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CHAPTER 11 Ladder - Lukewarm

LADDER

Genesis 28:12 (c) We are made to realize that there is a way to glory from earth. There is a way for us to approach to GOD in prayer, and then return to the fields of labor bringing with us Heaven's blessings.

LADY

Isaiah 47:5 (b) This name is a description of the city of Babylon. It had been a beautiful city, with hanging gardens, parks, and very gorgeous robes on its soldiers. This verse is prophesying that it will no longer have that grandeur, but will be brought down to desolation and destruction.

LAMB

Genesis 22:7 (b) It is quite evident that this lamb is a type of the Lord JESUS CHRIST who was described by John as "**the Lamb of God**." Abraham's reply indicates the same truth, for he said "**God will provide Himself a lamb for a burnt offering**." It does not say He will "provide for Himself." The Lord JESUS was and is one of the persons of the Godhead, and He gave His own self to be a sacrifice.

Exodus 13:13 (b) In this place again the Lord JESUS is evidently the anti-type, while we are represented by the ass. The Scripture says "man is born a wild ass's colt." Each one of us must be redeemed by the Blood of the Lord JESUS, the Lamb of GOD, or else we shall be punished ourselves.

Leviticus 23:12 (c) The Lord JESUS was inspected before He was offered as the Passover Lamb.

- Pilate's wife inspected Him socially.
- Pilate inspected Him for the civil government.
- Herod inspected Him for the military government.

- Judas inspected Him from the standpoint of personal fellowship.
- the Centurion inspected Him as a law-enforcement officer.

All of them found Him without a blemish, and therefore fit from the human standpoint to be the Lamb of GOD.

Proverbs 27:26 (c) It may be that this also is a picture of the Lord JESUS in that we must be clothed with Him as the Scripture say; "**Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ**." The garment of salvation, and the robe of righteousness are just His own wonderful self given to us to cover all our sins and discrepancies.

John 1:29 (a) The Lord JESUS is often compared to a lamb, and for many reasons. The lamb was used for food, and the Saviour has told us to eat of Him. The lamb is used for growing wool to make warm garments, and so we are clothed with CHRIST that we may be accepted by GOD in Him. The lamb was an acceptable sacrifice to GOD, and so the Saviour offered Himself to GOD as our sacrifice. The lamb was used as the Passover sacrifice, and the Scripture says, "Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us." The lamb's a gentle creature, and our Lord said he was "meek and lowly in heart." The lamb does not object to being sheared or killed, and so "He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearer is dumb, so He opened not His mouth."

Revelation 5:6 (a) Throughout the book of Revelation, the Lord JESUS is presented under the type of "a lamb as it had been slain." It appears that CHRIST constantly bears the marks of the crucifixion, and that He still has the wounded hands, feet, side, back, head and face. GOD will never let us forget that the Lord JESUS became a sacrifice for our sins, and for ourselves. He is called "the Lamb" in order to keep this truth constantly before the hearts and minds of saved and unsaved in eternity. The sufferings of the lost are said to be "in the presence of the holy angels, and of the Lamb."

LAME

Leviticus 21:18 (c) Undoubtedly the lame man in this passage is a type of the Christian or the professing Christian who does not walk in a straight path and in fellowship with GOD. Such a one would not be suitable as a servant of the Lord, or a leader of the people.

Deuteronomy 15:21 (c) The sacrifice that is offered to the Lord must be perfect. Every sacrifice which man offers outside of CHRIST is defective, and cannot stand divine inspection. CHRIST alone is the only perfect sacrifice.

II Samuel 9:3 (c) Many evangelists use this figure as a type of all sinners. Everybody is lame on the feet in a spiritual sense. The walk is not what it should be. The ways of men are not perfect and godly as they should be. We therefore receive "**the kindness of God**," the feet are put under the table out of sight, while we sit at the King's banquet, and enjoy His fellowship after the King accepts us.

Proverbs 26:7 (b) Our Lord is describing to us the fact that we naturally go wrong and walk in a crooked path. Very few men, if any, can walk in a straight path where the footprints can be seen,

as in the snow. One leg is longer than the other. All of us are lame in the spiritual sense. It is a natural thing with everybody.

Isaiah 33:23 (c) Here is a very beautiful way of telling us that those who realize their weakness and their insufficiency are usually those who come to GOD for help and receive from Him the blessings He gives.

Hebrews 12:13 (b) Men are not always strong and vigorous in their spiritual life. Some are weak Christians and stumble along the way instead of being able to stand for the faith, resisting the enemy. We are called upon to so walk, live, act and talk that weak Christians will be strengthened in their faith and made to stand strong for the Lord.

LAMP

Genesis 15:17 (c) Here we find a picture of the experience of Israel in Egypt. They were to have terrible oppression and suffering which was described as a smoking furnace, but in the midst of this they were to have the Word of GOD and the teaching of GOD's truth which is represented by the burning lamp. GOD never failed even in the darkest hour to send the light of His truth to the people.

Exodus 25:37 (c) The lampstand had seven branches, and these are generally taken to represent the seven-fold Spirit of GOD who is the Spirit of light. It is also taken by some to represent the perfect testimony of the Word of GOD. Others think that they represent the ministry of the church which gives out the light of the Gospel. All three may be true, for certainly these golden lamps do represent all these three sources of light.

Judges 7:16 (c) In this account the pitcher probably represents the believer. The lamp probably represents the light that is in the believer, the indwelling Spirit of GOD, and the wonderful light-giving Word of GOD. the pitcher must be broken that the light may shine out. The believer must be broken in spirit, humble and contrite, that the light may shine from him. Nothing earthly must interfere.

I Kings 15:4 (b) Here is a figure of the testimony and life of King David. These were left to his children. They were to exhibit the faith which David had and to carry on the testimony which David maintained. (See also Psalm 132:17).

Job 12:5 (b) This lamp represents the Word of GOD and the counsel of the Lord. That person who is ready to leave the path of righteousness and walk with the world does not want counselor advice either from the Word of GOD, or from the child of GOD. He despises both.

Job 41:19 (c) Probably this is just a poetic way of telling of the terror produced by the hideous noises that come from the mouths of enraged animals. It may have a counterpart somehow in describing the vile and wicked expressions that come from the mouths of the ungodly who seek to destroy much good.

Psalm 119:105 (a) The Word of GOD is the lamp which lights the way through life and illuminates the path to glory. Those who walk in the light of the Word of GOD live godly,

consecrated lives which are fruitful, helpful and pleasant. (See also Proverbs 6:23).

Proverbs 13:9 (b) The Lord tells us in this passage, as well as in other portions, that the influence of the wicked, and the memory of them, as well as their public testimony, will be blotted out, for they have no value to GOD. (See also Proverbs 20:20).

Isaiah 62:1 (a) The Gospel of GOD's grace began at Jerusalem with our Lord JESUS and has spread throughout the world. Thus this Scripture has been fulfilled.

Ezekiel 1:13 (a) The living creatures represent four aspects of the Lord JESUS CHRIST. The fire represents the judgment that emanates from Him as the Judge of all the earth. The lamps represent the Holy Spirit of GOD in His seven aspects, and as coming from the Lord JESUS who is the giver of the Holy Spirit.

Daniel 10:6 (a) This may be another representation of the Lord JESUS CHRIST whose eyes shine with the glory of GOD, and penetrate the heart and soul of those with whom He deals.

Matthew 25:1 (a) It is generally believed that these lamps refer to the testimony of these virgins. Some testimonies are beautiful explanations and expressions of human experiences, but which lack the Spirit of Life. Others give testimonies in which it is clear to be seen that the Holy Spirit indicted both the experience and the expression. The oil represents the presence of the Holy Spirit Himself, and when He is present the testimony of the one who speaks savors of Heaven and presents a spiritual tone which is absent in other testimonies.

Revelation 4:5 (a) The passage tells us that these lamps do represent the Holy Spirit in His wonderful sevenfold aspect. The Spirit gives light and life. He directs the way. He teaches the truth of GOD. He anoints for service. He reveals wicked ways and evil doctrines. He guides the feet in the way of peace. He illuminates the soul with the light of Heaven.

Revelation 8:10 (a) The lamp which fell from Heaven was either an angel or a superman. The lamp represents the testimony and the message which that unusual person brought to the earth. The message which he gave was bitter as wormwood and deadly in its effect on the souls of men.

LANTERN

John 18:3 (c) This figure may be used as a picture of the intellect of man seeking to find out GOD and CHRIST by searching. Man brings his light in an endeavor to find GOD. CHRIST is the Light of Life. All of man's intellectual lightness falls into an eclipse in the light of the Son of GOD. Man cannot find GOD by reasonings or deductions.

LANDMARK

Deuteronomy 19:14 (c) This may be used as a figure whereby we are to recognize the rights of others, and not defraud our neighbors. (See Deuteronomy 27:17).

Proverbs 22:28 (c) We should learn by this that we are to see and ask for the old paths which GOD has set by His prophets and apostles. Let us beware of new religions invented by men and

women. (See Proverbs 23:10).

LANES

Luke 14:21 (c) The streets refer to the public places, and the lanes refer to the out-of-the-way places where people live in more or less obscurity. This is also described as "**highways and hedges**." This refers to the easy places to reach and the difficult places to enter. (See vs. 23).

LAPPETH

Judges 7:5 (b) Evidently those who thus drank were on their feet ready to go. They were ready for the war at a moment's notice. The others who go on their knees were off-guard and not ready to go. This is a picture of being ready "in season, out of season."

LATCHET

Genesis 14:23 (c) Abraham thus shows his disdain for the slightest favor which might be offered him by an idolatrous king. He would not accept the slightest gift from one who was an enemy of GOD.

Mark 1:7 (c) John uses the least of the things on the person of JESUS to illustrate his own feelings of utter unworthiness in the presence of his Lord.

LATTICE

Song of Solomon 2:9 (c) It may be that this indicates an obscured vision of the Lord. Some do not see clearly the value of CHRIST. This probably is because of either bad teaching, or no teaching. The lattice will be taken away if we study the Word of GOD, under the teaching of the Spirit of GOD. We shall then see our lovely Lord clearly.

LAUGH

Psalm 2:4 (a) By this is indicated GOD's complete supremacy as He looks with scorn on the feeble efforts of man to reject His Son from being ruler of this world. (See also Psalm 37:13).

Proverbs 1:26 (a) By this is described the terrible condition of one who invites GOD's rejection, repudiation and wrath in the day when he needs the Lord the most. There is no mercy after death.

LAVER

Exodus 30:18 (c) This may be used as a type of the Word of GOD. (See Psalm 119:9, Ephesians 5:26). No size is given for the laver, nor do we know how it was carried. We do not know the depth, the scope, nor the value of the Word of GOD. There is no rule about how GOD's Word is to be carried here and there from heart to heart. The laver is a beautiful picture of all of this.

LAW

Also called testimony, commandments, statutes, precepts, judgments, the Word, and words.

Called "Law of Moses" I Kings 2:3
Called "Law of the Lord" II Kings 10:31
Called "Law of God" Romans 7:22
Called "Law of the Spirit" Romans 8:2
Called "Law of Righteousness" Romans 9:31
Called "Law of Liberty" James 2:12

James 2:12 (a) This is the law that operates when there is no restraint nor hindrance. We judge a lion by the way he would act if free, and not by the way he acts in the cage. So GOD will judge people by the way they act when they are free to do as they please, and no one sees or knows of their actions.

GOD's law is like a light Psalm 119:130 GOD's law is like a lamp Psalm 119:105 GOD's law is like a hammer Jeremiah 23:29 GOD's law is like a fire Jeremiah 23:29 GOD's law is like a seed Luke 8:11 GOD's law is like water Ephesians 5:26 GOD's law is like a sword Hebrews 4:12

LEAD (metal)

Zechariah 5:7 (b) The ephah is a unit of measure. The size of it was according to GOD's command, as in Ezekiel 45:11. GOD measures and weighs every part of the earth. This weight of "lead" assures us that GOD will hold down or preserve honesty in measurements throughout the earth when His people (Israel and the church, the two women) shall be fully controlled by the Holy Spirit (the wind), and shall be established among men.

LEAF

Genesis 3:7 (c) These leaves represent the actions and ways of human beings who attempt to hide their sins under their own righteous acts and deeds. As Adam and Eve made these transient coverings for themselves, and used the things which would soon shrink and fade, so self-righteous sinners try to cover up their evil deeds and wicked ways by good works and religious performances. You will note that Adam and Eve hid from GOD after they made the fig leaf aprons. They themselves realized that the aprons did not hide them from the eyes of GOD. Only the precious Blood of CHRIST avails to hide our sins from a holy Judge.

Psalm 1:3 (b) This type illustrates the bright, attractive, happy life which is lived by that individual in whom is the life of GOD. As the leaf reveals the kind of tree that it is on, so the life of the individual reveals whether or not he belongs to JESUS CHRIST. Leaves usually represent a profession, but not necessarily the possession of eternal life.

Isaiah 6:13 (b) By this we are taught that though one may be a Christian and have the real gift of eternal life, he may be having a winter-time in his experience, when the leaves are not to be seen.

A live tree may have no leaves on it because of the conditions that exist.

Isaiah 64:6 (a) As leaves fade, so the human life fades. Some grow more beautiful as they grow older. They become more attractive with age. As many leaves grow more beautiful, waxen, and tinted when they are ready to fall, so some lives are more glorious in their closing days. Other leaves, however, fade in a most unattractive way. They are sear, yellow, worm-eaten, curled, shrunken, and very unsightly. No one wants them. They are quickly swept up and burned. Many lives are like that. The individual grows sour, fault-finding, critical, demanding, and there is no grief when he falls and is swept away into eternity.

Jeremiah 17:8 (b) By this figure we are taught that the person who walks with GOD in happy communion with Him will be a constant testimony and will continually bear fruit for GOD. The leaves represent both confession and profession. The godly Christian will never hide his identity with CHRIST, but will always be confessing Him.

Ezekiel 17:9 (b) In this graphic way the Lord is telling us that in the time of persecution Israel would lose her identity with GOD and would no longer profess to be the people of GOD. They do retain their physical identity but their spirituality has disappeared. The present nation of Israel is a godless nation, with no recognition at all of the great truths of the sacrifices, the temple, and the Lord GOD.

Ezekiel 47:12 (b) Here we see a type of the constancy, beauty and certainty of the profession and confession of the real child of GOD. The believer is represented as GOD's tree, planted in GOD's Word, and permeated by the Spirit of GOD.

Daniel 4:12-21 (b) By this figure we are told that the profession and identity of the great king were clear, plain and definite until GOD cast him down from his throne.

Matthew 21:19 (b) In this way we learn of the empty profession of the nation of Israel who claimed to be GOD's people. Their hearts were not right with GOD, and they produced no fruit for His glory. This figure also may apply to individuals who are members of some church, are active in the Christian life, and yet are not themselves saved by grace, and redeemed by the Blood.

Revelation 22:2 (b) This is probably a type of the blessings and graces of CHRIST which are innumerable in number. They have their source in GOD's heart, and bring the blessings of Heaven to those who belong to the Lord.

LEAN

Song of Solomon 8:5 (c) This may be taken as a picture of the Church. GOD's people are just now traveling through this wilderness world on the way Home to glory. Along the way we are trusting on, believing in, and loving the Lord JESUS who is our Bridegroom.

Proverbs 3:5 (b) The Lord uses this figure in order to warn us against trusting in our own mental processes, rather than in the revealed Word and will of GOD.

Isaiah 36:6 (b) This is symbolical of Israel trusting in the help of the armies of Egypt as a man leans on a crutch or a staff to help him along a difficult way. Egypt would fail Israel, and prove to be a hindrance instead of a help. (See also Ezekiel 29:7).

Micah 3:11 (b) These hypocrites were professing to trust in the Lord while in their actions they were denying Him. They were hypocrites. They really did not expect nor desire to walk with GOD.

LEAN (adjective)

Job 16:8 (a) This figure is used to illustrate the faint heart and the drooping spirit of this poor, weary man in his misery. When trouble overtakes GOD's people they are no longer "fat and flourishing" in their attitude, nor their actions.

Psalm 106:15 (a) GOD definitely uses this figure to indicate the terrible spiritual condition of Israel after they turned away from trusting in the Lord, and appointed a king for themselves in whom they would put their trust. (See also Isaiah 10:16; Isaiah 24:16).

LEAVEN

(b) In every place where leaven is mentioned, it is a type of evil teachings, evil doctrines and evil practices. It is always to be put away and cast out as an unclean thing. The Gospel is never called leaven. Nothing good is ever compared to leaven. Nothing good is ever said about leaven. In every place it is mentioned, leaven is defiling and is to be put away. (See Exodus 12:15; Leviticus 2:11; I Corinthians 5:6).

Matthew 13:33 (a) The leaven in this case is a type of evil doctrines, taught by the apostate church. The woman is the apostate church, the meal is the Word of GOD, the leaven is wrong and evil teachings concerning the Word of GOD. Every false religion mixes false teachings in with the Scriptures and thereby poisons those who eat it. The leaven is never the Gospel. There is no place in the Bible where leaven is spoken of in an approving way, nor is it ever related to anything good.

LEBANON

Isaiah 40:16 (b) This wonderful picture tells a remarkable story of the inability of the best efforts of the sinner. Lebanon was a mountain about six miles wide, and about fifty miles long. It was covered with beautiful, magnificent, stately cedar trees. There were also the pine, the box, the fir and other trees. There were bushes, vines and grasses. In the midst of all this tangled forest, there were many wild animals of many varieties. It was a hunter's paradise. The Lord is telling us by this figure that though a sinner in his desire to obtain forgiveness should gather together in one pile all the burnable material on this huge mountain, and then kill all the animals that lived on that huge mountain, that sacrifice would not be sufficient to put away one sin. GOD is telling us by this wonderful figure that man's best and greatest efforts are not sufficient, and do not avail for the putting away of any evil or any sin in a human life. Only the Blood of JESUS is sufficient.

LEEK

Numbers 11:5 (c) The six vegetables mentioned in this passage refer to six kinds of pleasures with which the Egyptians regaled themselves. None of them are stable, none of them are very profitable, all of them have an unhappy odor, none of them are a source of strength for the body. These are used as types of various kinds of pleasures and pursuits offered by the world to those who belong to this world and have never tasted the heavenly manna. The things which the world offer hardly satisfy for more than one day at a time. The game played today does not satisfy the craving for tomorrow. The music played today is not acceptable tomorrow. The show that is seen today has no attraction for tomorrow.

LEES

Jeremiah 48:11 (b) These refer to the sins of Moab. The lustful practices of these people and their wicked ways had been disturbed by their enemies and so had accumulated as settlings do in the bottom of the wine jar. The same truth applies to Israel. (See Zephaniah 1:12).

LEFT (hand)

I Chronicles 12:2 (c) This figure is used to illustrate the unusual care with which these men equipped themselves to serve their king. The lesson for us is that we should cultivate those talents in which we do not naturally excel, and make our obscure gifts as useful as our natural talents.

Ecclesiastes 10:2 (c) Since the heart of man is universally found on the left side of the chest, and not on the right side, the lesson to be learned is that all men are fools in the sight of GOD while in their natural state.

LEG

Exodus 29:17 (c) This type probably teaches the lesson that the walk of the child of GOD, as well as his inward desires, feelings and thoughts must all be cleansed with the washing of water by the Word of GOD. All must be laid at the feet of the Lord in sacrificial service. The walk must be clean.

Psalm 147:10 (c) Here is a figure of the walk of men in their business pursuits and their lives of pleasure. GOD takes no pleasure in that which is strictly human, but takes pleasure only in His Son and in those who walk with His Son.

Proverbs 26:7 (c) By this we understand that the reason for the ungodly walk of the wicked is because their nature is sinful. All unsaved people walk in a crooked path because they have an uneven disposition and lack divine life.

Song of Solomon 5:15 (b) In the world of sports the leg and its strength and power to endure are prime requisites for success. The prize fighter who wins is the one who can keep his legs strong and stiff to the end. The runner must have legs that will keep up the stride to the end of the race. In the Scripture before us, the legs are used as a type of the wonderful power, stability and

endurance of our precious Lord. They are made of marble to show the beauty of this precious Saviour. And they are made of marble in order to show their strength and permanent power.

Daniel 2:33 (a) These legs represent the Roman empire which was unusually strong and durable both in its civil power and its military might. The nation was upheld in its position as a world ruler by these two elements of strength.

Amos 3:12 (a) This probably indicates that GOD, the Shepherd, will deliver His people so that they may walk with Him again, and listen to Him as they should.

LEOPARD

Jeremiah 5:6 (b) This animal which is so quick in its actions and so swift in its pursuit is a picture of the swift destroyers mentioned in the passage. They would come suddenly with fierceness and attack with cruelty.

Jeremiah 13:23 (a) The spots on the leopard are from birth. It is an inherent marking. So the sinner is born with evil and wicked tendencies which are permanent in his life. He cannot change them nor obliterate them in any way. Only a divine power could remove them. The sinner is helpless in his sins. Only the divine Son of GOD can change him and make him whiter than snow. This animal represents also the sinner who admits he has "spots of sin" on him, but thinks there is lots of good in him. GOD will not save him, until he admits he is all bad.

Hosea 13:7 (a) In this passage the lion represents power, the leopard represents swiftness, the bear represents silence and certainty, and these are characteristics of the GOD whom they abandoned.

Revelation 13:2 (a) This animal represents the antichrist, who though pretending to be a man of peace will really be a cruel monster, killing all his enemies, violating his oath and showing swift and certain vengeance on those who belong to JESUS CHRIST.

LEPER

Exodus 4:6 (b) This disease is a type of sin from the standpoint of its being incurable and defiling. In nearly every case of healing, the leper is said to be "cleansed." One of the outstanding features of this disease was its defiling influence on others. The leper must live a separated life. He must wear a cloth over his mouth and cry "unclean." He must be shut out of the camp. All of this is true about an unsaved man as regards his relationship to Heaven. He cannot enter Heaven because of his defilement which is hopeless. Only GOD can remove it, only GOD has the remedy.

Leviticus 13:13 (b) In this peculiar passage the leper is pronounced clean if he is entirely covered with leprosy from head to foot. This is probably a picture of the condition of an unsaved man when he finds out and is fully convinced in his own heart that he is utterly bad, completely lost and entirely without hope. Whenever one reaches that place he is right at the door of Heaven. The Lord JESUS reveals Himself to that heart. The Holy Spirit gives him faith, and he passes from death unto life.

Leviticus 13:44 (b) It is quite evident that the decision concerning the state of any man must come from the High Priest Himself, JESUS CHRIST. No pope, nor bishop, nor ecclesiastical authority of any kind can decide the spiritual status of any person. Only the High Priest, CHRIST JESUS, has the right, the power and the privilege of doing this. Only He can know the human heart.

Leviticus 14:2 (b) Every sinner must come to JESUS CHRIST for cleansing. There is no other way. CHRIST JESUS must pronounce him clean. No Catholic priest can do it, no bishop can do it, no protestant preacher can do it, no Jewish rabbi can do it. JESUS CHRIST alone has the final and the official word. He Himself is the one who has told us "**He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life**." John 3:36.

LEVITE

Luke 10:32 (c) This sect may be taken as a picture of the lay workers of many churches who know almost nothing about soul winning, and care less. They are busy with the physical and social affairs of the church, but not the spiritual.

LICK

Numbers 22:4 (b) This is an illustration of the complete and thorough work that the armies of Moab expected Israel to do in conquering them and in overrunning their country.

Psalm 72:9 (a) By this we understand the complete defeat which GOD would bring upon His enemies causing them to fall prostrate in the dirt.

Isaiah 49:23 (a) This represents the humiliation of a defeated enemy and the complete elimination of their power. (See Micah 7:17).

LIFT

This action represents in most cases a restoration of power or place, authority or influence. It may represent also the restoration of a radiant spirit and a happy heart. It sometimes means a return to confidence in GOD, and a new trust in His power.

We shall consider a few of the various places in which the expression occurs.

Genesis 40:13 The head, a restoration to power.

Numbers 6:26 The expression of the face, showing approval.

Numbers 16:3 Exalting to a place of power.

Numbers 23:24 Israel restored to a place of leadership.

II Kings 19:4 The prayer ascending to GOD acceptably (See Isaiah 37:4).

II Kings 25:27 The restoration to a high position, though in mockery.

I Chronicles 25:5 The sounding forth of the music.

Ezra 9:6 The upward look of dependence on GOD.

Job 10:15 An expression of shame and confusion (See Zechariah 1:21).

Psalm 7:6 The manifestation of GOD's power publicly.

Psalm 24:7 A figure of triumph when the conqueror returns.

Psalm 25:1 The act of bringing oneself into the presence of the Lord by prayer and faith.

Psalm 93:3 An expression of the uprising of the people as a mob against GOD.

Psalm 110:7 It represents the constant, buoyant, radiant faith of the Lord JESUS CHRIST as He walked on earth among His enemies. He enjoyed the presence of His Father, and communed with Him day and night.

Hebrews 12:12 This is an encouragement to keep the spirit trusting in the Lord, the heart glad in CHRIST, and the faith active in His word.

LIFT (Up)

This action is used by the Holy Spirit to describe many situations and conditions throughout the Bible. It expresses the act of bringing one's self into the presence of the Lord by prayer, by faith and by listening to Him, as we find in Psalm 25:1.

The following are some of the ways in which it is used:

Lift up my hands Psalm 28:2 This is for supplication in prayer.

Lift up Thy people Psalm 28:9 Bring them out of slavery and poverty.

Lift up thy feet Psalm 74:3 A call to action by the Lord.

Lift up the horn Psalm 75:4 Obtaining power to curb Israel.

Lift up thy waves Psalm 93:3 Raise up and train great leaders.

Lift up his head Psalm 110:7 CHRIST raised from Calvary to the Throne.

Lift up mine eyes Psalm 121:1 Where shall we look for help?

Lift up a companion Ecclesiastes 4:10 To restore to spiritual health.

LIGHT

This word is used in many ways in the Scripture. Sometimes it refers to man's intellect as in Isaiah 50:11. Sometimes it refers to the Word of GOD, as in Psalm 119:105. Sometimes it refers to false doctrines as in Matthew 6:23. It is also a type of the Christian who walks with GOD, as in Ephesians 5:8. It refers also to the testimony of the Christian, as in Matthew 5:16. It is a figure of the state of the believer after he leaves Satan's kingdom of darkness, and is brought into GOD's Kingdom. (Acts 26:18). It refers to the walk of the believer in which he serves the Lord in a godly way, and directs his life according to the Word of GOD, as in I John 1:7. It refers to the defense of the believer who lives above reproach and has a godly testimony before his neighbors, as in Romans 13:12. CHRIST JESUS Himself is the light of the world, as He affirms in John 8:12 (a) In some strange way the entrance of CHRIST into the life and heart enables the mind to become intelligent and intellectual. Only where CHRIST JESUS is loved and His Word is preached do we find minds active for the blessing of others, and alert in inventing that which will be a blessing to mankind. The blessings which we enjoy in civilization, such as electronics, transportation, communication, refrigeration, manufacturing, agriculture, chemistry, physics and institutions of learning are all products of protestant countries where CHRIST JESUS is permitted to rule and reign in the heart of people, and the Word of GOD is read, preached and taught publicly, and without hindrance. (See John 1:4).

LIGHTNING

Zechariah 9:14 (b) This is a severe picture of GOD's avenging wrath and righteous judgment on His enemies. No one knows where it will strike, nor when, nor what damage will be the result.

Luke 10:18 (a) The disciples thought they had conquered Satan. Our Lord is assuring them that this is not the case. Satan occupies heavenly places. He strikes in people's lives wherever and whenever he pleases. No one can put Satan down nor conquer him. He daily attacks people where and when he pleases. This passage does not refer to Satan's fall from Heaven, but rather to his daily attacks on the people on earth.

LILY

Song of Solomon 2:1 (b) This flower is a type of CHRIST in His beauty and loveliness. We should notice that the word "valley" is in the plural. The Lord knew we would have many valleys between the cradle and the grave, and would need the Saviour in His beauty and sweetness in every one of them. This lily is a type of CHRIST, first because it is always pure white. Then, it is always fragrant, with an unusual sweetness of its own. It is also a universal flower, found wherever man lives and vegetation can grow. It always droops with its beautiful little bells hanging toward the ground; one must be low and lowly, and then look up into the beauty of CHRIST in order to enjoy Him. This lily does not live on public highways, but is found in sheltered nooks. So it is with CHRIST JESUS. He is not found in the public markets, nor in the busy throng, but in the secret place of the Most High, under the shadow of the Almighty.

Some think that this lily is a type of the Bride, the Church of CHRIST.

- because it grows on the earth and though the earth is black the lily grows up white, thus showing the transforming power of the Lord.
- because it brings joy to the heart of its owner by it's beauty and fragrance even as the church brings joy to the Lord.
- Because there are so few of them compared with the number of weeds and worthless plants even as the Christians are few in number compared to the sinners.

Hosea 14:5 (a) This is a type of Israel in the regeneration when they will be restored to the Lord and shall bring joy to His heart by the beauty and fragrance of their testimony.

Luke 12:27 (a) Here we see a picture of GOD's gracious care for each child of GOD. GOD beautifies them and supplies their needs. They, in turn, give forth loveliness and perfume for the blessing and the joy of GOD.

LINEN

Leviticus 6:10 (c) This symbolizes the beautiful gift of righteousness given by GOD to those who come in simple faith and trust Him with their souls. It is the "robe" of righteousness, the "garment" of salvation. It is always pure white.

Deuteronomy 22:11 (c) By this figure GOD reveals His displeasure at man's schemes and plans

to make a different robe of righteousness from that which He has ordained. Linen is a man-made product. After the Lord JESUS saves us and makes us Christians, then we begin to live a life of righteous acts, deeds and godliness which is compared to a linen robe. Wool is a product of GOD's power and ingenuity. No man can make wool. The Lord is telling us that we must not mix GOD's provision for a garment with man's provision. The wool represents GOD's grace. It is altogether "of GOD." Linen represents man's works. By this picture GOD condemns the mixture of grace and works in the matter of making the robe to wear for eternity. We are not saved by grace, and then kept by works. We are not saved partly by grace, and partly by works. GOD expects us to wear all linen as regards living for His glory and honoring His Name. He expects us to be clothed altogether by wool when it is a matter of relationship to Him, and being saved by Him.

Revelation 19:8 (b) The garment of the bride here is a type of her own righteous acts, accomplished because she was the bride, and not in order to be a bride. The garment mentioned in Psalm 45 is made of gold, and that one was provided by the Lord Himself.

LION

This animal is used as a figure or a type of power, sagacity, strength, wrath and ability. Sometimes the lion represents CHRIST JESUS. Sometimes it represents Satan. It always represents tremendous power and strength.

Genesis 49:9 (b) Emblematic of the power, strength and cunning of Judah for GOD because he came from GOD. The "lion" refers to GOD. Judah as the whelp is the offspring.

Judges 14:8 (c) This is sometimes taken as a type of CHRIST. Out of His death comes the sweetness of GOD's grace, and the blessings of salvation.

II Samuel 17:10 (b) This is the estimate of David's power and boldness as given by Hushai. He uses this figure to describe the mighty fighting power of David.

I Kings 7:29 (c) These figures represent various aspects of the Lord JESUS CHRIST. They are to be seen in connection with the character of CHRIST, both in Ezekiel and in the Revelation. Over the grave of Bobby Burns in the castle at Dumfernlin in Scotland there is a wooden canopy upheld by four posts. On the top of these posts there appear the four figures which Solomon mentions and which are also mentioned in Ezekiel - the lion, the ox, the man, the eagle. These indicate the four great attributes and characteristics of the Lord JESUS CHRIST.

I Chronicles 11:22 (c) This may be used as a type of Satan. Though every condition was favorable to the lion, this bold servant of David took his life in his hand and killed the beast. So our Saviour with everything against Him overcame Satan at Calvary when it seemed as though He could not possibly come out of the conflict a victor.

I Chronicles 12:8 (a) The face of the lion is under perfect control of the spirit of the lion. No one can tell the feelings of the lion by observing the face. Even when ready to attack, the face remains placid and calm. This figure used in connection with the Gadites indicates that these were men of might as the lion, men of fight as a lion, men of flight as a lion, and always with

perfect control of their actions and their feelings.

Psalm 22:13 (a) The maddening throng around the Cross resembled lions in their hatred, their vociferous shouts and their anger against the Son of GOD.

Psalm 35:17 (b) This is a cry of the Lord JESUS for GOD to preserve Him from the fierce attacks of the enemies around Him.

Ecclesiastes 9:4 (b) This is a very graphic way of telling us that a great and mighty powerful man is of no value when dead. Nero, Napoleon, Stalin and Hitler have lost their power. The least of all living persons is better than the greatest of dead conquerors.

Jeremiah 12:8 (a) This represents GOD's own people who should have been of the sheep of His pasture, but instead turned against Him in hatred and rebellion.

Ezekiel 1:10 (b) This is one of the types of the Lord JESUS in which His great strength, power, majesty and sovereignty are represented. (See also Revelation 4:7 and Revelation 5:5).

Ezekiel 19:2 (a) The nation of Israel was compared to this animal. The leaders represent the parent animals. Their offspring are the cubs, but all of them are fierce and cruel in their attitude toward GOD and His prophet.

I Peter 5:8 (a) Satan is thus described. This animal cannot be tamed to become a servant of man. Its nature cannot be changed. It is never constructive, but always destructive in all its actions. It is never a friend of man, but always his enemy. He is said to be roaring because he is always hunting up victims. The lion roars only when it is hungry. Satan is never satisfied. He is always in the business of devouring and destroying and is never a blessing to men.

Revelation 5:5 (a) CHRIST JESUS is the King of kings as the lion is the king of beasts. He is unconquerable and unavoidable. He cannot be defeated. He is afraid of no enemy. He cannot be hindered by any circumstances. He is always able to do whatever needs to be done for the glory of GOD and the blessing of men.

Revelation 13:2 (b) This animal reveals the terrible power the antichrist will have to tear, destroy and hurt GOD's people and all who will not bow to his sovereign sway.

LOAF

Leviticus 23:17 (c) (Wave). These particular loaves of bread represent godly, human efforts for the glory of the Lord. They were mixed with leaven, because all human efforts have sinful and evil characteristics. Nothing that we do or give is pure. The loaves of bread that represent CHRIST have no leaven in them whatever, but these loaves that represent us and our own human offerings did have leaven. CHRIST only is the pure bread of life.

But these wave loaves may also represent JESUS CHRIST our Lord as the One who was made sin for us. He went through the furnace of GOD's wrath, and this destroyed all the sin which He had taken upon Him for us. We come before GOD presenting as our sacrifice the Lord JESUS in His perfect beauty after He came through the furnace and became to us the bread of life.

I Samuel 10:3 (c) The three types in this verse are as follows:

- a kid for each man represents the individual sacrifice of CHRIST for each one;
- the loaf for each man represents the personal appropriation of CHRIST for each heart;
- the bottle of wine for all the men represents the joy of the Lord which cannot be measured but which is available for everyone and for all who will come.

I Samuel 10:4 (c) In that Saul was given two loaves of the bread, it may indicate that he was to have a double portion now, both as a king and as a prophet. He was to guide GOD's people in temporal things, and also in spiritual. He was to be a double example to all of Israel of a godly and a holy king. It may teach us also that those who have bread should share it with others. One of the men gave nearly all the bread he had. This should characterize each Christian.

Matthew 15:34 (c) This is a type of GOD's enriching grace which is sufficient for one's own heart and for supplying the needs of others. The Lord would have His own examine themselves to see if they have any good blessings from Heaven to give to those whom they meet along the highway of life. Each Christian should have plenty of bread for all whom he meets - biscuits for the children, loaves for the grown folks, soft bread for those who cannot chew, hard rolls for those who wish something upon which to exercise their thoughts. The Christian should go forth to the day's work with his bread basket filled for the hungry.

Luke 11:5 (b) This parable is concerning the soul winner. The first friend is the Lord JESUS. The second friend who comes at midnight is the troubled soul who comes to your door selling brooms. He is in the darkness of unbelief and is seeking something for his soul. The Christian may feel that he has nothing to give to this inquiring person. He realizes that he needs bread for this hungry man. CHRIST is telling us that we may come to Him to get what we need for the occasion. We may think we just want three loaves, but the Lord may see that we need much more. He will therefore give to the seeking Christian all the living bread that is needed for the seeking sinner. No Christian needs to permit any inquiring soul to depart unsatisfied.

I Corinthians 10:17 (a) (Margin).

- (1) This is a symbol of the whole church of GOD which is like a loaf of bread. It contains only wheat grains. It has no sticks or stones nor foreign substances but only wheat. Only true, bornagain believers are in the church of GOD. Hypocrites and professing Christians may be in the visible church, but none are in CHRIST's mystical body, the invisible church.
- (2) This loaf is a complete loaf separated from everything else in the house. This is a picture of the church which should be separated from every worldly thing, every worldly association, and is a separate distinct institution in this world. By looking at it one may see that it is a complete, self contained unit, it is one body in CHRIST.
- (3). As no one knows how many grains are in the loaf, so no one knows how many Christians compose the church.
- (4). As the grains in the loaf are combined with one another so the Christians in the church are bound together in sweet and holy communion with one another.
- (5). As the purpose of the loaf is to bring a blessing to those who have it, so the church is to bring joy and honor to CHRIST and be a blessing in every way to the people of earth who

surround it.

LOCUST

Psalm 109:23 (a) This is emblematic of the weakness and the helplessness of our blessed Lord as He was sent from one persecutor to another just as the wind blows the locusts about.

Proverbs 30:27 (c) This is a figure used to illustrate the blessedness of mutual fellowship regardless of leadership. Also that the problems of life require united effort though there be no adequate leadership.

Revelation 9:3 (c) Here we see a type of some form of curse which GOD will send upon the earth against His enemies.

LODGE

Isaiah 1:8 (a) The lesson to be learned from this type is that the people of Israel had forsaken the gardens of GOD, the flowers and fruits of GOD's love and grace, and preferred to dwell among the pleasures of this world. Cucumbers were one of the foods of the Egyptians. They contained no nutriment, had little food value, and perish quickly. Israel seemed to prefer that kind of a life rather than the rich pasture provided by GOD Himself.

LODGE (verb)

Matthew 13:32 (b) Here we see a graphic picture of the terrible state of the apostate church. The birds represent evil spirits. The tree with its many branches represents an unnatural growth in which wicked spirits feel at home in the various divisions of the great apostate religious world. The mustard seed never should produce a tree. This is an unnatural growth. So the present religious institutions filled with all sorts of evil doctrines, worldly practices and unsaved persons is not according to the will of GOD. The devil has his throne in the apostate church, as we read in Revelation 2:13. He and his evil angels are represented by the birds that lodge, make their nests and feel at home in the various branches of this huge, religious institution.

LOINS

Exodus 12:11 (c) By this figure the Lord was instructing His people to be ready to go, packed up, all ties broken off, and the journey begun for an unknown land. It is a splendid picture of "readiness."

I Kings 12:10 (a) Here we see a comparison between the oppression with which Rehoboam would afflict the people, as compared with the much lesser affliction which Solomon brought upon the people. (See also II Chronicles 10:10).

Psalm 66:11 (b) The loins are used in the Scripture as a picture of strength, power, vigor and maturity. In this passage GOD weakened the strength of His people and made them incapacitated as a nation.

Isaiah 11:5 (b) This picture is given us to describe a godly life, an upright character and an honest heart in business. It is also used to describe the character of GOD, all of whose power and work would be absolutely righteous in character.

Isaiah 45:1 (b) The Lord is informing Cyrus that He will weaken the strength of kings and nations who oppose him in order that he may conquer and subdue every enemy.

Jeremiah 30:6 (b) This represents a condition of despair, weakness, helplessness and hopelessness throughout Israel because of their sins, and because of the wrath of GOD.

Ezekiel 47:4 (b) Look under "**ANKLES**" for a rather full description of this parable. The loins represent vigor and power of a man controlled by the Spirit of GOD, and therefore brought into useful channels that are profitable in the sight of the Lord.

Daniel 10:5 (b) In this vision the heavenly messenger had divine strength, power and ability that was pure as the gold, and beautiful in appearance. He was GOD's messenger with GOD's message, for GOD's servant.

Luke 12:35 (a) Here we find an exhortation to every believer to bring all his powers, talents and gifts into the service of the King, with a ready heart, and a willing mind.

Ephesians 6:14 (a) If we know GOD's truth from His Word, we can and will be bold and aggressive in the battle of faith, and in the service of the King.

I Peter 1:13 (a) It is quite evident from this figure that the Lord is referring to our powers to think, analyze and consider by our mental processes the things of time and eternity. The Lord expects us to think through in regard to His work and service, to be resourceful, energetic and vigorous in preaching the Word and in carrying out His plans as He reveals them to us.

LOOK

Psalm 18:27 (b) The word here is used to indicate pride, egotism and self-sufficiency, all of which are to be brought down in humiliation and shame by our wonderful Lord. (See Psalm 101:5; Proverbs 6:17; Proverbs 21:4; Isaiah 2:11; Isaiah 10:12).

Ezekiel 2:6 (a) The type here indicates a fierce, angry countenance gazing in hatred against GOD's child. (See chap. 3, v. 9).

Daniel 7:20 (b) This figure also represents a fierce countenance of severe determination which is intended to frighten and to bring dismay.

LOOSE

Genesis 49:21 (b) Here we see a picture of freedom of thought, expression and of action on the part of the people in the tribe of Naphtali. (See Deuteronomy 33:23).

Leviticus 14:7 (c) This probably represents the living CHRIST now appearing in the presence of

GOD for us. We are saved both by the death of CHRIST for us, and also by the life of CHRIST before the Throne. He died to pay the debt of our sins as in Romans 5:6, and we are saved by His life as we read in Romans 5:10. This same truth is found in Leviticus 16:15. One goat died for the sins of the people, and in v. 21, another goat lived for the salvation of the people. CHRIST at Calvary is represented by the dead bird or the dead goat. CHRIST on the Throne, as our Advocate with the Father, is represented by the living bird and the living goat.

Job 12:18 (b) By this we learn that GOD is able to weaken the strength of oppressing rulers, and to deliver the captives from their power. He is able to control the powerful actions of great kings and rulers.

Job 30:11 (b) Job is complaining about his condition. He felt he was forsaken and turned over to wander in the darkness of confusion, with no guide to lead him.

Psalm 102:20 (b) Probably this refers to the conversion of the sinner. He has been on his way to the second death, which is the lake of fire. Then he hears the call of GOD, believes the Gospel of GOD, and is set free by the truth of GOD. It is probably a fulfillment of Luke 4:18.

Psalm 146:7 (a) This action probably refers to the work of GOD in delivering those who are bound by Satan and setting them free. It is probably a fulfillment of Matthew 12:29, or Isaiah 61:1, or Luke 4:18.

Ecclesiastes 12:6 (b) This strange figure is probably a picture of the spinal cord, which ceases to operate properly and does not function as it should. It is one of the marks or evidences of old age.

Isaiah 5:27 (b) This beautiful picture tells the story of Israel restored to the Lord when the Messiah returns and rebuilds the nation of Israel and Palestine. Their strength will be renewed and their power will be enhanced.

Isaiah 33:23 (b) We are being told here that when we are weak, then we are strong, as in II Corinthians 12:10. When Israel as a nation, or when any individual, confesses his weak and helpless condition, then he may look to the Lord and find adequate provision for his need.

Isaiah 51:14 (b) The lost sinner bound by evil habits, wicked ways, and hindered by sinful companions has a deep desire to be delivered from this bondage, so that he may live a life of freedom with GOD and may enjoy the blessings of GOD. (See also Psalm 68:18; Zechariah 9:11; Ephesians 4:8,9).

Isaiah 52:2 (b) Here we find a call to Israel to take advantage of GOD's grace, power and goodness and to appropriate for themselves the rich provisions GOD supplied for them.

Isaiah 58:6 (b) Here is a call to remove those cruel laws that bound burdens on the poor, and to substantiate those blessings which will bring joy and gladness to the oppressed.

Matthew 16:19 (a) This passage is quite similar and carries the same meaning as Matthew 18:18 and John 20:23. We should note that the binding and the loosing are products of the power of

GOD in the heart and soul. GOD gave the keys of the kingdom of Heaven, one key for the Gentiles and one for the Jews. That tells the source of the power. The passage in John tells us of the force that is behind the power, and that force is the Holy Spirit as revealed in the passage. The passage in Matthew 18:18 reveals the operation of that power; it is because GOD's people agree together in their prayer life, and in their decisions. That one who has received the Spirit of GOD as his Lord, and as according to John 20:22, will find the same result as described in v. 23. The Spirit-filled and the Spirit-led man will take GOD's emancipating Gospel to a husband and will leave the wife in the dark. He will lead a brother to CHRIST and leave the other brother in his sins. He will speak helpfully to one clerk in the store, and have no message for the other clerk. Where the Spirit is Lord in the life, then the individual Christian worker is led to the person with whom GOD is working, and will be kept away from the disinterested soul. He brings the message of deliverance and salvation to the one who is ready for it, but the Spirit keeps him away from the person who is to remain in his sins.

Matthew 21:2 (c) Here we find a picture of a lost mother and her son who are in the dark spiritually, and do not know which way to turn. One road leads to Heaven, and the other road leads to hell. Tradition and fear hinder their making any progress. At the Master's call and command a messenger came with a sweet message from that wonderful and precious Saviour which released them so that they could come to the Lord JESUS and have the great honor of carrying Him wherever He wanted to go. (See Mark 11:4-5; Luke 19:31).

Luke 13:12-16 (a) This woman was bound physically as well as spiritually. Somewhere in her life Satan had led her into some kind of evil that left its mark on her body. When JESUS came, her body was immediately healed, made whole, and she herself delivered from Satan's bondage to be a follower of the Lord JESUS CHRIST.

John 11:44 (c) It is sometimes the case, and quite often it is true, that a man will find the Saviour, be really born again, and yet carry with him in his new life some of the old ways, habits, traditions and customs which hinder him from living a happy, free, Christian life. The grave clothes are a type of those hindrances. GOD's children have the privilege and the duty of helping that friend to get rid of the old customs and habits and set him free for the service of the King.

Acts 2:24 (a) Death binds men permanently. Only GOD can break those bands and bring back to life again. This was done in the case of our Lord JESUS CHRIST.

Revelation 5:2 (c) It may be that this big book contains the story of human lives. No man lives such a clean life, free from sin, that he is worthy to open and to read the lives of others. Only CHRIST JESUS meets these requirements. He was sinless, therefore He was worthy. He can break the seals so that the book may be opened by Him and read by Him.

LOP

Isaiah 10:33 (b) GOD is telling us that He will cut off and destroy the enemies of Israel, the Assyrians. (See v. 24).

LORD

This title is very widely used for many purposes and reasons. We shall enumerate some of these so that the reader may acquaint himself with the many different ways in which GOD is Lord, and in which various kinds of people, nations and rulers are lords.

The Lord:

He is GOD	Deuteronomy 4:35.
He is Lord of lords	Deuteronomy 10:17.
He is Lord of all the earth	Joshua 3:11.
The Lord is King	Psalm 10:16.
The Lord is a refuge	Psalm 14:6.
The Lord is my shepherd	Psalm 23:1.
The Lord is my light	Psalm 27:1.
The Lord is my salvation	Psalm 27:1.
The Lord is my strength	Psalm 28:7.
The Lord is my shield	Psalm 28:7.
The Lord is good	Psalm 34:8.
The Lord is terrible	Psalm 4.7:2.
The Lord is our defense	Psalm 89:18.
The Lord is upright	Psalm 92:15.
The Lord is merciful	Psalm 103:8.
The Lord is gracious	Psalm 103:8.
The Lord is thy keeper	Psalm 121:5.
The Lord is thy shade	Psalm 121:5.
The Lord is around us	Psalm 125:2.
The Lord is righteous	Psalm 129:4.
The Lord is nigh us	Psalm 145:18.
The Lord is far off	Proverbs 15:29.
The Lord is our Maker	Proverbs 22:2.
The Lord is that Spirit	II Corinthians 3:17.
The Lord is at hand	Philippians 4:5.
He is the Lord our righteousn	less Jeremiah 23:6.
He is the Lord of kings	Daniel 2:47.
He is the Lord of the sabbath	Mark 2:28.
He is Lord and CHRIST	Acts 2:36.
He is Lord of all	Acts 10:36.
He is Lord of the dead and th	e living Romans 14:9.
He is the Lord of glory	I Corinthians 2:8.
He is the Lord from Heaven	I Corinthians 15:47.
The Lord is the avenger	I Thessalonians 4:6.
The Lord is faithful	II Thessalonians 3:3.
The Lord is pitiful	James 5:11.

This title is given to us in His Word in order that we may learn to know Him more intimately and trust Him more intelligently in the many vicissitudes of life.

LOSE

Matthew 10:39 (a) The Lord uses this word to describe the results of a wasted life in which there is no profit to GOD and no profit to the man for eternity. One may be a wonderful man of business or religion, or a prize-winning athlete, and yet have nothing for GOD or eternity. That life is said to be one that is lost. (See Matthew 16:25; Mark 8:35; Luke 9:24; John 12:25).

John 6:39 (a) We learn from this that the Lord JESUS saves the to hell. He is so powerful and His work is so perfect that the sinner is saved for eternity.

LOSS

I Corinthians 3:15 (a) This word is telling us that the believer's life should be filled with profitable and useful works so that he will receive a full reward at the judgment day. It has no reference whatever to the salvation of the soul. It refers only to a failure to receive a reward for faithful service. It is the reward that is lost, not his soul.

Philippians 3:7 (b) Paul indicates plainly that all those religious observances which he practiced before he was saved, before he met the Lord JESUS, were only a liability to him, and not an asset. He was glad to get rid of all his beliefs and practices as a Pharisee in order that he might enjoy the liberty and the loveliness of CHRIST JESUS, his new Lord. The old things as a Jew were a liability to him. The new things as a Christian were an asset to him.

LOST

Matthew 18:11 (a) We should note that in this Scripture the word "seek" does not occur. It is speaking of a child that is not saved, but is in sin. He sins because he is born as a sinner, and the word "lost" indicates that he is outside the family of GOD and on the way to a lost eternity.

Luke 19:10 (a) The unsaved person in this verse refers to an adult. That one needs to be sought after as well as needs to be found. He has deliberately gone astray and turned to his own way. GOD seeks him out as a shepherd seeks out the lost sheep, or as Saul sought the lost asses. The lost man is unsaved; he is in his sins; he does not know where he is going; he does not know GOD; he is in the dark. (See Ephesians 2:12).

II Corinthians 4:3 (a) The word is used in this passage in the same way as in the former passages. We learn here of a different characteristic of the unsaved man, i.e., he does not understand GOD's Word or GOD's Gospel. He can talk intelligently about business or pleasure, science or arts, but has no understanding of GOD's truth, GOD's Gospel, and GOD's Son. For this reason he is said to be lost, he is on his way to hell.

LUKEWARM

Revelation 3:16 (a) Here GOD gives us a type which describes the unhappy state of one who is indifferent to the claims of GOD, indifferent to the needs of the church, indifferent to the needs of his own soul, and who travels along life's pathway with no definite decision in regard to eternity.

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