1 John 3:2-3- Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is. <sup>3</sup> And everyone who has this hope *fixed* on Him **<u>purifies himself</u>**, just as He is pure.

Philip. 3:9-and may be found in Him, <u>not having a righteousness</u> <u>of my own</u> derived from *the* Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, <u>the righteousness which *comes* from God</u> on the basis of faith.

"The notion of Christ returning with his saints is an introduction to the truth that Paul will unfold in 1 Thessalonians 4:15, namely that Christ will return with the dead in Christ."

#### <u>4:1</u>

Matt. 12:46-50-<sup>46</sup> While He was still speaking to the crowds, behold, His <u>mother and brothers</u> were standing outside, seeking to speak to Him. <sup>47</sup> Someone said to Him, "Behold, Your <u>mother</u> <u>and Your brothers</u> are standing outside seeking to speak to You." <sup>48</sup> But Jesus answered the one who was telling Him and said, "Who is My <u>mother and who are My brothers</u>?" <sup>49</sup> And stretching out His hand toward His disciples, He said, "Behold <u>My mother and My brothers</u>! <sup>50</sup> For whoever does the will of My Father who is in heaven, he is My <u>brother and sister and mother</u>."

1 Tim. 5:17-18-<sup>17</sup> The elders who rule well are to be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who work hard at preaching and teaching. <sup>18</sup> For the <u>Scripture</u> says, "YOU SHALL NOT MUZZLE THE OX WHILE HE IS THRESHING," and "<u>The laborer</u> is worthy of his wages."

2 Pet. 3:15-16-<sup>15</sup> and regard the patience of our Lord *as* salvation; just as also our beloved brother **Paul**, according to the **wisdom given him, wrote to you**, <sup>16</sup> as also in all *his* letters, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which the untaught and unstable distort, as *they do* also the rest of the Scriptures, to their own destruction.

1 Cor. 7:10-But to the married I give instructions, <u>not I, but the</u> <u>Lord</u>, that the wife should not leave her husband.

1 Cor. 7:12-But to the rest **<u>I say</u>**, **not the Lord**</u>, that if any brother has a wife who is an unbeliever, and she consents to live with him, he must not divorce her.

# <u>3</u>

Luke 16:10-"He who is faithful in a very little thing is faithful also in much; and he who is unrighteous in a very little thing is unrighteous also in much.

Matt. 19:3-6-<sup>3</sup> Some Pharisees came to Jesus, testing Him and asking, "Is it lawful *for a man* to divorce his wife for any reason at all?" <sup>4</sup> And He answered and said, "Have you not read that He who created *them* from the beginning MADE THEM MALE AND FEMALE, <sup>5</sup> and said, 'FOR THIS REASON A MAN SHALL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND MOTHER AND BE JOINED TO HIS WIFE, AND THE TWO

SHALL BECOME ONE FLESH'? <sup>6</sup>So they are no longer two, but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let no man separate."

Heb. 13:4-Marriage *is to be held* in honor among all, and the *marriage* bed *is to be* undefiled; for fornicators and adulterers God will judge.

Jas. 3:7-8-<sup>7</sup> For every species of beasts and birds, of reptiles and creatures of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by the human race. <sup>8</sup> But no one can tame the tongue; *it is* a restless evil *and* full of deadly poison.

#### <u>4</u>

1 Cor. 7:5-Stop depriving one another, except by agreement for a time, so that you may devote yourselves to prayer, and come together again so that Satan will not tempt you because of your lack of self-control.

1 Pet. 3:7-You husbands in the same way, live with *your wives* in an understanding way, as with **someone weaker**, since she is a woman; and show her honor as a fellow heir of the grace of life, so that your prayers will not be hindered.

Eph. 5:22-<u>Wives</u>, *be subject* to your own husbands, as to the Lord.

Rom. 9:22-23- <sup>22</sup> What if God, although willing to demonstrate His wrath and to make His power known, endured with much patience <u>vessels</u> of wrath prepared for destruction? <sup>23</sup> And *He did so* to make known the riches of His glory upon <u>vessels</u> of mercy, which He prepared beforehand for glory

2 Cor. 4:7-But we have this treasure in earthen <u>vessels</u>, so that the surpassing greatness of the power will be of God and not from ourselves.

2 Tim. 2:21-Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from these *things*, he will be a <u>vessel</u> for honor, sanctified, useful to the Master, prepared for every good work.

1 Sam. 21:5-David answered the priest and said to him, "Surely women have been kept from us as previously when I set out and the <u>vessels</u> of the young men were holy, though it was an ordinary journey; how much more then today will their <u>vessels</u> *be holy*?"

# <u>5</u>

1 Cor. 6:9-11- <sup>9</sup>Or do you not know that the unrighteous <u>will</u> <u>not inherit the kingdom of God</u>? Do not be deceived; neither <u>fornicators</u>, nor idolaters, nor <u>adulterers</u>, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, <sup>10</sup> nor thieves, nor *the* covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God. <sup>11</sup> Such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.

Eph. 5:5- For this you know with certainty, that no **immoral or impure person** or covetous man, who is an idolater, has an **inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God**. Gal. 5:19-21-<sup>19</sup>Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: <u>immorality</u>, <u>impurity</u>, <u>sensuality</u>, <sup>20</sup> idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions, <sup>21</sup> envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will <u>not inherit the kingdom of God</u>.

Rev. 22:15- <u>Outside</u> are the dogs and the sorcerers and the <u>immoral</u> persons and the murderers and the idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices lying.

### <u>6</u>

Exod. 20:14- You shall not commit <u>adultery</u>.

Heb. 13:4-Marriage *is to be held* in honor among all, and the *marriage* bed *is to be* undefiled; for fornicators and adulterers God will judge.

#### <u>8</u>

Gal. 5:16-But I say, walk by the <u>Spirit</u>, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh.

1 Cor. 6:18-19-<sup>18</sup> Flee <u>immorality</u>. Every *other* sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the immoral man sins against his own body. <sup>19</sup> Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the <u>Holy Spirit</u> who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own?