

## Bible Speed Search

lemma:marks({el}ἐκλέγομαι{/}) NT Greek VERB

22 hits in 20 verses

- Mark 13:20 And if the Lord had not cut short the days, no human being \* would be saved. But for the sake of the elect, whom he **chose**, he shortened the days.
- Luke 6:13 And when day came, he called his disciples and **chose** from them twelve, whom • he named apostles:
- Luke 9:35 And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, my **Chosen** One; listen to him!”
- Luke 10:42 but one thing is necessary. • Mary has **chosen** the good portion, which will not be taken away from her.”
- Luke 14:7 Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they **chose** the places of honor, saying to them,
- John 6:70 Jesus answered them, “Did I not **choose** you, the Twelve? And yet one of you is a devil.”
- John 13:18 I am not speaking of all of you; I know whom I have **chosen**. But • the Scripture will be fulfilled, ‘He who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me.’
- John 15:16 You did not **choose** me, but I **chose** you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.
- John 15:19 If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I **chose** you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.
- Acts 1:2 until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had **chosen**.
- Acts 1:24 And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have **chosen**
- Acts 6:5 And what they said \* pleased the whole gathering, and they **chose** Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch.
- Acts 13:17 The God of this people Israel **chose** our fathers and made the people great during their stay in the land of Egypt, and with uplifted arm he led them out of it.
- Acts 15:7 And after there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, “Brothers, you know that in the early days God made a **choice** among you, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe.
- Acts 15:22 Then it seemed good to the apostles and the elders, with the whole church, to **choose** men from among them and send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. They sent Judas called Barsabbas, and Silas, leading men among the brothers,
- Acts 15:25 it has seemed good to us, having come to one accord, to **choose** men and send them to you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul,
- 1 Cor 1:27 But God **chose** what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; • God **chose** what is

weak in the world to shame the strong;

1 Cor 1:28 • God **chose** what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are,

Eph 1:4 even as he **chose** us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love

James 2:5 Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God **chosen** those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him?

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lemma:marks({el}ἐκλεκτός{/}) NT Greek noun/adj.

22 hits in 22 verses

Matt 22:14 For many are called, but few are **chosen**.”

Matt 24:22 And if those days had not been cut short, no human being \* would be saved. But for the sake of the **elect** those days will be cut short.

Matt 24:24 For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the **elect**.

Matt 24:31 And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his **elect** from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. \*

Mark 13:20 And if the Lord had not cut short the days, no human being \* would be saved. But for the sake of the **elect**, whom he chose, he shortened the days.

Mark 13:22 For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform signs and wonders, to lead astray, if possible, the **elect**.

Mark 13:27 And then he will send out the angels and gather his **elect** from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

Luke 18:7 And will not God give justice to his **elect**, who cry to him day and night? • Will he delay long over them?

Luke 23:35 And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his **Chosen** One!”

Rom 8:33 Who shall bring any charge against God’s **elect**? It is God who justifies.

Rom 16:13 Greet Rufus, **chosen** in the Lord; also his mother, who has been a mother to me as well.

Col 3:12 Put on then, as God’s **chosen** ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, \* kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,

1 Tim 5:21 In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus and of the **elect** angels I charge you to keep these rules without prejudging, doing nothing from partiality.

2 Tim 2:10 Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the **elect**, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

- Titus 1:1 Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, for the sake of the faith of God's **elect** and their knowledge of the truth, which accords with godliness,
- 1 Pet 1:1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who are **elect** exiles of the dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia,
- 1 Pet 2:4 As you come to him, a living stone • rejected by men but in the sight of God **chosen** and precious,
- 1 Pet 2:6 For it stands in Scripture: "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a **cornerstone** chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."
- 1 Pet 2:9 But you are a **chosen** race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.
- 2 John 1 The elder to the **elect** lady and her children, whom I love in truth, and not only I, but also all who know the truth,
- 2 John 13 The children of your **elect** sister greet you.
- Rev 17:14 They will make war on the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those with him are called and **chosen** and faithful."

## Bible Speed Search

lemma:marks({he}בחר{/}) @ homograph = "#1 (AF)" **Hebrew Bible VERB**

152 hits in 147 verses

- Gen 6:2 • the sons of • God saw • that the daughters of • man • were attractive. And they took as • their wives • any • they **chose**.
- Gen 13:11 So Lot **chose** for himself • all the Jordan Valley, and Lot journeyed east. Thus they separated from each other.
- Exod 17:9 So Moses said to Joshua, "**Choose** for us men, and go out and fight with Amalek. Tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the staff of • God in my hand."
- Exod 18:25 • Moses **chose** able men out of all Israel and made • them heads over the people, chiefs of thousands, • of hundreds, • of fifties, and • of tens.
- Num 16:5 and he said to Korah and • all his company, " In the morning • the Lord will show • who is his, and • who is • holy, and will bring him near to him. • • The one whom he **chooses** • • he will bring near to him.
- Num 16:7 • put fire in them and put incense on them before the Lord tomorrow, and • the man whom the Lord **chooses** shall be the holy one. You have gone too far,\* sons of Levi!"
- Num 17:5 And • the • staff of the man whom I **choose** • • shall sprout. Thus I will make to cease from me • the grumbings of the people of Israel, which they grumble against you."
- Deut 4:37 And • because he loved • your fathers and **chose** • their offspring after them and brought\* you out\* of Egypt with his own presence, by his • great power,

- Deut 7:6 “For you are a people holy to the Lord your God. The Lord your God has **chosen** • you to be • a people for • his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth.
- Deut 7:7 It was not because you were\* more in number\* than any other • people that the Lord set his love on you and **chose** • you, for you were the fewest of all • peoples,
- Deut 10:15 Yet the Lord set his heart in love\* • on your fathers and **chose** • their offspring after them, • you above all • • peoples, as you are this day.
- Deut 12:5 But you shall seek • the place that the Lord your God will **choose** out of all your tribes to put • his name and make • his habitation there. • There you shall go,
- Deut 12:11 then • to the place that the Lord your God will **choose**, • to make his name dwell there, there you shall bring • all that I command • you: your burnt offerings\* and your sacrifices, your tithes and the contribution that you present,\* and all your finest vow offerings\* that you vow to the Lord.
- Deut 12:14 but at the place that the Lord will **choose** in one of\* your tribes,\* there you shall offer your burnt offerings,\* and there you shall do all that I am commanding\* you.
- Deut 12:18 but you shall eat\* them before the Lord your God in the place that the Lord your God will **choose**, • you and your son and your daughter, • your male servant\* and your female servant,\* and the Levite who is within your towns. And you shall rejoice before the Lord your God in all that you undertake.\*
- Deut 12:21 If the place that the Lord your God will **choose** to put his name there is too\* far from\* you, then you may kill any of your herd or • your flock, which the Lord has given • you, as I have commanded\* you, and you may eat within your towns whenever • you desire.
- Deut 12:26 But the holy things • that are due from you, and your vow offerings,\* you shall take, and you shall go to the place that the Lord will **choose**,
- Deut 14:2 For you are a people holy to the Lord your God, and the Lord has **chosen** • you to be • a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth.
- Deut 14:23 And before the Lord your God, in the place that he will **choose**, to make his name dwell there, you shall eat the tithe of\* your grain,\* of your wine, and of your oil, and the\* firstborn of\* your herd\* and • flock, that you may learn to fear • the Lord your God always.
- Deut 14:24 And if the way is too\* long for\* you, so that you are not able to carry • the tithe, when the Lord your God blesses you, because the place is too\* far from\* you, which the Lord your God **chooses**, to set his name there,
- Deut 14:25 then you shall • turn it into money and bind up the money in your hand and go to the place that the Lord your God **chooses** •
- Deut 15:20 You shall eat\* it, you and your household, before the Lord your God year by year at the place that the Lord will **choose**.

- Deut 16:2 And you shall offer the Passover sacrifice to the Lord your God, from the flock or the herd, at the place that the Lord will **choose**, to make his name dwell there.
- Deut 16:6 but at • the place that the Lord your God will **choose**, to make his name dwell in it, there you shall offer • the Passover sacrifice, in the evening at sunset,\* at the time you came out of Egypt.
- Deut 16:7 And you shall cook it and eat it at the place that the Lord your God will **choose**. • And in the morning you shall turn and go to your tents.
- Deut 16:11 And you shall rejoice before the Lord your God, you and your son and your daughter, • your male servant\* and your female servant,\* • the Levite who is within your towns, • the sojourner, • the fatherless, and the widow who are among you, at the place that the Lord your God will **choose**, to make his name dwell there.
- Deut 16:15 For seven days you shall keep the feast to the Lord your God at the place that the Lord will **choose**, because the Lord your God will bless\* you in all your produce and in all the\* work of\* your hands,\* so that you will be altogether joyful.
- Deut 16:16 “Three times • • a year all your males shall appear • before the Lord your God at the place that he will **choose**: at the Feast of Unleavened Bread, • at the Feast of Weeks, and at the Feast of Booths. • They shall not appear • before the Lord empty-handed.
- Deut 17:8 “If any case arises requiring • decision between one kind of homicide and another,\* • one kind of legal right and another,\* or • one kind of assault and another,\* any case within your towns that is too\* difficult for\* you, then you shall arise and go up to the place that the Lord your God will **choose**. •
- Deut 17:10 Then you shall do according to • what they declare to you from that place that the Lord will **choose**. And you shall be careful to do according to all that they direct you.
- Deut 17:15 you may indeed set a king over you whom the Lord your God will **choose**. • One from among your brothers you shall set as king over you. You may not put a foreigner over you, who is not your brother.
- Deut 18:5 For the Lord your God has **chosen** • him out of all your tribes to stand • and minister in the name of the Lord, him and his sons for all • time.
- Deut 18:6 “And if a Levite comes from any of\* your towns\* out of all Israel, where he lives— • and he may come when he desires—\* to the place that the Lord will **choose**,
- Deut 21:5 Then the priests, the sons of Levi, shall come forward, for the Lord your God has **chosen** • them to minister to\* him and to bless in the name of the Lord, and by their word every dispute and every assault shall be settled.
- Deut 23:16 He shall dwell with you, in your midst, in the place that he shall **choose** within one of\* your towns,\* wherever it suits him.\* You shall\* not wrong\* him.
- Deut 26:2 • you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that • the Lord your God is giving • you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the Lord your God will **choose**, to

make his name to dwell there.

- Deut 30:19 I call • heaven and • earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you • life and • death, • blessing and • curse. Therefore **choose** • life, that you and your offspring may live,
- Deut 31:11 when **choose**, you shall read • this law before all Israel in their hearing.
- Josh 8:3 So Joshua and all the fighting men\* arose to go up to • Ai. And Joshua **chose** 30,000 mighty men of • valor and sent them out by night.
- Josh 9:27 But Joshua made them • • that • day cutters of wood and drawers of water for the congregation and for the altar of the Lord, to • this • day, in the place that he should **choose**.
- Josh 24:15 And if it is evil in your eyes to serve • the Lord, • • **choose** this day • whom you will serve, whether • the gods • your fathers served • in the region beyond the River, or • • the gods of the Amorites in whose • land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve • the Lord.”
- Josh 24:22 Then Joshua said to the people, “You are witnesses against yourselves that you have **chosen** • • • the Lord, to serve • him.” And they said, “We are witnesses.”
- Judg 5:8 When new gods were **chosen**, then war was in the gates. Was shield or spear to be seen among forty thousand in Israel ?
- Judg 10:14 Go and cry out to the gods whom you have **chosen**; • • let them save • you in the time of your distress.”
- Ruth 3:10 And he said, “May you be blessed by the Lord, my daughter. You have made this last kindness • greater than the first in that you have not gone after young **men**, whether poor or rich.
- 1 Sam 2:28 • Did I **choose** • him out of all the tribes of Israel to be my priest, to go up to my altar, to burn incense, to wear an ephod before me? • I gave to the house of your father • all my offerings by fire from the people of Israel.
- 1 Sam 8:18 And in that day you will cry out\* because of\* your king, whom you have **chosen** for yourselves, but the Lord will not answer • you in that day.”
- 1 Sam 10:24 And Samuel said to all the people, “Do you see him whom the Lord has **chosen** • • ? There is none like him among all the people.” And all the people shouted, • “Long live the king!”
- 1 Sam 12:13 And now behold the king whom you have **chosen**, for whom you have asked; • behold, the Lord has set a king over you.
- 1 Sam 13:2 • Saul **chose** • three thousand men of Israel. • Two thousand were with Saul in Michmash and • the hill country of Bethel, and a thousand were with Jonathan in Gibeah of Benjamin. • The rest of the people he sent home, every man to his tent.
- 1 Sam 16:8 Then Jesse called • Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, “Neither has the Lord **chosen** • this one.”
- 1 Sam 16:9 Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the Lord **chosen** •

this one.”

- 1 Sam 16:10 And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, “The Lord has not **chosen** • these.”
- 1 Sam 17:40 Then he took his staff in his hand and **chose** • five smooth stones from the brook and put • them in • his • shepherd’s pouch. • • His sling was in his hand, and he approached • the Philistine.
- 1 Sam 20:30 Then Saul’s anger was kindled against Jonathan, and he said to him, “You son of a perverse, • rebellious woman, do I not know that you have **chosen** • the son of Jesse to your own shame, and to the shame of your mother’s nakedness ?
- 2 Sam 6:21 And David said to Michal, “It was before the Lord, who **chose** • me above your father and above all his house, to appoint • me as prince over Israel, • the people of the Lord— and I will make merry before the Lord.
- 2 Sam 10:9 When Joab saw that the battle\* was set against him both in front and in the rear, • he **chose** some of • the best men of Israel and arrayed them against the Syrians.
- 2 Sam 15:15 And the • king’s servants said to the king, “Behold, your servants are ready to do whatever my lord the king **decides**.”
- 2 Sam 16:18 And Hushai said to Absalom, “No, for whom the Lord and • this • people and all the men of Israel have **chosen**, his I will be, and with him I will remain.
- 2 Sam 17:1 Moreover, Ahithophel said to Absalom, “Let me **choose** • twelve thousand men, and I will arise and pursue • David tonight.
- 2 Sam 19:38 And the king answered, “Chimham shall go over with me, and I will do for him • whatever seems good to you,\* and all that you **desire** of me I will do for you.”
- 2 Sam 24:12 “Go and say to David, ‘Thus says the Lord, Three things I offer • you. **Choose** • one of them, that I may do it to you.’”
- 1 Kings 3:8 And your servant is in the midst of your people whom you have **chosen**, a great people, too many to be numbered\* or • counted for multitude.
- 1 Kings 8:16 ‘Since the day that I brought • my people • Israel out of Egypt, I **chose** no • city out of all the tribes of Israel in which to build a house, that my name might be there. But I **chose** • David to be over my people Israel.’
- 1 Kings 8:44 “If your people go out to • battle against their enemy, by whatever • way you shall send them, and they pray to the Lord toward the city that you have **chosen** • and the house that I have built for your name,
- 1 Kings 8:48 if they repent • with all their mind and with all their heart in the land of their enemies, who carried • them captive, and pray to you toward their land, which you gave to their fathers, the city that you have **chosen**, and the house that I have built for your name,
- 1 Kings 11:13 However, I will not tear away • all the kingdom, but I will give one tribe to your son, for the sake of David my servant and for the sake of Jerusalem that I have **chosen**.”
- 1 Kings 11:32 (but he shall have\* • one • tribe, for the sake of my servant David and for the sake of Jerusalem, the city that I have **chosen** • out of all the tribes of Israel),

- 1 Kings 11:34 Nevertheless, I will not take • the whole • kingdom out of his hand, but I will make him ruler all the days of his life, for the sake of David my servant whom I chose, • who kept my commandments and my statutes.
- 1 Kings 11:36 Yet to his son I will give one tribe, that David\* my servant may\* always have\* a lamp before me in Jerusalem, the city where I have chosen • to put my name. •
- 1 Kings 14:21 Now Rehoboam the son of Solomon reigned in Judah. Rehoboam was forty-one years old\* when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city that the Lord had chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, to put • his name there. • His mother’s name was Naamah the Ammonite.
- 1 Kings 18:23 • Let two bulls be given to us, and let them choose • one • bull for themselves and cut it in pieces and lay it on the wood, but put no fire to it. And I will prepare • the • other bull and lay it on the wood and put no fire to it.
- 1 Kings 18:25 Then Elijah said to the prophets of • Baal, “Choose for yourselves • one • bull and prepare it first, for you are many, and call upon the name of your god, but put no fire to it.”
- 2 Kings 21:7 And • the carved image of • Asherah that he had made he set in the house of which the Lord said to David and to Solomon his son, “In • this • house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, I will put • my name forever.
- 2 Kings 23:27 And the Lord said, “I will remove • Judah also out of my sight, as I have removed • Israel, and I will cast off • • this • city that I have chosen, • Jerusalem, and • the house of which I said, My name shall be there.”
- 1 Chron 15:2 Then David said that no one but the Levites may carry • the ark of • God, for the Lord had chosen • them to carry • the ark of the Lord and to minister to him forever.
- 1 Chron 19:10 When Joab saw that • the battle was set against him both in front and in the rear, • he chose some of • the best men of Israel and arrayed them against the Syrians.
- 1 Chron 21:10 “Go and say to David, ‘ Thus says the Lord, Three things I offer • you; choose • one of them, that I may do it to you.’”
- 1 Chron 28:4 Yet the Lord God of Israel chose • me from all my father’s house to be • king over Israel forever. For he chose • Judah as leader, and in the house of Judah my father’s house, and among my father’s sons he took pleasure in me to make me king over all Israel.
- 1 Chron 28:5 And of all my sons (for the Lord has given • me many sons) • he has chosen • Solomon my son to sit on the throne of the kingdom of the Lord over Israel.
- 1 Chron 28:6 • He said to me, ‘It is Solomon your son who shall build my house and my courts, for I have chosen • him to be my son, and I will be his • father.
- 1 Chron 28:10 Be careful now, for the Lord has chosen • you to build a house for the sanctuary; be strong and do it.”
- 1 Chron 29:1 And David the king said to all the assembly, “Solomon my son, whom alone God has chosen, • is young and inexperienced, and the work is great, for the

palace will not be for man but for the Lord God.

- 2 Chron 6:5 ‘Since the day that I brought • my people out of the land of Egypt, I **chose** no • city out of all the tribes of Israel in which to build a house, that my name might be there, and I **chose** no • man as prince over my people Israel;
- 2 Chron 6:6 but I have **chosen** • Jerusalem that my name may be there, and I have **chosen** • David to be over my people Israel.’
- 2 Chron 6:34 “If your people go out to • battle against their enemies, by whatever • way • you shall send them, and they pray to you toward • this • city that you have **chosen** • • and the house that I have built for your name,
- 2 Chron 6:38 if they repent • • with all their mind and with all their heart in the land of their captivity to which • • • they were carried captive, and pray toward their land, which you gave to their fathers, • the city that you have **chosen** and • the house that I have built for your name,
- 2 Chron 7:12 Then the Lord appeared to Solomon in the night and said to him: “I have heard • your prayer and have **chosen** • • this • place for myself as a house of sacrifice.
- 2 Chron 7:16 For now I have **chosen** and consecrated • • this • house that my name may be there forever. • My eyes and my heart will be there for all • time.
- 2 Chron 12:13 So • King Rehoboam grew strong in Jerusalem and reigned. • Rehoboam was forty-one years old\* when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city that the Lord had **chosen** out of all the tribes of Israel to put • his name there. • His mother’s name was Naamah the Ammonite.
- 2 Chron 29:11 My sons, do not now be negligent, for the Lord has **chosen** • you to stand in his presence, to minister to him and to be his ministers and make offerings to him.”
- 2 Chron 33:7 And • the carved image of the idol that he had made he set in the house of • God, of which God said to David and to Solomon his son, “In • this • house, and in Jerusalem, which I have **chosen** out of all the tribes of Israel, I will put • my name forever,
- Neh 1:9 but if you return to me and keep my commandments and do • them, though your outcasts are in the uttermost parts\* of heaven, from there I will gather them and bring them to the place that I have **chosen**, to make • my name dwell there.’
- Neh 9:7 You are the Lord, the God who **chose** • Abram and brought him out of Ur of the Chaldeans and gave him the name Abraham.
- Job 7:15 so that I would **choose** strangling and death rather than my bones.
- Job 9:14 How then\* can I answer him, **choosing** my words with him?
- Job 15:5 For your iniquity teaches your mouth, and you **choose** the tongue of the crafty.
- Job 29:25 I **chose** their way and sat as chief, and I lived like a king among his • troops, like one who comforts mourners.
- Job 34:4 Let us **choose** what is right; • • let us know among ourselves what is good.
- Job 34:33 Will he then make repayment • to suit\* you, because you reject it ? For you must **choose**, and not I; therefore declare what you know.

Job 36:21 Take care; do not turn to iniquity, for • this you have **chosen** rather than affliction.

Ps 25:12 Who • is the man who fears† the Lord? Him will he instruct in the way that he should **choose**.

Ps 33:12 Blessed is the nation whose • God is the Lord, the people whom he has **chosen** as his heritage!

Ps 47:4 He **chose** • our heritage for us, • the pride of Jacob whom he loves. Selah

Ps 65:4 Blessed is the one you **choose** and bring near, to dwell in your courts! We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, the holiness of your temple!

Ps 78:67 • He rejected • the tent of Joseph; • he did not **choose** • the tribe of Ephraim,

Ps 78:68 but he **chose** • the tribe of Judah, • Mount Zion, which he loves.

Ps 78:70 • He **chose** • David his servant and took him from the sheepfolds;

Ps 84:10 For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would **rather** be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

Ps 105:26 He sent Moses, his servant, and Aaron, whom he had **chosen**. • •

Ps 119:30 I have **chosen** the way of faithfulness; I set your rules before me.

Ps 119:173 Let your hand be ready to help me, for I have **chosen** your precepts.

Ps 132:13 For the Lord has **chosen** • Zion; he has desired it for his dwelling place:

Ps 135:4 For the Lord† has **chosen** Jacob for himself, Israel as his own possession.

Prov 1:29 Because they hated knowledge and did not **choose** the fear of the Lord,

Prov 3:31 Do not envy • a man of violence and do not **choose** • any of his ways,

Prov 16:16 How much better to get wisdom than gold! • To get understanding is to be **chosen** rather than silver.

Prov 21:3 To do righteousness and justice is more **acceptable** to the Lord than sacrifice.

Eccles 9:4 • But he who\* is **joined** with all the living has hope, for • a living dog is better than a • • dead lion.

Song 5:15 His legs are alabaster columns, set on bases of gold. His appearance is like • Lebanon, **choice** as the cedars.

Isa 1:29 For they shall be ashamed of the oaks that you desired; and you shall blush for the gardens that you have **chosen**.

Isa 7:15 He shall eat curds and honey when • he knows how to refuse • the evil and **choose** • the good.

Isa 7:16 For before the boy knows how to refuse • the evil and **choose** • the good, the land whose • • • two kings you dread will be deserted.

Isa 14:1 For the Lord will have compassion on • Jacob and will again **choose** • Israel, and will set them in their own land, and • sojourners will join • them and will attach themselves to the house of Jacob.

Isa 40:20 He who is too impoverished for an offering **chooses** wood that will not rot; he

- seeks out • • a skillful craftsman to set up an idol that will not move.
- Isa 41:8 But you, Israel, my servant, Jacob, whom I have **chosen**, • the offspring of Abraham, my friend;
- Isa 41:9 you whom I took from the ends of the earth, and called • from its farthest corners, • saying to you, “You are my servant, I have **chosen** you and not cast you off”;
- Isa 41:24 Behold, you are nothing, and your work is less than nothing; an abomination is he who **chooses** • you.
- Isa 43:10 “You are my witnesses,” declares the Lord, “and my servant whom I have **chosen**, that you may know and believe • me and understand that I am he. Before me no god was formed, nor shall there be any after me.
- Isa 44:1 “But now hear, O Jacob my servant, • Israel • whom I have **chosen!**
- Isa 44:2 Thus says the Lord who made you, • who formed you from the womb and will help you: Fear not, O Jacob my servant, • Jeshurun • whom I have **chosen**.
- Isa 48:10 Behold, I have refined you, but not as silver; I have **tried** you in the furnace of affliction.
- Isa 49:7 Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, • abhorred by the nation, • the servant of rulers: “Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves; because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has **chosen** you.”
- Isa 56:4 For thus says the Lord: “To the eunuchs who keep • my Sabbaths, • who **choose** the things • that please me and hold fast • my covenant,
- Isa 58:5 Is such the fast that I **choose**, • a day for a person to humble himself? Is it to bow down his head like a reed, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? Will you call • this a fast, and a day acceptable to the Lord?
- Isa 58:6 “Is not this the fast that I **choose**: • to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, • to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke?
- Isa 65:12 • I will destine • you to the sword, and all of you shall bow down to the slaughter, because, when I called, • you did not answer; when I spoke, • you did not listen, but you did what was • evil in my eyes and chose what I did not **delight** in.”
- Isa 66:3 “He who slaughters an • ox is like one who kills a man; he who sacrifices a • lamb, like one who breaks a dog’s neck; he who presents a grain offering, like one who offers pig’s blood; he who makes a memorial offering\* of frankincense, like one who blesses an idol. • These have **chosen** • their own ways, and their soul delights in their abominations;
- Isa 66:4 I also will **choose** • harsh treatment for them and bring their fears upon them, because when I called, • no one answered, when I spoke, • they did not listen; but they did what was • evil in my eyes and **chose** • that in which I did not delight.”
- Jer 8:3 • Death shall be **preferred** to life by all the remnant that remains of • this • evil •

- family in all the places • where I have driven them, • declares the Lord of hosts.
- Jer 33:24 “Have you not observed • that • these • people are saying, ‘ The Lord • has rejected • the two • clans that he **chose**’ • ? Thus they have despised • my people so that they are no longer\* a nation in their sight.
- Jer 49:19 Behold, like a lion coming up\* from the jungle of the Jordan against a perennial pasture, • I will suddenly make\* him run away\* from her. And I will appoint over her whomever I **choose**. For who is like me? • Who will summon me? • What shepherd • can stand before me?
- Ezek 20:5 and say to them, Thus says the • Lord God: On the day when I **chose** • Israel, • I swore\* to the offspring of the house of Jacob, • making myself known to them in the land of Egypt; • I swore\* to them, saying, I am the Lord your God.
- Haggai 2:23 On • that • day, declares the Lord of hosts, I will take you, O Zerubbabel my servant, the son of Shealtiel, declares the Lord, and make you like a signet ring,\* for I have **chosen** • you, declares the Lord of hosts.”
- Zech 1:17 Cry out again, • Thus says the Lord of hosts: My cities shall again overflow with prosperity, and the Lord will again comfort • Zion and again **choose** • Jerusalem.”
- Zech 2:12 And the Lord will inherit • Judah as his portion in the • holy land, and will again **choose** • Jerusalem.”
- Zech 3:2 And the Lord said to • Satan, “The Lord rebuke • you, O Satan! • The Lord who has **chosen** • Jerusalem rebuke • you! Is not this a brand plucked from the fire ?”

## Bible Speed Search

### Other Tools

foundation world

24 hits in 12 verses

- 2 Sam 22:16 Then the channels of the sea were seen; the **foundations** of the **world** were laid bare, at the rebuke of the Lord, at the blast of the breath of his nostrils.
- Ps 18:15 Then the channels of the sea were seen, and the **foundations** of the **world** were laid bare at your rebuke, O Lord, at the blast of the breath of your nostrils.
- Matt 13:35 This was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet: “I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter what has been hidden since the **foundation** of the **world**.”
- Matt 25:34 Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the **foundation** of the **world**.
- Luke 11:50 so that the blood of all the prophets, shed from the **foundation** of the **world**, may be charged against this generation,
- John 17:24 Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the **foundation** of the **world**.
- Eph 1:4 even as he chose us in him before the **foundation** of the **world**, that we should be

holy and blameless before him. In love

- Heb 4:3 For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said, “As I swore in my wrath, ‘They shall not enter my rest,’ ” although his works were finished from the **foundation** of the **world**.
- Heb 9:26 for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the **foundation** of the **world**. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.
- 1 Pet 1:20 He was foreknown before the **foundation** of the **world** but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you
- Rev 13:8 and all who dwell on earth will worship it, everyone whose name has not been written before the **foundation** of the **world** in the book of life of the Lamb who was slain.
- Rev 17:8 The beast that you saw was, and is not, and is about to rise from the bottomless pit and go to destruction. And the dwellers on earth whose names have not been written in the book of life from the **foundation** of the **world** will marvel to see the beast, because it was and is not and is to come.

## Bible Speed Search

unbelief

9 hits in 9 verses

- Matt 13:58 And he did not do many mighty works there, because of their **unbelief**.
- Mark 6:6 And he marveled because of their **unbelief**. And he went about among the villages teaching.
- Mark 9:24 Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, “I believe; help my **unbelief!**”
- Mark 16:14 Afterward he appeared to the eleven themselves as they were reclining at table, and he rebuked them for their **unbelief** and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen.
- Acts 19:9 But when some became stubborn and continued in **unbelief**, speaking evil of the Way before the congregation, he withdrew from them and took the disciples with him, reasoning daily in the hall of Tyrannus.
- Rom 11:20 That is true. They were broken off because of their **unbelief**, but you stand fast through faith. So do not become proud, but fear.
- Rom 11:23 And even they, if they do not continue in their **unbelief**, will be grafted in, for God has the power to graft them in again.
- 1 Tim 1:13 though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in **unbelief**,
- Heb 3:19 So we see that they were unable to enter because of **unbelief**.

Romans 8-11 (ESV)

**8** There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup> For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup> For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup> in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. <sup>5</sup> For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. <sup>6</sup> For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup> For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. <sup>8</sup> Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

<sup>9</sup> You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. <sup>10</sup> But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup> If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

<sup>12</sup> So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. <sup>13</sup> For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup> For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" <sup>16</sup> The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

<sup>18</sup> For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup> For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. <sup>20</sup> For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup> that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup> For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. <sup>23</sup> And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup> For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? <sup>25</sup> But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

<sup>26</sup> Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. <sup>27</sup> And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. <sup>28</sup> And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. <sup>29</sup> For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. <sup>30</sup> And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

<sup>31</sup> What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup> He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup> Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup> Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. <sup>35</sup> Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? <sup>36</sup> As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;  
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

<sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup> For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup> nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**9** I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit—<sup>2</sup> that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. <sup>3</sup> For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. <sup>4</sup> They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. <sup>5</sup> To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

<sup>6</sup> But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, <sup>7</sup> and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.” <sup>8</sup> This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. <sup>9</sup> For this is what the promise said: “About this time next year I will return, and Sarah shall have a son.” <sup>10</sup> And not only so, but also when Rebekah had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, <sup>11</sup> though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God's purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of him who calls—<sup>12</sup> she was told, “The older will serve the younger.” <sup>13</sup> As it is written, “Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.”

<sup>14</sup> What shall we say then? Is there injustice on God's part? By no means! <sup>15</sup> For he says to Moses, “I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion.” <sup>16</sup> So then it depends not on human will or exertion, but on God, who has mercy. <sup>17</sup> For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, “For this very purpose I have raised you up, that I might show my power in you, and that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth.” <sup>18</sup> So then he has mercy on whomever he wills, and he hardens whomever he wills.

<sup>19</sup> You will say to me then, “Why does he still find fault? For who can resist his will?” <sup>20</sup> But who are you, O man, to answer back to God? Will what is molded say to its molder, “Why have you made me like this?” <sup>21</sup> Has the potter no right over the clay, to make out of the same lump one vessel for honorable use and another for dishonorable use? <sup>22</sup> What if God, desiring to show his wrath and to make known his power, has endured with much patience vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, <sup>23</sup> in order to make known the riches of his glory for vessels of mercy,

which he has prepared beforehand for glory—<sup>24</sup> even us whom he has called, not from the Jews only but also from the Gentiles?<sup>25</sup> As indeed he says in Hosea,

“Those who were not my people I will call ‘my people,’  
and her who was not beloved I will call ‘beloved.’ ”

<sup>26</sup> “And in the very place where it was said to them, ‘You are not my people,’  
there they will be called ‘sons of the living God.’ ”

<sup>27</sup> And Isaiah cries out concerning Israel: “Though the number of the sons of Israel be as the sand of the sea, only a remnant of them will be saved,<sup>28</sup> for the Lord will carry out his sentence upon the earth fully and without delay.”<sup>29</sup> And as Isaiah predicted,

“If the Lord of hosts had not left us offspring,  
we would have been like Sodom  
and become like Gomorrah.”

<sup>30</sup> What shall we say, then? That Gentiles who did not pursue righteousness have attained it, that is, a righteousness that is by faith;<sup>31</sup> but that Israel who pursued a law that would lead to righteousness did not succeed in reaching that law.<sup>32</sup> Why? Because they did not pursue it by faith, but as if it were based on works. They have stumbled over the stumbling stone,<sup>33</sup> as it is written,

“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

**10** Brothers, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved.<sup>2</sup> For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge.<sup>3</sup> For, being ignorant of the righteousness of God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God’s righteousness.<sup>4</sup> For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

<sup>5</sup> For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them.<sup>6</sup> But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ down)<sup>7</sup> or “ ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).<sup>8</sup> But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim);<sup>9</sup> because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.<sup>10</sup> For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.<sup>11</sup> For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.”<sup>12</sup> For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him.<sup>13</sup> For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

<sup>14</sup> How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?<sup>15</sup> And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!”<sup>16</sup> But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For

Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?”<sup>17</sup> So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

<sup>18</sup> But I ask, have they not heard? Indeed they have, for

“Their voice has gone out to all the earth,  
and their words to the ends of the world.”

<sup>19</sup> But I ask, did Israel not understand? First Moses says,

“I will make you jealous of those who are not a nation;  
with a foolish nation I will make you angry.”

<sup>20</sup> Then Isaiah is so bold as to say,

“I have been found by those who did not seek me;  
I have shown myself to those who did not ask for me.”

<sup>21</sup> But of Israel he says, “All day long I have held out my hands to a disobedient and contrary people.”

**11** I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin.<sup>2</sup> God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the Scripture says of Elijah, how he appeals to God against Israel?<sup>3</sup> “Lord, they have killed your prophets, they have demolished your altars, and I alone am left, and they seek my life.”<sup>4</sup> But what is God’s reply to him? “I have kept for myself seven thousand men who have not bowed the knee to Baal.”<sup>5</sup> So too at the present time there is a remnant, chosen by grace.<sup>6</sup> But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works; otherwise grace would no longer be grace.

<sup>7</sup> What then? Israel failed to obtain what it was seeking. The elect obtained it, but the rest were hardened,<sup>8</sup> as it is written,

“God gave them a spirit of stupor,  
eyes that would not see  
and ears that would not hear,  
down to this very day.”

<sup>9</sup> And David says,

“Let their table become a snare and a trap,  
a stumbling block and a retribution for them;

<sup>10</sup> let their eyes be darkened so that they cannot see,  
and bend their backs forever.”

<sup>11</sup> So I ask, did they stumble in order that they might fall? By no means! Rather through their trespass salvation has come to the Gentiles, so as to make Israel jealous.<sup>12</sup> Now if their trespass

means riches for the world, and if their failure means riches for the Gentiles, how much more will their full inclusion mean!

<sup>13</sup> Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry <sup>14</sup> in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. <sup>15</sup> For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead? <sup>16</sup> If the dough offered as firstfruits is holy, so is the whole lump, and if the root is holy, so are the branches.

<sup>17</sup> But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, although a wild olive shoot, were grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing root of the olive tree, <sup>18</sup> do not be arrogant toward the branches. If you are, remember it is not you who support the root, but the root that supports you. <sup>19</sup> Then you will say, "Branches were broken off so that I might be grafted in." <sup>20</sup> That is true. They were broken off because of their unbelief, but you stand fast through faith. So do not become proud, but fear. <sup>21</sup> For if God did not spare the natural branches, neither will he spare you. <sup>22</sup> Note then the kindness and the severity of God: severity toward those who have fallen, but God's kindness to you, provided you continue in his kindness. Otherwise you too will be cut off. <sup>23</sup> And even they, if they do not continue in their unbelief, will be grafted in, for God has the power to graft them in again. <sup>24</sup> For if you were cut from what is by nature a wild olive tree, and grafted, contrary to nature, into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these, the natural branches, be grafted back into their own olive tree.

<sup>25</sup> Lest you be wise in your own sight, I want you to understand this mystery, brothers: a partial hardening has come upon Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. <sup>26</sup> And in this way all Israel will be saved, as it is written,

"The Deliverer will come from Zion,  
he will banish ungodliness from Jacob";

<sup>27</sup> "and this will be my covenant with them  
when I take away their sins."

<sup>28</sup> As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. <sup>29</sup> For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup> For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup> so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. <sup>32</sup> For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

<sup>33</sup> Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

<sup>34</sup> "For who has known the mind of the Lord,  
or who has been his counselor?"

<sup>35</sup> "Or who has given a gift to him  
that he might be repaid?"

<sup>36</sup> For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

## Hebrews 2-6

**2** Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. <sup>2</sup> For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable, and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, <sup>3</sup> how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, <sup>4</sup> while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

<sup>5</sup> Now it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. <sup>6</sup> It has been testified somewhere,

“What is man, that you are mindful of him,  
or the son of man, that you care for him?

<sup>7</sup> You made him for a little while lower than the angels;  
you have crowned him with glory and honor,  
<sup>8</sup> putting everything in subjection under his feet.”

Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. <sup>9</sup> But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

<sup>10</sup> For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. <sup>11</sup> For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one source. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, <sup>12</sup> saying,

“I will tell of your name to my brothers;  
in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise.”

<sup>13</sup> And again,

“I will put my trust in him.”

And again,

“Behold, I and the children God has given me.”

<sup>14</sup> Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, <sup>15</sup> and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. <sup>16</sup> For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. <sup>17</sup> Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. <sup>18</sup> For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

**3** Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, <sup>2</sup> who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God’s house. <sup>3</sup> For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—

as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. <sup>4</sup> (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) <sup>5</sup> Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, <sup>6</sup> but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

<sup>7</sup> Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says,

“Today, if you hear his voice,  
<sup>8</sup> do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion,  
on the day of testing in the wilderness,  
<sup>9</sup> where your fathers put me to the test  
and saw my works for forty years.  
<sup>10</sup> Therefore I was provoked with that generation,  
and said, ‘They always go astray in their heart;  
they have not known my ways.’  
<sup>11</sup> As I swore in my wrath,  
‘They shall not enter my rest.’ ”

<sup>12</sup> Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. <sup>13</sup> But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. <sup>14</sup> For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. <sup>15</sup> As it is said,

“Today, if you hear his voice,  
do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.”

<sup>16</sup> For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? <sup>17</sup> And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? <sup>18</sup> And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? <sup>19</sup> So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

**4** Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. <sup>2</sup> For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. <sup>3</sup> For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said,

“As I swore in my wrath,  
‘They shall not enter my rest,’ ”

although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. <sup>4</sup> For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.” <sup>5</sup> And again in this passage he said,

“They shall not enter my rest.”

<sup>6</sup> Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, <sup>7</sup> again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted,

“Today, if you hear his voice,  
do not harden your hearts.”

<sup>8</sup> For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. <sup>9</sup> So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, <sup>10</sup> for whoever has entered God’s rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

<sup>11</sup> Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. <sup>12</sup> For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup> And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

<sup>14</sup> Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. <sup>15</sup> For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup> Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

**5** For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup> He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. <sup>3</sup> Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. <sup>4</sup> And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

<sup>5</sup> So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

“You are my Son,  
today I have begotten you”;  
<sup>6</sup> as he says also in another place,  
“You are a priest forever,  
after the order of Melchizedek.”

<sup>7</sup> In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. <sup>8</sup> Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. <sup>9</sup> And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, <sup>10</sup> being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

<sup>11</sup> About this we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing. <sup>12</sup> For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food, <sup>13</sup> for everyone who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, since he is a child. <sup>14</sup> But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil.

**6** Therefore let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God,<sup>2</sup> and of instruction about washings, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment.<sup>3</sup> And this we will do if God permits.<sup>4</sup> For it is impossible, in the case of those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, and have shared in the Holy Spirit,<sup>5</sup> and have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the age to come,<sup>6</sup> and then have fallen away, to restore them again to repentance, since they are crucifying once again the Son of God to their own harm and holding him up to contempt.<sup>7</sup> For land that has drunk the rain that often falls on it, and produces a crop useful to those for whose sake it is cultivated, receives a blessing from God.<sup>8</sup> But if it bears thorns and thistles, it is worthless and near to being cursed, and its end is to be burned.

<sup>9</sup> Though we speak in this way, yet in your case, beloved, we feel sure of better things—things that belong to salvation.<sup>10</sup> For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love that you have shown for his name in serving the saints, as you still do.<sup>11</sup> And we desire each one of you to show the same earnestness to have the full assurance of hope until the end,<sup>12</sup> so that you may not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

#### **The Certainty of God's Promise**

<sup>13</sup> For when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore by himself,<sup>14</sup> saying, “Surely I will bless you and multiply you.”<sup>15</sup> And thus Abraham, having patiently waited, obtained the promise.<sup>16</sup> For people swear by something greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation.<sup>17</sup> So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he guaranteed it with an oath,<sup>18</sup> so that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us.<sup>19</sup> We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain,<sup>20</sup> where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.