

THEY'VE GONE TOO FAR,
Being Heterodox in a Homodox Ghetto
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Introduction and Background:

This particular quest began while reading Dunn's, *Unity and Diversity in the New Testament*. He says on page three, "Bauer has shown ...there was no 'pure' form of Christianity that existed in the beginning which can properly be called 'orthodoxy'. In fact...in many places...it is more likely that what later churchmen called **heterodox** [bold added] Christianity was the initial form of Christianity... ." ¹ We who are now considered heretically heterodox SHOULD REJOICE IN THAT STATEMENT! What a novel idea, we *may* have one of the original forms of earliest Christianity. Since Time magazine says that the "Re-Judaizing" of Jesus is one of the TOP TEN, FUTURE REVOLUTIONS, ² we may be on the right track.

My point is to say that what is now "orthodox" was in the first centuries of Christianity in fact "heterodox" or heresy in terms of scripture. Now that biblical orthodoxy of the first few centuries has become the minority in the Christian community, and that today's orthodoxy and church traditions, radically influenced by Greek philosophy, are to some of us an abomination, what do we do? Is it better to be heterodox in this supposedly **homodox** ghetto of Christianity? Remember that nominal Christianity hovers around 30% of the world's population. Since that is the case, this nominal Christianity is still, just a small part of the "ghetto" know as humanity. The world population is now around 6.8 billion. I suggest, it is okay to be different/heterodox when others think we should all be alike/homodox in this ghetto of current orthodoxy, especially if it is more biblical.

My suggestion is that in the Revolution of "Re-Judaizing of Jesus," which I pray you think is a GREAT thing also, let's help the current "homodox" / "orthodox" community of Christians in what the Bible says about God, Jesus, the Church, the Kingdom, etc. "Let God be true and everyman a liar." ☺ (Rom. 3:4) Yes, and that includes me and you also!

THEY'VE GONE TOO FAR!

What prompted my further research is a sermon I did at the recent Carolina Conference, at the Bethel Church, Pelzer, South Carolina. We see Jesus scolding the Pharisees and scribes for their excesses saying that they were "*thus* invalidating the word of God by your tradition." (Mar 7:13) Forty times Jesus says "My Father." Ten times in the New Testament, not counting the Aramaic, Jesus says "My God." Forty-three times we are told "Son of God." (N.T.) Colin Brown, says "To be called the Son of God means that one is not God." Jesus prefers the term "Son of Man." (88 times in the N.T.) Remember Numbers 23:19- "God is not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent." Since Jesus IS THE SON OF MAN, ergo, he is not God, not YHWH. The Jerusalem Bible (1966), in Ecc. 7:29 says "God made man simple, man's complex problems are of his own devising." How about K.I.S.S., rather than obfuscation. Keep It Simple Saints!

¹ James D.G. Dunn, *Unity and Diversity in the New Testament*, Second Edition, (Harrisburg, PA: Trinity Press, 1990), p. 3.

² Time, March 13, 2008.

How have we complicated the simple? From possibly the closest apostle to Jesus, John, we read these words:

Watch yourselves, that you do not lose what we have accomplished, but that you may receive a full reward. Anyone who **goes too far** and does not abide in the teaching of Christ, does not have God; the one who abides in the teaching, he has both the Father and the Son. 2 John 8,9

What does that statement mean, “**goes too far**”? I believe it is the very foundation of the discussion with current orthodoxy, C.O. What have creeds or Greek Philosophy, or any worldly philosophy to do with the biblical Jesus and a biblical gospel? Sometimes, very little.

GONE TOO FAR, THE *HOI POLLOI* (THE MAJORITY) BACK AND FORTH

Since Dunn, and others reference Bauer, let's follow him for a while. Bauer's work, *Orthodoxy & Heresy in Earliest Christianity*, is part of the foundation for the “future revolution” of “Re-Judaizing Jesus.” To me, it would be similar to Schweitzer's *Quest for the Historical Jesus*. Bauer notes in his introduction, “Majority and minority can change places.”³ He further concludes they did. Jumping to the final chapter (10), The Beginnings, he summarizes, “... east of Phrygian Hierapolis we could hardly discern **any** traces of orthodoxy.”⁴ That means that in the entirety of Asia Minor, the entire Middle East, and in Africa, C.O. is generally NOT there. He says the “*Hoi polloi*, ‘the great majority,’ were in the camp of the church's enemies... . Only in the case of Rome can we state confidently that orthodoxy possessed the upper hand.”⁵ Until Constantine, I would humbly suggest he is even wrong about that. NOW, the *hoi polloi*, C.O., is in control of much of the ghetto.

Reviewing Harnack, Bauer says that back then, “the heretics considerably outnumbered the orthodox.”⁶ But, let's be honest, much of those heterodoxies, were not necessarily “our” heterodoxy. However, they could be! Another summary point is “No one can call that a falling away from orthodoxy to heresy.”⁷ No one fell “from” C.O., but fell “into” its lies. Further he suggests those changes enhancing what is now C.O. may have a price. “The advances that Christianity makes in the pagan world have to be purchased by means of conscious and unconscious compromise with the syncretistic spirit of the times.”⁸ He suggests two factors that can help, the Hebrew scripture and the “teachings of the earthly Jesus.” I agree.

GONE TOO FAR, BY ELIMINATING YAHWEH (see Appendix A- YHWH)

We have to get back to YHWH! His name occurs 6,007 times. It occurs 6,828 in it various forms. 199 times He says, “I am YHWH.” 77 times He says, they “shall know that I am YHWH.” There are 15,000-20,000 +/- personal pronouns about the

³ Walter Bauer, *Orthodoxy and Heresy in Earliest Christianity*, ed./trans. Robert Kraft, et. al., (Mifflintown, PA: Sigler Press, 1996), p. xxii

⁴ Ibid., p. 229

⁵ Ibid., p. 193

⁶ Ibid, p. 194

⁷ Ibid.,

⁸ Ibid., p. 238

singular, one God (from Approx. 48,000: I, Me, My, You [singular], He, Him)! Also, what part of “*kai*,” “and” is there a problem? GOD and Jesus, appear distinct from one another some 60 times. (review Appendix B- God AND Jesus) (See also Appendix C for numerous verses on God and Jesus in the New Testament)

YHWH Bible Works study

6007= Hits for YHWH in 5195 Verses	יְהוָה	6007
577 = hits for LYHWH in 539 Verses (TO, At, By...)	לְיְהוָה	577
105 = Hits for BYHWH in 104 Verses (IN, to, at,)	בְּיְהוָה	105
100= Hits for V(W)YHWH in 99 verses (AND, so when...)	וַיְהוָה	100
24 = Hits for MYHWH in 24 Verses (FROM, of, by...)	מִיְהוָה	24
4 = Hits for KYHWH in 4 Verses (Like, as...)	כִּיְהוָה	4
1= Hit for HYHWH in 1 verse (THE..) (Jer. 8:19)	הַיְהוָה	1
1 = Hit for SHYHWH in 1 verse (Whose or... ?)	שְׂיְהוָה	<u>1</u>

(see Appendix A)

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GONE TOO FAR IN CREEDS AND TRADITION

What could possibly start bringing homodoxy, or C.O., even heterodoxies to a biblical orthodoxy? Dunn states, "...to affirm scripture as the criterion of the truth of the gospel must also mean that scripture be allowed to function in criticism of church tradition."⁹ He further adds, "... let the canon be the canon, as a force and measuring rod for that unity in and through diversity which is the only true unity."¹⁰ Hebrew funding of this notion is found in Proverbs 30:6, "Do not add to his words, or he will rebuke you and prove you a liar." (NIV) I would prefer not to be rebuked and proven a liar by the Lord God. (See Appendix D- Nicene and Chalcedon Creeds)

A New Testament verse in I Corinthians 4:6 is, "I have applied these things ...so that you may learn from us the meaning of the saying, '**Do not go beyond what is written.**'" (NIV) Though within the context of the book of Revelation, we have "if anyone adds to" the words, or "if anyone takes away from the words..." his part will be taken away. (22:18,19) We say **sola scriptura**, but do we really believe it? When will we use nothing but scripture, "it is written," as Jesus did to state our beliefs? Can you imagine churches, denominations with nothing but scriptural quotations for "Statements of Faith?" "We," the church, needs to reconsider the cry of the Reformation, **semper reformandis**,¹¹ always reforming, according to scripture.

GONE TOO FAR FROM THE KINGDOM MESSAGE AND TEACHINGS OF JESUS

Jesus is quite blunt in Mark 12:29 about the great commandment, "...Hear, O Israel, the LORD our God, the LORD is one. (NKJ) He is also not unclear about the second most important one, "Love your neighbor as yourself." (12:31) He really pushes the envelope when he says "Love your enemies," and "By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." (Jn. 13:35) Ouch, that hurts! Even those who claim to be "Christian" and don't really believe the bible? Especially when Christianity is thee thousand miles wide in the U.S. and three inches deep where half the "Christians" don't even know the first book of the Bible is Genesis and one-third don't know who preached the Sermon on the Mount!¹²

THANK GOD for a renewal in THE primary message of Jesus, the Kingdom of God! Every scholar and student "worth his salt" now acknowledges the apocalyptic preaching of our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ! HE wants us to carry on the tradition until Kingdom comes. (Mt. 24:14) I've appreciated the work of George Ladd, Anthony Buzzard, Myles Munroe who keep pushing us to the message of Jesus! For the fun of it, look at the last appendix (E) of quotes from Myles Munroe, in his book, **God's Big Idea**! Some are "Heaven is not our priority;" "God did not assign us to go to heaven;" "God assigned us to occupy the Earth, not abandon it."¹³

Let us not GO TOO FAR, from the teachings of Jesus and the WORD! "They shall know that I am the LORD/YHWH!" HalleluYAH, Praise God, Amen!

⁹ Dunn, xxxii

¹⁰ Ibid.

¹¹ The term first appeared in print in Jodocus van Lodenstein, *Beschouwinge van Zion* ("Contemplation of Zion"), Amsterdam, 1674.- (Wikipedia source)

¹² George Gallup, Jr. and D. Michael Lindsay, *The Gallup Guide: Reality Check for 21st Century Churches*, (Gallup Organization, 2002), concise statistics from www.foursquare.org/articles/11,1.html

¹³ Myles Munroe, *God's Big Idea*, pp. 184 ff. See Appendix E.

APPENDIX B

AND... God **AND** Jesus (Greek = “*kai*” for “and”)

Luke

2:28 - ... he [Simeon] took Him [Jesus] ... **and** blessed God ...
9:26 - ... when he comes in His glory **and** the glory of the Father

John

5:17 – My Father ... **and** I Myself ...
17:3- that they may know **You**, the **only true God**, **and Jesus** Christ
20:17 - ... I ascend to My Father ... **and** My God ...

Acts

4:26 - ... Against the LORD ... **and** ... His Christ ...
7:55 - ...he [Stephen] ... saw the glory of God **and** Jesus ...
8:12 - ... kingdom of God **and** ... Jesus ...
20:21 - ... God **and** ... Jesus ...
28:23 - ... God **and** ... Jesus
28:31 - ... of God **and** ... Jesus...

Romans

1:7 - ... peace from God ... **and** ... Jesus ...
5:10 - ... God **and** ... Jesus ...
8:17 - ... heirs of God **and** fellow heirs with Christ ...

1 Corinthians

1:3 - ... peace from God ... **and** ... Jesus
8:4-6 - ... one God ... **and** one ... Jesus

2 Corinthians

1:2 – Grace to you and peace from God ... **and** ... Jesus ...
13:14 – The grace of the Lord Jesus ... **and** ... of God ...

Galatians

1:1 – Paul an apostle ... through Jesus ... **and** God ...
1:3 – Grace to you and peace from God ... **and** ... Jesus ...

Ephesians

1:2 – Grace to you and peace from God ... **and** ... Jesus ...
6:23 – Peace ... and love with faith, from God ... **and** ... Jesus ...

Philippians

1:2 – Grace to you and peace from God ... **and** ... Jesus ...

1 Thessalonians

1:1 – To the church of the Thessalonians in God ... **and** ... Jesus ...
1:9-10 - ... God, **and** ...Jesus ...
3:13 - ... God **and** ... Jesus ...

2 Thessalonians

1:1 – To the church of the Thessalonians in God ... **and** ... Jesus ...
1:2 – Grace to you and peace from God ... **and** ... Jesus ...
2:16-17 - ... Jesus ... **and** God ...
3:5 - ... God **and** ... Christ

1 Timothy

- 1:1 - ... God ... **and** Jesus ...
- 1:2 – Grace, mercy and peace from God ... **and** ... Jesus ...
- 2:5 - ... there is one God, **and** one mediator ... Jesus
- 6:13 - ... the presence of God ... **and** ... Jesus ...

2 Timothy

- 1:2 – Grace, mercy and peace from God ... **and** ... Jesus ...

Titus

- 1:1 – Paul, a bond-servant of God **and** ... Jesus ...
- 1:4- To Titus...grace and peace from God...**and**...Jesus
- 2:13 - ... our great God **and** ... Jesus

Philemon

- 1:3 – Grace to you and peace from God ... **and** ... Jesus ...

Hebrews

- 12:22-24 - ...you have come ... to God ... **and** ... Jesus ...

James

- 1:1 – James, a bond-servant of God **and** ... Jesus ...

1 Peter

- 1:3 – Blessed be the God **and** Father **of**... Jesus ...

2 Peter

- 1:1 - ... by the righteousness of our God **and** Savior, Jesus Christ
- 1:2 - ... in the knowledge of God **and** of Jesus ...

1 John

- 1:3 - ... our Fellowship is with the Father **and** ... Jesus

2 John

- 1:3 – Grace, mercy and peace ... from God the Father **and** ... Jesus ...

Jude

- 1:1 - ... beloved in God ... **and** ... Jesus ...

Revelation

- 1:4-5 - ... Him ... **and** ... Jesus ...
- 5:13 – To Him who sits on the throne **and** to the Lamb ...
- 7:10 - ...Salvation to our God ... **and** ... Lamb ...
- 7:17 - ... the Lamb ... **and** God ...
- 11:15 - ... our Lord **and** of His Christ ...
- 12:10 - ... God **and** ... His Christ ...
- 14:1 - ...the Lamb ... **and** ... His Father ...
- 14:4 - ... God **and** ... the Lamb
- 14:12 - ... God **and** ... Jesus
- 15:3 - ... God, **and** ... Lamb ...
- 20:6 - ... God **and** ... Christ ...
- 21:22 - ... Lord God Almighty **and** the Lamb ...
- 21:23 - ...glory of God ... **and** ... the Lamb
- 22:1 - ... the throne of God **and** of the Lamb
- 22:3 - ... the throne of God **and** of the Lamb ...

APPENDIX C

God and Jesus' Relationship, Simplified in Bold (Includes verses in Appendix B also)

MATTHEW 3:16,17- a voice...said, "**This is My Beloved Son**, in whom I am well-pleased."
4:10- **Jesus said...Worship the LORD your God and serve him only.**
6:9- **Our Father** who is in heaven, Hallowed be **Your name**, Your kingdom come, Your will be done
11:25- **Jesus said, 'I praise You Father** Lord of heaven and earth... '
11:27- All things have been handed over to **Me** by **My Father**
12:18,19- [YHWH speaking] **My Servant whom I have chosen, My Beloved ...**
14:33- [Apostles speaking] **You are certainly God's Son.** [KJ, NIV, 'the Son of God']
15:3,4- **He [Jesus] answered ... God said**, Honor your father and mother...
16:16- Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God'
17:5- ...a voice [God] ...said '**This is My beloved Son**, with whom I am well-pleased; listen to Him!
18:19- **I say**...if two of you agree on earth...it shall be done for them by **My Father**...
19:17- Why are you asking Me about what is good? There is **only One who is good**...
20:23- He said...to sit on My right and on My left, this is **not Mine to give**, but... by **My Father**.
21:9- Blessed I He who comes in the **name of the LORD** [YHWH = Hebrew]
21:33,37- [a parable] There was a landowner...They will respect **my son**
22:43,44- He said... 'The **LORD said to my Lord**, sit at My right hand...' [YHWH to Messiah]
23:9- Do not call anyone on earth your father; for **One is your Father**, He who is in heaven.
23:39- ...you will not see Me until you say, Blessed is **He who comes in the name of the LORD!**
24:36- But of that day and hour **no one knows, not even...the Son, but the Father** alone.
25:31,34- When the Son of Man comes in **His glory**...Then the King will say to those on His right,
'Come you who are blessed of **My Father, inherit the kingdom** prepared for you...'
26:29- But I say, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on **until** that day when I drink it new
with you in **My Father's kingdom**.
26:32- But after **I have been raised**, I will go ahead of you to Galilee.
26:39- **My Father**, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; **yet not as I will**, but as You will.
26:53- Do you think that I cannot appeal to **My Father** and He will at once put... angels?
26:54- **Jesus** said...you will see the **Son of Man** sitting **at the right hand** of Power and coming
27:43- He trusts in God; Let God rescue Him... for **He said, 'I am the Son of God'** [Jn 10:36?]
27:46- **Jesus** cried out...'My God, My God...' [Psa. 22]
27:54- Now the centurion...said, 'Truly this was **the Son of God!**'
28:18- And Jesus came...saying 'All authority has been **given to Me** in heaven and on earth...
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MARK 1:1- The beginning of the gospel of **Jesus Christ, the Son of God.**

1:11- '**You are My beloved Son**, in You I am well-pleased.'
1:23,24- ...an unclean spirit...cried out... Jesus ...I know who You are--**the Holy One of God!**
3:11- ...unclean spirits...would...shout '**You are the Son of God!**'
5:7- ...he said...'Jesus, **Son of the Most High God**...I implore You by God, do not torment me!
7:6,8- And **He** said... Neglecting the commandment **of God**, you hold to the tradition of men.
8:38- ...the Son of Man will also be ashamed of him when **He comes in the glory of His Father**...
9:7- ...and a voice came...'This is **My beloved Son**, listen to Him!'
9:37- ...whoever receives Me does not receive Me, but **Him who sent Me**.
10:18- And Jesus...Why do you call Me good? **No one is good except God alone.**'
10:27- ...**Jesus** said... all things are possible **with God**.
10:40- But to sit on My right or on My left, this is **not Mine to give**... [Mt. 20:23- **but my Father**]
11:22- And Jesus answered saying to them 'Have faith in God.'
12:29-**Jesus** answered, 'The foremost is 'Hear O Israel, the **LORD our God** is one LORD.' [Dt.6:4]
12:36- ...The **LORD** said to **my Lord**, sit at My right hand...
13:32- But of that day or hour **no one knows, not even ... the Son**, but the **Father** alone.
14:36- And He was saying, 'Abba! Father! All things are possible with you; remove this cup from
Me; yet not what **I** will, but what **You** will.'

14:61,62- **Are You the Christ, the Son of the Blessed One?** And Jesus said, **'I am;** and you shall see the Son of Man sitting at the **right hand** of Power... '

15:2- Pilate ...**'Are You the King** of the Jews?' And He answered him, **'It is as** you say.'

15:33- ...**Jesus cried out...** **'My God, My God,** why have You forsaken Me?' [Psa. 22]

16:19- So then, when the Lord **Jesus** had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven and sat down **at the right hand of God.'**

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LUKE 1:31-33- [Gabriel speaking] ...you shall name Him **Jesus**. He will be great and will be called the **Son of the Most High;** and the Lord God will give him the throne of His father David; and

1:35- ...the holy Child shall be called the **Son of God**.

2:26- ...he [Simeon] would not see death before he had seen the **Lord's Christ**.

2:28- then he [Simeon] took **Him [Jesus]** into his arms, and **blessed God** ...

2:49- ...Did you not know that I had to be in **My Father's** house?

2:52- And **Jesus** kept increasing in wisdom and stature, and in **favor with God** and men.

3:22- ...**You are My beloved Son,** in You I am well-pleased.

4:8- Jesus answered him [the devil] **'You shall worship the LORD your God** and serve Him only.'

4:12- And **Jesus** answered... **'You shall not put the LORD your God** to the test.'

4:18- The **Spirit of the LORD[YHWH]** is upon Me, Because He anointed Me to preach the Gospel

4:34- I know who You are—**The Holy one of God!**

4:41- Demons...shouting **'You are the Son of God!'**... they knew Him to be the **Christ**.

5:17- ...the power of the **Lord** was present **for Him** to perform healing.

6:12- ...He went off to the mountain to pray, and **He** spent the whole night **in prayer to God**.

6:35- [Jesus speaking] ...**you will be sons of the Most High;** for He Himself is kind...

8:28- Seeing Jesus, he [possessed man] cried out... **'...Jesus, Son of the Most High God?'**

9:20- ...And Peter answered and said, **'The Christ of God.'**

9:26- For whoever is ashamed of **Me** and My words, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when He comes **in His glory and the glory of the Father** and of the holy angels.

9:35- Then a voice came ... saying, **'This is My Son, My Chosen One; listen to Him!'**

9:48- ...whoever receives me, receives Him who sent Me...

10:16- ...the one who rejects you, rejects me; ... he who **rejects Me rejects the One** who sent Me

10:21- ...**He** rejoiced greatly... and said **'I praise You O Father** Lord of heaven and earth...

10:22- All things have been **handed over to Me by My Father...**

10:27-28- And he [a scribe] answered, 'You shall **love the LORD your God** with all... heart...soul... strength...mind...and you neighbor as yourself." **And he [Jesus] said,** 'You have answered correctly; do this and you will live.'

11:2- And He said to them, 'When you pray, say: **Father** hallowed be Your name... '

11:13- ...how much more will **your heavenly Father** give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him.

11:20- But if I cast out demons by the finger of **God**, then the kingdom of **God** has come upon you.

11:40- ...did not **He** who **made the outside** make the **inside also?**

12:8,9- ...everyone who **confesses Me** before men, the Son of Man will confess him also before the angels **of God;** but he who denies **Me** before men will be denied before the **angels of God**.

12:24- Consider the ravens... **God feeds them;** how much more valuable you are than the birds!

12:28,30- But if **God so clothes the grass...**how much more will He clothe you? ... your Father knows that you need these things...your Father has chosen gladly to give you the **kingdom**.

13:18,20- So **He** was saying 'What is the **kingdom of God** like...?'

13:35- ...you will not see Me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is **He who comes** in the **name of the LORD!**' [Psa. 118:26]

18:19- And **Jesus** said to him, 'Why do you call **Me good?** No one is good except **God alone.'**

19:38- Blessed is **the King** who comes in the **name of the LORD**. [Psa. 118:26]

20:13- The owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? **I will send my beloved son...** '

20:42- **The LORD** said to **my Lord,** sit at My right hand... [Psa. 110:1]

22:29- Just as **My Father** has granted **Me** a kingdom, I grant you that you may eat and drink at My table in My Kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

22:42- **Father, if You** are willing, remove this cup from **Me**; yet not **My** will, but **Yours** be done.
 22:69- But from now on **The Son of Man** will be seated at the **right hand** of the power of **God**.
 22:70- And they all said, 'Are you the **Son of God**, then?' And He said to them, '**Yes I am.**'
 23:34- But **Jesus was saying**, '**Father** forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.'
 23:35- He saved others; let Him save Himself if this is **the Christ of God, His** Chosen One.
 23:46- And **Jesus crying out**...said, '**Father** into Your hands I commit My spirit.'
 24:19- ...The things about **Jesus** the Nazarene...a prophet mighty in deed and **in the sight of God**
 24:44- ...all things which are **written about Me** in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled. [things of the Messiah/Christ]
 24:49- And behold **I am sending** forth **the promise of My Father** upon you...

JOHN 1:1- The **Word** was with God and the **Word** was God [logos= greek (note Geneva Bible)]
 1:18- **No one has seen God** at any time; the only begotten God ... has explained **Him**
 1:29- Behold the **Lamb of God** who takes away the sin of the world!
 1:41- We have found the **Messiah** (which translated means Christ).
 1:49- Nathaniel answered Him, "Rabbi, **You are the Son of God**; You are **the King** of Israel."
 3:16- For **God** so loved the world, that He **gave His** only begotten **Son**
 3:35- The **Father loves the Son** and has **given** all things into His hand.
 4:23- But an hour is coming...when the true worshipers will **worship the Father** in spirit and truth...
 4:25,26- The woman said to Him, 'I know that **Messiah** is coming' ...Jesus said 'I ...am He.'
 4:34- My food is to do the will of **Him who sent Me**...
 5:17- **My Father** is working until now, **and I Myself** am working.
 5:18- Calling **God His own Father**... [Jews said- making Himself equal with God]
 5:19- I say to you, **the Son can do nothing of Himself**...
 5:22- The **Father ...has given** all **judgment to the Son**...
 5:36, 37- The **Father** has **sent me** [etc.] [**13:16**- one sent is not greater than the one who sent Him]
 5:44- ...you do not seek the glory that is from **the one and only God**?
 6:27- eternal life... the Son of Man will give to you, for **on Him**, the Father, **God**, has set His seal.
 6:44- **No one can come to Me unless the Father** who sent Me draws him...
 6:57- As the living **Father sent Me**, and I live because of the Father...
 6:68,69- Peter answered...You are the Holy One **of God.**'
 7:16- ...My teaching is not **my Mine**, but **His who sent me**.
 7:28- ...I have **not** come of **Myself**, but **He who sent Me**
 7:33- Jesus said... **I go to Him** who sent Me.
 8:16,18- ...The Father who sent Me... the **Father who sent Me** testifies about Me.
 8:28- ...**I do nothing on My own** initiative...
 8:40-...You are seeking to **kill Me, a man** who has told you the truth **which I heard from God**...
 8:50- I do not seek **My glory**; there is **One** who seeks and judges.
 9:35,37 ...Do you believe in the **Son of Man**?...You have both **seen Him** and He is ...talking to you.
 10:29,30- **My Father... is greater** than all... I and the Father **are one**.
 10:33- ...**You** ...make Yourself out to be God. [the accusation]
 10:36- ...**I said, I am the Son of God** [the rebuttal]
 11:27- She [Martha] said... You are the Christ, the Son of God, even He who comes into the world.
 11:41,42- Father...that they may believe that **You sent Me**.
 12:27,28- **Father save Me** from this hour...But for this purpose I came... **Father** glorify Your name... Then a voice came out of heaven: 'I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again.'
 12:49- I did not speak on My own... but **the Father** who **sent me** has given Me a commandment as to what to say and what to speak [NIV- What to say and how to say it!]
 13:16- ...a slave is not greater ...nor is **one who is sent** greater than the **one who sent him**.
 13:20- ...he who receive **Me** receives **Him** who sent Me.
 14:6- I am the way, and the truth, and the life, no one comes to the **Father** but **through Me**.
 14:29- ... I go to the Father, for **the Father is greater than I**.
 15:16- ...whatever you ask of the **Father in My name** He may give to you...
 16:5- ...**I am going to Him** who sent Me...
 16:17- **I go to the Father**

16:23- if you ask the **Father** for anything in **My name**, **He** will give it to you.
17:3- This is eternal life, that they may know **You**, the **only true God**, and **Jesus Christ**
17:22- ...that **they may be one, just as We are one.**
17:24- ...**You love Me** before the foundation of the world. [compare Eph. 1:4- Us too!]
18:11- ...the cup which the **Father has given Me...**
19:7- ...**He made himself out to be the Son of God**
20:17- ...**I ascend to My Father** and your Father, and **My God**, and your God.
20:31-these have been written so that you may believe that **Jesus** is the Christ, the **Son of God...**

ACTS

1:7-**He [Jesus]** said to them, "It is not for you to know times or epochs **which the Father** has fixed..."
2:22-**Jesus...a man attested to you by God...which God performed** through Him in your midst...
2:24- But **God raised Him** up again...[Peter on Pentecost]
2:32- **This Jesus God raised** up again
2:32-33...**Jesus...having been exalted to the right hand of God**, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He has poured forth this... you both see and hear.
2:34- David...says: **The LORD[YHWH] said to My Lord**, sit at my right hand...
2:36-...**God has made Him both Lord and Christ- this Jesus** whom you crucified.
3:13- The **God** of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob...has **glorified** His servant **Jesus...**
3:14,15- But you disowned [Jesus]...**the Prince** of life, the one whom **God raised ...**
3:18- ...**God announced** beforehand...that **His Christ** would suffer...
3:19,20-Therefore repent and return...that **He may send Jesus** the Christ appointed for you.
3:22-Moses said, "**The LORD God will raise up ...a Prophet...** to Him you shall give heed...
3:26- ...**God raised up His Servant** and sent **Him** to bless you...
4:10-...by the name of **Jesus...whom you crucified, who God raised...this man stands ...**
4:26- ...Against **the LORD [YHWH] and against His Christ...**
4:30- while **You [God]** extend Your hand...**through** the name of Your holy **servant Jesus.**
5:30-The **God** of our fathers **raised up Jesus**, whom you had put to death...
5:31- He is the one whom **God exalted to His right hand as a Prince** hand and a Savior...
5:42- ...they kept on teaching and preaching **Jesus as the Christ.**
7:37- [Stephen quoting] **God will raise up** for you **a Prophet** like me from your brethren.7:48- the
7:55- ...he [Stephen]...saw the glory of **God and Jesus** standing at the right hand of God.
7:56- Behold, I see the heavens opened up and the **Son of Man** standing **at the right hand of God.**
8:12- ...the good news about the kingdom of **God and** the name of **Jesus Christ...**
8:37- and Philip said...I believe that **Jesus Christ is the Son of God.**
9:20- ...he [Saul/Paul] began to proclaim **Jesus** in the synagogues, saying, "**He is the Son of God.**"
9:22- Saul...confounding the Jews...by proving that this **Jesus is the Christ.**
10:38- You know of Jesus of Nazareth, how **God anointed Him...** for **God was with Him.**
10:40- **God raised Him** up on the third day...
10:42- ...this is **the One** who has been **appointed by God** as Judge of the living and the dead.
11:17- ...if **God gave** to them the same gift ...**after believing** the Lord **Jesus Christ**, who was I...
13:23- From the descendant of this man [David] ... **God has brought** to Israel a Savior, **Jesus.**
13:30- But **God raised Him** from the dead.
13:33- that **God...He raised up Jesus** as it is also written...You are My Son...
13:34- He raised Him up from the dead...
13:35- **You [God]** will not allow **Your Holy One** to undergo decay. [Psa. 16:10]
13:37- but **He whom God raised** did not undergo decay.
17:3- ...This **Jesus** whom I am proclaiming to you **is the Christ.**
17:30,31- **God...has fixed a day** in which He will judge the world...through a Man whom He has appointed, having furnished proof ...by **raising Him** from the dead.
20:21- ...testifying...repentance toward **God and Faith** in our Lord **Jesus Christ.**
22:14- [Ananias to Paul]...**God...appointed you to know** His will and to see **the Righteous One...**
26:8- Why is it considered incredible ...if **God does raise the dead?**
26:22- So having obtained help from **God**, I stand...testifying **that the Christ** was to suffer...

28:23- Paul...testifying about the kingdom of **God and** trying to persuade them concerning **Jesus**...
28:31- preaching the kingdom of **God and** teaching concerning the Lord **Jesus** Christ...

Romans:

1:1-3 Paul a bond-servant of Christ **Jesus**...set apart for the **gospel of God**...concerning His son...
1:4- who was declared the **Son of God** with power by the resurrection from the dead...
1:7- ...Grace ...and peace from **God** our Father **and** the Lord **Jesus** Christ.
1:8- First I thank **my God through Jesus** Christ for you all...
1:9- For God, whom I serve...in the preaching of the gospel of His Son, is my witness...
2:16- ...**God** will judge the secrets of men **through** Christ **Jesus**.
3:22- even the righteousness of **God through faith in Jesus** Christ for all those who believe...
4:24- ...those who believe in **Him** [God/YHWH] **who raised Jesus** our Lord from the dead.
5:1- Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with **God through...Jesus** Christ
5:8- **God demonstrates His own love**...while we were yet sinners, **Christ died** for us.
5:10-...the grace of **God and** the gift by the grace of the one Man **Jesus** Christ abound to many.
6:10- ...He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, **He lives to God**.
6:11- ...consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ **Jesus**.
6:23- For the wages of sin is death, but the free **gift of God** is eternal **life in** Christ **Jesus** our Lord.
7:4- ... you might be joined to another, to **Him who was raised**...in order..[to] bear fruit **for God**.
7:24- Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!
8:3- ...**God**...**sending His** own **Son**...condemned sin in the flesh...
8:11- But if the Spirit of **Him who raised Jesus**...dwells in you, **He** who **raised** ...**Jesus**...
8:17-and if children, heirs also, **heirs of God and** fellow heirs with **Christ**...
8:31-32- If **God** is for us who is against us? **He** who **did not spare His own Son** but **delivered Him**
8:34- ...**Jesus** is He who died, ...who is **at the right hand of God**...
8:39- [Nothing] will be able to separate us from the **love of God**, which is **in** Christ **Jesus** our Lord.
9:33- **I [the LORD/YHWH]** lay in Zion a stone...**a rock**[Jesus]...and he who believes in **Him**...
10:9-If...confess with your mouth **Jesus as Lord**, and believe...**God raised Him**...you will be saved
14:18- For he who in this way serves **Christ** is acceptable **to God** ...
15:6- so that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the **God** and Father **of** our Lord **Jesus**
15:17- ...in Christ **Jesus** I have found reason for boasting in things pertaining **to God**.
16:20- The **God** of peace will soon crush Satan...the **grace of** our Lord **Jesus** be with you.
16:25- Now **to Him**...according to my gospel, **and the preaching of Jesus** Christ...
16:27- to the only wise **God, through Jesus** Christ, be glory forever. Amen.

1 Corinthians

1.1- Paul...an apostle of **Jesus** Christ **by the will of God**
1.3- Grace to you and peace from **God ...and ...Jesus**
1.4- I thank my God... for the grace of **God** which was given you **in** Christ **Jesus**
1.24- **Christ** the power **of God** and the wisdom **of God**...
1.29,30- no man may boast before **God**, But by His doing, you are **in** **Christ**...
2.16- Who has know the **mind of the LORD** [Is. 40.13=YHWH] ...but we have the **mind of Christ**.
3.23- and you belong to Christ; and **Christ belongs to God**.
6.14- Now **God** has not only **raised the Lord**, but will also raise us up through His power.
8.4-6- ...we know...there is no God but one...for us there is but **one God...and** one Lord **Jesus**...
11.3- Christ is the head of every man... and **God is the head of Christ**.
15.14,15- if Christ has not been raised...we testified against **God**, that **He raised Christ**...
15.24- then comes the end, when **He** hands over the kingdom **to** the **God** and Father...
15.27- But when He says, 'All things are put in subjection,'...**He [God] is excepted**...
15.28- ...then the **Son** Himself also will be **subjected to** the One who subjected all things to Him, so that God may be all in all.
15.57- but thanks be to **God** who gives us the victory **through** our Lord **Jesus** Christ.

2 Corinthians

1.1- Paul, an apostle of Christ **Jesus** **by** the will of **God**...

1.2- Grace to you and peace from **God** our Father **and** the Lord **Jesus** Christ
 1.3- Blessed be the **God** and Father **of** our Lord **Jesus** ...
 1.18-19- But as **God** is faithful...For **the Son** of God, Christ **Jesus**, who was preached...yes in Him
 1.20- For as **many** as **are the promises of God in Him**, they are yes... to the glory of **God**
 1.21- Now **He who establishes us with you in Christ** and anointed us **is God**.
 2.14- But thanks be to **God**, who always leads us in **triumph in Christ**...
 2.15- For we are a fragrance of **Christ to God**...
 3.4-5- Such confidence we have through **Christ toward God**... our adequacy is from God.
 4.4- ...the god of this world has blinded...the glory of **Christ, who is the image of God**.
 4.6- For God...has shone in our hearts to give...the glory of **God in the face of Christ**.
 4.14- knowing that **He** who **raised** the Lord **Jesus** will raise us also with Jesus...
 5.19- ...**God was in Christ**...
 5.20- we are ambassadors for **Christ as though God** were making an appeal...be reconciled to God
 5.21- **He [God] made Him** [Jesus] who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf...
 9.13- Because of the proof given by this ministry, they will glorify **God**...your confession ...**of Christ**
 11.31- The **God** and Father **of** the Lord **Jesus**, He who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying
 12.19- It is in the sight of **God** that we have been **speaking in Christ**...
 13.4- ...He was crucified...yet **He lives because of** the power of **God**...
 13.14- The grace of the Lord **Jesus** Christ **and** the love of **God** and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Galatians

1.1- Paul an apostle...through **Jesus** Christ **and God** the Father, who raised Him from the dead
 1.3- Grace to you and peace from **God** our Father **and** the Lord **Jesus** Christ,
 1.4- who gave **Himself** for our sins... **according to** the will of **our God** and Father,
 2.20-21- I have been **crucified with Christ**; ...**I do not nullify the grace of God**...
 4.4- But when the fullness of the time came, **God sent** forth **His Son**, born of a woman
 4.6-7- **God** has **sent** forth **the Spirit of His Son** into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God.

Ephesians

1.1- Paul, an apostle of Christ **Jesus by the will of God**...to the saints... **in Christ Jesus**.
 1.2- Grace to you and peace from **God** our Father **and** the Lord **Jesus** Christ.
 1.3- Blessed be the **God** and Father **of** our Lord Jesus Christ...
 1.4- **He [God] chose us in Him** [Jesus] before the foundation of the world...
 1.17- ...the **God of** our Lord **Jesus** Christ, the Father of glory...
 1.20-**He [God] brought about in Christ**, when **He** raised **Him**...and seated **Him** at **His** right hand...
 1.22- And **He** put all things in subjection **under His feet and gave Him** as head...to the church,
 2.4-5- But **God**...made us alive together **with Christ**...
 2.10- For we are **His** workmanship, created **in Christ Jesus** for good works, which **God** prepared...
 3.10-11-...the manifold wisdom of **God**...the eternal purpose which He carried out **in Christ Jesus**...
 3.20-21- Now to Him...**to Him be glory** in the church and **in Christ Jesus** to all generations...
 4.5-6- **one Lord**, one faith, one baptism, **one God** and Father of all who is over all...
 5.1-2- ...be imitators of God... walk in love, just as **Christ**...gave Himself up...a **sacrifice to God**...
 5.20- always giving thanks ...in the name of our Lord **Jesus** Christ **to God**, even the Father;
 6.5-6- Slaves, be obedient...as slaves of **Christ**, doing the will **of God** from the heart.
 6.23- Peace...and love with faith, from **God** the Father **and** the Lord **Jesus** Christ.

Philippians

1.2- Grace to you and peace from **God** our Father **and** the Lord **Jesus** Christ.
 2.6- **He** existed in the form of God, **did not** regard equality with **God** a thing to be grasped,
 2.9-10- ...**God** highly exalted **Him**...that at the name of **Jesus** every knee will bow
 2.11- that every tongue will confess that **Jesus** Christ is **Lord, to the glory of God** the Father.
 3.14- I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of **God in Christ Jesus**.

4.19-20- **My God will supply** all your needs according to His **riches** in glory in Christ **Jesus**, Now to our God and Father be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Colossians

- 1.1- Paul, an apostle of **Jesus Christ by the will of God...**
- 1.3- We give thanks to **God**, the Father **of** our Lord **Jesus Christ...**
- 1.4- **He** [God] rescued us...and **transferred us to** the kingdom of His beloved **Son**,
- 1.15- **He** [Jesus] is the **image of** the invisible **God...**
- 1.27- **God willed** to make known what is the riches of the glory...which is **Christ** in you...
- 2.9- For **in Him** [Jesus] all the fullness **of Deity** dwells in bodily form...
- 2.12- having been buried with Him in baptism... **God** who **raised Him** from the dead.
- 3.1- ...**Christ** is, **seated at the right hand of God.**
- 3.16- Let the word of **Christ** richly dwell within you...with thankfulness...**to God.**
- 3.17- do all in the name of the Lord **Jesus**, giving thanks through Him **to God** the Father.

I Thessalonians

- 1.1- To the church of the Thessalonians in **God** the Father and the Lord **Jesus Christ...**
- 1.3- ...steadfastness of **hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the presence of our God** and Father.
- 1.9-10- ...you turned to God...to serve a living and true **God, and** to wait for His Son...**Jesus...**
- 3.11- Now may our **God** and Father Himself, **and Jesus** our Lord direct our way to you.
- 3.13- ...without blame...before our **God and** Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus...
- 4.14- For if we believe that **Jesus died** and rose again, even so **God will bring with Him** those...
- 4.16- For the **Lord himself** [Jesus] will descend... with **the trumpet of God...**
- 5.9- For **God** has not destined us for wrath, but for ... salvation **through... Jesus Christ.**
- 5.18- in everything give thanks; for this is **God's will** for you **in Christ Jesus**

II Thessalonians

- 1.1- To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ;
- 1.2- Grace to you and peace from **God** the Father **and** the Lord **Jesus Christ.**
- 1.12- so that the name of our Lord **Jesus** will be glorified...**according to** the grace of our **God...**
- 2.16-17- Now may our Lord **Jesus Christ Himself and God** our Father ...comfort ...your hearts...
- 3.5- May the Lord direct your hearts into the love of **God and** into...**Christ.**

I Timothy

- 1.1- Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus according to the commandment of **God...and...Christ Jesus...**
- 1.2- Grace, mercy and peace from **God** the Father **and** Christ **Jesus** our Lord.
- 1.17- Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, **the only God...**
- 2.5- For there is one **God, and** one mediator also between God and men, the man Christ **Jesus.**
- 6.13- I charge you in the presence of **God... and** of Christ **Jesus...**
- 6.14-16- ...the appearing of our Lord **Jesus Christ, which He [God] will bring about...**

II Timothy

- 1.1- Paul an apostle of Christ **Jesus by the will of God...**
- 1.2- Grace, mercy and peace from **God** the Father **and** Christ **Jesus** our Lord.

Titus-

- 1.1- Paul, a bond-servant of **God and** an apostle of **Jesus Christ...**
- 2.13- ...our great **God and** Savior, Christ **Jesus.**

Philemon

- 1.3- Grace to you and peace from **God** our Father **and** the Lord **Jesus Christ.**

Hebrews

- 1.1-2- **God** after He spoke...in the prophets...has spoken to us in **His Son**
- 1.3- **He** is the radiance **of His glory**, and the exact representation of His nature...

1.5- **You are My Son**...I will be a Father to Him and **He** shall be a **Son** to me
 1.9- Therefore God, **Your God**, has anointed you...
 1.13- But to which of the angels has He ever said, **Sit at My right hand**,,,?
 2.3-4- ...great a salvation...spoken through **the Lord**... **God also** testifying...
 2.7- **You [YHWH]** have **made Him [Jesus]** for a little while lower than the angels...
 2.18- For since **He** Himself **was tempted**... [God can't be?]
 3.6- but **Christ** was faithful as a **Son** over His house...
 4.10- For **the one** who has entered His rest has himself also rested from his works as **God did**...
 4.14- We have a great high priest... **Jesus** the **Son of God**...
 5.5- ...**He** [God] said to **Him**, You are My Son...
 5.7- **He** [Jesus] offered up both prayers and supplications... **to the One** able to save Him...
 5.8-10- **He was a Son**...made perfect, He became...the source... being **designated by God**...
 7. 17- [YHWH speaking, Psa 110] **You** are a priest forever according to... order of Melchizedek.
 7.21- the **LORD has sworn**... **You are** a priest forever...
 7.25- **He** is able also to save forever those who draw near **to God through Him**...
 8.1- ...a high priest, who has taken **His seat** at the right hand of the throne **of the Majesty**...
 9.14- how much more **the blood of Christ**, who...**offered Himself without blemish to God**...
 9.24- For **Christ** [entered]...into heaven itself, now to appear **in the presence of God** for us;
 10.12- ...**He** having offered one sacrifice for sins for all time **sat down at the right hand of God**.
 12.2- fixing our eyes on **Jesus**...endured the cross...& **sat down at the right hand of ...God**
 12.22-24- you have come...**to God**... and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant...
 13.15- Through Him...offer up a sacrifice of praise **to God**...
 13.20- Now the **God** of peace, who **brought up** from the dead the great Shepherd...even **Jesus**...

James

1.1- James, a bond-servant of **God and** of the Lord **Jesus** Christ.
 1.13- Let no one say... I am being tempted by God; for **God cannot be tempted** by evil...
 2.19- You believe that **God is one**, You do well; the **demons also believe**, and shudder.
 3.9- [with the tongue] we bless our Lord and Father...and curse **men... in the likeness of God**.

1 Peter

1.1-2- an apostle of **Jesus** Christ...**according to** the foreknowledge of **God** ...to obey Jesus...
 1.3- Blessed be the **God** and Father **of** our Lord **Jesus** Christ...
 1.21- through **Him are believers in God, who raised Him** from the dead and gave Him glory
 2.23- He uttered not threats, but kept entrusting **Himself to Him** who judges righteously...
 3.21-22- ...**Jesus** Christ who is at the **right hand of God**...
 4.11- ...so that in all things **God** may be glorified **through Jesus** Christ...
 5.10- the **God** of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory **in Christ**, will Himself perfect... you.

2 Peter

1.1... by the righteous of our God **and** Savior, Jesus Christ
 1.2- Grace and peace... in the knowledge of God **and** of Jesus our Lord.
 1.17- For when He received honor and **glory from God** the Father... **This is My beloved Son**...

1 John

1.3- ...indeed our Fellowship is with the **Father and** with His Son **Jesus** Christ...
 2.1- ...if anyone sins, we have **an Advocate with the Father, Jesus** Christ the righteous.
 2.22- ...the one who denies that **Jesus** is the Christ...this is antichrist...denies the **Father & the Son**
 2.23- Whoever denies the **Son** does not have the **Father**...
 3.23- This is **His** [God's] commandment that we **believe in** the name of His Son **Jesus** Christ...
 4.2- ...every spirit that confesses that **Jesus** Christ has come in the flesh **is from God**.
 4.9- ...**God** has **sent His** only begotten **Son** into the world...
 4.12,14- No one has seen **God** at any time...we...testify that **the Father has sent the Son**...
 4.15- Whoever confesses that **Jesus** is the Son of God, **God abides** in him, and he in God.
 5.1- Whoever believes that **Jesus is the Christ** is born **of God**...

- 5.5- Who is the one who overcomes the world... he who believes that **Jesus** is the **Son of God**
 5.9- ...the testimony of **God** is this, that He has testified **concerning His Son**.
 5.10- ...the testimony that **God** has given concerning **His Son**.
 5.11- And the testimony is this, that **God has given** us eternal life...in **His Son**.
 5.20-... the **Son of God** has come...so that we may know **Him** who is true...

2 John

- 1.3- Grace, mercy and peace... **from God** the Father **and** from **Jesus** Christ, the Son of the Father
 1.9- Anyone who **goes too far** and does not abide in the teaching of **Christ**, does not **have God**...

3John

Jude

- 1.1- To those who are the called, beloved in **God** the Father **and** kept for **Jesus** Christ.
 1.4- ...who turn the grace of our **God** into licentiousness **and** deny our only Master and Lord **Jesus**
 1.21- keep yourselves in the love of **God**, **waiting...for** the mercy of our Lord **Jesus** Christ...
 1.25- to **the only God** our Savior, **through Jesus** Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion...

Revelation

- 1.1- The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which **God gave Him**...
 1.2- who testified to the word of God **and** to the testimony of Jesus Christ...
 1.4-5- from Him who is and who was and who is to come [YHWH] ...**and** from Jesus Christ...
 1.6- He [Jesus] has made us to be a kingdom, priests to **His God** and Father...
 1.18- ... **I was dead** and behold, I am alive forevermore...
 2.8- The first and the last, who **was dead**, and has come to life...
 2.18-19- The **Son of God**... I know your deeds...
 2.27- ...I also have received authority from **my Father**...
 3.2- ... for I have not found your deeds completed in the sight of **my God**.
 3.5- He who overcomes... I will confess his name before **My Father** and before His angels.
 3.12- I will make him a pillar in the temple of **My God**...name of **My God**...**My God**...from **my God**
 3.14- The Amen... the Beginning of the creation of **God**...
 3.21- He who overcomes, I will grant to him to sit down with Me on My throne, as I ...sat down with **my Father** on His throne.
 4.8- ...**the Lord God, the Almighty**, who was and who is and who is to come.
 5. 7- **He came** and took the book **out of the right hand of Him** who sat on the throne.
 5.9- Worthy are You... You were slain, and **purchased for God** with Your blood...[people]
 5.13- To Him who sits on the throne **and** to the Lamb, blessing and honor and glory and dominion
 7.10- ...Salvation to our God who sits on the throne, **and** to the Lamb...
 7.17- **the Lamb**...will be their shepherd... **and God** will wipe every tear from their eyes.
 11.15- ...The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord **and of His Christ**...
 12.5- ...she gave birth to a son, a male child, who...was **caught up to God** and to His throne...
 12.10- ...the kingdom of our **God and** the authority of **His Christ** have come...
 12.27- ...children who keep the commandments of **God and** hold to the testimony of **Jesus**.
 14.1- ...behold the Lamb...with 144,000 having His name **and** the name of His Father...
 14.4- ...men as first fruits to God **and** to the Lamb
 14.12- ...saints who keep the commandments of God **and** their faith in Jesus.
 15.3- ...the song of Moses, servant of God, **and** the song of the Lamb...
 19.6-7- Hallelujah! For the **Lord our God**, the Almighty, reigns...give glory to Him **for** the marriage of **the Lamb** has come and His bride has made herself ready.
 19.10- your brethren who hold **the testimony of Jesus: worship God!**
 19.15-...**He** [Jesus] treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of **God, the Almighty**
 20.6- ...they will be priest of **God and** of **Christ** and will reign with Him for a thousand years.
 21.3- ...**God Himself** will be among them.
 21.22- ...the Lord God the Almighty **and** the Lamb are its temple...
 21.23- ...for the glory of **God** has illumined it, **and** its lamp is **the Lamb**.
 22.1- ... the throne of **God and** of the Lamb.
 22.3- ...the throne of **God and** of **the Lamb** will be in it...

APPENDIX D:

THE NICENE CREED (381 A.D.)

MODERN WORDING

[***bold italics*** added concerning possible biblical obfuscation]

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, ***not made***,
of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and ***was made man***.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory

to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father [and the Son].

With the Father and the Son

he is worshipped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. AMEN.

Use Italicized for BibleWorks8 or ?? for phrases that may not be biblical... Checklist...

Chalcedonian Creed

[***bold italics*** added concerning possible biblical obfuscation]

Circa 451 A.D.

Therefore, following the ***holy*** fathers, we all with one accord teach men to acknowledge one and the same Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, at once ***complete in Godhead*** and complete in manhood, ***truly God*** and truly man, consisting also of a ***reasonable*** soul and body; ***of one substance*** with the Father as regards ***his Godhead***, and ***at the same time of one substance*** with us as regards his manhood; ***like us in all respects***, apart from sin; as regards his Godhead, ***begotten of the Father before the ages***, but yet as regards his manhood ***begotten***, for us men and for our salvation, of Mary the Virgin, ***the God-bearer***; one and the same Christ, Son, Lord, Only-begotten, ***recognized in two natures, without confusion, without change, without division, without separation; the distinction of natures being in no way annulled by the union, but rather the characteristics of each nature being preserved and coming together to form one person and subsistence***, not as parted or separated into two persons, but one and the same Son and Only-begotten God the Word, Lord Jesus Christ; even as the prophets from earliest times spoke of him, and our Lord Jesus Christ himself taught us, and ***the creed of the fathers has handed down to us***.

A Possible Checklist of BibleWorks8 or ?? for phrases that may not be biblical:

1. holy fathers-
2. complete in Godhead-
3. truly God-
4. reasonable soul-
5. of one substance (*homoousia*)-
6. begotten of the Father before the ages-
7. the God-bearer -
8. recognized in two natures-
9. annulled by the union-
10. the creed of the fathers-

APPENDIX E

Myles Munroe in his **God's Big Idea** book, A Kingdom book (ALL **QUOTES** from main headings...)

p. 184 ff. "Heaven is Not Our Priority..."

(Joe M. 11/09)

1. God did not assign us to go to Heaven...
2. God did not assign us to prepare others to 'go to heaven.' ...
3. God did not assign us to establish a religion...
4. God did not assign us to promote a religion or a denomination...
5. God did not assign us to separate or isolate ourselves from the world.

'We cannot engage the popular culture by escaping from it...'
6. God did not assign us to attack or condemn the world. [cp. Jn 3:17]
7. God did not assign us to compete with the world.
8. God did not assign us to avoid the world.

Engaging the World Is Our Priority [p. 189ff]

1. God assigned us to reintroduce the Kingdom to the world.
2. God assigned us to repossess the earth with the Kingdom.
3. God assigned us to engage the world system.
4. God assigned us to influence the world, not to keep up with it.
5. God assigned us to infect the world, not reject the world.
6. God assigned us to revolutionize the world.
7. God assigned us to occupy the Earth, not abandon it.
8. God assigned us to promote the government of Heaven on earth."

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