

John 12:44-50 & 13:1-8

44-46. Then Jesus cried out and said, "He who believes in Me, believes not in Me but in Him who sent Me. And **he who sees Me sees Him who sent Me**. I have come as a **LIGHT into the world**, that whoever believes in Me should not abide in darkness.

- **John 8:12** "Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the _____ of the _____. He who follows Me shall _____ walk in _____, but have the _____ of life."
- **John 14:1-6** "Let not your heart be troubled; you _____ in _____, _____ also in _____. In My Father's house are many mansions..... I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and _____ you to _____; that where I am, there you may be also. And where I go you know, and the way you know.' Thomas said to Him, 'Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the _____, the _____, and the _____. No one comes to the _____ except _____."

Definition: "He who SEES Me sees Him who SENT Me" - Jesus continually made statements such as this, putting Himself on the same level with God the Father. Jesus received WORSHIP which only God should receive, He said He should be HONORED just as we honor the Father, and He said we should BELIEVE in Him the same as we believe in God! If Jesus were not TRULY GOD HIMSELF, then **He would be a liar or a maniac** to make such statements!

- **John 14:7-9** "If you had known _____, you would have _____ My _____ also; and from now on you know _____ and have _____ Him.' Philip said to Him, 'Lord, _____ us the _____, and it is sufficient for us.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not _____ Me, Philip? He who has seen _____ has _____ the _____; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father?'"

Definition: "I have come as a LIGHT into the WORLD" - Since Jesus IS equal to God the Father, **we see Him as the LIGHT of God** all through the Bible. Even in the Old Testament, Jesus was the Shekinah glory of God, the presence of God going before the Israelites in a cloud and a pillar of fire (light). When we read about **the glory of God**, it usually means the **LIGHT or BRIGHTNESS of His glory**. Jesus is called "Emmanuel," which means "God with us", the PRESENCE of God among men. Jesus also said that He is "the Light of the World" (John 8:12), which means He is that Shekinah glory of God among men. (See Ezekiel 10:4 & 18; 11:22-23; Ezekiel 43:1-7; Exodus 33:17-23; II Chronicles 5:13-14).

- **I John 1:5-7** "This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is _____ and in Him is no _____ at all. If we say that we have _____ with Him, and walk in _____, we _____ and do not practice the _____. But if we _____ in the _____ as He is in the _____, we have fellowship with one another, and the _____ of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin."
- **Exodus 40:34** "Then a _____ covered the tent of the congregation, and the _____ of the Lord _____ the tabernacle."
- **Numbers 9:15** "And on the day that the tabernacle was raised up, the _____ covered the tabernacle, the tent of the testimony; from evening until morning it was above the tabernacle like the _____ of _____. So it was

always; the cloud covered it by day, and the _____ of _____ by night."

47-50. And if anyone hears My words and does not believe, I do not judge him; for **I did NOT come to JUDGE the world but to SAVE the world. He who REJECTS Me, and does NOT RECEIVE My WORDS**, has that which judges him-the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day. For I have not spoken on My own authority; but the Father who sent Me gave Me a command, **what I should say and what I should speak**. And I know that His command is everlasting life. Therefore, **whatever I speak, just as the Father has told Me, so I speak**.

- **John 3:17** "For God did _____ send His Son into the world to _____ the _____, but that the world through Him might be _____."
- **Luke 19:10** "For the Son of Man has come to _____ and to _____ that which was _____."
- **I Thessalonians 5:9** "For God did _____ appoint us to wrath (punishment), but to obtain _____ through our Lord _____ Christ."

Definition: "Whatever I SPEAK, just as the Father has TOLD Me" - Jesus was fulfilling the prophecy in Deuteronomy 18:18-19, and if the people rejected Jesus and His words, they were in fact REJECTING GOD and GOD'S WORD!

- **Deuteronomy 18:15 & 18-19** "The Lord your God will _____ up for you a _____ like me from your midst, from your brethren (the Jewish people). Him you shall hear (listen to)." "I will raise up for them a _____ like you from among their _____, and will put My _____ in His mouth, and He shall _____ to them all that I _____ Him. And it shall be that whoever will _____ hear My _____, which He _____ in My _____, I will require it of him."

Definition: "He who REJECTS ME, and does NOT RECEIVE My WORDS" - The Jews as a nation rejected Jesus as their Messiah. Those who were SINCERE SEEKERS of God, whose HEARTS were right with God, DID recognize and accept Jesus as their Messiah (see Luke 2:25-38, Simeon and Anna). Over two hundred prophecies concerning the Messiah were fulfilled in Jesus' first coming, and only those whose HEARTS WERE HARDENED could have failed to recognize Him.

13:1. Now before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, **having LOVED His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.**

- **John 15:9** "As the Father _____ Me, I also have _____ you; abide in My _____."

2. And supper being ended, the DEVIL having already PUT IT INTO the HEART of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray Him,

- **Luke 22:3** "Then _____ entered _____, surnamed Iscariot, who was numbered among the twelve."
- **John 13:27** "Now after the piece of bread, _____ entered him (Judas). Then Jesus said to him, 'What you do, do _____.'"

Definition: "The DEVIL having already PUT IT INTO the HEART" - Judas Iscariot was OPEN to allowing Satan to enter and possess him, because he had first of all ACCEPTED Satan's suggestions. We as Christians cannot be POSSESSED by the devil

or demons, but we can **open our lives to demonic influence** if we entertain and accept **wrong thoughts** and suggestions ("the fiery darts of the evil one" - Eph. 6:16). Another example is in the Old Testament, in I Chronicles 21:1-8, where it says that "Satan MOVED David" to disobey God. In David's case, it was **his PRIDE that opened the door for Satan** to make his suggestion, and David took the bait.

- **I Peter 5:8-9** "Be _____, be vigilant; because your adversary (enemy) the _____ walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom (looking for someone) he may devour (destroy). _____ him, steadfast in the faith..."
- **II Corinthians 10:3-5** "For though we walk in the flesh, we do not _____ according to the flesh. For the _____ of our _____ are not carnal (merely HUMAN) but mighty in God for pulling down _____, casting down arguments and every high thing (thought) that exalts itself _____ the knowledge of _____, bringing every _____ into _____ to the _____ of Christ."
- **Ephesians 6:16** "Above all, taking the _____ of _____ with which _____ will be _____ to quench all the fiery darts (arrows) of the _____ one."
- **Ephesians 4:26-27** "Be _____ and do not _____; do not let the sun go down on your wrath, nor _____ place (opportunity) to the _____."

Definition: "SHIELD of FAITH" and "FIERY DARTS of the WICKED ONE" - We must USE OUR FAITH to ward off the DOUBTS, FEARS, ANXIOUS THOUGHTS and SUGGESTIONS that Satan throws at us like "fiery arrows." Be careful - Satan **will NOT** announce that these doubts and sinful thoughts are from him, but **will make them SEEM like YOUR OWN thoughts.**

3-5. Jesus, **KNOWING that the Father had given ALL THINGS into His hands**, and that He had come from God and was going to God, rose from supper and **LAI D ASIDE His garments**, took a towel and girded Himself. After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded.

- **Matthew 28:18** "Then _____ came and spoke to them, saying, 'All _____ has been _____ to _____ in _____ and on _____.'"
- **John 20:17** "Jesus said to her, 'Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended (gone up) to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, "I am _____ to My _____ and your Father, and to My _____ and your God.'"
- **John 17:4-5** "I have glorified You on the earth. I have _____ the work which You have given Me to do. And now, O Father, _____ Me together with Yourself, with the _____ which I had with You before the world was."

Definition: "KNOWING that the Father had given ALL THINGS into His hands" - Jesus knew who He was, and because of that, He was not afraid to take the job of a slave, that of washing the feet of the guests. When we know who WE are in Christ Jesus, we too can humble ourselves to serve others in the Body of Christ.

Definition: "LAI D ASIDE His GARMENTS" - This has the literal meaning, of course, of Jesus taking off His outer clothes, but it has a DEEPER spiritual meaning as well. Jesus did LAY ASIDE all of His POWERS and PRIVILEGES as God the Son, in order to come to earth in human form. He even humbled Himself to take the form of a servant.

- **Philippians 2:3 & 5-7** "Let nothing be done through _____ ambition or _____, but in lowliness (humility) of mind let each esteem (regard) _____ better than _____." "Let this mind (attitude) be

in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, _____ in the _____ of _____, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a _____, and coming in the likeness of men."

6-7. Then He came to Simon Peter. And Peter said to Him, "Lord, are You washing my feet?" Jesus answered and said to him, "What I am doing **you do not understand now**, but you will know after this."

- **John 16:12-13** "I still have _____ things to _____ to you, but you _____ bear (understand) them _____."

8. Peter said to Him, "You shall never wash my feet!" Jesus answered him, "**If I do not WASH you, you have no part with Me.**"

- **Ephesians 5:25-26** "Husbands, _____ your wives, just as Christ also _____ the _____ and gave Himself for it, that He might sanctify and _____ it with the _____ of water by the _____."
- **Ezekiel 36:25** "Then I will sprinkle _____ on you, and you will be clean; I will _____ you from all your filthiness and all your idols."
- **Titus 3:5** "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He _____ us, through the _____ of regeneration (NEW BIRTH) and renewing of the Holy Spirit."
- **Hebrews 10:22** "Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our _____ sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies _____ with pure _____."
- **Psalms 51:2 & 7** " _____ me thoroughly from my iniquity, and _____ me from my _____." "Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be _____; _____ me and I shall be whiter than snow."
- **Acts 22:16** "And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and _____ away your _____, calling on the name of the Lord."

Definition: "Arise and be baptized, and WASH AWAY your SINS" - Does this verse teach that water baptism washes away our sin? You might be able to make it teach that if you took it out of context and didn't read the rest of the sentence. Actually, it is saying, "Wash away your sins by CALLING on the name of the LORD!" Water baptism is always and ONLY a picture or **SYMBOL of the spiritual washing** and cleansing that God does to us when we are born again by faith in Jesus Christ.

Definition: "PURGE ME with hyssop, and I shall be CLEAN" - Hyssop was a plant that was used much like a paint brush, and in the Old Testament, the priest would dip the hyssop in the blood of the animal sacrifice, and SPRINKLE it on the mercy seat in the Holy of Holies. This is also the picture used in Psalm 51:2, "our hearts SPRINKLED from an evil conscience." Hyssop was also used to apply the blood of the Passover to the doorways of the Israelites

- **Exodus 12:22** "And you shall take a bunch of _____ and _____ it in the _____ which is in the basin, and apply some of the _____ that is in the basin to the lintel and the two doorposts; and none of you shall go outside the door of his house until morning."