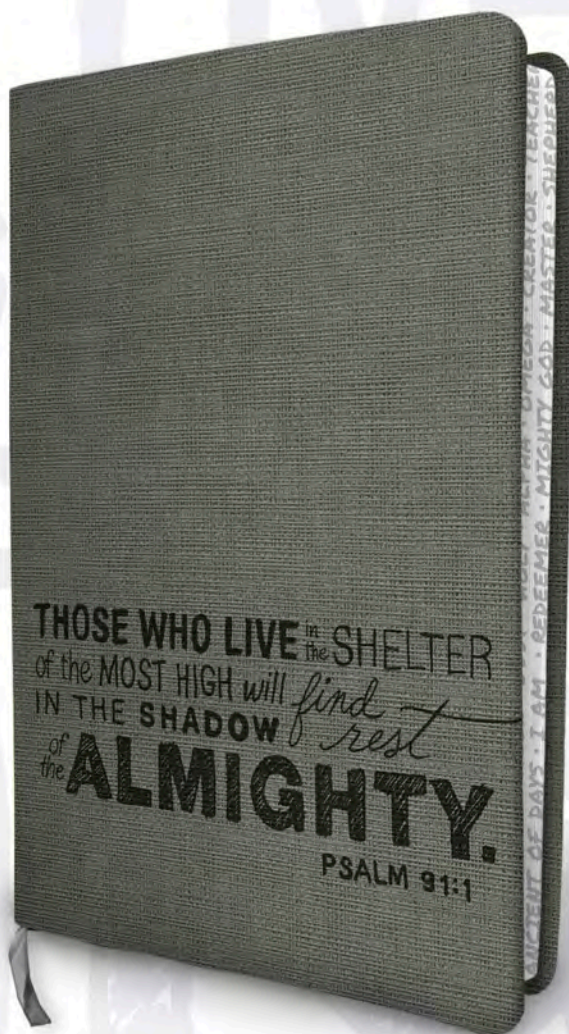


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A NOTE TO READERS

The *Holy Bible*, New Living Translation, was first published in 1996. It quickly became one of the most popular Bible translations in the English-speaking world. While the NLT's influence was rapidly growing, the Bible Translation Committee determined that an additional investment in scholarly review and text refinement could make it even better. So shortly after its initial publication, the committee began an eight-year process with the purpose of increasing the level of the NLT's precision without sacrificing its easy-to-understand quality. This second-generation text was completed in 2004, with minor changes subsequently introduced in 2007, 2013, and 2015.

The goal of any Bible translation is to convey the meaning and content of the ancient Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek texts as accurately as possible to contemporary readers. The challenge for our translators was to create a text that would communicate as clearly and powerfully to today's readers as the original texts did to readers and listeners in the ancient biblical world. The resulting translation is easy to read and understand, while also accurately communicating the meaning and content of the original biblical texts. The NLT is a general-purpose text especially good for study, devotional reading, and reading aloud in worship services.

We believe that the New Living Translation—which combines the latest biblical scholarship with a clear, dynamic writing style—will communicate God's word powerfully to all who read it. We publish it with the prayer that God will use it to speak his timeless truth to the church and the world in a fresh, new way.

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OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis

The Account of Creation

1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.*† ²The earth was formless and empty, and darkness covered the deep waters. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters.

John 1:1-2

³Then God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good.

Then he separated the light from the darkness.

⁵God called the light “day” and the darkness “night.”

And evening passed and morning came, marking the first day.

⁶Then God said, “Let there be a space between the waters, to separate the waters of the heavens from the waters of the earth.” ⁷And that is what happened. God made this space to separate the waters of the earth from the waters of the heavens.† ⁸God called the space “sky.” Ps 148:4

And evening passed and morning came, marking the second day.

⁹Then God said, “Let the waters beneath the sky flow together into one place, so dry ground may appear.” And that is what happened. ¹⁰God called the dry ground “land” and the waters “seas.” And God saw that it was good. ¹¹Then God said, “Let the land sprout with vegetation—every sort of seed-bearing plant, and trees that grow seed-bearing fruit. These seeds will then produce the kinds of plants and trees from which they came.” And that is what happened.

¹²The land produced vegetation—all sorts of seed-bearing plants, and trees with seed-bearing fruit. Their seeds produced plants and trees of the same kind. And God saw that it was good.

¹³And evening passed and morning came, marking the third day.†

Ps 65:9-13

¹⁴Then God said, “Let lights appear in the sky to separate the day from the night. Let them be signs to mark the seasons, days, and years.

¹⁵Let these lights in the sky shine down on the earth.” And that is what happened. ¹⁶God made two great lights—the larger one to govern the day, and the smaller one to govern the night. He also made the stars. ¹⁷God set these lights in the sky to light the earth, ¹⁸to govern the day and night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good.

¹⁹And evening passed and morning came, marking the fourth day.†

Ps 74:16

²⁰Then God said, “Let the waters swarm with fish and other life. Let the skies be filled with birds of every kind.” ²¹So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that scurries and swarms in the water, and every sort of bird—each producing offspring of the same kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²Then God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply. Let the fish fill the seas, and let the birds multiply on the earth.”

²³And evening passed and morning came, marking the fifth day.†

Gen 8:19

²⁴Then God said, “Let the earth produce every sort of animal, each producing offspring of the same kind—livestock, small animals that scurry along the ground, and wild animals.” And that is what happened. ²⁵God made all sorts of wild animals, livestock, and small animals, each able to produce offspring of the same kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶Then God said, “Let us make human beings* in our image, to be like us. They will reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, the livestock, all the wild animals on the

1:1 Or *In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, . . . Or When God began to create the heavens and the earth, . . .*
1:26a Or *man*; Hebrew reads *adam*.

earth,* and the small animals that scurry along the ground."

27 So God created human beings* in his own image.

In the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

28 Then God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and multiply. Fill the earth and govern it. Reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, and all the animals that scurry along the ground."

29 Then God said, "Look! I have given you every seed-bearing plant throughout the earth and all the fruit trees for your food.† 30 And I have given every green plant as food for all the wild animals, the birds in the sky, and the small animals that scurry along the ground—everything that has life." And that is what happened.

Ps 104:14, 27

31 Then God looked over all he had made, and he saw that it was very good!

And evening passed and morning came, marking the sixth day.

2 So the creation of the heavens and the earth and everything in them was completed.

2 On the seventh day God had finished his work of creation, so he rested* from all his work.† 3 And God blessed the seventh day and declared it holy, because it was the day when he rested from all his work of creation.

Heb 4:4

4 This is the account of the creation of the heavens and the earth.

The Man and Woman in Eden

When the LORD God made the earth and the heavens, 5 neither wild plants nor grains were growing on the earth. For the LORD God had not yet sent rain to water the earth, and there were no people to cultivate the soil. 6 Instead, springs* came up from the ground and watered all the land. 7 Then the LORD God formed the man from the dust of the ground. He breathed the breath of life into the man's nostrils, and the man became a living person.†

1 Cor 15:45

8 Then the LORD God planted a garden in Eden in the east, and there he placed the man he had made. 9 The LORD God made all sorts of trees grow up from the ground—trees that were beautiful and that produced delicious fruit. In the middle of the garden he placed the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

10 A river flowed from the land of Eden, watering the garden and then dividing into four branches. 11 The first branch, called the Pishon, flowed around the entire land of Havilah, where gold is found. 12 The gold of that land is exceptionally pure; aromatic resin and onyx stone are also found there. 13 The second branch, called the Gihon, flowed around the entire land of Cush. 14 The third branch, called the Tigris, flowed east of the land of Asshur. The fourth branch is called the Euphrates.†

Dan 10:4

15 The LORD God placed the man in the Garden of Eden to tend and watch over it. 16 But the LORD God warned him, "You may freely eat the fruit of every tree in the garden—17 except the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. If you eat its fruit, you are sure to die."

18 Then the LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is just right for him." 19 So the LORD God formed from the ground all the wild animals and all the birds of the sky. He brought them to the man* to see what he would call them, and the man chose a name for each one. 20 He gave names to all the livestock, all the birds of the sky, and all the wild animals. But still there was no helper just right for him.

21 So the LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep. While the man slept, the LORD God took out one of the man's ribs* and closed up the opening. 22 Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib, and he brought her to the man.†

1 Cor 11:8-9

23 "At last!" the man exclaimed.

"This one is bone from my bone, and flesh from my flesh! She will be called 'woman,' because she was taken from 'man.'"

24 This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one.†

1 Cor 6:16

25 Now the man and his wife were both naked, but they felt no shame.

The Man and Woman Sin

3 The serpent was the shrewdest of all the wild animals the LORD God had made. One day he asked the woman, "Did God really say you must not eat the fruit from any of the trees in the garden?"†

Rev 12:9

2 "Of course we may eat fruit from the trees in the garden," the woman replied. 3 "It's only the fruit from the tree in the middle of the garden that we are not allowed to eat. God said, 'You must not eat it or even touch it; if you do, you will die.'"

4 "You won't die!" the serpent replied to the

1:26b As in Syriac version; Hebrew reads *all the earth*. 1:27 Or *the man*; Hebrew reads *ha-adam*. 2:2 Or *ceased*; also in 2:3. 2:6 Or *mist*. 2:19 Or *Adam*, and so throughout the chapter. 2:21 Or *took a part of the man's side*.

woman.[†] ⁵"God knows that your eyes will be opened as soon as you eat it, and you will be like God, knowing both good and evil." John 8:44

⁶The woman was convinced. She saw that the tree was beautiful and its fruit looked delicious, and she wanted the wisdom it would give her. So she took some of the fruit and ate it. Then she gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it, too. ⁷At that moment their eyes were opened, and they suddenly felt shame at their nakedness. So they sewed fig leaves together to cover themselves.

⁸When the cool evening breezes were blowing, the man* and his wife heard the LORD God walking about in the garden. So they hid from the LORD God among the trees. ⁹Then the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?"

¹⁰He replied, "I heard you walking in the garden, so I hid. I was afraid because I was naked."

¹¹"Who told you that you were naked?" the LORD God asked. "Have you eaten from the tree whose fruit I commanded you not to eat?"

¹²The man replied, "It was the woman you gave me who gave me the fruit, and I ate it."

¹³Then the LORD God asked the woman, "What have you done?"

"The serpent deceived me," she replied. "That's why I ate it."[†] 1 Tim 2:14

¹⁴Then the LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this, you are cursed more than all animals, domestic and wild.

You will crawl on your belly, groveling in the dust as long as you live.

¹⁵And I will cause hostility between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring.

He will strike* your head, and you will strike his heel."[†] Rom 16:20

¹⁶Then he said to the woman,

"I will sharpen the pain of your pregnancy, and in pain you will give birth. And you will desire to control your husband, but he will rule over you.*"

¹⁷And to the man he said,

"Since you listened to your wife and ate from the tree whose fruit I commanded you not to eat, the ground is cursed because of you. All your life you will struggle to scratch a living from it.

¹⁸It will grow thorns and thistles for you, though you will eat of its grains.

¹⁹By the sweat of your brow you will have food to eat until you return to the ground from which you were made. For you were made from dust, and to dust you will return."

Paradise Lost: God's Judgment

²⁰Then the man—Adam—named his wife Eve, because she would be the mother of all who live.*[†] ²¹And the LORD God made clothing from animal skins for Adam and his wife. 1 Tim 2:13

²²Then the LORD God said, "Look, the human beings* have become like us, knowing both good and evil. What if they reach out, take fruit from the tree of life, and eat it? Then they will live forever!" ²³So the LORD God banished them from the Garden of Eden, and he sent Adam out to cultivate the ground from which he had been made.[†] ²⁴After sending them out, the LORD God stationed mighty cherubim to the east of the Garden of Eden. And he placed a flaming sword that flashed back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life. Rev 2:7; 22:2, 14

Cain and Abel

4 Now Adam* had sexual relations with his wife, Eve, and she became pregnant. When she gave birth to Cain, she said, "With the LORD's help, I have produced* a man!" ²Later she gave birth to his brother and named him Abel.

When they grew up, Abel became a shepherd, while Cain cultivated the ground. ³When it was time for the harvest, Cain presented some of his crops as a gift to the LORD. ⁴Abel also brought a gift—the best portions of the firstborn lambs from his flock. The LORD accepted Abel and his gift, ⁵but he did not accept Cain and his gift. This made Cain very angry, and he looked dejected.[†] Heb 11:4

⁶"Why are you so angry?" the LORD asked Cain. "Why do you look so dejected? ⁷You will be accepted if you do what is right. But if you refuse to do what is right, then watch out! Sin is crouching at the door, eager to control you. But you must subdue it and be its master."

⁸One day Cain suggested to his brother, "Let's go out into the fields."* And while they were in the field, Cain attacked his brother, Abel, and killed him.[†] Matt 23:35

⁹Afterward the LORD asked Cain, "Where is your brother? Where is Abel?"

"I don't know," Cain responded. "Am I my brother's guardian?"

3:8 Or Adam, and so throughout the chapter. 3:15 Or bruise; also in 3:15b. 3:16 Or And though you will have desire for your husband, / he will rule over you. 3:20 Eve sounds like a Hebrew term that means "to give life." 3:22 Or the man; Hebrew reads ha-adam. 4:1a Or the man; also in 4:25. 4:1b Or I have acquired. Cain sounds like a Hebrew term that can mean "produce" or "acquire." 4:8 As in Samaritan Pentateuch, Greek and Syriac versions, and Latin Vulgate; Masoretic Text lacks "Let's go out into the fields."

¹⁰But the LORD said, "What have you done? Listen! Your brother's blood cries out to me from the ground!" ¹¹Now you are cursed and banished from the ground, which has swallowed your brother's blood. ¹²No longer will the ground yield good crops for you, no matter how hard you work! From now on you will be a homeless wanderer on the earth."

¹³Cain replied to the LORD, "My punishment* is too great for me to bear! ¹⁴You have banished me from the land and from your presence; you have made me a homeless wanderer. Anyone who finds me will kill me!"†

Ps 51:11

¹⁵The LORD replied, "No, for I will give a seven-fold punishment to anyone who kills you." Then the LORD put a mark on Cain to warn anyone who might try to kill him. ¹⁶So Cain left the LORD's presence and settled in the land of Nod,* east of Eden.

The Descendants of Cain

¹⁷Cain had sexual relations with his wife, and she became pregnant and gave birth to Enoch. Then Cain founded a city, which he named Enoch, after his son. ¹⁸Enoch had a son named Irad. Irad became the father of* Mehujael. Mehujael became the father of Methushael. Methushael became the father of Lamech.†

Ps 49:11

¹⁹Lamech married two women. The first was named Adah, and the second was Zillah. ²⁰Adah gave birth to Jabal, who was the first of those who raise livestock and live in tents. ²¹His brother's name was Jubal, the first of all who play the harp and flute. ²²Lamech's other wife, Zillah, gave birth to a son named Tubal-cain. He became an expert in forging tools of bronze and iron. Tubal-cain had a sister named Naamah. ²³One day Lamech said to his wives,

"Adah and Zillah, hear my voice;
listen to me, you wives of Lamech.
I have killed a man who attacked me,
a young man who wounded me.† Exod 20:13
²⁴ If someone who kills Cain is punished
seven times,
then the one who kills me will be punished
seventy-seven times!"

The Birth of Seth

²⁵Adam had sexual relations with his wife again, and she gave birth to another son. She named him Seth,* for she said, "God has granted me another son in place of Abel, whom Cain killed."† ²⁶When Seth grew up, he had a son and named him Enosh. At that time people first began to worship the LORD by name. Luke 3:38

4:13 Or *My sin*. 4:16 *Nod* means "wandering." 4:18 Or *the ancestor of*, and so throughout the verse. 4:25 *Seth* probably means "granted"; the name may also mean "appointed." 5:1 Or *man*; Hebrew reads *adam*; similarly in 5:2. 5:6 Or *the ancestor of*; also in 5:9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 25. 5:7 Or *the birth of this ancestor of*; also in 5:10, 13, 16, 19, 22, 26.

The Descendants of Adam

5 This is the written account of the descendants of Adam. When God created human beings,* he made them to be like himself. ²He created them male and female, and he blessed them and called them "human."†

Mark 10:6

³When Adam was 130 years old, he became the father of a son who was just like him—in his very image. He named his son Seth. ⁴After the birth of Seth, Adam lived another 800 years, and he had other sons and daughters. ⁵Adam lived 930 years, and then he died.

⁶When Seth was 105 years old, he became the father of* Enosh. ⁷After the birth of* Enosh, Seth lived another 807 years, and he had other sons and daughters. ⁸Seth lived 912 years, and then he died.

⁹When Enosh was 90 years old, he became the father of Kenan. ¹⁰After the birth of Kenan, Enosh lived another 815 years, and he had other sons and daughters. ¹¹Enosh lived 905 years, and then he died.

¹²When Kenan was 70 years old, he became the father of Mahalalel. ¹³After the birth of Mahalalel, Kenan lived another 840 years, and he had other sons and daughters.

¹⁴Kenan lived 910 years, and then he died.

¹⁵When Mahalalel was 65 years old, he became the father of Jared. ¹⁶After the birth of Jared, Mahalalel lived another 830 years, and he had other sons and daughters. ¹⁷Mahalalel lived 895 years, and then he died.

¹⁸When Jared was 162 years old, he became the father of Enoch. ¹⁹After the birth of Enoch, Jared lived another 800 years, and he had other sons and daughters. ²⁰Jared lived 962 years, and then he died.

²¹When Enoch was 65 years old, he became the father of Methuselah.† ²²After the birth of Methuselah, Enoch lived in close fellowship with God for another 300 years, and he had other sons and daughters. ²³Enoch lived 365 years, ²⁴walking in close fellowship with God. Then one day he disappeared, because God took him. Luke 3:37-38

²⁵When Methuselah was 187 years old, he became the father of Lamech. ²⁶After the birth of Lamech, Methuselah lived another 782 years, and he had other sons and daughters. ²⁷Methuselah lived 969 years, and then he died.

²⁸When Lamech was 182 years old, he became the father of a son. ²⁹Lamech named his son

Mark

John the Baptist Prepares the Way

1 This is the Good News about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God.* It began ²just as the prophet Isaiah had written:

“Look, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,
and he will prepare your way.*”

³ He is a voice shouting in the wilderness,
“Prepare the way for the LORD’s coming!
Clear the road for him!”*”

⁴This messenger was John the Baptist. He was in the wilderness and preached that people should be baptized to show that they had repented of their sins and turned to God to be forgiven. ⁵All of Judea, including all the people of Jerusalem, went out to see and hear John. And when they confessed their sins, he baptized them in the Jordan River. ⁶His clothes were woven from coarse camel hair, and he wore a leather belt around his waist. For food he ate locusts and wild honey.

⁷John announced: “Someone is coming soon who is greater than I am—so much greater that I’m not even worthy to stoop down like a slave and untie the straps of his sandals. ⁸I baptize you with* water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit!”†

Luke 3:1-16

The Baptism and Temptation of Jesus

⁹One day Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee, and John baptized him in the Jordan River. ¹⁰As Jesus came up out of the water, he saw the heavens splitting apart and the Holy Spirit descending on him* like a dove. ¹¹And a voice from heaven said, “You are my dearly loved Son, and you bring me great joy.”†

Matt 3:13-17

¹²The Spirit then compelled Jesus to go into the wilderness, ¹³where he was tempted by Satan for

1:1 Some manuscripts do not include *the Son of God*. 1:2 Mal 3:1. 1:3 Isa 40:3 (Greek version). 1:8 Or *in*; also in 1:8b. 1:10 Or *toward him*, or *into him*. 1:14 Some manuscripts read *the Good News of the Kingdom of God*. 1:16 Simon is called “Peter” in 3:16 and thereafter. 1:23 Greek *unclean*; also in 1:26, 27.

forty days. He was out among the wild animals, and angels took care of him.†

Luke 4:1-13

¹⁴Later on, after John was arrested, Jesus went into Galilee, where he preached God’s Good News.* ¹⁵“**The time promised by God has come at last!**” he announced. “**The Kingdom of God is near! Repent of your sins and believe the Good News!**”

The First Disciples

¹⁶One day as Jesus was walking along the shore of the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon* and his brother Andrew throwing a net into the water, for they fished for a living. ¹⁷Jesus called out to them, “**Come, follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people!**” ¹⁸And they left their nets at once and followed him.

¹⁹A little farther up the shore Jesus saw Zebedee’s sons, James and John, in a boat repairing their nets. ²⁰He called them at once, and they also followed him, leaving their father, Zebedee, in the boat with the hired men.†

Luke 5:1-11

Jesus Casts Out an Evil Spirit

²¹Jesus and his companions went to the town of Capernaum. When the Sabbath day came, he went into the synagogue and began to teach. ²²The people were amazed at his teaching, for he taught with real authority—quite unlike the teachers of religious law.

²³Suddenly, a man in the synagogue who was possessed by an evil* spirit cried out, ²⁴“Why are you interfering with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!”

²⁵But Jesus reprimanded him. “**Be quiet! Come out of the man,**” he ordered. ²⁶At that, the evil spirit screamed, threw the man into a convulsion, and then came out of him.

²⁷Amazement gripped the audience, and they

began to discuss what had happened. "What sort of new teaching is this?" they asked excitedly. "It has such authority! Even evil spirits obey his orders!"²⁸The news about Jesus spread quickly throughout the entire region of Galilee.[†]

Luke 4:31-41

Jesus Heals Many People

²⁹After Jesus left the synagogue with James and John, they went to Simon and Andrew's home. ³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was sick in bed with a high fever. They told Jesus about her right away. ³¹So he went to her bedside, took her by the hand, and helped her sit up. Then the fever left her, and she prepared a meal for them.

³²That evening after sunset, many sick and demon-possessed people were brought to Jesus. ³³The whole town gathered at the door to watch. ³⁴So Jesus healed many people who were sick with various diseases, and he cast out many demons. But because the demons knew who he was, he did not allow them to speak.[†]

Luke 4:38-41

Jesus Preaches in Galilee

³⁵Before daybreak the next morning, Jesus got up and went out to an isolated place to pray. ³⁶Later Simon and the others went out to find him. ³⁷When they found him, they said, "Everyone is looking for you."

³⁸But Jesus replied, "**We must go on to other towns as well, and I will preach to them, too. That is why I came.**" ³⁹So he traveled throughout the region of Galilee, preaching in the synagogues and casting out demons.[†]

Luke 4:42-44

Jesus Heals a Man with Leprosy

⁴⁰A man with leprosy came and knelt in front of Jesus, begging to be healed. "If you are willing, you can heal me and make me clean," he said.

⁴¹Moved with compassion,* Jesus reached out and touched him. "**I am willing,**" he said. "**Be healed!**" ⁴²Instantly the leprosy disappeared, and the man was healed. ⁴³Then Jesus sent him on his way with a stern warning: ⁴⁴"**Don't tell anyone about this. Instead, go to the priest and let him examine you. Take along the offering required in the law of Moses for those who have been healed of leprosy.* This will be a public testimony that you have been cleansed.**"

⁴⁵But the man went and spread the word, proclaiming to everyone what had happened. As a result, large crowds soon surrounded Jesus, and he couldn't publicly enter a town anywhere. He had to stay out in the secluded places, but people from everywhere kept coming to him.[†]

Matt 8:2-4

1:41 Some manuscripts read *Moved with anger*. 1:44 See Lev 14:2-32. 2:10 "Son of Man" is a title Jesus used for himself. 2:16a Greek the scribes of the Pharisees. 2:16b Greek with tax collectors and sinners?

Jesus Heals a Paralyzed Man

2 When Jesus returned to Capernaum several days later, the news spread quickly that he was back home. ²Soon the house where he was staying was so packed with visitors that there was no more room, even outside the door. While he was preaching God's word to them, ³four men arrived carrying a paralyzed man on a mat. ⁴They couldn't bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, so they dug a hole through the roof above his head. Then they lowered the man on his mat, right down in front of Jesus. ⁵Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the paralyzed man, "**My child, your sins are forgiven.**"

⁶But some of the teachers of religious law who were sitting there thought to themselves, ⁷"What is he saying? This is blasphemy! Only God can forgive sins!"

⁸Jesus knew immediately what they were thinking, so he asked them, "**Why do you question this in your hearts?**" ⁹Is it easier to say to the paralyzed man '**Your sins are forgiven,**' or '**Stand up, pick up your mat, and walk?**' ¹⁰So I will prove to you that the Son of Man* has the authority on earth to forgive sins." Then Jesus turned to the paralyzed man and said, ¹¹"**Stand up, pick up your mat, and go home!**"

¹²And the man jumped up, grabbed his mat, and walked out through the stunned onlookers. They were all amazed and praised God, exclaiming, "We've never seen anything like this before!"

Jesus Calls Levi (Matthew)

¹³Then Jesus went out to the lakeshore again and taught the crowds that were coming to him. ¹⁴As he walked along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at his tax collector's booth. "**Follow me and be my disciple,**" Jesus said to him. So Levi got up and followed him.

¹⁵Later, Levi invited Jesus and his disciples to his home as dinner guests, along with many tax collectors and other disreputable sinners. (There were many people of this kind among Jesus' followers.) ¹⁶But when the teachers of religious law who were Pharisees* saw him eating with tax collectors and other sinners, they asked his disciples, "Why does he eat with such scum?"

¹⁷When Jesus heard this, he told them, "**Healthy people don't need a doctor—sick people do. I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners.**"[†] Matt 9:9-13

A Discussion about Fasting

¹⁸Once when John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting, some people came to Jesus and asked, "Why don't your disciples fast like John's disciples and the Pharisees do?"

¹⁹Jesus replied, "Do wedding guests fast while celebrating with the groom? Of course not. They can't fast while the groom is with them. ²⁰But someday the groom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast.

²¹"Besides, who would patch old clothing with new cloth? For the new patch would shrink and rip away from the old cloth, leaving an even bigger tear than before.

²²"And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. For the wine would burst the wineskins, and the wine and the skins would both be lost. New wine calls for new wineskins."[†]

Luke 5:33-38

A Discussion about the Sabbath

²³One Sabbath day as Jesus was walking through some grainfields, his disciples began breaking off heads of grain to eat. ²⁴But the Pharisees said to Jesus, "Look, why are they breaking the law by harvesting grain on the Sabbath?"

²⁵Jesus said to them, "Haven't you ever read in the Scriptures what David did when he and his companions were hungry? ²⁶He went into the house of God (during the days when Abiathar was high priest) and broke the law by eating the sacred loaves of bread that only the priests are allowed to eat. He also gave some to his companions."

²⁷Then Jesus said to them, "The Sabbath was made to meet the needs of people, and not people to meet the requirements of the Sabbath. ²⁸So the Son of Man is Lord, even over the Sabbath!"[†]

Luke 6:1-5

Jesus Heals on the Sabbath

3 Jesus went into the synagogue again and noticed a man with a deformed hand. ²Since it was the Sabbath, Jesus' enemies watched him closely. If he healed the man's hand, they planned to accuse him of working on the Sabbath.

³Jesus said to the man with the deformed hand, "Come and stand in front of everyone." ⁴Then he turned to his critics and asked, "Does the law permit good deeds on the Sabbath, or is it a day for doing evil? Is this a day to save life or to destroy it?" But they wouldn't answer him.

⁵He looked around at them angrily and was deeply saddened by their hard hearts. Then he said to the man, "Hold out your hand." So the man held out his hand, and it was restored! ⁶At once the Pharisees went away and met with the supporters of Herod to plot how to kill Jesus.[†]

Matt 12:9-14

Crowds Follow Jesus

⁷Jesus went out to the lake with his disciples, and a large crowd followed him. They came from all

^{3:11} Greek *unclean*; also in 3:30. ^{3:14} Some manuscripts do not include and called them his apostles. ^{3:17} Greek *whom he named Boanerges, which means Sons of Thunder*. ^{3:18} Greek *the Cananean*, an Aramaic term for Jewish nationalists. ^{3:22} Greek *Beelzeboul*; other manuscripts read *Beezebul*; Latin version reads *Beelzebub*.

over Galilee, Judea, ⁸Jerusalem, Idumea, from east of the Jordan River, and even from as far north as Tyre and Sidon. The news about his miracles had spread far and wide, and vast numbers of people came to see him.

⁹Jesus instructed his disciples to have a boat ready so the crowd would not crush him. ¹⁰He had healed many people that day, so all the sick people eagerly pushed forward to touch him. ¹¹And whenever those possessed by evil* spirits caught sight of him, the spirits would throw them to the ground in front of him shrieking, "You are the Son of God!" ¹²But Jesus sternly commanded the spirits not to reveal who he was.[†]

Luke 6:17-19

Jesus Chooses the Twelve Apostles

¹³Afterward Jesus went up on a mountain and called out the ones he wanted to go with him. And they came to him. ¹⁴Then he appointed twelve of them and called them his apostles.* They were to accompany him, and he would send them out to preach, ¹⁵giving them authority to cast out demons. ¹⁶These are the twelve he chose:

Simon (whom he named Peter),

¹⁷ James and John (the sons of Zebedee, but Jesus nicknamed them "Sons of Thunder"*),

¹⁸ Andrew,
Philip,
Bartholomew,
Matthew,
Thomas,
James (son of Alphaeus),
Thaddaeus,
Simon (the zealot*),

¹⁹ Judas Iscariot (who later betrayed him).[†]

Luke 6:12-16

Jesus and the Prince of Demons

²⁰One time Jesus entered a house, and the crowds began to gather again. Soon he and his disciples couldn't even find time to eat. ²¹When his family heard what was happening, they tried to take him away. "He's out of his mind," they said.

²²But the teachers of religious law who had arrived from Jerusalem said, "He's possessed by Satan,* the prince of demons. That's where he gets the power to cast out demons."

²³Jesus called them over and responded with an illustration. "How can Satan cast out Satan?" he asked. ²⁴"A kingdom divided by civil war will collapse. ²⁵Similarly, a family splintered by feuding will fall apart. ²⁶And if Satan is divided and fights against himself, how can he stand? He would

never survive. ²⁷Let me illustrate this further. Who is powerful enough to enter the house of a strong man and plunder his goods? Only someone even stronger—someone who could tie him up and then plunder his house.

²⁸“I tell you the truth, all sin and blasphemy can be forgiven, ²⁹but anyone who blasphemes the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven. This is a sin with eternal consequences.” ³⁰He told them this because they were saying, “He’s possessed by an evil spirit.”† Luke 11:14-23

The True Family of Jesus

³¹Then Jesus’ mother and brothers came to see him. They stood outside and sent word for him to come out and talk with them. ³²There was a crowd sitting around Jesus, and someone said, “Your mother and your brothers* are outside asking for you.”

³³Jesus replied, “Who is my mother? Who are my brothers?” ³⁴Then he looked at those around him and said, “Look, these are my mother and brothers. ³⁵Anyone who does God’s will is my brother and sister and mother.”† Luke 8:19-21

Parable of the Farmer Scattering Seed

4 Once again Jesus began teaching by the lakeshore. A very large crowd soon gathered around him, so he got into a boat. Then he sat in the boat while all the people remained on the shore. ²He taught them by telling many stories in the form of parables, such as this one:

³“Listen! A farmer went out to plant some seed. ⁴As he scattered it across his field, some of the seed fell on a footpath, and the birds came and ate it. ⁵Other seed fell on shallow soil with underlying rock. The seed sprouted quickly because the soil was shallow. ⁶But the plant soon wilted under the hot sun, and since it didn’t have deep roots, it died. ⁷Other seed fell among thorns that grew up and choked out the tender plants so they produced no grain. ⁸Still other seeds fell on fertile soil, and they sprouted, grew, and produced a crop that was thirty, sixty, and even a hundred times as much as had been planted!” ⁹Then he said, “Anyone with ears to hear should listen and understand.”† Matt 13:1-23

¹⁰Later, when Jesus was alone with the twelve disciples and with the others who were gathered around, they asked him what the parables meant.

¹¹He replied, “You are permitted to understand the secret* of the Kingdom of God. But I use parables for everything I say to outsiders, ¹²so that the Scriptures might be fulfilled:

‘When they see what I do,
they will learn nothing.

When they hear what I say,
they will not understand.
Otherwise, they will turn to me
and be forgiven.’* †

Luke 8:9-10

¹³Then Jesus said to them, “If you can’t understand the meaning of this parable, how will you understand all the other parables?” ¹⁴The farmer plants seed by taking God’s word to others. ¹⁵The seed that fell on the footpath represents those who hear the message, only to have Satan come at once and take it away. ¹⁶The seed on the rocky soil represents those who hear the message and immediately receive it with joy. ¹⁷But since they don’t have deep roots, they don’t last long. They fall away as soon as they have problems or are persecuted for believing God’s word. ¹⁸The seed that fell among the thorns represents others who hear God’s word, ¹⁹but all too quickly the message is crowded out by the worries of this life, the lure of wealth, and the desire for other things, so no fruit is produced. ²⁰And the seed that fell on good soil represents those who hear and accept God’s word and produce a harvest of thirty, sixty, or even a hundred times as much as had been planted!”† Luke 8:11-15

Parable of the Lamp

²¹Then Jesus asked them, “Would anyone light a lamp and then put it under a basket or under a bed? Of course not! A lamp is placed on a stand, where its light will shine. ²²For everything that is hidden will eventually be brought into the open, and every secret will be brought to light. ²³Anyone with ears to hear should listen and understand.”

²⁴Then he added, “Pay close attention to what you hear. The closer you listen, the more understanding you will be given*—and you will receive even more. ²⁵To those who listen to my teaching, more understanding will be given. But for those who are not listening, even what little understanding they have will be taken away from them.”† Luke 8:16-18

Parable of the Growing Seed

²⁶Jesus also said, “The Kingdom of God is like a farmer who scatters seed on the ground. ²⁷Night and day, while he’s asleep or awake, the seed sprouts and grows, but he does not understand how it happens. ²⁸The earth produces the crops on its own. First a leaf blade pushes through, then the heads of wheat are formed, and finally the grain ripens. ²⁹And as soon as the grain is ready, the farmer comes and harvests it with a sickle, for the harvest time has come.”

Parable of the Mustard Seed

³⁰Jesus said, “How can I describe the Kingdom of God? What story should I use to illustrate it? ³¹It is like a mustard seed planted in the ground. It is the smallest of all seeds, ³²but it becomes the largest of all garden plants; it grows long branches, and birds can make nests in its shade.”[†] Matt 13:31-32

³³Jesus used many similar stories and illustrations to teach the people as much as they could understand. ³⁴In fact, in his public ministry he never taught without using parables; but afterward, when he was alone with his disciples, he explained everything to them.

Jesus Calms the Storm

³⁵As evening came, Jesus said to his disciples, “Let’s cross to the other side of the lake.” ³⁶So they took Jesus in the boat and started out, leaving the crowds behind (although other boats followed). ³⁷But soon a fierce storm came up. High waves were breaking into the boat, and it began to fill with water.

³⁸Jesus was sleeping at the back of the boat with his head on a cushion. The disciples woke him up, shouting, “Teacher, don’t you care that we’re going to drown?”

³⁹When Jesus woke up, he rebuked the wind and said to the waves, “Silence! Be still!” Suddenly the wind stopped, and there was a great calm. ⁴⁰Then he asked them, “Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?”

⁴¹The disciples were absolutely terrified. “Who is this man?” they asked each other. “Even the wind and waves obey him!”[†]

Luke 8:22-25

Jesus Heals a Demon-Possessed Man

5 So they arrived at the other side of the lake, in the region of the Gerasenes.* ²When Jesus climbed out of the boat, a man possessed by an evil* spirit came out from the tombs to meet him. ³This man lived in the burial caves and could no longer be restrained, even with a chain. ⁴Whenever he was put into chains and shackles—as he often was—he snapped the chains from his wrists and smashed the shackles. No one was strong enough to subdue him. ⁵Day and night he wandered among the burial caves and in the hills, howling and cutting himself with sharp stones.

⁶When Jesus was still some distance away, the man saw him, ran to meet him, and bowed low before him. ⁷With a shriek, he screamed, “Why are you interfering with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? In the name of God, I beg you, don’t torture me!” ⁸For Jesus had already said to the spirit, “Come out of the man, you evil spirit.”

⁹Then Jesus demanded, “What is your name?”

And he replied, “My name is Legion, because there are many of us inside this man.” ¹⁰Then the evil spirits begged him again and again not to send them to some distant place.

¹¹There happened to be a large herd of pigs feeding on the hillside nearby. ¹²“Send us into those pigs,” the spirits begged. “Let us enter them.”

¹³So Jesus gave them permission. The evil spirits came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the entire herd of about 2,000 pigs plunged down the steep hillside into the lake and drowned in the water.

¹⁴The herdsmen fled to the nearby town and the surrounding countryside, spreading the news as they ran. People rushed out to see what had happened. ¹⁵A crowd soon gathered around Jesus, and they saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons. He was sitting there fully clothed and perfectly sane, and they were all afraid. ¹⁶Then those who had seen what happened told the others about the demon-possessed man and the pigs. ¹⁷And the crowd began pleading with Jesus to go away and leave them alone.

¹⁸As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been demon possessed begged to go with him. ¹⁹But Jesus said, “No, go home to your family, and tell them everything the Lord has done for you and how merciful he has been.” ²⁰So the man started off to visit the Ten Towns* of that region and began to proclaim the great things Jesus had done for him; and everyone was amazed at what he told them.[†]

Luke 8:26-39

Jesus Heals in Response to Faith

²¹Jesus got into the boat again and went back to the other side of the lake, where a large crowd gathered around him on the shore. ²²Then a leader of the local synagogue, whose name was Jairus, arrived. When he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet, ²³pleading fervently with him. “My little daughter is dying,” he said. “Please come and lay your hands on her; heal her so she can live.”

²⁴Jesus went with him, and all the people followed, crowding around him. ²⁵A woman in the crowd had suffered for twelve years with constant bleeding. ²⁶She had suffered a great deal from many doctors, and over the years she had spent everything she had to pay them, but she had gotten no better. In fact, she had gotten worse. ²⁷She had heard about Jesus, so she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his robe. ²⁸For she thought to herself, “If I can just touch his robe, I will be healed.” ²⁹Immediately the bleeding

5:1 Other manuscripts read *Gadarenes*; still others read *Gergesenes*. See Matt 8:28; Luke 8:26. 5:2 Greek *unclean*; also in 5:8, 13. 5:20 Greek *Decapolis*.

NLT DICTIONARY/CONCORDANCE

ABANDON, ABANDONED,

ABANDONS (v) to desert or forsake
 Josh 1:5 ... will not fail you or *a* you.
 Josh 24:16 ... We would never *a* the Lord.
 Ezra 9:9 ... God did not *a* us in our slavery.
 Neh 9:31 ... completely or *a* them forever.

Ps 22:1 ... why have you *a-ed* me?
 Ps 37:25 ... never seen the godly *a-ed*
 Ps 37:28 ... he will never *a* the godly.
 Prov 15:10 ... Whoever *a-s* the right path
 Matt 27:46 ... why have you *a-ed* me?
 John 16:1 ... you won't *a* your faith.
 Rom 1:24 ... So God *a-ed* them to do
 Rom 1:28 ... *a-ed* them to their foolish
 2 Cor 4:9 ... down, but never *a-ed* by God.
 Heb 13:5 ... I will never *a* you.

ABOUND(ED) (KJV)

Prov 28:20 ... person will *get a rich reward*
 Matt 24:12 ... Sin will be *rampant everywhere*
 Rom 5:15 ... *even greater* is God's wonderful grace
 Rom 5:20 ... grace *became more abundant*
 2 Cor 8:7 ... *excel* also in this gracious act

ABUNDANCE (n)

great quantity, affluence; more than ample
 Job 36:31 ... giving them food in *a*.
 Ps 66:12 ... *a* place of *a*.
 Jer 31:14 ... The priests will enjoy *a*.
 Matt 13:12 ... have an *a* of knowledge.
 Matt 25:29 ... they will have an *a*.
 John 1:16 ... From his *a* we have all

ACCEPT, ACCEPTED, ACCEPTS

(v) to receive willingly
 Gen 4:4 ... The Lord *a-ed* Abel
 Job 4:7 ... be *a-ed* if you do what is right.
 Deut 16:19 ... Never *a* a bribe, for bribes
 Job 42:8 ... I will *a* his prayer
 Job 42:9 ... the Lord *a-ed* Job's prayer.
 Eccl 5:18 ... to *a* their lot in life.
 Luke 4:24 ... no prophet is *a-ed* in his
 Luke 10:16 ... who *a-s* your message
 John 1:12 ... believed him and *a-ed* him,
 John 17:8 ... They *a-ed* it and know that
 Rom 11:12 ... when they finally *a* it.

Gal 2:9 ... they *a-ed* Barnabas and me
 Col 2:6 ... just as you *a-ed* Christ Jesus
 1 Tim 1:15 ... everyone should *a* it:
 1 Tim 4:9 ... everyone should *a* it.
 Jas 1:21 ... *a* the word God has planted

ACCUSED (KJV)

Deut 21:23 ... anyone who is hung is *cursed*
 Josh 6:18 ... things *set apart for destruction*
 1 Cor 12:3 ... will *curse* Jesus, and no one
 Gal 1:9 ... let that person be *cursed*

ACCUSE, ACCUSED, ACCUSES,

ACCUSING (v) to charge with fault or offense; blame
 Job 22:4 ... he *a-s* you and brings judgment
 Ps 27:12 ... For they *a* me of things
 Dan 6:5 ... grounds for *a-ing* Daniel
 Luke 23:14 ... *a-ing* him of leading a revolt.
 John 5:45 ... it isn't I who will *a*
 John 7:7 ... because I *a* it of doing evil.
 John 8:46 ... can truthfully *a* me of sin?
 Acts 18:13 ... *a-d* Paul of "persuading
 Rom 2:15 ... and thoughts either *a* them
 Rom 8:33 ... Who dares *a* us whom God
 Rev 12:10 ... who *a-s* them before our God

ADMONISH(ED) (KJV)

Eccl 12:12 ... give you *some further advice*
 Jer 42:19 ... Don't forget this *warning* I
 2 Thes 3:15 ... *warn* them as you would
 Heb 8:5 ... God gave him this *warning*

ADOPT, ADOPTED (v)

to take another's child into one's own family
 Rom 8:15 ... when he *a-ed* you as his own
 Rom 8:23 ... rights as his *a-ed* children.
 Rom 9:4 ... to be God's *a-ed* children.
 Gal 4:5 ... so that he could *a* us as
 Eph 1:5 ... decided in advance to *a* us

ADULTERY (n)

unlawful sexual relations between a married and an unmarried person; symbolic of idolatry
 Exod 20:14 ... You must not commit *a*.
 Prov 6:32 ... who commits *a* is an utter fool,

Matt 5:27 ... You must not commit *a*.
 Mark 10:11 ... someone else commits *a*
 John 8:4 ... caught in the act of *a*.
 1 Cor 6:9 ... *a*, or are male prostitutes,

ADVOCATE (n)

one who pleads the cause of another; defender
 Job 16:19 ... My *a* is there on high.
 John 14:16 ... he will give you another *A*,
 John 14:26 ... the Father sends the *A*
 John 15:26 ... I will send you the *A*—
 John 16:7 ... if I don't, the *A* won't come.
 1 Jn 2:1 ... an *a* who pleads our case

AFRAID (adj)

fearful or apprehensive about an unwanted or uncertain situation
 Gen 3:10 ... I was *a* because I was naked.
 Exod 3:6 ... he was *a* to look at God.
 Deut 1:21 ... Don't be *a*!
 Deut 20:1 ... your own, do not be *a*.
 Ps 23:4 ... I will not be *a*, for you are
 Isa 41:10 ... Don't be *a*, for I am
 Matt 8:26 ... Why are you *a*?
 Matt 10:31 ... So don't be *a*;
 Mark 5:36 ... Don't be *a*.
 John 14:27 ... don't be troubled or *a*.
 2 Tim 4:5 ... Don't be *a* of suffering
 1 Pet 3:14 ... don't worry or be *a*

ALIVE (adj)

animate, having life; active; aware
 Gen 45:7 ... keep you and your families *a*
 Ps 41:2 ... them and keep them *a*.
 Luke 24:23 ... Jesus is *a*!
 Acts 1:3 ... ways that he was actually *a*.
 Rom 6:11 ... the power of sin and *a* to God
 Rev 2:8 ... who was dead but is now *a*:

ALLELUIA (KJV)

Rev 19:1 ... shouting, "Praise the Lord!
 Rev 19:3 ... rang out: "Praise the Lord!
 Rev 19:4 ... "Amen! Praise the Lord!"
 Rev 19:6 ... "Praise the Lord! For the Lord

ALMIGHTY (n)

having absolute power over all; God
 Gen 17:1 ... I am El-Shaddai—"God *A*."
 Exod 6:3 ... as El-Shaddai—"God *A*!"—
 Ruth 1:20 ... *A* has made life very bitter
 Job 6:14 ... without any fear of the *A*.
 Job 33:4 ... breath of the *A* gives me life.
 Ps 91:1 ... rest in the shadow of the *A*.
 Rev 4:8 ... the *A*—the one who always was,

Rev 15:3 ... O Lord God, the *A*.
 Rev 19:6 ... our God, the *A*, reigns.

AMBASSADOR, AMBASSADORS

(*n*) an authorized representative or messenger
 2 Cor 5:20 ... So we are Christ's *a-s*;
 Eph 6:20 ... this message as God's *a*.

AMBITION (*n*) aspiration to achieve a particular goal, good or bad
 Gal 5:20 ... anger, selfish *a*, dissension,
 Phil 1:17 ... They preach with selfish *a*,
 Jas 3:14 ... there is selfish *a* in your heart,

ANGEL, ANGELS (*n*) human or superhuman agent or messenger of God
 Exod 23:20 ... I am sending an *a*.
 2 Sam 24:16 ... and said to the death *a*,
 Ps 91:11 ... will order his *a-s* to protect
 Matt 4:6 ... will order his *a-s* to protect
 Matt 28:2 ... an *a* of the Lord came down
 Luke 1:26 ... God sent the *a* Gabriel
 Luke 2:9 ... an *a* of the Lord appeared
 Luke 20:36 ... they will be like *a-s*.
 Acts 12:7 ... The *a* struck him on the side
 1 Cor 6:3 ... we will judge *a-s*?
 2 Cor 11:14 ... disguises himself as an *a*
 Gal 1:8 ... or even an *a* from heaven,
 Heb 1:6 ... all of God's *a-s* worship him.
 Heb 2:7 ... a little lower than the *a-s*
 Heb 13:2 ... entertained *a-s* without
 1 Pet 1:12 ... the *a-s* are eagerly watching
 2 Pet 2:4 ... even the *a-s* who sinned.
 Jude 1:6 ... I remind you of the *a-s*

ANGER (*n*) a strong feeling of displeasure
 Exod 34:6 ... slow to *a* and filled with
 Num 14:18 ... slow to *a* and filled with
 Deut 9:19 ... furious *a* of the Lord,
 Deut 29:28 ... In great *a* and fury
 2 Kgs 22:13 ... Lord's great *a* is burning
 Ps 30:5 ... his *a* lasts only a moment,
 Ps 78:38 ... Many times he held back his *a*
 Rom 1:18 ... God shows his *a* from heaven
 Rom 2:5 ... a day of *a* is coming,
 Eph 4:26 ... by letting *a* control you.
 1 Thes 5:9 ... pour out his *a* on us.
 Jas 1:20 ... Human *a* does not produce
 Rev 14:10 ... the wine of God's *a*.

ANGRY (*adj*) feeling or showing anger; wrathful
 Exod 32:11 ... so *a* with your own people
 Neh 9:17 ... merciful, slow to become *a*,
 Ps 103:8 ... merciful, slow to get *a*
 Prov 22:24 ... Don't befriend *a* people
 Jon 4:2 ... slow to get *a* and filled
 Matt 5:22 ... if you are even *a* with
 Mark 10:14 ... he was *a* with his disciples.

John 3:36 ... under God's *a* judgment.
 Acts 4:25 ... Why were the nations so *a*?
 Jas 1:19 ... to speak, and slow to get *a*.

ANointed ONE (*n*) one chosen by divine election
 1 Sam 2:10 ... the strength of his *a*.
 1 Sam 26:9 ... the Lord's *a*?
 Ps 132:17 ... my *a* will be a light for

Dan 9:25 ... a ruler—the *A*—
 Isa 45:1 ... says to Cyrus, his *a*.

ANTICHRIST, ANTICHRISTS

(*n*) opponent of Christ; the personification of evil
 1 Jn 2:18 ... heard that the *A* is coming,
 1 Jn 2:18 ... many such *a-s* have appeared.
 1 Jn 4:3 ... has the spirit of the *A*,
 2 Jn 1:7 ... deceiver and an *a*.

APPEAR, APPEARED, APPEARING,

APPEARS (*v*) to come out of hiding and show up in public view; to make one's presence known
 Gen 1:9 ... so dry ground may *a*.
 Num 14:10 ... presence of the Lord *a-ed*
 Deut 33:16 ... *a-ed* in the burning bush.
 Mal 3:2 ... and face him when he *a-s*?
 Matt 1:20 ... angel of the Lord *a-ed* to him
 Matt 24:30 ... will *a* in the heavens,
 Luke 2:9 ... angel of the Lord *a-ed* among
 Luke 16:15 ... You like to *a* righteous
 Phil 2:7 ... When he *a-ed* in human form,
 2 Thes 1:7 ... the Lord Jesus *a-s* from
 2 Tim 1:10 ... by the *a-ing* of Christ Jesus,
 2 Tim 4:1 ... *a-s* to set up his Kingdom;
 Heb 9:24 ... *a* now before God on our
 Heb 9:26 ... *a-ed* at the end of the age
 1 Pet 5:4 ... when the Great Shepherd *a-s*,
 1 Jn 3:2 ... will be like when Christ *a-s*.

ARMOR (*n*) weapons of war or self-defense; figurative of spiritual resources
 Ps 91:4 ... are your *a* and protection.
 Isa 59:17 ... righteousness as his body *a*
 Jer 46:4 ... and prepare your *a*.
 Rom 13:12 ... put on the shining *a*
 Eph 6:11 ... Put on all of God's *a*
 Eph 6:13 ... put on every piece of God's *a*
 1 Thes 5:8 ... protected by the *a* of faith

ARMY, ARMIES (*n*) large band of men organized and armed for war; any large multitude devoted to a cause
 Ps 33:16 ... best-equipped *a* cannot save
 Ps 84:12 ... Lord of Heaven's *A-ies*,
 Isa 63:3 ... Lord of Heaven's *A-ies*!
 Isa 45:13 ... Lord of Heaven's *A-ies*,
 Isa 51:15 ... the Lord of Heaven's *A-ies*.
 Joel 2:2 ... great and mighty *a* appears.
 Joel 2:5 ... like a mighty *a* moving into
 Joel 2:11 ... This is his mighty *a*,
 Hag 1:5 ... Lord of Heaven's *A-ies* says:
 Zech 8:6 ... Lord of Heaven's *A-ies* says:
 Rev 19:14 ... The *a-ies* of heaven,
 Rev 19:19 ... the horse and his *a*.

ASHAMED (*v*) feeling shame, guilt, or disgrace
 Ps 69:6 ... be *a* because of me,
 Jer 31:19 ... I was thoroughly *a* of all I did
 Jer 48:13 ... were *a* of their gold calf
 Mark 8:38 ... If anyone is *a* of me
 Luke 9:26 ... If anyone is *a* of me
 Rom 1:16 ... I am not *a* of this Good News
 2 Tim 1:8 ... So never be *a* to tell others
 2 Tim 2:15 ... who does not need to be *a*

ASLEEP (*adj*) state of bodily rest; figurative for physical death or spiritual dullness

see also DIE, SLEEP
 Judg 4:21 ... Sisera fell *a* from exhaustion,
 1 Kgs 18:27 ... away on a trip, or is *a* and
 Matt 9:24 ... isn't dead; she's only *a*.
 Matt 26:40 ... disciples and found them *a*.
 John 11:11 ... Lazarus has fallen *a*, but
 1 Thes 5:6 ... be on your guard, not *a* like

ATONEMENT (*n*) reconciliation; reparation for an offense or injury; cleansing

see also FORGIVENESS
 Exod 25:17 ... cover—the place of *a*—
 Lev 23:27 ... Day of *A* on the tenth day
 2 Chr 29:24 ... to make *a* for the sins
 Prov 16:6 ... faithfulness make *a* for sin.

ATTITUDE, ATTITUDES (*n*) a mental position with regard to a fact or state; a feeling or emotion toward a fact or state
 Eph 4:23 ... your thoughts and *a-s*.
 Phil 2:5 ... have the same *a* that Christ
 1 Pet 3:8 ... keep a humble *a*.
 1 Pet 4:1 ... with the same *a* he had,

AUTHORITY, AUTHORITIES (*n*) the right to govern; the freedom or ability to act
 Matt 28:18 ... been given all *a* in heaven
 Luke 10:19 ... have given you *a* over
 John 5:22 ... absolute *a* to judge,
 Acts 1:7 ... *a* to set those dates and times,
 Rom 13:1 ... submit to governing *a-ies*.
 Rom 13:1 ... For all *a* comes from God,
 Rom 13:2 ... anyone who rebels against *a*
 Rom 13:3 ... without fear of the *a-ies*?
 1 Cor 4:3 ... by any human *a*.
 1 Cor 15:24 ... ruler and *a* and power.
 Eph 1:22 ... things under the *a* of Christ
 Eph 3:10 ... all the unseen rulers and *a-ies*

Eph 6:12 ... against evil rulers and *a-ies*
 Col 2:10 ... every ruler and *a*.
 Col 2:15 ... the spiritual rulers and *a-ies*.
 1 Tim 2:2 ... all who are in *a* so that
 Titus 2:15 ... You have the *a* to correct
 1 Pet 2:18 ... accept the *a* of your masters
 1 Pet 3:1 ... accept the *a* of your husbands.
 1 Pet 3:22 ... the angels and *a-ies* and
 1 Pet 5:5 ... accept the *a* of the elders.
 Jude 1:6 ... the limits of *a* God gave them

AWESOME (*adj*) characterized by reverential fear; expressive of or inspiring awe
see also WONDERFUL

Exod 34:10 ... the *a* power I will display
 Deut 7:21 ... a great and *a* God.
 2 Sam 7:23 ... You performed *a* miracles
 Neh 1:5 ... the great and *a* God
 Job 10:16 ... display your *a* power
 Ps 47:2 ... Most High is *a*.
 Ps 65:5 ... answer our prayers with *a*
 Ps 99:3 ... your great and *a* name.
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