


“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland.”

*Isaiah 43:18-19 NIV*




And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

*Ephesians 1:22-23 NIV*


Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her.

*Ephesians 5:25 NIV*



And I tell you that you are Peter and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

*Matthew 16:18 NIV*



Wake up! Strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your deeds complete in the sight of my God.

*Revelation 3:2 NIV*

“I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth. You say, ‘I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.’ But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked.


Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest, and repent.”

*Revelation 3:15-17, 19 NIV*




Still others, like seed sown among thorns,  
hear the word;

*Mark 4:18 NIV*




For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline.

*II Timothy 1:6-7 NIV*




So when they met together, they asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?” He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

*Acts 1:6-8 NIV*




When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

*Acts 2:1-4 NIV*




Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

*Acts 2:41-42 NIV*



Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need.

*Acts 2:43-45 NIV*



Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

*Acts 2:46-47 NIV*