







**Macedonia**

Thessalonica  
Amphipolis  
Philippi  
Apollonia

Neapolis

**Achaia (Greece)**

Beroea

Athens

Corinth

**Asia Minor (Turkey)**

Troas

Assos

Mitylene

Samos

Ephesus

Miletus

Cos

Cnidus

Attalia

Myra

Rhodes

Patara

Antioch

Iconium

Lystra

Perga

Derbe

Tarsus

Seleucia

Antioch

**Syria**

**Cyprus**

Salamis

Paphos

**Crete**

Fair Havens

Sidon

Tyre

Ptolemais

Caesarea

Jerusalem

**Judea (Israel)**

Rome  
Three Taverns  
Appii Forum

**Italy**

Puteoli

**Sicily**

Rhegium

Syracuse

Malta

→ 46-48 A.D. Paul's First Missionary Journey (Acts 12:25-14:28)

→ 50-53 A.D. Paul's Second Missionary Journey (Acts 15:36-18:22)

→ 53-57 A.D. Paul's Third Missionary Journey (Acts 18:23-21:14)

→ 59-62 A.D. Paul's Journey to Rome (Acts 27:1-28:16)



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## Philippians 2

5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:

7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:

8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:

10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of *things* in heaven, and *things* in earth, and *things* under the earth;

11 And *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Neal A. Maxwell

Periodically, we too will experience a measure of irony, that hard crust on the bread of adversity. Jesus met irony constantly... Bearer of the only salvational name, yet the Lord of the Universe lived modestly as a person "of no reputation" (Philip. 2:7; see also Acts 4:12; 2 Ne. 25:20; Abr. 3:27). Christ "constructed" the universe, yet in little Galilee He was known merely as "the carpenter's son" (Matt. 13:55).

You and I, when impacted by lesser irony, are so much more brittle, often forgetting that some tests by their very nature are unfair, especially when crusty irony is present. ("Apply the Atoning Blood of Christ," Ensign, Nov. 1997, 23)

Lorenzo Snow

The boy, like to his father grown,  
Has but attained unto his own;  
To grow to sire from state of son,  
Is not 'gainst Nature's course to run.

A son of God, like God to be,  
Would not be robbing Deity;  
And he who has this hope within,  
Will purify himself from sin.



### Philippians 3

4 Though I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more:

5 Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, *of* the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee;

6 Concerning zeal, persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the law, blameless.

7 But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ.

8 Yea doubtless, and I count all things *but* loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them *but* dung, that I may win Christ,

### Philippians 4

12 I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.

13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

### Moroni 10:32-33

32 Yea, come unto Christ, and be perfected in him, and deny yourselves of all ungodliness; and if ye shall deny yourselves of all ungodliness, and love God with all your might, mind and strength, then is his grace sufficient for you, that by his grace ye may be perfect in Christ; and if by the grace of God ye are perfect in Christ, ye can in nowise deny the power of God.

33 And again, if ye by the grace of God are perfect in Christ, and deny not his power, then are ye sanctified in Christ by the grace of God, through the shedding of the blood of Christ, which is in the covenant of the Father unto the remission of your sins, that ye become holy, without spot.

### Colossians 3

**6** For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:

**7** In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.

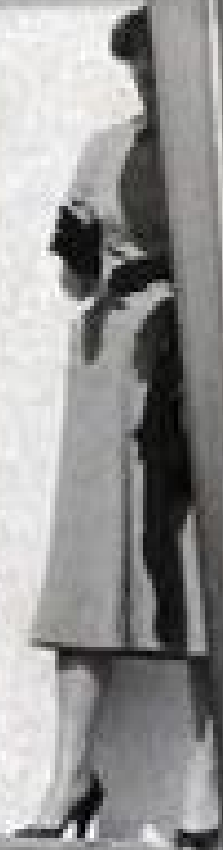
**8** But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.

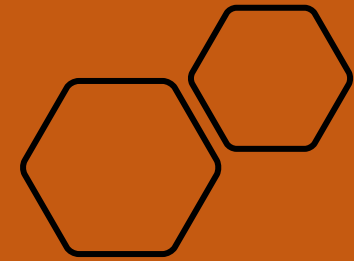
**9** Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

**10** And have put on the new *man*, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

**11** Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond *nor* free: but Christ *is* all, and in all.

HOLINESS TO THE LORD





Thessalonians



## **1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 1**

**5** For our gospel came not unto you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance; as ye know what manner of men we were among you for your sake.

**6** And ye became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost:

**7** So that ye were ensamples to all that believe in Macedonia and Achaia.

**8** For from you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith to God-ward is spread abroad; so that we need not to speak any thing.

**9** For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God;

## 1st Thessalonians 2

**2** But even after that we had suffered before, and were shamefully entreated, as ye know, at Philippi, we were bold in our God to speak unto you the gospel of God with much contention.

**3** For our exhortation *was* not of deceit, nor of uncleanness, nor in guile:

**4** But as we were allowed of God to be put in trust with the gospel, even so we speak; not as pleasing men, but God, which trieth our hearts.

**5** For neither at any time used we flattering words, as ye know, nor a cloak of covetousness; God *is* witness:

**6** Nor of men sought we glory, neither of you, nor *yet* of others, when we might have been burdensome, as the apostles of Christ.

**7** But we were gentle among you, even as a nurse cherisheth her children:

**8** So being affectionately desirous of you, we were willing to have imparted unto you, not the gospel of God only, but also our own souls, because ye were dear unto us.

**9** For ye remember, brethren, our labour and travail: for labouring night and day, because we would not be chargeable unto any of you, we preached unto you the gospel of God.

**10** Ye *are* witnesses, and God *also*, how holily and justly and unblameably we behaved ourselves among you that believe:

**11** As ye know how we exhorted and comforted and charged every one of you, as a father *doth* his children,

**12** That ye would walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory.

**13** For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received *it* not *as* the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.

- During these past six months, you have been constantly on my mind and in my prayers. (April 2023)
- You are constantly on my mind. I marvel at the way you spring into action whenever you see others in need. I stand amazed at the faith and testimony you demonstrate again and again. I weep over your heartaches, disappointments, and worries. I love you. I assure you that our Heavenly Father and His Beloved Son, Jesus Christ, love you. They are intimately aware of your circumstances, your goodness, your needs, and your prayers for help. Again and again, I pray for you to feel Their love for you. (October 2022)
- I pray for you every day. (April 2022)
- You have been on my mind almost constantly during the past six months. I have prayed about you and for you. (October 2021)
- I pray constantly that the Lord will comfort you. (April 2021)
- I grieve with each of you who has lost a loved one during this time. And I pray for all who are currently suffering. (October 2020)

### **1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 1**

**10** And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, *even* Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 4**

**13** But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

**14** For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 1**

**7** And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels,

**8** In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

**9** Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;

**10** When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 2

1 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and *by* our gathering together unto him,

2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for *that day shall not come*, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

# The Articles of Faith in the Letters of Paul

Articles of Faith	References in the New Testament Letters
1	2 Corinthians 13:14
2	Galatians 6:7; 1 Corinthians 15:22
3	Colossians 1:20; Hebrews 5:9
4	Hebrews 6:1–2
5	1 Timothy 4:14
6	Ephesians 4:11
7	1 Corinthians 12:8–12
8	2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Corinthians 13:1
9	1 Corinthians 2:10–11
10	Hebrews 12:22; 1 Thessalonians 2:19; 3:13
11	Romans 2:14–16
12	Romans 13:1–7
13	1 Corinthians 13:7; Philippians 4:8

# The Letters of Paul and the Articles of Faith

“The grace of the Lord *Jesus Christ*, and the love of *God*, and the communion of the *Holy Ghost*, be with you all” (2Cor 13:14).

1

We believe in *God*, the Eternal Father, and in His Son, *Jesus Christ*, and in the *Holy Ghost*.

“Whatsoever a *man* soweth, that shall he also reap” (Gal 6:7).

2

We believe that men will be punished for their own sins, and not for *Adam’s* transgression.

“For as in *Adam* all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive” (1Cor 15:22).

3

“And having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to *reconcile all things* unto himself” (Col 1:20).

We believe that through the Atonement of Christ, *all* mankind may be *saved*, by *obedience* to the laws and ordinances of the Gospel.

“And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal *salvation* unto *all* them that *obey* him” (Heb 5:9).

4

“The foundation of *repentance* from dead works, and of *faith* toward God, Of the doctrine of *baptisms*, and of *laying on of hands*” (Heb 6:1–2).

We believe that the first principles and ordinances of the Gospel are: first, *Faith* in the Lord Jesus Christ; second, *Repentance*; third, *Baptism* by immersion for the remission of sins; fourth, *Laying on of hands* for the gift of the Holy Ghost.

“Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee *by prophecy*, with the *laying on of the hands of the presbytery*” (1Tm 4:14).

5

We believe that a man must be called of God, *by prophecy*, and by the *laying on of hands by those who are in authority*, to preach the Gospel and administer in the ordinances thereof.

“And he gave some, *apostles*; and some, *prophets*; and some, *evangelists*; and some, *pastors* and *teachers*” (Eph 4:11).

6

We believe in the same organization that existed in the Primitive Church, namely, *apostles*, *prophets*, *pastors*, *teachers*, *evangelists*, and so forth.

“For to one is given by the Spirit ... the gifts of *healing* ... *prophecy* ... discerning of spirits ... *divers kinds of tongues* ... *the interpretation of tongues*” (1Cor 12:8–10).

7

We believe in the *gift of tongues*, *prophecy*, *revelation*, *visions*, *healing*, *interpretation of tongues*, and so forth.

“All scripture is given by inspiration of God” (2Tm 3:16).

“In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every *word* be established” (2Cor 13:1).

“But *God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things*” (1Cor 2:10–11).

“But ye are come unto mount *Sion ... the heavenly Jerusalem*” (Heb 12:22).

“Are not even ye in the *presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming?*” (1Th 2:19).

“He may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our *Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints*” (1Th 3:13).

“These ... are a law unto themselves: Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their *conscience* also bearing witness” (Rom 2:14–16).

“Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers: the *powers that be* are ordained of God” (Rom 13:1–7).

“*Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things*” (1Cor 13:7).

“*Whatsoever things are pure ... lovely ... of good report ... if there be any praise, think on these things*” (Phlp 4:8).

8

We believe the Bible to be the word of *God* as far as it is translated correctly; we also believe the Book of Mormon to be the *word of God*.

9

We believe all that *God has revealed*, all that He does now reveal, and we believe that He will yet reveal many great and important things pertaining to the Kingdom of God.

10

We believe in the literal gathering of Israel and in the restoration of the Ten Tribes; that Zion (*the New Jerusalem*) will be built upon the American continent; that *Christ will reign personally upon the earth*; and, that the earth will be renewed and receive its paradisiacal glory.

11

We claim the privilege of worshipping Almighty God according to the dictates of our own *conscience*, and allow all men the same privilege, let them worship how, where, or what they may.

12

We believe in being subject to *kings, presidents, rulers, and magistrates*, in obeying, honoring, and sustaining the law.

13

We believe in being honest, true, chaste, benevolent, virtuous, and in doing good to all men; indeed, we may say that we follow the admonition of Paul; *we believe all things, we hope all things, we have endured many things, and hope to be able to endure all things*. If there is anything *virtuous, lovely, or of good report or praiseworthy*, we seek after these things.