Foundations

Getting your feet established on solid ground, so that growth is according to purpose, not as a result of adversity.

You were born again as a work of grace, love, faith and it is written. It was not deserved, it was not of works you did. It was a matter of believing, accepting and applying what He (Messiah) did for you.

So it is with a solid foundation in Messiah our Lord and King. He has supplied all we will ever need. We must read the New Covenant to see what He has prepared, believe its truth for you, take ownership of what is freely given and apply it to your new life in Him.

You were Born Again to:

bear fruit in His likeness bring pleasure to God populate the earth with Sons of God be conformed to His image to rule in His full stature to allow Him to be seen through you

Salvation is the opening of the door for man to regain all that was lost in the fall of mankind, through Adam's treason.

Messiah our Lord, won back for man, all that man had lost. What He did must be acted on, to be of benefit.

Redemption is the great buy back. The Believer is a purchased possession.

Galatians 3:13

Christ (the Anointed one and His anointing)

has redeemed us (paid the price for our release from captivity) (if we believe and receive) from the curse of the law (the penalty for being wrong)

by being made a curse for us:

for it is written (the power of God)

cursed is everyone that hangs on a tree,

:14

In order that the blessing of Abraham (faith – favor – seed – new breed – inherit the earth) might come upon the Gentiles (the non-Jew, no covenant people) <u>through</u> Jesus Christ:

that we might receive the promise the Spirit made (God in you) which is activated by faith in it.

Man can go from cursed to blessed, through the faith application of New Covenant promises.

A Believer must, of necessity, build their new life on a solid, Word of Truth, foundation, which brings them to sound doctrine.

New Covenant life requires New Covenant Truth applied in New Covenant order.

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Psalm 11:3 If the foundations be destroyed, What can the righteous do?

It is of utmost importance to keep what ground you gain.

Luke 4:14 ...man shall <u>not</u> live by bread (world system) alone (natural strength) but by every Word of God.

Mark 4:15 satan comes immediately, and takes away the <u>word</u> (seed) that was sown in their heart.

How does he do it?

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- Affliction hard times
- Persecution
- Offense

:18

- Cares of this world
- Deceitfulness of riches
- Lust of other things (entering in) (choke the word)

Do not lose ground to the devil!

2 Timothy 2:15

Study to show (demonstrate) that you are approved – because you know how to correctly apply the relevant Word of God to the challenge, opposition or deception that may arise.

Approved before God, not men or denominations.

When taking a person under your wing to provide safety, covering, encouragement and mentoring to them...

Remember the words of Augustine in the III Century.

- In essentials unity
- In non-essentials liberty
- In all things love

Salvation – essential

Water Baptism – essential

Being mentored in Kingdom life – essential

Developing a sound foundation in the Word – essential

Entering a life of prayer –

Becoming a person of praise -

Developing a relationship with the God of all creation –

Loving on another with – covering love –

Becoming a light in the darkness –

Start with John, read the red and conform to what He said. John presents the Gospel in an arena of love.

Study – a process – 4 point assessment

Meditate – chew it – break it down – let the Spirit of Truth guide you through it – pray in the Spirit –

Lean on – put pressure on the Word to perform.

The Believer (child of God) was born again of incorruptible seed – the Word, the Son of God

1 Peter 1:23 (NAS)

For you have been born again not of seed which is perishable (corruptible) but imperishable by the <u>living Word</u> the abiding Word of God.

:25

...the Word of the Lord abides (lives with you forever)

...this was the Word which was proclaimed to you.

There are currently two kingdoms functioning in the earth today.

The World system, which is of the kingdom of darkness, which has Lucifer as its lord.

The Kingdom of Light, which is the Kingdom of God's holy Son. The Anointed Redeemer, our Messiah, the first begotten from the dead, is its Lord.

Money is the currency of the world system – Faith is the currency of the God system –

The warfare is in the arena of conquest for the mind, the thought process of each person.

2 Corinthians 10:5 (3-6) (NAS)

We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ,

You as a born again child of God, are not of the world system.

You renounced your citizenship in, and allegiance to, the kingdom of darkness, when you took up citizenship in the Kingdom of Light.

Hebrews 11:13 strangers and pilgrims on earth

John 1:29 ...Behold the Lamb (sacrifice for sin) of God, which <u>takes</u> <u>away</u> (upon Himself) the sin of the world.

Takes away the sin – unbelief – the blindness to truth is removed. The curtain (veil) that separated lost man and God, no longer exists. Man can come home, through faith in God's finished work.

Messiah took on sin and separation, in order that man could take on Sonship and restoration.

John 8:12 I am the light of the world, he that follows me will not walk in darkness (world system) but shall have the light of life (light of revelation to see what life should be)

The light of life is revelation knowledge that comes from the Spirit of Truth, opening the Word, the will, the ways of God the Father, Lord of Hosts.

John 9:5 as long as I am in the world (the word manifest) I am the light of the world – (two systems)

Light, meaning to shine the light of understanding, the revealing of what truth has to say on any matter, and to contrast the truth as opposed to the lie.

Truth reveals what is and what is not to be trusted, adhered to and lived out.

John 8:23 you are from beneath (Pharisees of the devil)
I am from above (heavenly)
You are of this world, I am not of this world

John 12:25 two worlds contrasted

John 13:1 His own

John 14:17 the Spirit – foreign to the world

John 15:19 out of the world – its system, flow, way of operation

John 16:33 I have overcome the world – the Word did, in the person of our Redeemer.

John 17:6 out of the world

John 18:36 My Kingdom is not of this world

If it were of this natural world, I would seek a natural solution, But since I am not of the world system or natural way of answering natural challenges, I will let the word and my Heavenly Government intervene for me.

Sin and its penalty is of the world system.

The world system was conquered by our Redeemer.

Righteousness is an eternal reward. It is of and on the heavenly level. Right, correct, standing before God.

Righteousness is Teflon coating in the world.

It is diplomatic immunity to sin's penalty and power.

If I allow myself to come under one point of law, I fall victim to the whole law – law pertains to sin and its penalty – grace pertains to life and its reward.