 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Ps 112:2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed.

His seed shall be mighty upon earth but through an agony

Re 12:11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

Ps 112:4 Unto the upright there ariseth light in the **darkness**: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.

“darkness” misery, destruction, death, ignorance, sorrow

Ps 112:7 He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the LORD.

Bad, evil. adversity, affliction, calamity, displeaseure, distress, evil((- favouredness, exceedingly, great, grief(-vous), harm, heavy, hurt(-ful), ill (favoured), + mark, mischief(-vous), misery, naught(-ty), noisome, sad(-ly), sore, sorrow, trouble,

Lincoln’s Presidency was an agony

The Civil War was an agony

The battle of Getty’s Burg was an agony.

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, **a new nation, conceived in Liberty**, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle-field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But, in a larger sense, we can not dedicate -- we can not consecrate -- we can not hallow -- this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us -- that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion -- that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain -- that this nation, under God, shall have **a new birth of freedom** -- and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.

**“A new birth of freedom” From an agony**

Abraham Lincoln with his tenacious mind and his humble and contrite heart, led us through the worst agony which we have yet endured as a nation.

Lincoln's agony and sweat over the ultimate question, "What is the will of God in this crisis?"

Rev. PHINEAS GURLEY: What we need in the hour of trial, and what we should seek by earnest prayer, is confidence in Him who sees the end from the beginning and doeth all things well. Let us acknowledge his hand and hear his voice and inquire after his will and seek his Holy Spirit as our counselor and guide, and all, in the end, will be well.

Job 1:1 ¶ There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil.

Lincoln found comfort in the story of Job

Jesus Christ lived, died and rose again for the world, Abraham Lincoln lived and died for his country.

Unbelief is slavery

Anger is slavery

Hatred is slavery

Pride is slavery

Fear is slavery

Stubbornness is slavery

Idolatry is slavery

All sin is slavery

Serving feelings, emotions, thoughts, own understandings

Fate is the worst kind of slavery

They Questioning authority They Questioning Providence They Question the Promise They Question God

Predetermining results without knowing how to fix your trust IN the LORD.

Conflict of truth and error; life and death, grace and law, **grace and faith**

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Ps 112:4 Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.

The man not only studies the divine precepts and endeavours to observe them, but rejoices to do so: holiness is his happiness, devotion is his delight, truth is his treasure. He rejoices in the precepts of godliness, yea, and delights greatly in them.

hypocrites rejoice in doctrines, but not commandments. Ungodly may obey commandments out of fear, but only a gracious man observe with delight.

1John 5:3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.