

WHY GO TO CHURCH?

MATT 16: ¹⁶ SIMON PETER ANSWERED, “YOU ARE THE MESSIAH, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD.” ¹⁷ JESUS REPLIED, “BLESSED ARE YOU, SIMON SON OF JONAH, FOR THIS WAS NOT REVEALED TO YOU BY FLESH AND BLOOD, BUT BY MY FATHER IN HEAVEN. ¹⁸ AND I TELL YOU THAT YOU ARE PETER, AND ON THIS ROCK I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH, AND THE GATES OF HADES WILL NOT OVERCOME IT. ¹⁹ I WILL GIVE YOU THE KEYS OF THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN; WHATEVER YOU BIND ON EARTH WILL BE BOUND IN HEAVEN, AND WHATEVER YOU LOOSE ON EARTH WILL BE LOOSED IN HEAVEN.”

[THE NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION](#). (2011). (MT 16:17–20). GRAND RAPIDS, MI: ZONDERVAN.

HEB 10: ²⁴ AND LET US CONSIDER HOW WE MAY SPUR ONE ANOTHER ON TOWARD LOVE AND GOOD DEEDS, ²⁵ NOT GIVING UP MEETING TOGETHER, AS SOME ARE IN THE HABIT OF DOING, BUT ENCOURAGING ONE ANOTHER— AND ALL THE MORE AS YOU SEE THE DAY APPROACHING.

[THE NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION](#). (2011). (HEB 10:24–25). GRAND RAPIDS, MI: ZONDERVAN.

PHIL 4: ¹⁴ YET IT WAS GOOD OF YOU TO SHARE IN MY
TROUBLES.

[THE NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION](#). (2011). (PHP 4:14). GRAND RAPIDS, MI: ZONDERVAN.

2 TIM 3: ¹⁶ ALL SCRIPTURE IS GOD-BREATHED AND IS USEFUL FOR TEACHING, REBUKING, CORRECTING AND TRAINING IN RIGHTEOUSNESS, ¹⁷ SO THAT THE SERVANT OF GOD MAY BE THOROUGHLY EQUIPPED FOR EVERY GOOD WORK.

[THE NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION](#). (2011). (2 TI 3:16–17). GRAND RAPIDS, MI: ZONDERVAN.

EPH 4: ¹¹ SO CHRIST HIMSELF GAVE THE APOSTLES, THE
PROPHETS, THE EVANGELISTS, THE PASTORS AND
TEACHERS, ¹² TO EQUIP HIS PEOPLE FOR WORKS OF
SERVICE, SO THAT THE BODY OF CHRIST MAY BE BUILT UP
¹³ UNTIL WE ALL REACH UNITY IN THE FAITH AND IN THE
KNOWLEDGE OF THE SON OF GOD AND BECOME MATURE,
ATTAINING TO THE WHOLE MEASURE OF THE FULLNESS OF
CHRIST.

[THE NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION](#). (2011). (EPH 4:11–13). GRAND RAPIDS, MI: ZONDERVAN.

ROMANS 12: ⁶ WE HAVE DIFFERENT GIFTS, ACCORDING TO THE GRACE GIVEN TO EACH OF US. IF YOUR GIFT IS PROPHECYING, THEN PROPHECY IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR FAITH; ⁷ IF IT IS SERVING, THEN SERVE; IF IT IS TEACHING, THEN TEACH; ⁸ IF IT IS TO ENCOURAGE, THEN GIVE ENCOURAGEMENT; IF IT IS GIVING, THEN GIVE GENEROUSLY; IF IT IS TO LEAD, DO IT DILIGENTLY; IF IT IS TO SHOW MERCY, DO IT CHEERFULLY.

[THE NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION](#). (2011). (RO 12:6–8). GRAND RAPIDS, MI: ZONDERVAN.

EPH 4: ¹⁵ INSTEAD, SPEAKING THE TRUTH IN LOVE, WE WILL GROW TO BECOME IN EVERY RESPECT THE MATURE BODY OF HIM WHO IS THE HEAD, THAT IS, CHRIST. ¹⁶ FROM HIM THE WHOLE BODY, JOINED AND HELD TOGETHER BY EVERY SUPPORTING LIGAMENT, GROWS AND BUILDS ITSELF UP IN LOVE, AS EACH PART DOES ITS WORK.

[THE NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION](#). (2011). (EPH 4:15–16). GRAND RAPIDS, MI: ZONDERVAN.

MATT 28: ¹⁶ THEN THE ELEVEN DISCIPLES WENT TO GALILEE, TO THE MOUNTAIN WHERE JESUS HAD TOLD THEM TO GO. ¹⁷ WHEN THEY SAW HIM, THEY WORSHIPED HIM; BUT SOME DOUBTED. ¹⁸ THEN JESUS CAME TO THEM AND SAID, “ALL AUTHORITY IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH HAS BEEN GIVEN TO ME. ¹⁹ THEREFORE GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS, BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, ²⁰ AND TEACHING THEM TO OBEY EVERYTHING I HAVE COMMANDED YOU. AND SURELY I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, TO THE VERY END OF THE AGE.”

[THE NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION](#). (2011). (MT 28:16–20). GRAND RAPIDS, MI: ZONDERVAN.

PSALM 98: ⁴ MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE UNTO THE LORD, ALL THE EARTH: MAKE A LOUD NOISE, AND REJOICE, AND SING PRAISE. ⁵ SING UNTO THE LORD WITH THE HARP; WITH THE HARP, AND THE VOICE OF A PSALM. ⁶ WITH TRUMPETS AND SOUND OF CORNET MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE BEFORE THE LORD, THE KING.

[THE HOLY BIBLE: KING JAMES VERSION.](#) (1995). (ELECTRONIC ED. OF THE 1769 EDITION OF THE 1611 AUTHORIZED VERSION., PS 98:4–6). BELLINGHAM WA: LOGOS RESEARCH SYSTEMS, INC.

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