

Jesus said on the Cross, “**It is Finished!**”

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Matthew 24:3,4,5, 11, 24,25 Now as He (Jesus) sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these things be? And what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the End of the Age?” And Jesus answered and said to them, “**Take heed that no one deceives you!** 24:5 For many will come in My name, saying, ‘**I am the Christ,**’ and will deceive many. 24:11 Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many. 24:24 For false Christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders **to deceive, if possible, even the elect**. 24:25 See, I have told you beforehand.”

A recent & very popular & very widespread new bible teaching is now being promoted all over the United States, & perhaps also in many other nations. It is called Operating in the Courts of Heaven. Let’s look at the Word of God to see if this teaching is from God, or if this teaching is one of the deceptions Jesus warned us about!

2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 2: 2:3, 9-12 **Let no one deceive you** by any means; for that Day will not come unless **the falling away comes first**, and **the man of sin is revealed**, the son of perdition, 2:9 The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, 2:10 and with all unrighteous **deception among those who perish**, because they did **not receive the love of the Truth**, that they might be Saved. 2:11 And for this reason God will send them **strong delusion**, that **they should believe the lie**, 2:12 that they all may be condemned who did not believe the Truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

Our Salvation, and also our good works which we do for God are prepared for us by God alone, and are by the Grace of God.

Revelation 12:9, 10, 11 So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; **he was cast to the earth**, & his angels were cast out with him. 12:10 Then I heard a loud voice saying in Heaven, “Now Salvation, and Strength, and the Kingdom of our God, and the Power of His Christ have come, for **the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down**. And they **Overcame him by the Blood of the Lamb** & by the word of their testimony, & they did not love their lives to the death.”

Satan, the accuser of the brethren has been cast out from Heaven where God Reigns, to the earth, & now resides in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Heaven. The author of the book called, ‘Operating in the Courts of Heaven’, teaches that Satan is allowed **with God’s permission** up to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Heaven, where he testifies in the Courts of Heaven against God’s saints, able to stop believers from being granted the things God has put in each one’s book, because of their unconfessed sins, and also the sins of their ancestors. Is this teaching **biblical or deception?**  
\* It certainly gives Satan **authority** that God has never given him!

Luke 10:18, 19 And He said to them, “I saw Satan **fall like lightning from Heaven**. 10:19 Behold, I give you **the Authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy**, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.”

Ephesians 2:4-10 But God, who is rich in Mercy, because of His great Love with which He Loved us, 2:5 even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by Grace you have been saved), 2:6 and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the Heavenly places in Christ Jesus, 2:7 that in the Ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His Grace in His Kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. 2:8 For **by Grace you have been saved through faith, and that **not of yourselves****; it is the gift of God, 2:9 not of works, lest anyone should boast. 2:10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus **for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.**

Galatians 1:6 I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, **to a different gospel,** 1:7 which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want **to pervert the Gospel of Christ.** 1:8 But even if we, or an angel from Heaven, **preach any other gospel to you** than what we have preached to you, **let him be accursed!**

2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 11:3, 4 But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted from **the simplicity** that is in Christ. 11:4 For if he who comes preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or if you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or **a different Gospel** which you have not accepted, you may well put up with it!

Proverbs 30:5, 6 Every Word of God is pure; He is a shield to those who put their trust in Him. 30:6 Do not **add to His Words,** lest He rebuke you, **and you be found a liar.**

Revelation 22:18 “For I testify to everyone who hears the Words of the prophecy of this Book: If anyone **adds to these things,** **God will add to him the plagues that are written in this Book;** 22:19 and if anyone **takes away** from the Words of the Book of this prophecy, **God shall take away his part from the Book of Life, from the Holy City, and from the things which are written in this Book** (of Revelation).”

Matthew 16:24-26 Then Jesus said to His disciples, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him **deny himself,** and take up his cross, **and follow Me.** 16:25 For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. 26 For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?”

Luke 9:23 Then He said to them all, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him **deny himself,** and take up his cross **daily, and follow Me.**” (also see Mark 8:34-36)

1 Timothy 4:1, 2, 7 Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times **some will depart** from the faith, giving heed to **deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons**, 4:2 **speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared** with a hot iron, 4:7 But reject profane & old wives' fables, & exercise yourself toward godliness.

2 Timothy 4:3, 4 For **the time will come** when they will not endure **sound doctrine**, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; 4:4 and they will **turn their ears away from the Truth**, and be turned aside to fables.

1 John 1:7-9 But if we walk in the Light as He is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the Blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us **from all sin**. 1:8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the Truth is not in us. 1:9 **If we confess our sins**, He is Faithful and Just **to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us** from all unrighteousness.

Matthew 6:33 “But **seek first the Kingdom of God** and His Righteousness, & all these things shall be added to you.”

Matthew 7:1, 2 “Judge not, that you be not judged. 7:2 For with what judgment you judge, you will be judged; and with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you.”

John 7:24 “Do not judge according to appearance, but judge with **Righteous Judgment!**”

James 4:11, 12 Do not speak evil of one another, brethren. He who speaks evil of a brother and judges his brother, speaks evil of the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. 4:12 There is one Lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy. Who are you to judge another?

John 8:31, 32 Then Yeshua said to those Jews who believed Him, “**If you abide in My Word**, you are My disciples indeed. 8:32 And you shall know **the Truth**, & **the Truth** shall make you free.”

2<sup>nd</sup> John 1:9-11 Whoever transgresses and does not abide in **the doctrine** of the Messiah does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of the Messiah has both the Father and the Son. 1:10 If anyone comes to you and does not bring **this doctrine**, **do not receive him** into your house nor greet him; 1:11 for he who greets him shares in his evil deeds. (also see 1<sup>st</sup> John 5:11)

Matthew 7:15,17,19-23 “Beware of **false prophets**, who come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly **they are ravenous wolves**. 7:17 ... every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. 7:19 Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down & thrown into the fire. 7:20 Therefore by their fruits you will know them. 7:21 Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the Kingdom of Heaven, **but he who does the will of My Father in Heaven**. 7:22 Many will say to Me ..., ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?’ 7:23 ... I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; **depart from Me**, you who practice lawlessness!’”

1<sup>st</sup> John 4:1-3, 6 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but **test the spirits**, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world. 4:2 By this you know the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ **has come in the flesh is of God**, 4:3 and every spirit that **does not confess** that Jesus Christ **has come in the flesh is not of God**. And this is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world. 4:6 We are of God. He who knows God hears us; he who is not of God **does not hear us**. By this we know **the Spirit of Truth** and the spirit of error.

Isaiah 5:20 Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil ...

John 10:1-7, 9-11, 12, 14, 16 “Most assuredly, I say to you, he who **does not enter the sheepfold by the Door**, but climbs up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. 10:2 But he who enters by the Door **is the Shepherd** of the sheep. 10:3 To Him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear His Voice; and He calls His own sheep by name and leads them out. 10:4 And when He brings out His own sheep, He goes before them; and the sheep follow him, for they know His Voice. 10:5 Yet they will by no means follow a stranger, but will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers.” 10:7 Then Jesus said to them again, “Most assuredly, I say to you, **I am the Door** of the sheep. 10:9 **I am the Door!** If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. 10:10 **The thief** does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have Life, and that they may have it more abundantly. 10:11 **I am the Good Shepherd!** The Good Shepherd gives His life for the sheep. 10:12 But a **hireling**, he who is not the Shepherd, one who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf catches the sheep and scatters them. 10:14 **I am the Good Shepherd**; and I know My sheep, and am known by My own. 10:16 And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My Voice; and there will be one flock and one Shepherd.”

John 16:13-15 However, when **He, the Spirit of Truth**, has come, **He will guide you into all Truth**; for He will not speak on His own Authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. 16:14 He will Glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you. 16:15 All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you.”

John 16:8, 11 “And when He (the Helper) has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of Judgment; 16:11 of Judgment, because **the ruler of this world is Judged!**”

2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning His Promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that **all should come to repentance**.

John 19:30 So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, “**It is Finished!**” And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is **a New Creation**; old things have passed away; Behold, all things have become New!

Colossians 2:9-15 For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; 2:10 and **you are complete in Him**, who is the Head of all principality and power. 2:11 In Him you were also circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the sins of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, 2:12 buried with Him in baptism, in which you also were raised with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead. 2:13 And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, 2:14 having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. 2:15 Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.

John 8:34-36 Jesus answered them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin. 8:35 And a slave does not abide in the house forever, **but a son abides forever**. 8:36 Therefore **if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed!**”

Romans 10:9, 10 ... that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. 10:10 For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made **unto Salvation!**

John 12: 25 “**He who loves his life** will lose it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for Eternal Life.”

2 Corinthians 4:3, 4 But even if our Gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, 4:4 whose minds **the god of this Age has blinded**, who do not believe, lest the Light of the Gospel of the Glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

Galatians 6:3, 4, 7, 8 For if anyone thinks himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. 6:4 But let each one examine his own work ... 6:7 **Do not be deceived**, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. 6:8 For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap Everlasting Life.

Revelation 14:5 And in their mouth was found **no deceit**, for they are without fault before the Throne of God.

John 8:43, 44 “Why do you not understand My speech? Because you are not able to listen to My Word. 8:44 You are of your father **the devil**, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the Truth, because there is no Truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for **he is a liar & the father of it!**”

Matthew 4:10, 11 Then Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! For it is written, ‘You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only shall you serve.’ ” 4:11 Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and ministered to Him.

John 12:31, 32 “Now is the Judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world (the earth) will be cast out (to Hell). 12:32 And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself.”

James 2:13 For judgment is without mercy to the one who has shown no mercy. **Mercy triumphs over Judgment!**



Ephesians 4:15 ... but **speaking the Truth** in love ...

Revelation 21:7, 8 “**He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son!** 21:8 But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second Death.”

2 Peter 2:19-22 While they promise them liberty, they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by whom a person is overcome, by him also he is brought into bondage. 2:20 For if, after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and overcome, the latter end is worse for them than the beginning. 2:21 For it would have been better for them not to have known the Way of Righteousness, than having known it, to turn from the holy Commandment delivered to them. 2:22 But it has happened to them according to the true proverb, “A dog returns to his own vomit,” and, “a sow, having washed, to her wallowing in the mire.”

Luke 18:1-8 Then He spoke a parable to them, that men always ought to pray and not lose heart, 18:2 saying, “There was in a certain city a judge who did not fear God nor regard man. 18:3 Now there was a widow in that city; and she came to him, saying, ‘Get justice for me from my adversary.’ 18:4 And he would not for a while; but afterward he said within himself, ‘Though I do not fear God nor regard man, 18:5 yet because this widow troubles me I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me.’” 18:6 Then the Lord said, “Hear what the unjust judge said. 18:7 And shall God not avenge His own elect who cry out day and night to Him, though He bears long with them? 18:8 **I tell you that He will avenge them speedily.** Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?”

John 14:13 “And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that My Father may be Glorified in His Son.”

2 Corinthians 10:4-7 For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, 10:5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, 10:6 and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled. 10:7 Do you look at things according to the outward appearance?

Galatians 6:1 Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted.

James 5:19 Brethren, if anyone among you wanders from the Truth, and someone turns him back, 5:20 let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins.

Isaiah 14:12 “How you are fallen from Heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! 14:13 For you have said in your heart, ‘I will ascend into Heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; 14:14 I will be like the Most High.’ 14:15 ... you shall be brought down to Sheol.”

Ezekiel 28:14-19 “You were the anointed cherub who covers; I established you; You were on the Holy Mountain of God; you walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones. 28:15 You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, till iniquity was found in you. 28:16 ... you became filled with violence within, and you sinned; Therefore I cast you as a profane thing out of the Mountain of God; and I destroyed you, covering cherub, from the midst of the fiery stones. 28:17 I cast you to the ground, I laid you before kings, that they might gaze at you. 28:18 Therefore I brought fire from your midst; it devoured you, and I turned you to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all who saw you. 28:19 All who knew you among the peoples are astonished at you; you have become a horror, and shall be no more forever!” ’

Job 1:6, 7 Now there was a day when the sons of God(?) came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them. 1:7 And the LORD said to Satan, “From where do you come?” So Satan answered the LORD and said, “From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking back and forth on it.”

Zechariah 3:1, 2 Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the Angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to oppose him. 3:2 And the LORD said to Satan, “**The LORD rebuke you, Satan! The LORD** who has chosen Jerusalem **rebuke you!**”

Hebrews 4:14-16 Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us **hold fast our confession**. 4:15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly to the Throne of Grace (not to any Courts of Heaven), that we may obtain Mercy and find Grace to help in time of need. [John 1:17 ...**Grace and Truth** came through Jesus, the Messiah.]

Matthew 7:7, 8 “**Ask**, and it will be given to you; **seek**, and you will find; **knock**, and it will be opened to you. 7:8 For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.”

1 John 5:14, 15 Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.

Matthew 21:22 “And whatever things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive.”

Mark 11:24 “Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.”

John 15:7 “If you abide in Me, and My Words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and **it shall be done for you!**”

John 15:16 “... whatever you ask My Father in My name, **He will give you!**”

John 14:14 “If you ask anything in My name, **I will do it!**”

John 16:24 “Until now you have asked nothing in My name. **Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full!**”

Mark 16:18 “You will lay hands on the sick (including yourself), and they will recover.”

Matthew 19:26; Mark 10:27 “With God all things are possible ...”

Mark 9:23 “All things are possible for him who believes ...”

Matthew 6:25 “Do not worry (take no thought) about your life ...”

Philippians 4:6, 7 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the Peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts & minds through Christ Jesus.

Hebrew 2:14, 15 Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that **through death He might destroy him who had the power of death**, that is, the devil, 2:15 **& release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.**

Romans 8:37-39 Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. 8:38 For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, 8:39 nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the Love of God which is in Messiah Jesus our Lord.

1 Peter 5:8, 9 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. 5:9 **Resist him, steadfast in the faith,** knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.

Jude 9 Yet Michael the Archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses, dared not bring against him a reviling accusation, but said, **“The Lord rebuke you!”**

2 Corinthians 5:20, 21 Now then, we are Ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ’s behalf, be reconciled to God. 5:21 For He made Him who knew no sin **to be sin for us,** that we might become the Righteousness of God in Him.

2 Timothy 2:24, 25-26 And a servant of the Lord ... be patient, 2:25 in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if perhaps God will grant them repentance, so that they may know the Truth, 2:26 and that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will.

Hebrews 13:8, 9, 20, 21 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. **Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines.** For it is good that the heart be established by Grace ... 13:20 Now may the God of Peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that Great Shepherd of the sheep, through the Blood of the Everlasting Covenant, 13:21 **make you complete** in every good work **to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight,** through Jesus Christ, to whom be Glory forever & ever.

Revelation 1:5, 6 Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the Ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who Loved us and **washed us from our sins in His own Blood,** 1:6 and (He) has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be Glory and Dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 5:10 “And have made us kings and priests to our God.  
And we shall reign on the earth.”

1 John 3:21, 22 If our heart does not condemn us ... whatever we ask we receive from Him... because we keep His Commandments.

2 Corinthians 3:14-18 But their minds were blinded. For until this day the same veil remains unlifted in the reading of the Old Covenant, because the veil is taken away in Christ. 3:15 But even to this day, when Moses is read, a veil lies on their heart. 3:16 Nevertheless when one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. 3:17 Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. 3:18 But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the Glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Act 17:11 These (the Bereans) were more fair-minded than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the Word with all readiness, and **searched the Scriptures daily** to find out whether these things were so.

### My Personal Conclusions

**“Take heed that no one deceives you! Matthew 24:4**

The reason I have written this paper is that I also, like many of my close believing friends, had bought into this teaching about going to the Courts of Heaven in a big way, hook, line, and sinker. For I had also begun presenting my case verbally before the Courts of Heaven, to try to get God’s help for different areas in my life.

Then early one morning recently, God suddenly began showing me many Scriptures about this teaching ‘Operating in the Courts of Heaven,’ proving to me that it violates **God’s Word**. We can all be so easily deceived, especially now during the times that we are in. Remember that Jesus said ‘even the elect’ would be deceived!

When Jesus died on the Cross for all our sins, He defeated and disarmed Satan, and He stripped him of his weapon of accusations against the saints ... we were all guilty of sin, and also we all deserved to pay the price and perish with Satan into Eternal Hell. What does it mean that the accuser of the brethren was cast down? Rev 12:10 It means all Satan's accusations against us were nailed to the Cross at Jesus' death, never again to be going up to Heaven. Jesus's death totally nullified forever all of Satan's accusations! Those who put their total trust in **Jesus, His Word & His precious Blood** will never perish, but will have Eternal Life with the Savior.

John 3:14-17 “And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 3:15 that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have Eternal Life. 3:16 For God so Loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have Everlasting Life. 3:17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.”

Jesus commanded us to first love God & also to love one another! Matthew 22:36-40 “Teacher, which is the Great Commandment in the law (Torah)?” 22:37 Jesus said to him, ‘You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ 22:38 This is the first and Great Commandment. 22:39 And the second is like it, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ 22:40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the Prophets. (also see Mark 12:29-31 and Luke 10:25-28)

We must trust in God alone to do what He wants to do in us. Let God fulfill all the good works that He created for us to do for Him. Jesus must be our primary focus & not our good works, which can also be for the wrong motives, i.e. pride, attention, etc. We do not need to try to be somebody or something. Instead we are all called to deny ourselves and to take up our cross daily and to follow Him.

If our prayers are not being answered, we need to ask God if we have any un-confessed sins. God's Word clearly says that if we confess our sins, that God is Faithful and Just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9 Jeremiah 31:31, 34 "Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make **a New Covenant** with the House of Israel and with the House of Judah. 31:34 ... For I will forgive their iniquity, **and their sin I will remember no more!**" God keeps His Word.

Why would Father God ever invite **the abominable evil Satan**, 'father of lies,' back up into Heaven, whom He cast out of Heaven, for the purpose of being able to testify against us. **This is totally ridicilous and so absolutely absurd**. Jesus never told us anything about us going to any Courts of Heaven. Yes, the devil is the great liar. So many of us have been deceived! We need to be staying more alert, and to be protecting each other from these deceptions.

Matthew 6:6 "But you, when you pray, go into your room, & when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly."

**Greater love has no one than this,  
than to lay down one's life for his friends.**

John 15:13

**Forever, O LORD, Your Word is settled in Heaven!**

Psalm 119:89

For You have magnified **Your Word** above all Your name!

Psalm 138:2

**And the Word of our God shall stand Forever!**

Isaiah 40:8

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Matthew 24:3,4,5, 11, 24,25 Now as He (Jesus) sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these things be? And what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the End of the Age?” And Jesus answered and said to them, “**Take heed that no one deceives you!** 24:5 For many will come in My name, saying, ‘**I am the Christ,**’ and will deceive many. 24:11 Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many. 24:24 For false Christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders **to deceive, if possible, even the elect**. 24:25 See, I have told you beforehand.”

A recent & very popular & very widespread new bible teaching is now being promoted all over the United States, & perhaps also in many other nations. It is called Operating in the Courts of Heaven. Let’s look at the Word of God to see if this teaching is from God, or if this teaching is one of the deceptions Jesus warned us about!

2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 2: 2:3, 9-12 **Let no one deceive you** by any means; for that Day will not come unless **the falling away comes first**, and **the man of sin is revealed**, the son of perdition, 2:9 The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, 2:10 and with all unrighteous **deception among those who perish**, because they did **not receive the love of the Truth**, that they might be Saved. 2:11 And for this reason God will send them **strong delusion**, that **they should believe the lie**, 2:12 that they all may be condemned who did not believe the Truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

Our Salvation, and also our good works which we do for God are prepared for us by God alone, and are by the Grace of God.

Revelation 12:9, 10, 11 So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; **he was cast to the earth**, & his angels were cast out with him. 12:10 Then I heard a loud voice saying in Heaven, “Now Salvation, and Strength, and the Kingdom of our God, and the Power of His Christ have come, for **the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down**. And they **Overcame him by the Blood of the Lamb** & by the word of their testimony, & they did not love their lives to the death.”

Satan, the accuser of the brethren has been cast out from Heaven where God Reigns, to the earth, & now resides in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Heaven. The author of the book called, ‘Operating in the Courts of Heaven’, teaches that **Satan is allowed with God’s permission** up to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Heaven, where he testifies in the Courts of Heaven against God’s saints, able to stop believers from being granted the things God has put in each one’s book, because of their unconfessed sins, and also the sins of their ancestors. **Is this teaching biblical or deception?**  
\* It certainly gives Satan **authority** that God has never given him!

Luke 10:18, 19 And He said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from Heaven. 10:19 Behold, **I give you the Authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy**, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.”

Ephesians 2:4-10 But God, who is rich in Mercy, because of His great Love with which He Loved us, 2:5 even when we were dead in trespasses, **made us alive together with Christ** (by Grace you have been saved), 2:6 and raised us up together, and **made us sit together in the Heavenly places in Christ Jesus**, 2:7 that in the Ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His Grace in His Kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. 2:8 For **by Grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves**; it is the gift of God, 2:9 not of works, lest anyone should boast. 2:10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus **for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them**.

Galatians 1:6 I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, **to a different gospel,** 1:7 which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want **to pervert the Gospel of Christ.** 1:8 But even if we, or an angel from Heaven, **preach any other gospel to you** than what we have preached to you, **let him be accursed!**

2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 11:3, 4 But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted from **the simplicity** that is in Christ. 11:4 For if he who comes preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or if you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or **a different Gospel** which you have not accepted, you may well put up with it!

Proverbs 30:5, 6 Every Word of God is pure; He is a shield to those who put their trust in Him. 30:6 Do not **add to His Words,** lest He rebuke you, **and you be found a liar.**

Revelation 22:18 “For I testify to everyone who hears the Words of the prophecy of this Book: If anyone **adds to these things,** **God will add to him the plagues that are written in this Book;** 22:19 and if anyone **takes away** from the Words of the Book of this prophecy, **God shall take away his part from the Book of Life, from the Holy City, and from the things which are written in this Book** (of Revelation).”

Matthew 16:24-26 Then Jesus said to His disciples, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him **deny himself,** and take up his cross, **and follow Me.** 16:25 For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. 26 For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?”

Luke 9:23 Then He said to them all, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him **deny himself,** and take up his cross **daily, and follow Me.**” (also see Mark 8:34-36)

1 Timothy 4:1, 2, 7 Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times **some will depart** from the faith, giving heed to **deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons**, 4:2 speaking lies in hypocrisy, having **their own conscience seared** with a hot iron, 4:7 But reject profane & old wives' fables, & exercise yourself toward godliness.

2 Timothy 4:3, 4 For **the time will come** when they will not endure **sound doctrine**, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; 4:4 and they will **turn their ears away from the Truth**, and be turned aside to fables.

1 John 1:7-9 But if we walk in the Light as He is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the Blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us **from all sin**. 1:8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the Truth is not in us. 1:9 **If we confess our sins**, He is Faithful and Just **to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us** from all unrighteousness.

Matthew 6:33 “But **seek first the Kingdom of God** and His Righteousness, & all these things shall be added to you.”

Matthew 7:1, 2 “Judge not, that you be not judged. 7:2 For with what judgment you judge, you will be judged; and with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you.”

John 7:24 “Do not judge according to appearance, but judge with **Righteous Judgment!**”

James 4:11, 12 Do not speak evil of one another, brethren. He who speaks evil of a brother and judges his brother, speaks evil of the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. 4:12 There is one Lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy. Who are you to judge another?

John 8:31, 32 Then Yeshua said to those Jews who believed Him, “**If you abide in My Word**, you are My disciples indeed. 8:32 And you shall know **the Truth**, & **the Truth** shall make you free.”

2<sup>nd</sup> John 1:9-11 Whoever transgresses and does not abide in **the doctrine** of the Messiah does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of the Messiah has both the Father and the Son. 1:10 If anyone comes to you and does not bring **this doctrine**, **do not receive him** into your house nor greet him; 1:11 for he who greets him shares in his evil deeds. (also see 1<sup>st</sup> John 5:11)

Matthew 7:15,17,19-23 “Beware of **false prophets**, who come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly **they are ravenous wolves**. 7:17 ... every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. 7:19 Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down & thrown into the fire. 7:20 Therefore by their fruits you will know them. 7:21 Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the Kingdom of Heaven, **but he who does the will of My Father in Heaven**. 7:22 Many will say to Me ..., ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?’ 7:23 ... I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; **depart from Me**, you who practice lawlessness!’”

1<sup>st</sup> John 4:1-3, 6 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but **test the spirits**, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world. 4:2 By this you know the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ **has come in the flesh is of God**, 4:3 and every spirit that **does not confess** that Jesus Christ **has come in the flesh is not of God**. And this is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world. 4:6 We are of God. He who knows God hears us; he who is not of God **does not hear us**. By this we know **the Spirit of Truth** and the spirit of error.

Isaiah 5:20 Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil ...

John 10:1-7, 9-11, 12, 14, 16 “Most assuredly, I say to you, he who **does not enter the sheepfold by the Door**, but climbs up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. 10:2 But he who enters by the Door **is the Shepherd** of the sheep. 10:3 To Him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear His Voice; and He calls His own sheep by name and leads them out. 10:4 And when He brings out His own sheep, He goes before them; and the sheep follow him, for they know His Voice. 10:5 Yet they will by no means follow a stranger, but will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers.” 10:7 Then Jesus said to them again, “Most assuredly, I say to you, **I am the Door** of the sheep. 10:9 **I am the Door!** If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. 10:10 **The thief** does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have Life, and that they may have it more abundantly. 10:11 **I am the Good Shepherd!** The Good Shepherd gives His life for the sheep. 10:12 But a **hireling**, he who is not the Shepherd, one who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf catches the sheep and scatters them. 10:14 **I am the Good Shepherd**; and I know My sheep, and am known by My own. 10:16 And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My Voice; and there will be one flock and one Shepherd.”

John 16:13-15 However, when **He, the Spirit of Truth**, has come, **He will guide you into all Truth**; for He will not speak on His own Authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. 16:14 He will Glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you. 16:15 All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you.”

John 16:8, 11 “And when He (the Helper) has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of Judgment; 16:11 of Judgment, because **the ruler of this world is Judged!**”

2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning His Promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that **all should come to repentance**.

John 19:30 So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, “**It is Finished!**” And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is **a New Creation**; old things have passed away; Behold, all things have become New!

Colossians 2:9-15 For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; 2:10 and **you are complete in Him**, who is the Head of all principality and power. 2:11 In Him you were also circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the sins of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, 2:12 buried with Him in baptism, in which you also were raised with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead. 2:13 And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, 2:14 having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. 2:15 Having **disarmed** principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, **triumphing over them** in it.

John 8:34-36 Jesus answered them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin. 8:35 And a slave does not abide in the house forever, **but a son abides forever**. 8:36 Therefore **if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed!**”

Romans 10:9, 10 ... that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. 10:10 For with the heart one **believes** unto righteousness, and with the mouth **confession** is made **unto Salvation!**

John 12: 25 “**He who loves his life** will lose it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for Eternal Life.”

2 Corinthians 4:3, 4 But even if our Gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, 4:4 whose minds **the god of this Age has blinded**, who do not believe, lest the Light of the Gospel of the Glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

Galatians 6:3, 4, 7, 8 For if anyone thinks himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. 6:4 But let each one examine his own work ... 6:7 **Do not be deceived**, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. 6:8 For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap Everlasting Life.

Revelation 14:5 And in their mouth was found **no deceit**, for they are without fault before the Throne of God.

John 8:43, 44 “Why do you not understand My speech? Because you are not able to listen to My Word. 8:44 You are of your father **the devil**, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the Truth, because there is no Truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for **he is a liar & the father of it!**”

Matthew 4:10, 11 Then Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! For it is written, ‘You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only shall you serve.’ ” 4:11 Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and ministered to Him.

John 12:31, 32 “Now is the Judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world (the earth) will be cast out (to Hell). 12:32 And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself.”

James 2:13 For judgment is without mercy to the one who has shown no mercy. **Mercy triumphs over Judgment!**



Ephesians 4:15 ... but **speaking the Truth** in love ...

Revelation 21:7, 8 “**He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son!** 21:8 But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second Death.”

2 Peter 2:19-22 While they promise them liberty, they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by whom a person is overcome, by him also he is brought into bondage. 2:20 For if, after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and overcome, the latter end is worse for them than the beginning. 2:21 For it would have been better for them not to have known the Way of Righteousness, than having known it, to turn from the holy Commandment delivered to them. 2:22 But it has happened to them according to the true proverb, “A dog returns to his own vomit,” and, “a sow, having washed, to her wallowing in the mire.”

Luke 18:1-8 Then He spoke a parable to them, that men always ought to pray and not lose heart, 18:2 saying, “There was in a certain city a judge who did not fear God nor regard man. 18:3 Now there was a widow in that city; and she came to him, saying, ‘Get justice for me from my adversary.’ 18:4 And he would not for a while; but afterward he said within himself, ‘Though I do not fear God nor regard man, 18:5 yet because this widow troubles me I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me.’” 18:6 Then the Lord said, “Hear what the unjust judge said. 18:7 And shall God not avenge His own elect who cry out day and night to Him, though He bears long with them? 18:8 **I tell you that He will avenge them speedily.** Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?”

John 14:13 “And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that My Father may be Glorified in His Son.”

2 Corinthians 10:4-7 For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, 10:5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, 10:6 and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled. 10:7 Do you look at things according to the outward appearance?

Galatians 6:1 Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted.

James 5:19 Brethren, if anyone among you wanders from the Truth, and someone turns him back, 5:20 let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins.

Isaiah 14:12 “How you are fallen from Heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! 14:13 For you have said in your heart, ‘I will ascend into Heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; 14:14 I will be like the Most High.’ 14:15 ... you shall be brought down to Sheol.”

Ezekiel 28:14-19 “You were the anointed cherub who covers; I established you; You were on the Holy Mountain of God; you walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones. 28:15 You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, till iniquity was found in you. 28:16 ... you became filled with violence within, and you sinned; Therefore I cast you as a profane thing out of the Mountain of God; and I destroyed you, covering cherub, from the midst of the fiery stones. 28:17 I cast you to the ground, I laid you before kings, that they might gaze at you. 28:18 Therefore I brought fire from your midst; it devoured you, and I turned you to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all who saw you. 28:19 All who knew you among the peoples are astonished at you; you have become a horror, and shall be no more forever!” ’

Job 1:6, 7 Now there was a day when the sons of God(?) came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them. 1:7 And the LORD said to Satan, “From where do you come?” So Satan answered the LORD and said, “From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking back and forth on it.”

Zechariah 3:1, 2 Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the Angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to oppose him. 3:2 And the LORD said to Satan, “**The LORD rebuke you, Satan! The LORD** who has chosen Jerusalem **rebuke you!**”

Hebrews 4:14-16 Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us **hold fast our confession**. 4:15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly to the Throne of Grace (not to any Courts of Heaven), that we may obtain Mercy and find Grace to help in time of need. [John 1:17 ...**Grace and Truth** came through Jesus, the Messiah.]

Matthew 7:7, 8 “**Ask**, and it will be given to you; **seek**, and you will find; **knock**, and it will be opened to you. 7:8 For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.”

1 John 5:14, 15 Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.

Matthew 21:22 “And whatever things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive.”

Mark 11:24 “Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.”

John 15:7 “If you abide in Me, and My Words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and **it shall be done for you!**”

John 15:16 “... whatever you ask My Father in My name, **He will give you!**”

John 14:14 “If you ask anything in My name, **I will do it!**”

John 16:24 “Until now you have asked nothing in My name. **Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full!**”

Mark 16:18 “You will lay hands on the sick (including yourself), and they will recover.”

Matthew 19:26; Mark 10:27 “With God all things are possible ...”

Mark 9:23 “All things are possible for him who believes ...”

Matthew 6:25 “Do not worry (take no thought) about your life ...”

Philippians 4:6, 7 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the Peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts & minds through Christ Jesus.

Hebrew 2:14, 15 Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that **through death** He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, 2:15 **& release those** who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

Romans 8:37-39 Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. 8:38 For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, 8:39 nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the Love of God which is in Messiah Jesus our Lord.

1 Peter 5:8, 9 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. 5:9 **Resist him, steadfast in the faith,** knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.

Jude 9 Yet Michael the Archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses, dared not bring against him a reviling accusation, but said, **“The Lord rebuke you!”**

2 Corinthians 5:20, 21 Now then, we are Ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ’s behalf, be reconciled to God. 5:21 For He made Him who knew no sin **to be sin for us,** that we might become the Righteousness of God in Him.

2 Timothy 2:24, 25-26 And a servant of the Lord ... be patient, 2:25 in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if perhaps God will grant them repentance, so that they may know the Truth, 2:26 and that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will.

Hebrews 13:8, 9, 20, 21 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. **Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines.** For it is good that the heart be established by Grace ... 13:20 Now may the God of Peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that Great Shepherd of the sheep, through the Blood of the Everlasting Covenant, 13:21 **make you complete** in every good work **to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight,** through Jesus Christ, to whom be Glory forever & ever.

Revelation 1:5, 6 Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the Ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who Loved us and **washed us from our sins in His own Blood,** 1:6 and (He) has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be Glory and Dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 5:10 “And have made us kings and priests to our God.  
And we shall reign on the earth.”

1 John 3:21, 22 If our heart does not condemn us ... whatever we ask we receive from Him... because we keep His Commandments.

2 Corinthians 3:14-18 But their minds were blinded. For until this day the same veil remains unlifted in the reading of the Old Covenant, because the veil is taken away in Christ. 3:15 But even to this day, when Moses is read, a veil lies on their heart. 3:16 Nevertheless when one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. 3:17 Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. 3:18 But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the Glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Act 17:11 These (the Bereans) were more fair-minded than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the Word with all readiness, and **searched the Scriptures daily** to find out whether these things were so.

### My Personal Conclusions

**“Take heed that no one deceives you! Matthew 24:4**

The reason I have written this paper is that I also, like many of my close believing friends, had bought into this teaching about going to the Courts of Heaven in a big way, hook, line, and sinker. For I had also begun presenting my case verbally before the Courts of Heaven, to try to get God’s help for different areas in my life.

Then early one morning recently, God suddenly began showing me many Scriptures about this teaching ‘Operating in the Courts of Heaven,’ proving to me that it violates God’s Word. We can all be so easily deceived, especially now during the times that we are in. Remember that Jesus said ‘even the elect’ would be deceived!

When Jesus died on the Cross for all our sins, He defeated and disarmed Satan, and He stripped him of his weapon of accusations against the saints ... we were all guilty of sin, and also we all deserved to pay the price and perish with Satan into Eternal Hell. What does it mean that the accuser of the brethren was cast down? Rev 12:10 It means all Satan's accusations against us were nailed to the Cross at Jesus' death, never again to be going up to Heaven. Jesus's death totally nullified forever all of Satan's accusations! Those who put their total trust in **Jesus, His Word & His precious Blood** will never perish, but will have Eternal Life with the Savior.

John 3:14-17 “And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 3:15 that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have Eternal Life. 3:16 For God so Loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have Everlasting Life. 3:17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.”

Jesus commanded us to first love God & also to love one another! Matthew 22:36-40 “Teacher, which is the Great Commandment in the law (Torah)?” 22:37 Jesus said to him, ‘You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ 22:38 This is the first and Great Commandment. 22:39 And the second is like it, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ 22:40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the Prophets. (also see Mark 12:29-31 and Luke 10:25-28)

We must trust in God alone to do what He wants to do in us. Let God fulfill all the good works that He created for us to do for Him. Jesus must be our primary focus & not our good works, which can also be for the wrong motives, i.e. pride, attention, etc. We do not need to try to be somebody or something. Instead we are all called to deny ourselves and to take up our cross daily and to follow Him.

If our prayers are not being answered, we need to ask God if we have any un-confessed sins. God's Word clearly says that if we confess our sins, that God is Faithful and Just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9 Jeremiah 31:31, 34 "Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make **a New Covenant** with the House of Israel and with the House of Judah. 31:34 ... For I will forgive their iniquity, **and their sin I will remember no more!**" God keeps His Word.

Why would Father God ever invite **the abominable evil Satan**, 'father of lies,' back up into Heaven, whom He cast out of Heaven, for the purpose of being able to testify against us. **This is totally ridicilous and so absolutely absurd**. Jesus never told us anything about us going to any Courts of Heaven. Yes, the devil is the great liar. So many of us have been deceived! We need to be staying more alert, and to be protecting each other from these deceptions.

Matthew 6:6 "But you, when you pray, go into your room, & when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly."

**Greater love has no one than this,  
than to lay down one's life for his friends.**

John 15:13

**Forever, O LORD, Your Word is settled in Heaven!**

Psalm 119:89

For You have magnified **Your Word** above all Your name!

Psalm 138:2

**And the Word of our God shall stand Forever!**

Isaiah 40:8

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