

58-65 – The NT General Epistles

What are God's interests for the new relationship? – the way explained

58. **Hebrews** – Faith **“better hope...faith is the evidence of things not seen”** 7:19,11:1

- Faith in Jesus as God the Son – “Unto the **Son** he saith, Thy throne, O God, is forever” 1:8
Faith in Jesus as our Priest – “Great high **priest**...into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God” 4:14
Faith obtains the promise – “Them who through faith and patience inherit the **promises**” 6:12
Faith in the new covenant – “He saith, A **new covenant**, he hath made the first old” 8:13
Faith in Christ's blood sacrifice – “**Boldness** to enter the holiest by the **blood** of Jesus” 10:19
Faith of a guilt free conscience – “**Faith**...our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience” 10:22
Faith in Christ's coming – “He that shall come **will come**...the just shall live by faith” 10:37,38
Faith to please God – “But without faith it is impossible to **please him**” 11:6
Faith to serve – “Receiving a kingdom...let us have grace...may **serve** God acceptably” 12:28
Faith to go unto Him outside the camp – “Let us go forth...unto **Him** without the camp” 13:13

59. **James** – Works **“Faith without works is dead”** 2:26

Real faith acts on its trust – to not act, conveys no trust. Faith alone saves, but faith is never alone

- The Unfortunate – “Pure religion...is...To visit the fatherless and widows in...affliction” 1:27
Unbiased – “Ye have despised the poor...if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin” 2:6,9
Unkind tongue – “The tongue is a fire...full of deadly poison...therewith curse we men” 3:6-9
Understanding – “Wisdom...from above is...pure...peaceable, gentle...easy...entreated” 3:17
Unholy – “Whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God” 4:4
Unselfish humility – “Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord...he shall lift you up” 4:10
Uninvolved – “To him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin” 4:17
Unhurried – “Be...patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh” 4:8
Unhindered prayer – “Confess...effectual fervent prayer of...righteous...availeth much” 5:16

60. **1 Peter** – Suffering **“The trial of your faith...more precious than of gold”** 1:7

- Conscience suffering – “Thankworthy...a conscience toward God...**suffering** wrongfully” 2:19
Called suffering – “Were ye called...Christ also **suffered**...ye should follow in his steps” 2:21
Cheerful suffering – “If ye **suffer** for righteousness' sake, happy are ye...be not afraid” 3:14
Christ's suffering – “For Christ also hath once **suffered** for sins, the just for the unjust” 3:18
Corrective suffering – “Let none of you **suffer** as a murderer...thief...evildoer...busybody” 4:15
Christian suffering – “Yet if any man **suffer** as a Christian, let him not be ashamed” 4:16
Committed suffering – “Them that **suffer**...the will of God, commit...their souls to Him” 4:19
Crowning suffering – “Ye shall receive a crown of glory...after that ye have **suffered**” 5:4,10

61. **2 Peter** – Knowledge **“Add to your faith...knowledge...”** 1:5

- Peace – “**Peace** be multiplied...through the **knowledge** of God, and of Jesus our Lord” 1:2
Power – “His divine **power** hath given unto us all things...through the **knowledge** of Him” 1:3
Producing – “If these things be in you...neither be barren **nor unfruitful** in **knowledge**” 1:8
Prophetic – “Sure word of **prophecy**...a light that shineth in a dark place...**Knowing**” 1:19-20
Perils – “Better...not to have known the way of righteousness, than...**known**...to turn from” 2:21
Perceiving – “**Knowing** this first, that there shall come in the last days **scoffers**” 3:3
Pursuing – “**Grow** in grace, and in the **knowledge** of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ” 3:18

62. 1 John – Evidences of being Born of God “Believeth...is born of God” 5:1
 Keep His Word – “Whoso keepeth his word, **in him** verily is the love of God perfected” 2:2
 Does righteousness – “He is righteous...everyone that doeth righteous is **born of him**” 2:29
 Not practice sin – “Whosoever is **born of God** doth not commit [practice] sin” 3:9
 Love believers – “Everyone that loveth is **born of God**...knoweth God...for God is love” 4:7-8
 Believes truth of Jesus – “Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is **born of God**” 5:1, 4:4
 Overcomes world – “Whatsoever is **born of God** overcometh the world...even our faith” 5:4
 Kept from Satan’s grasp – “He that is **begotten of God**... wicked one toucheth him not” 5:18

63. 2 John – Truth and Love “I love in the truth...Grace...in truth and love” :2,3
 Walking – “I rejoiced greatly that I found of thy children **walking** in truth” :4
 Loving – “That we **love** one another” :5
 Obeying – “And this is love, that we walk after His **commandments**” :6
 Retaining – “Look to yourselves, that we **lose not** those things...that we receive a full reward” :8
 Abiding – “He that **abideth** in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son” :9
 Rejecting – “If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, **receive him not**...” :10
 Abstaining – “**Neither bid** him God speed... he that biddeth him...is partaker of his evil” :10-11

64. 3 John – Walking in Truth “no greater joy...my children walk in truth” :4
 Truthful – “I rejoiced greatly, when the brethren...testified of the **truth** that is in thee” :3
 Faithful – “Thou doest **faithfully** whatsoever thou doest to the brethren, and to the strangers” :5
 Charitable – “Which have borne witness of thy **charity** before the church” :6
 Loyal – “Because that for **His name’s sake** they went forth, taking nothing of the Gentiles” :7
 Helpful – “We therefore ought to receive such, that we might be fellow**helpers** to the truth” :8
 Irritable – “Diotrephes...loveth...preminence...prating against us with **malicious** words” :9-10
 Ethical – “Beloved, **follow** not that which is evil, but that which is **good**” :11

65. Jude – Anatomy of Apostates “Certain men crept in unawares...ungodly” :4
 * Direction needed – “Needful...to write...that ye should earnestly contend for the faith” :3
 Deceivers – “Men **crept in unawares**...ungodly...turning...grace...into lasciviousness” :4
 Deniers – “And **denying** the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ” :4
 Defilers – “These...**defile** the flesh...walk after their own ungodly lusts” :8, 18
 Dreamers – “These...**dreamers**” [Relying on their dreams – ESV] :8
 Despisers – “**Despise** dominion [authority], and speak evil of dignities [celestial beings]” :8
 Duplicate Cain / self will – “Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of **Cain**” :11
 Duplicate Balaam / self interest – “Ran greedily after the error of **Balaam** for reward” :11
 Duplicate Core / self importance – “Perished in the gainsaying [rebellion] of **Core**” :11
 Devoid of fear – “Feeding themselves **without fear**” :12
 Delinquent promises – “Clouds they are **without water**” :12
 Damaging talkers – “Murmurers, complainers...**mouth** speaketh great swelling words” :16
 Deriders – “**Mockers** in the last time” :18
 Dividers – “These be they who **separate** [cause divisions] themselves” :19
 Destitute of Spirit – “These be...sensual, having **not the Spirit**” :19
 Darkness forever – “To whom is reserved the blackness of **darkness** forever” :13
 * Delivered safely (the true) – “To present you **faultless** before the presence of his glory” :24
 * Dominion of God – “Be glory...majesty...**dominion**...power...both now and ever. Amen” :25