

## THE OVERCOMER'S THRONE

Revelation 3:21, “To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with Me in My throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His throne.”

**Now what are we to overcome?** That is the normal question to ask here. But that is not the actual thought of this verse for it is not so much WHAT we

are to overcome but HOW we are to overcome. Now this is logical, for does it matter much WHAT we are to overcome as long as we know HOW we can overcome?

A quick look at those Scriptures which involve the Lord Jesus overcoming will bring out the truth of this proposition. In Matthew 4, wherein Jesus is tempted

of the devil, He overcame the personal temptations of Satan **by the Word, and by the Word only**. In each of the three major trials that corresponded

exactly to the temptation of the Garden of Eden, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eye, and the pride of life, Jesus overcame by the Word. Eve fell to the

personal temptation of Satan by failing to use the Word. Adam fell in direct disobedience to the Word. But Jesus overcame by the Word. And right now, let

me say that this is the only way to be an overcomer, also it is the only way that you can know if you are overcoming, **because that Word CAN'T fail.**

Now notice again how Jesus overcame the world systems of religion. When He was repeatedly badgered by the theologians of His day,

He **constantly** applied the Word. He spoke only what the Father gave Him to speak. There was not a time when the world was not utterly confused by His

wisdom for it was the wisdom of God. In his own personal life, contending with Himself, He overcame by obedience to the Word of God.

In Hebrews 5:7 it says, “Who in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto Him That was able

to save Him from death, and was heard in that He **feared**; though He were a Son, **yet** learned He obedience by the things which He suffered; and

being made **perfect**, He became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey Him.” What was He obedient to? **The Word of God**. Now then,

there will not be one person who will sit **in** the throne of the Lord Jesus Christ **unless** he has been living that Word. Your prayers, your fastings, your

repentances — no matter what you present to God — none of that will gain you the privilege of sitting in that throne. It will be granted only to the **WORD**

**Bride**. As the throne of the king is shared with the queen because she is **united** to him, so only they who are **of** that Word even as He is of that Word will

share that throne. Remember we have shown clearly all through the ages that even as Adam and Eve fell because they left the Word, so the Ephesian

Age fell by turning slightly from the Word, until with every age continuing to turn away, we have a final repudiation of the Word by the World Church

system. This Laodicean Age ends in a blackout of the Word, thereby causing a departure of the Lord from the midst. He stands **outside** calling to His own

who follow Him by **obedience to the Word**. After a **short and powerful** demonstration of the Spirit this little hunted and persecuted group will go to be with Jesus.

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34 Did you notice the—the arrangements of that? See? **“Set with Me in My throne,”** not **“on My throne.”** **“In My throne,”** that’s in His domain. See? And there,

as—as Christ is the Ruler, throne Ruler at this time, of the complete domain of God, **so will the Church be with Him, the Bride be with Him, in** His throne, in

the entire domain. See? Not “on My throne,” but “in My throne,” see, where His domain reaches. A throne is over a domain, and—and a domain

reaches just as far as its boundaries does. And this is from Eternity to Eternity. Just think of it!

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### Definition of the Word (IN)

The preposition "in" is a small but significant word in the Bible, often used to denote **position**, **relationship**, or **condition**. It appears frequently

throughout the Scriptures, serving as a key connector in various theological and doctrinal contexts.

### Old Testament Usage

In the Old Testament, "in" is used to describe physical locations, such as being "in the land" or "in the house." For example, Genesis 1:1 states, "**In the**

**beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."**

Here, "in" marks the commencement of time and creation. The word also signifies covenantal

relationships, as seen in Genesis 17:7, where God promises to establish His covenant "**between Me and you and your descendants after you in their generations."**

### New Testament Usage

In the New Testament, "in" takes on profound theological significance, especially in the writings of

the Apostle Paul. It is frequently used to describe the believer's spiritual position in Christ. For instance, 2 Corinthians 5:17 declares, "**Therefore if anyone is in**

Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come!" This usage underscores the transformative relationship believers have with Jesus, emphasizing their unity and identity in Him.

The phrase "in Christ" is pivotal in Pauline theology, appearing numerous times to convey the believer's union with Christ, which is foundational to salvation,

sanctification, and eternal life. Ephesians 1:3-4 illustrates this: "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ

with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms. For He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless in His presence."

### Theological Implications

The preposition "in" is crucial for understanding key theological concepts such as justification, sanctification, and glorification. Being "in Christ"

implies that believers are justified by faith, sanctified through the Spirit, and will be glorified in eternity.

Romans 8:1 affirms, "Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."

Furthermore, "in" is used to describe the indwelling of the Holy Spirit in believers, as seen in Romans 8:9: "You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you." This **indwelling** signifies the believer's new nature and empowerment for holy living.

### Practical Applications

The concept of being "in Christ" has practical implications for Christian living. It calls believers to live out their identity in Christ, reflecting His

character and love in their daily lives. Colossians 3:3-4 encourages believers, "For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory."

In summary, the preposition "in" serves as a vital link in biblical language, connecting believers to the profound truths of their faith and their relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

37 And now we're speaking on this, "overcoming." The word overcome, of course, you know what it

means. You've got to have something to overcome. And this church age that the Holy Spirit was speaking about here, at the Laodicea Church Age,

as we have just been through it, needed a rebuking. Laodicea had to be rebuked, because of its—its different towards Christ. It had put Christ **outside**, in

—in their age. And Christ was on the outside, trying to get back on the inside. **That's love**. After He had been put out of His Own house, was trying to come

back in, and said, **“He that'll open the door, I'll come in to him.”** See? The church, itself, in whole, had put Him out.

38 But now notice. His call here is not to just the church. **“He that overcometh.”** See? Not the church; that would be **she**, see, **the church body**. But it's

**“he that overcometh,”** the **individual** that will overcome, now. 63-0825M - How Can I Overcome?

Now, we're expected to be tested. That's a good lesson for my—my brother back there, also. **“He that cometh to God must first be tested.”** Tested (what?)

with the Word. **That's God's test.** Do you believe it? **“He that cometh to God must be tested.”** That only shows a true child, then, see, be tested. And when

the test comes on... You can't overcome 'less there's a test give to you. And when test is given, it's to see whether you can overcome or not.

And Jesus said, **“To him that overcometh,”** the test. The test is the **greatest** thing that ever happened to you. I believe it's written in the Scripture, Peter said,

that, **“Our trials are worth more to us than precious gold.”** It's a testing time. It's one good evidence to us that God is with us, when we're tested, **for all children of God are tested and tried.**

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50 Now, in Ezekiel 2:3, Jehovah, Himself, called Ezekiel, the prophet, **“the son of man.”**

51 Son of man means **“a prophet.”** He had to come that way, to fulfill Deuteronomy 18:15, which Moses said, **“The Lord your God shall raise up among you a prophet likened unto me.”**

He never called Himself the Son of God. He referred to Himself, “**the Son of man,**” because He had to come according to the Scripture. See? He had to

make those two pieces of torn paper, the Old Testament prophecy and His Own character, to be exactly the same. So, He come, the Son of man, come in that **form**.

52 Then we find, after His death, burial, and resurrection, He came on the Day of Pentecost, as **Son of God; God, the Spirit, in the form, Holy Ghost.**

What was He doing? He was changing Himself, making Himself known to His people in a different **form**. Like, the Holy Spirit, which is God, He came to deal through the church ages, as Son of God, the Holy Spirit.

53 But, in the Millennium, He comes as Son of David, to set **on** the throne of David, King. He was to take the throne of David. He is on the Father’s

throne now. And then He said, “**He that overcometh shall set with Me on My throne, as I’ve overcome**

and set on My Father's throne." So, He, in the Millennium, He'll be Son of David. What is it? The same God, **all the time**, just changing His—His mask. I am, to my wife, a husband.

54 Did you notice? The Syrophenician woman said, "Thou Son of David, have mercy." He, never even bothered Him, at all. She had no rights to call Him

that. She had no claims on Him as Son of David. He was...He is the Son of David, **to the Jew**. And now He come...But when she called Him, "Lord," He was

her Lord, then she got what she asked for. Now, as, He is just changing Himself.

55 Now, **in** my home, I'm **three** different people. In my home, my wife has claims on me as husband. My daughter out there, she doesn't have any claims

on me as husband; I am her father. And my little grandson there, I'm grandfather to him, so he has no right to call me father. I'm not his father. My son is his father. I am his grandfather. But I'm still the same man.

56 And God, what He does, He just changes Himself, to become to **that generation**, to make known Himself to that people. And that's what we're

here to find out, tonight. In what way is God supposed to make Hissself known to this people and in this time? He changes His mask, He changes His

act, **but He doesn't change His disposition**. He doesn't change His—His **nature**. He just changes His mask, from one to another. He does it, to **reveal**

Himself more plain to the people, that they might know who **He** is, and **what** He is.

57 In Hebrews 1, we read, “God, in sundry times and divers manners spake to the fathers, through the prophets, but in this last days through His Son, Jesus.”

58 Now, “The prophets,” Jesus said, when He was here on earth, “they were gods. You call those ‘gods,’ who the Word of God came to. And the

Scriptures cannot be broken,” He said. Said, “How you can condemn Him then, when He's the Son of God?” See?

59 The Word of God is lotted to each age, what It's to be. And Jesus was the fulfillment of all the prophecies. **“In Him dwelt the fulness of the Godhead bodily.”**

It was **in** Him. He was the One that was **in** Joseph. He was the One Who was **in** Elijah. He was the One Who was **in** Moses. He was the One Who was **in** David, a rejected king.

60 His own people had rejected him, as king. And as he went out of the—of the courtyard, a little, afflicted fellow crawling around, did not like his—his

government, his system, and he spit upon him. And the guard pulled his sword, said, **“Will I leave that dog's head on him, spitting on my king?”**

61 And David, maybe not realizing what he was doing at the time, **but he was anointed.** And he said, **“Let him alone. God has told him to do this.”** And he climbed up on the hill and wept over Jerusalem, **a rejected king.**

62 Did you notice? A few hundred years from then, the Son of David being spit upon, in the streets, and

was on the hill, same mountain, looking down over Jerusalem, **a rejected King**. And cried, “**Jerusalem, how oft would I have hovered you as a hen did her brood, but you would not!**”

63 He never changed His **nature**, 'cause Hebrews 13:8 said, “**He’s the same yesterday, today, and forever.**” God was made flesh, in order to die, to

redeem us from sin. That’s why He changed Himself, to be a—a Man.

64 We see, in Saint John 12:20, the Greeks had heard of Him. Now, there’s no man can ever hear of Him except their heart burns to see Him. Like Job

and the prophets of old, they all wanted to see Him. So, this Greek came to see Him. They came to Philip, which was of Bethsaida, said, “Sir, we would see Jesus.”

65 The Greeks wanted to see Him, but they were **unable** to see Him because He was **in** the temple of His **humanity**. “**God was in Christ, reconciling the world to Himself.**” Now we find that, in this, these Greeks could not see Him.

66 And notice the very words that Jesus expressed to them, afterwards. He said, “**Except a corn of wheat falls into the ground, dies, it abides alone.**”

In other words, they would never be able to see Him **in** the change, **in** the mask that He was **in** then, because He was veiled in human flesh. But when

this corn of Wheat fell into the ground, then It would bring forth all races. He was sent to the Jews, of course, at that time. But this corn of Wheat **must** fall;

veiled God, **in human's** flesh, hidden from unbelievers, but being revealed to believers.

67 In John 1, “**In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and**

**we beheld Him, the only Begotten of the Father, full of grace.**” Now, in the beginning was the Word. **A Word is a thought expressed.**

68 In the beginning, He wasn't even God. Now, our English word today, God, means “an object of worship.” How confusing it is to the mind. You can

make somebody a god. You can make anything a god.

69 But in the Old Testament, in Genesis 1, “**In the beginning God,**” the word is used, Elohim. Elohim means “the Self-existing One.” What a difference the

word Elohim is, to our word God. Elohim means “the Self-existing One.”

70 We cannot be self-existing. We cannot be almighty, omnipotent, omnipresent, omniscient. That Elohim expresses all of that. We cannot be that. The

tree that you make a god out of, or the—or the building, it’s not self-existing.

71 So, God, in the beginning, **was Life**, the Eternal One. **In** Him was attributes, and those attributes became Words, and the Word became flesh.

Jesus was the Redeemer. And to redeem, means, “to bring back.” And if He has to bring it back, it had to be somewhere to be brought back to. So, you

see, all people will never be able to see it, because all people wasn't in the beginning in God's thoughts.  
See?

64-0629 - The Mighty God Unveiled Before Us

428 Now, remember, He is not talking to the Jews now. **This is the Church, the Gentile.** He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the

churches; To him that **overcometh**, I will give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

429 "Overcomers only, that overcome the **beast**, overcome his **mark**," **that's Catholicism**, Protestantism, denominationalism, "who overcome

the beast, his mark, the letter of his name." "He'll have a right to the Tree of Life, to enter into the gates where nothing that defiles can ever go in."

See? Think of it. Now, just a minute now, as we go just a little bit farther. **Tree of Life will be for the overcomers only.**

64-0802 - The Future Home Of The Heavenly Bridegroom And The Earthly Bride

139 In the Book of Revelation, as I'm writing, one man who is translating or grammarizing...My grammar is so poor, I've got a—a good scholar to

grammarize it, put the right nouns and pronouns together. Which, I don't know which is the difference between a noun and a pronoun. But, but he does,

and he is putting them all...I know, only thing I know, God gives It to me and I just write It down, see. And, they, they have to put it so if it goes into schools and

things, they—they know what, can read it more in their way of understanding. And then the writer said to me, or, the grammar, the man that's grammarizing

it, said to me, he said, "But, Brother Branham, we find in the Pergamos church age...That, Jesus said here, 'he that overcometh, I will give him the Morning

**Star.'** Give him the Morning Star?" He said, "Now how could he get the Morning Star, when Jesus said, Himself, that He is the Morning Star?"

140 See, all those seeds of Abraham are reflected by stars. They different one from another, and **we'll** different one from another. And **Jesus** is that

Morning Star, the brightest of all of them. But we find Him, in Revelation 1, with seven stars in His hand. He interprets that, and said,

“These seven stars are the seven angels to the seven churches, or the seven church ages that’s coming.”

141 Then he said, “How could it be then, if they got the Morning Star?”

142 I said, “The stars that were in His hand were only the reflection stars **from** the **Morning Star**, see, for the messenger of that day had the Word.”

**And He is the Word**; he just had the portion for that day. And the people that’s ready to come away from the world systems and world things, and walk with

Him, **sees the reflection** of the Morning Star **through** the messenger of that age. As He did through Noah and through Moses, and so forth, as

He reflected the Old Testament, **finally they all arrived to One**. And so will it at the end of the church ages, it’ll all arrive back to **Jesus**, that He is the Word.

143 We as Christians are only reflecting **Him**. The moon only reflects the sun, **in its absence**. And the believer only reflects the Son of God, in the absence

of the Son of God. It's the Light of the Bible, the Scriptures, being vindicated in our lives, the Word that makes Light in darkness. You are candles that

sets upon a hill. That ain't the sun; it's a candle. The candle just takes the place of the sun, just shows a certain amount of light. We are God's children, we

are sons and daughters of God, **only by the Spirit with portion. He had It without a portion.** We are a star that's shining, **all of us together make a Light**

**to the world**, but He is the entire Son that reflects the Light to **every** star. Hallelujah! I believe Him. God help my unbelief!

144 Finally, this perfect One arrived. **Now, He arrived to be tempted in every point just like we are.** The Bible said He was. He was tempted like Noah.

He was tempted like Moses. He was tempted like all the rest of them. If we had time to break that down and show you, but we haven't, 'cause I don't want to

take too much of your time. But, to break it down and show you, He was tempted in the same manner.

### 64-1212 - The Harvest Time

Now there is a very favorite portion of Scripture that the trinitarians think prove their point of more than one actual Person in the Godhead. It is **Revelation**

5:6-8, “And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as It had been slain, having

seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth. And He came and took the book out of the right hand of Him

That sat upon the throne. And when He had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them

harps, and golden vials full of odors, which are the prayers of saints.” Indeed these verses, if isolated, would seem to prove their point. You notice, I said,

these **ISOLATED** verses. However, read Revelation 4:2-3 and 9-11, “And immediately I was in the Spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and ONE

sat on the throne. And He That sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an

emerald.” “And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to Him That sat on the throne, Who liveth for ever and ever, the four and twenty

elders fall down before Him That sat on the throne, and worship Him That liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, Thou art

worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they are and were created.” Carefully note

in verse 2 it says, “ONE” (not two or three, but ONE) sat on the throne. In verse 3 it says, “HE” (NOT they) was to look upon as a jasper stone. In verse 9 it

says that the beasts gave honour to “HIM” (not them). In verse 10 it says that the elders fell down before “HIM” (not them). In verse 11 it says that they

cried, “**Thou art worthy, O LORD**” (not Lords). Also in verse 11 it says this ONE on the throne was the “Creator,” **Which is Jesus** (John 1:3), Which is

Jehovah-Spirit-God of the Old Testament (Genesis 1:1). But let us not stop there. Read now in

Revelation 3:21, “To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with Me in My throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His throne.”

Also read Hebrews 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.” Notice that, according to Jesus, **Himself**, Who wrote the Revelation, He is set down

WITH the Father. The Spirit in Paul (Which Spirit is the Spirit of Christ, for That is the Spirit of Prophecy whereby the Word comes) says He is set down at

the RIGHT HAND of God. But when John looked he saw only “ONE” upon the throne. And it was not until Revelation 5:6-8 (which follows Revelation 4:2-3 in sequence of time) that we see the “**Lamb**” taking

the book from “**HIM**” That sat on the throne, as indicated in Revelation 4:2-3 and 9-10. What is it? It is the mystery of “ONE GOD.” He (**Jesus**), came out

**from** God, became manifested in flesh, died and rose again, and returned to the “**Bosom of the Father.**” As John said, “**The only begotten Son,**

**Which is IN** the bosom of the Father, He hath declared Him,” John 1:18. It was now time for God (Messiah) to come back to claim His bride and then

present Himself (make Himself known) to Israel. Thus we see God again stepping forth to assume a physical relationship to man as the “Son of David,

King of Kings and Lord of Lords, and Bridegroom of the Gentile Bride.” It is NOT “Two” Gods, **but simply ONE GOD manifesting His mighty triune offices and titles.**

An Exposition Of The Seven Church Ages - 1 - The Revelation Of Jesus Christ

Revelation 2:7, “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the Tree Of Life,

Which is in the midst of the paradise of God.” “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.” It may be that **millions** will hear

these words or read them. But how many will pay **heed** to them? That we do not know. But he who will lend his ear and want to know the words of truth will

find the Spirit of God enlightening him. If your ear is open to the Word, the Spirit of God will make the Word real to you. Now that is a work of the Spirit.

I can teach you the truth, but if you don't open your ear to hear it and your heart to receive it, you won't get the revelation. Now notice, it says that the Spirit

is speaking to the churches. That is plural, not singular. The Spirit did not have John write this down for a local Ephesian church, nor for the first age only.

It is for all church ages. But this is the church of beginnings. And thus it is like the Book of Genesis. What started in Genesis holds true throughout the

entire Word and finally closes out in Revelation. Thus, this church beginning in Acts is God's blueprint for all ages until she closes out in the

Laodicean Age. **Watch it carefully.** Let every age take heed, for what is going on here is only the start. That little tree that was planted is going to **grow**. It is

going to grow through the ages. This, then, is a message for **every** Christian through **every** age until Jesus comes. Yes, it is, for it is the Spirit speaking. **Amen.**

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Now He is not only giving crowns but He says that these in the bride will be made **pillars** in the temple of God. But what is the temple of God? Jesus spoke

of **His body** as being the temple. It was. It was the temple of God. But now that **we are His body**, the true church is the **temple of God** by the Holy Ghost

**within** us. Now He is going to make the overcomer a pillar in that temple. But what is a pillar? A pillar is actually a part of the foundation for it holds up the

superstructure. Praise God, that puts the overcomer right **in** with the apostles and prophets, for it says in **Ephesians 2:19-22**, “Now therefore ye are no more

strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; and are **built** upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets,

Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner stone; in Whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: in Whom ye also

are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.” Yes, that verse 22 says that we are builded together with them. Everything went through

the DOOR (Jesus) and is a part of that body or temple. Now when God puts a man **in** the temple as a pillar and makes him a part of that foundation

group what is He doing? He is giving him the revelation of the Word and of Himself, because that is exactly what the apostles and prophets had.

Matthew 16:17. There he is in that Word. There he stands. No one can get him out. Ponder that word, “overcometh.” John asks the question, “**Who is he**

**that overcometh?”** And the answer comes right back, “**He that believeth that Jesus is the Christ.**” He doesn’t say that the overcomer is one that believes

in “A” Jesus and in “A” Christ, but believes that  
Jesus IS THE CHRIST — ONE person — not two.  
He is the one who is baptized in the Name of the  
Lord Jesus Christ

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Philadelphia Church Age

Amen,

### Communion

1 Corinthians 11:23-34

23 For I have received of the Lord that which also I  
delivered unto you, that the Lord Jesus the same  
night in which he was betrayed took bread:

24 And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and  
said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for  
you: this do in remembrance of me.

25 After the same manner also he took the cup,  
when he had supped, saying, this cup is the new  
testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink  
it, in remembrance of me.

26 For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this  
cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.

27 Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.

28 But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.

29 For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.

30 For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep.

31 For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged.

32 But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world.

33 Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for another.

34 And if any man hunger, let him eat at home; that ye come not together unto condemnation. And the rest will I set in order when I come.

## Foot Washing

John 13

1 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.

2 And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;

3 Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God;

4 He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself.

5 After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded.

6 Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and Peter saith unto him, Lord, dost thou wash my feet?

7 Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter.

8 Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me.

9 Simon Peter saith unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head.

10 Jesus saith to him, He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all.

11 For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, Ye are not all clean.

12 So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you?

13 Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am.

14 If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet.

15 For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.

16 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him.

17 If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

Amen,