

~PRESENT (1767)

[English, there, here, in attendance, at hand, near, nearby, Opposite of, absent]

- Judah showed his father that he would be guilty before him for all time, if he failed to **present** Benjamin to him after their trip to Egypt seeking food there.
- I shall be the one to be surety for him. Out of my hand you may exact the penalty for him. If I fail to bring him to you and **present** him to you, then I shall have sinned against you for all time. (**Genesis 43:9**)
- Joseph later took five of his brothers to **present** them before Pharaoh for his inspection.
- And from the whole number of his brothers he took five men, that he might **present** them to Pharaoh. (**Genesis 47:2**)
- Yehowah God promised Moses and Aaron to **present** himself to them above the cover of the ark of the covenant in the Most Holy of the tabernacle.
- And I will **present** myself to you there and speak with you from above the cover, from between the two cherubs that are upon the ark of the testimony, even all that I shall command you for the sons of Israel. (**Exodus 25:22**)
- And you must put it before the curtain that is near the ark of the testimony, before the cover that is over the Testimony, where I shall **present** myself to you. (**Exodus 30:6**)
- And you must pound some of it into fine powder and put some of it before the Testimony in the tent of meeting, where I shall **present** myself to you. It should be most holy to you people. (**Exodus 30:36**)
- Offerings of grain were to be **presented** within a basket before Yehowah God.
- And you must put them upon a basket and **present** them in the basket, and also the bull and the two rams. (**Exodus 29:3**)

- Aaron and his sons the priests were to **present** themselves to Yehowah God at the entrance to the tent of meeting by washing themselves with water before entering.
- And you will **present** Aaron and his sons at the entrance of the tent of meeting, and you must wash them with water. (**Exodus 29:4**)
- Aaron and his sons were to **present** the bull before the tent of meeting.
- You must now **present** the bull before the tent of meeting, and Aaron and his sons must lay their hands upon the bulls head. (**Exodus 29:10**)
- At the entrance of the tent of meeting Yehowah God would **present** himself before his people Israel.
- It is a constant burnt offering throughout your generations at the entrance of the tent of meeting before Yehowah, where I shall **present** myself to you people to speak to you there. (**Exodus 29:42**)
- And I will **present** myself there to the sons of Israel, and it will certainly be sanctified by my glory. (**Exodus 29:43**)
- In case an Israelite man would **present** an offering to Yehowah God, it must come from the domestic animals of the flock.
- Speak to the sons of Israel, and you must say to them; In case some man of you would **present** an offering to Yehowah from the domestic animals, you should present your offering from the herd and from the flock. (**Leviticus 1:2**)
- If his offering is a burnt offering from the herd, a male, a sound one, is what he should **present**. At the entrance of the tent of meeting he should present it of his own free will before Yehowah. (**Leviticus 1:3**)
- The blood of the sacrificial victims was **presented** before Yehowah God at his altar.
- Then the young bull must be slaughtered before Yehowah, and

- the sons of Aaron, the priests, must **present** the blood and sprinkle the blood round about upon the altar, which is at the entrance of the tent of meeting. (**Leviticus 1:5**)
- And if his offering for a burnt offering is from the flock, from the young rams or the goats, a male, a sound one, is what he will **present**. (**Leviticus 1:10**)
 - The priest was to **present** all of the sacrificial animal and make it smoke upon Yehowah God's altar.
 - And he will wash the intestines and the shanks with water, and the priest must **present** all of it and make it smoke on the altar. It is a burnt offering, an offering made by fire of a restful odor to Yehowah. (**Leviticus 1:13**)
 - However, if his offering as a burnt offering to Yehowah is from the fowls, then he must **present** his offering from the turtledoves or the young pigeons. (**Leviticus 1:14**)
 - And the priest must **present** it at the altar and nip off its head and make it smoke upon the altar, but its blood must be drained out upon the side of the altar. (**Leviticus 1:15**)
 - Now in case some soul would **present** as an offering a grain offering to Yehowah, his offering should prove to be fine flour, and he must pour oil over it and put frankincense upon it. (**Leviticus 2:1**)
 - When **presenting** an offering of grain, it was to be with ring-shaped cakes baked in an oven and unfermented.
 - And in case you would **present** as an offering a grain offering in the way of something baked in the oven, it should be of fine flour, unfermented ring-shaped cakes moistened with oil or unfermented wafers smeared with oil. (**Leviticus 2:4**)
 - No grain offering that you will **present** to Yehowah should be made a leavened thing, because you must make no sourdough and no honey at all smoke as an offering made by fire to Yehowah. (**Leviticus 2:11**)
 - Offerings made in this manner was considered to be a restful odor before Yehowah God of their firstfruits.

- As an offering of the firstfruits, you will **present** them to Yehowah, and they must not come up onto the altar for a restful odor. (**Leviticus 2:12**)
- Every grain offering **presented** was to be seasoned with salt.
- And every offering of your grain offering you will season with salt, and you must not allow the salt of the covenant of your God to be missing upon your grain offering. Along with every offering of yours you will **present** salt. (**Leviticus 2:13**)
- And if you would **present** the grain offering of the first ripe fruits to Yehowah, you should present green ears roasted with fire, the grits of new grain, as the grain offering of your first ripe fruits. (**Leviticus 2:14**)
- And if his offering is a communion sacrifice, if he is **presenting** it from the herd, whether a male or a female, a sound one is what he will present before Yehowah. (**Leviticus 3:1**)
- And he must **present** some of the communion sacrifice as an offering made by fire to Yehowah, namely, the fat that covers the intestines, even all the fat that is over the intestines. (**Leviticus 3:3**)
- And if his offering is from the flock for a communion sacrifice to Yehowah, a male or a female, a sound one is what he will **present**. (**Leviticus 3:6**)
- If he is **presenting** a young ram as his offering, then he must present it before Yehowah. (**Leviticus 3:7**)
- The fat of offerings **presented** to Yehowah God was for him alone and Israelites, even the priests were not allowed to eat it.
- And from the communion sacrifice he must **present** its fat as an offering made by fire to Yehowah. The entire fatty tail is what he will remove near the backbone, and the fat that covers the intestines, even all the fat that is upon the intestines. (**Leviticus 3:9**)
- And if his offering is a goat, then he must **present** it before Yehowah. (**Leviticus 3:12**)

- And from it he must **present** as his offering, as an offering made by fire to Yehowah, the fat that covers the intestines, even all the fat that is upon the intestines. (**Leviticus 3:14**)
- If a priest committed a serious sin, he must **present** a young bull as his sin offering.
- If the priest, the anointed one, sins so as to bring guiltiness upon the people, then he must **present** for his sin that he has committed a sound young bull to Yehowah as a sin offering. (**Leviticus 4:3**)
- And the sin that they have committed against it has become known, then the congregation must **present** a young bull for a sin offering and must bring it before the tent of meeting. (**Leviticus 4:14**)
- And he must bring them to the priest, who must **present** first the one for the sin offering and nip off its head at the front of its neck, but he should not sever it. (**Leviticus 5:8**)
- Now this is the Law of the grain offering, you sons of Aaron, **present** it before Yehowah in front of the altar. (**Leviticus 6:14**)
- This is the offering of Aaron and his sons that they will **present** to Yehowah on the day of his being anointed, the tenth of an ephah of fine flour as a grain offering constantly, half of it in the morning and half of it in the evening. (**Leviticus 6:20**)
- It will be made with oil upon a griddle. You will bring it well mixed. You will **present** the pastries of the grain offering in pieces as a restful odor to Yehowah. (**Leviticus 6:21**)
- As for all its fat, he will **present** of it the fatty tail and the fat that covers the intestines. (**Leviticus 7:3**)
- Now this is the Law of the communion sacrifice that anyone will **present** to Yehowah. (**Leviticus 7:11**)
- When making a thanksgiving offering ring-shaped cakes must be **presented** along with it.
- If he would **present** it in expression of thanksgiving, then he

- must present along with the sacrifice of thanksgiving unfermented ring-shaped cakes moistened with oil and unfermented wafers smeared with oil and well-mixed fine flour as ring-shaped cakes moistened with oil. (**Leviticus 7:12**)
- Along with ring-shaped cakes of leavened bread he will **present** his offering together with the thanksgiving sacrifice of his communion sacrifices. (**Leviticus 7:13**)
 - And out of it he must **present** one of each offering as a sacred portion to Yehowah, as for the priest who sprinkles the blood of the communion sacrifices, it will become his. (**Leviticus 7:14**)
 - Just as Yehowah had commanded Moses in Mount Sinai in the day of his commanding the sons of Israel to **present** their offerings to Yehowah in the wilderness of Sinai. (**Leviticus 7:38**)
 - Then he said to Aaron; Take for yourself a young calf for a sin offering and a ram for a burnt offering, sound ones, and **present** them before Yehowah. (**Leviticus 9:2**)
 - And he must **present** it before Yehowah and make atonement for her, and she must be clean from the source of her blood. This is the Law about her who bears either a male or a female. (**Leviticus 12:7**)
 - When a priest declared a man clean he had to **present** the man before the tent of meeting before Yehowah God.
 - And the priest who pronounces him clean must **present** the man who is cleansing himself, and the things, before Yehowah at the entrance of the tent of meeting. (**Leviticus 14:11**)
 - Aaron must **present** a bull as an offering for atonement in behalf of himself and his house, and a goat for the nation as a whole.
 - And Aaron must **present** the bull of the sin offering, which is for himself, and he must make atonement in behalf of himself and his house. (**Leviticus 16:6**)
 - And Aaron must **present** the goat over which the lot came up for Yehowah, and he must make it a sin offering. (**Leviticus 16:9**)
 - And Aaron must **present** the bull of the sin offering, which is for

himself, and make an atonement in behalf of himself and his house, and he must slaughter the bull of the sin offering, which is for himself. (**Leviticus 16:11**)

- When he has finished making atonement for the holy place and the tent of meeting and the altar, he must also **present** the live goat. (**Leviticus 16:20**)
- And does not actually bring it to the entrance of the tent of meeting to **present** it as an offering to Yehowah before the tabernacle of Yehowah, bloodguilt will be counted to that man. He has shed blood, and that man must be cut off from among his people. (**Leviticus 17:4**)
- No man possessing a serious defect was allowed to **present** an offering before Yehowah God, even if he was a priest.
- Speak to Aaron, saying; No man of your seed throughout their generations in whom there proves to be a defect may come near to **present** the bread of his God. (**Leviticus 21:17**)
- Any man of the seed of Aaron the priest in whom there is a defect may not approach to **present** Yehowah's offerings made by fire. There is a defect in him. He may not approach to present the bread of his God. (**Leviticus 21:21**)
- Speak to Aaron and his sons and all the sons of Israel, and you must say to them; As for any man of the house of Israel or some alien resident in Israel who **presents** his offering, for any of their vows or for any of their voluntary offerings, which they may present to Yehowah for a burnt offering. (**Leviticus 22:18**)
- No offering containing any defect was to be **presented** before Yehowah God for his approval.
- Anything in which there is a defect you must not **present**, because it will not serve to gain approval for you. (**Leviticus 22:20**)
- And in case a man should **present** a communion sacrifice to Yehowah in order to pay a vow or as a voluntary offering, it should prove to be a sound one among the herd or the flock, in order to gain approval. No defect at all should prove to be in it. (**Leviticus 22:21**)

- No case of blindness or fracture or having a cut or wart or scabbiness or ringworm, none of these must you **present** to Yehowah, and no offering made by fire from them must you put upon the altar for Yehowah. (**Leviticus 22:22**)
- But one having the testicles squeezed or crushed or pulled off or cut off you must not **present** to Yehowah, and in your land you should not render them up. (**Leviticus 22:24**)
- And any of all these from the hand of a foreigner you must not **present** as the bread of your God, because their corruption is in them. There is a defect in them. They will not be accepted with approval of you. (**Leviticus 22:25**)
- But you must **present** an offering made by fire to Yehowah seven days. On the seventh day there will be a holy convention. No sort of laborious work may you do. (**Leviticus 23:8**)
- Israelites were to count fifty days from the festival of unfermented cakes hence the name Pentecost, and make a **presentation** before Yehowah God.
- To the day after the seventh Sabbath you should count, fifty days, and you must **present** a new grain offering to Yehowah. (**Leviticus 23:16**)
- And you must **present** along with the loaves seven sound male lambs, each a year old, and one young bull and two rams. They should serve as a burnt offering to Yehowah along with their grain offering and their drink offerings as an offering made by fire, of a restful odor to Yehowah. (**Leviticus 23:18**)
- No sort of laborious work may you do, and you must **present** an offering made by fire to Yehowah. (**Leviticus 23:25**)
- However, on the tenth of this seventh month is the day of atonement. A holy convention should take place for you, and you must afflict your souls and **present** an offering made by fire to Yehowah. (**Leviticus 23:27**)
- Seven days you should **present** an offering made by fire to Yehowah. On the eighth day there should occur a holy convention for you, and you must present an offering made by

fire to Yehowah. It is a solemn assembly. No sort of laborious work may you do. ([Leviticus 23:36](#))

- And if it is any unclean beast such as one may not **present** in offering to Yehowah, he must then stand the beast before the priest. ([Leviticus 27:11](#))
- And every contribution of all the holy things of the sons of Israel, which they will **present** to the priest, should become his. ([Numbers 5:9](#))
- And he must **present** as his offering to Yehowah one sound young ram in its first year as a burnt offering and one sound female lamb in its first year as a sin offering and one sound ram as a communion sacrifice. ([Numbers 6:14](#))
- And the priest must **present** them before Yehowah and render up his sin offering and his burnt offering. ([Numbers 6:16](#))
- So Yehowah said to Moses; One chieftain on one day and another chieftain on another day is the way they will **present** their offering for the inauguration of the altar. ([Numbers 7:11](#))
- Moses was told to **present** the Israelites before the tent of meeting, all the assembly of Israel.
- And you must **present** the Levites before the tent of meeting and congregate all the assembly of the sons of Israel. ([Numbers 8:9](#))
- The Levites were to be presented to Yehowah God for his special service.
- And you must **present** the Levites before Yehowah, and the sons of Israel must lay their hands upon the Levites. ([Numbers 8:10](#))
- Any Israelite not **presenting** the Passover offering at its appointed time was to be cut off from Israel.
- But when the man was clean or did not happen to be off on a journey and neglected to prepare the Passover sacrifice, that soul must then be cut off from his people, because the offering of Yehowah he did not **present** at its appointed time. For his sin that man will answer. ([Numbers 9:13](#))

- The one **presenting** his offering must also present to Yehowah a grain offering of fine flour, a tenth of an ephah, moistened with a fourth of a hin of oil. (**Numbers 15:4**)
- And you should **present** wine as a drink offering, a third of a hin, as a restful odor to Yehowah. (**Numbers 15:7**)
- One must also **present** together with the male of the herd a grain offering of three tenths of fine flour, moistened with half a hin of oil. (**Numbers 15:9**)
- And you should **present** wine as a drink offering, half a hin, as an offering made by fire, of a restful odor to Yehowah. (**Numbers 15:10**)
- If an Israelite made a mistake he was to **present** a female goat as a sin offering.
- And if any soul should sin by mistake, then he must **present** a female goat in its first year for a sin offering. (**Numbers 15:27**)
- Moses reproached the Levites for not appreciating their special role at ministering in the tabernacle.
- Is it such a little thing for you men that the God of Israel has separated you men from the assembly of Israel to **present** you to himself to carry on the service of Yehowah's tabernacle and to stand before the assembly to minister to them. (**Numbers 16:9**)
- Moses told Korah and those with him to **present** themselves to Yehowah God the next day, each one with his fire holder.
- Then Moses said to Korah; You and all your assembly, be **present** before Yehowah, you and they and Aaron, tomorrow. (**Numbers 16:16**)
- And take each one his fire holder, and you men must put incense upon them and **present** each one his fire holder before Yehowah, two hundred and fifty fire holders, and you and Aaron each his fire holder. (**Numbers 16:17**)
- And you must deposit them in the tent of meeting before the Testimony, where I regularly **present** myself to you. (**Numbers 17:4**)

- Everything opening the womb which the priests would **present** to Yehowah God should become their possession.
- Everything opening the womb, of every sort of flesh, which they will **present** to Yehowah, among man and among beast, should become yours. However, you should without fail redeem the firstborn of mankind, and the firstborn of the unclean beast you should redeem. (**Numbers 18:15**)
- Moses warned Israel to make sure they made the prescribed offerings and **presented** them before Yehowah God.
- Command the sons of Israel, and you must say to them, you should take care to **present** to me my offering, my bread, for my offerings made by fire as a restful odor to me, at their appointed times. (**Numbers 28:2**)
- And you must say to them; This is the offering made by fire that you will **present** to Yehowah, two sound year-old male lambs a day as a burnt offering constantly. (**Numbers 28:3**)
- And at the commencements of your months you people will **present** as a burnt offering to Yehowah two young bulls and one ram, seven sound male lambs each a year old. (**Numbers 28:11**)
- And you must **present** as an offering made by fire, a burnt offering to Yehowah, two young bulls and one ram and seven male lambs each a year old. They should prove to be sound ones for you. (**Numbers 28:19**)
- And on the day of the first ripe fruits, when you **present** a new grain offering to Yehowah, in your feast of weeks you should hold a holy convention. No sort of laborious work must you do. (**Numbers 28:26**)
- And you must **present** as a burnt offering for a restful odor to Yehowah two young bulls, one ram, seven male lambs each a year old. (**Numbers 28:27**)
- And you must **present** as a burnt offering to Yehowah, as a restful odor, one young bull, one ram, seven male lambs each a year old. They should prove to be sound ones for you. (**Numbers 29:8**)

- And you must **present** as a burnt offering, an offering made by fire, of a restful odor to Yehowah, thirteen young bulls, two rams, fourteen male lambs each a year old. They should prove to be sound ones. (**Numbers 29:13**)
- And you must **present** as a burnt offering, an offering made by fire, of a restful odor to Yehowah, one bull, one ram, seven male lambs each a year old, sound ones. (**Numbers 29:36**)
- So let us **present** each one what he has found as Yehowah's offering, articles of gold, ankle chainlets, and bracelets, signet rings, earrings, and female ornaments, in order to make atonement for our souls before Yehowah. (**Numbers 31:50**)
- You must not be partial in judgment. You should hear the little one the same as the great one. You must not become frightened because of a man, for the judgment belongs to God, and the case that is too hard for you, you should **present** to me, and I must hear it. (**Deuteronomy 1:17**)
- When isolating Achan out of all the tribes, Joshua told Israel to **present** themselves tribe by tribe before Yehowah God.
- And you must **present** yourselves in the morning, tribe by tribe, and it must occur that the tribe that Yehowah will pick will come near, family by family, and the family that Yehowah will pick will come near, household by household, and the household that Yehowah will pick will come near, able-bodied man by able-bodied man. (**Joshua 7:14**)
- Ehud **presented** the tribute before Eglon the king of Moab.
- And he proceeded to **present** the tribute to Eglon the king of Moab. Now Eglon was a very fat man. (**Judges 3:17**)
- Asa took a **present** of silver and gold and gave them to Beh-hadad.
- There is a covenant between me and you, between my father and your father. Here I have sent you a **present** of silver and gold. Come, do break your covenant with Baasha the king of Israel, that he may withdraw from me. (**1 Kings 15:19**)

- After bringing the ark of the covenant to Jerusalem, they began to **present** offerings there to Yehowah God.
- Thus they brought the ark of the true God in and placed it inside the tent that David had pitched for it, and they began to **present** burnt offerings and communion sacrifices before the true God. (**1 Chronicles 16:1**)
- The king gave Ezra money to buy animals for sacrifice so he could **present** them in his behalf at Yehowah God's temple in Jerusalem.
- Accordingly you will promptly buy with this money bulls, rams, lambs and their grain offerings and their drink offerings and you will **present** them upon the altar of the house of your God, which is in Jerusalem. (**Ezra 7:17**)
- Job said that if he had access to Yehowah God he would present a case of justice before him, filled with counterarguments.
- I would **present** before him a case of justice, and my mouth I would fill with counterarguments. (**Job 23:4**)
- The Psalmist shows prophetically that the islands will pay tribute to Yehowah God, they will **present** a gift to him.
- The kings of Tarshish and of the islands. Tribute they will pay. The kings of Sheba and of Seba. A gift they will **present**. (**Psalms 72:10**)
- A man provoked to jealousy as by adultery with his wife, will not accept any form of ransom nor show any willingness, no matter how large you make the **present**.
- He will have no consideration for any sort of ransom, neither will he show willingness, no matter how large you make the **present**. (**Proverbs 6:35**)
- Are there any other God's like Yehowah, who have been able to foretell the future from days of long ago, he asks? If so, then let them come forward and **present** a witness to their fulfilled prophecies, thus proving their Godship. This challenge first issued nearly three millenniums ago, still remains unanswered. Yehowah has allowed adequate time for them to come forward and state their arguments, but in reality, there are no other God's!

- And who is there like me? Let him call out, that he may tell it and **present** it to me. From when I appointed the people of long ago, both the things coming and the things that will enter in let them tell on their part. (**Isaiah 44:7**)
- They have **read** and **studied** their Bibles, and so they have **heard**, and now Yehowah will act suddenly, and they will behold it all.
- You have heard. Behold it all. As for you people, will you not tell it? I have made you hear new things from the **present** time, even things kept in reserve, that you have not known. (**Isaiah 48:6**)
- Yehowah has given the Son of Man wonderful insights and understandings of his word, that those who came before him, had no idea as to their meaning. Things like the identification of God's woman and the symbolisms of the Sun, Moon and Stars, also turning the water into blood. Clearly this is **new insight** from Yehowah, and no one else can say; I have already known them. Clearly they come from Yehowah.
- At the **present** time they must be created, and not from that time, even things that before today you have not heard, that you may not say; Look! I have already known them. (**Isaiah 48:7**)
- He was then told, that Gedaliah the grandson of Shaphan his friend was now in charge of the land, and that he could go and find safe residence by him, or he could go wherever he wanted to go. He then gave him a food allowance and a gift, thus treating him with respect. He had spoken the truth, and now it was clear even to his enemies.
- And he was yet not one that would return, when Nebuzaradan said; Do return to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, whom the king of Babylon has commissioned over the cities of Judah, and dwell with him in the midst of the people, or to wherever it is right in your eyes to go, go. And the chief of the bodyguard then gave him a food allowance and a **present** and let him go. (**Jeremiah 40:5**)
- Most prostitutes are enticed by the gifts that others **present** to them. But Jehovah's Witnesses draw others to them by an orderly clean appearance, free meetings and books, and by appealing to their desires for prominence and fellowship.

- But then they must pay her hire by committing these acts of spiritual prostitution with her. They must then share in her oppression of true anointed sons, rejection of truth, worship of mere men, dungy idols, worship of growth and contact with many false religious teachings.
- To all prostitutes they are accustomed to give a **present**, but you, you have given your presents to all those passionately loving you, and you offer a bribe to them to come in to you from all around in your acts of prostitution. (**Ezekiel 16:33**)
- The Israelites regularly let uncircumcised people into the temple area. They came to make the proscribed offerings when there was still a continuing in their course of sinfulness, showing that there was no true repentance. They continued all of their detestable practices giving him what amounted to token service. When you come for forgiveness, you must have first stopped the bad practice.
- When you bring in the foreigners uncircumcised in heart and uncircumcised in flesh, in order to come to be in my sanctuary so as to profane it, even my house, when you **present** my bread, fat and blood, while they keep breaking my covenant on account of all your detestable things. (**Ezekiel 44:7**)
- The priests received a portion from their brothers, which allowed them to spend their days ministering in the temple rather than having to work at jobs or on their farms. Thus when the nation fell away from proper support, would the priests still keep their obligation to Yehowah.
- The sons of Zadok did and Yehowah rewards such loyalty and devotion. They are the ones who draw close to Yehowah, trusting in him to provide whatever may be needed to continue. Anyone who acts accordingly will also receive a rich blessing from Yehowah.
- And as for the Levitical priests, the sons of Zadok, who took care of the obligation of my sanctuary when the sons of Israel wandered away from me, they themselves will come near to me to minister to me, and they must stand before me to **present** to me fat and the blood, is the utterance of the Sovereign Lord Yehowah. (**Ezekiel 44:15**)

- The Inner-Courtyard was a special place of cleanness and holiness amidst an unclean world. Upon returning from contact with someone dead they must make a sin offering that they might restore their holy condition before Yehowah and once again minister to him.
- And on the day of his coming into the holy place, into the inner courtyard, to minister in the holy place, he should **present** his sin offering, is the utterance of the Sovereign Lord Yehowah. (**Ezekiel 44:27**)
- The six male lambs offered corresponded to the six non-Sabbath days within the week and the ram was offered for the Sabbath itself. It reflected that if man would rest from his own presumptuous way on the Sabbath then Yehowah would bless him with submissiveness and humility throughout the week.
- The time a man spent reflecting on Yehowah on the Sabbath would reap good results for man throughout the week.
- And the whole burnt offering that the chieftain should **present** to Yehowah on the Sabbath day should be six sound male lambs and a sound ram. (**Ezekiel 46:4**)
- The king's dream troubled Nebuchadnezzar. He must find someone who understood it. Men who were being paid to know, who didn't know, would quickly find his disfavor! He would dismember them, and **turn their houses into toilets, their churches into open sewers of filth**. However to a man of insight, he would make presents and confer dignity upon him.
- But if the dream and its interpretation you will show, gifts and a **present** and much dignity you will receive on my part. Therefore show me the very dream and its interpretation. (**Daniel 2:6**)
- The king Nebuchadnezzar then knew that he had found the truth and a reliable interpretation. He praised Yehowah for revealing these things to men.
- At that time King Nebuchadnezzar himself fell down upon his face, and to Daniel he paid homage, and he said to offer even a **present** and incense to him. (**Daniel 2:46**)
- So now Yehowah God through Haggai, shows the point of his previous questions toward the people. He shows that this is how his

people are before him, unclean, and they can only spread this uncleanness toward everything they touch or work at. Therefore everything that they touch, is also unclean.

- Accordingly Haggai answered and said; That is how this people is, and that is how this nation is before me, is the utterance of Yehowah, and that is how all the work of their hands is, and whatever they **present** there. It is unclean. (**Haggai 2:14**)
- Also he shows a second example, that of **presenting** a blind, lame or sickly animal for sacrificing at the temple of Yehowah. They consider this nothing bad, rather looking at it as a way to get rid of those hard to care for among their flocks. So Yehowah God tells the priests to **present** such animals to their governor, and see how he feels about them. Will they gain any favor before their own governor, if they **present** such animals to him as a gift. Clearly, the answer is no. Israel was called to **present** to Yehowah God their very best, their firstfruits, and the priests were to **present** the very best of the best they received, for anything less would not be acceptable.
- And when you **present** a blind animal for sacrificing; It is nothing bad. And when you present a lame animal or a sick one; It is nothing bad. Bring it near, please, to your governor. Will he find pleasure in you, or will he receive you kindly? Yehowah of armies has said. (**Malachi 1:8**)
- Yet at the **present** time, they are pronouncing presumptuous people happy, treating them as if they were righteous ones before their God. Also the doers of wickedness have been built up to perform further acts of wickedness, instead of having a holy priesthood call them into reproach for their error. They have tested out their God to see if they can cut corners in his service, and when they get away with anything, then this just emboldens them to cheat him even more.
- And at **present** we are pronouncing presumptuous people happy. Also, the doers of wickedness have been built up. Also, they have tested God out and keep getting away. (**Malachi 3:15**)
- Jesus knew the reason for Judas being **present**, but nonetheless asked him point blank, what his reason was for even being **present**, for he had earlier dismissed him. But the others **present** came forth and laid hands upon Jesus, and took him forcefully into custody.
- But Jesus said to him; Fellow, for what purpose are you **present**?

Then they came forward and laid hands on Jesus and took him into custody. ([Matthew 26:50](#))

- He now brought along Mary his wife, who by now had been given him in marriage, as promised, and who was **presently** heavy with child, and expecting.
- To get registered with Mary, who had been given him in marriage as promised, at **present** heavy with child. ([Luke 2:5](#))
- So when the time for purifying him came to the full, they traveled the short distance to Jerusalem, so that they could there **present** him to Yehowah God, his father.
- Also, when the days for purifying them according to the Law of Moses came to the full, they brought him up to Jerusalem to **present** him to Yehowah. ([Luke 2:22](#))
- Then on yet another Sabbath he entered a synagogue, and there he began to teach. There in the synagogue was a man **present** with a withered hand, his right hand, and so it was difficult for the man to even work like other men do. Yet here he was on a Sabbath, praising God for his goodness, and learning about his ways.
- In the course of another Sabbath he entered into the synagogue and began teaching. And there was a man **present** whose right hand was withered. ([Luke 6:6](#))
- Then at that time there were men **present** who reported to him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate mixed with their sacrifices, no doubt to get a response from them.
- At that very season there were certain ones **present** that reported to him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. ([Luke 13:1](#))
- So he replied to them, that his due time was not yet **present**, so then he would not go up to the festival at this time. Yet their due time was always at hand, for the moment of their death was something unknown, whereas his was pre-determined.
- Therefore Jesus said to them; My due time is not yet **present**, but your due time is always at hand. ([John 7:6](#))

- So when the man's parents arrived they told them accusingly, asking if this was their son, whom they say had been born blind. How then, if this was the case, could they explain, that he sees clearly **presently**.
- And they asked them; Is this your son who you say was born blind? How, then, is it he sees at **present**? ([John 9:19](#))
- Yet the once blind man was not intimidated by them, and answered, that he was not qualified to know whether Jesus was a sinner. Yet he used to be blind, and at **present** he could see.
- In turn he answered; Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that, whereas I was blind, I see at **present**. ([John 9:25](#))
- So she said to Jesus that she knew and had faith, that as many things as Jesus asked Yehowah God for, it was always granted to him.
- And yet at **present** I know that as many things as you ask God for, God will give you. ([John 11:22](#))
- So upon hearing Jesus comforting words, she immediately went off and called her sister Mary, telling her privately that the teacher was **present**, and he was seeking to talk to her.
- And when she had said this, she went off and called Mary her sister, saying secretly; The Teacher is **present** and is calling you. ([John 11:28](#))
- So Jesus told Peter, that what he was doing, Peter and the others there would not understand at **present**. It would only be much later, that they would understand these things, when they got the right frame of mind within themselves.
- In answer Jesus said to him; What I am doing you do not understand at **present**, but you will understand after these things. ([John 13:7](#))
- Jesus now referred to these grown men who were his disciples as little children, for they were that to him, for he had lived for eons of time already in heaven before ever coming to the earth. Then he told them that he was with them for only a little while, actually less than a day.

- This was in fact the last discussion that he would have with them before he died. So he said to them, that just like he had earlier told the Jews, that they where he was going, that they could not come, so he said to his disciples, that neither could they follow him at **present**.

- Little children, I am with you a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I said to the Jews, Where I go you cannot come, I say also to you at **present**. (John 13:33)

- So Peter, loving Jesus, and wanting to follow him now, asked, why he could not follow him at **present**. Then he stated adamantly, that he was willing to surrender his soul in Christ's behalf.

- Peter said to him; Lord, why is it I cannot follow you at **present**? I will surrender my soul in your behalf. (John 13:37)

- Jesus then told his disciples, that he had many things to share with them, but they were not ready spiritually, for him to share them with them at **present**.

- I have many things yet to say to you, but you are not able to bear them at **present**. (John 16:12)

- So Jesus told them, that though he had told them of this ability before this, that at **present** not one of them had gone to the Father in prayer, and asked for a single thing. So he told them to ask, that their joy might be made full.

- Until this **present** time you have not asked a single thing in my name. Ask and you will receive, that your joy may be made full. (John 16:24)

- So Jesus questioned them; Do you believe at **present**?

- Jesus answered them; Do you believe at **present**? (John 16:31)

- So Gamaliel then counseled them, that in view to these **present** circumstances, that they should just let these men alone. His reasoning, was that if this scheme was from men, it would certainly be overthrown, just as in these earlier cases, he had just mentioned.

- And so, under the **present** circumstances, I say to you, Do not meddle with these men, but let them alone, because, if this

scheme or this work is from men, it will be overthrown. ([Acts of Apostles 5:38](#))

- So Peter rose and went downstairs into the house and addressed the men, and told them that he was the man that they were looking for. Then he asked them, what was the reason that they were **present** and looking for him.
- So Peter went downstairs to the men and said; Look! I am the one you are seeking. What is the cause for which you are **present**? ([Acts of Apostles 10:21](#))
- So he then related to Peter, what he had then done to effect the angel's directives. So then they were all **present** to hear what Peter had to speak to them, and to hear all that Yehowah God had commanded Peter to speak to them.
- Therefore I at once sent to you, and you did well in coming here. And so at this time we are all **present** before God to hear all the things you have been commanded by Yehowah to say. ([Acts of Apostles 10:33](#))
- So when they did not find Paul and Silas at Jason's house where they had been staying, they dragged out Jason and certain other brothers there, and they brought them before the city rulers, saying, that they were harboring men who had overturned the entire inhabited earth, and who were now **present** here, to disturb their city also.
- When they did not find them they dragged Jason and certain brothers to the city rulers, crying out; These men that have overturned the inhabited earth are **present** here also. ([Acts of Apostles 17:6](#))
- So the following day Paul went in to visit with James, and all of the older men of the Jerusalem congregation were there **present**.
- But on the following day Paul went in with us to James, and all the older men were **present**. ([Acts of Apostles 21:18](#))
- Paul then showed, that these men should also be **present** before Felix, if they might have anything to say against Paul, for they were the first to raise any objections about Paul.
- Who ought to be **present** before you and to accuse me if they

might have anything against me. ([Acts of Apostles 24:19](#))

- Yet when Paul began to talk about righteousness and self-control and the judgment from Yehowah God, that was coming upon all mankind, Felix became frightened and answered Paul, that he would hear Paul speak of these things even at another time, thus politely putting Paul off.

- But as he talked about righteousness and self-control and the judgment to come, Felix became frightened and answered; For the **present** go your way, but when I get an opportune time I shall send for you again. ([Acts of Apostles 24:25](#))

- So Festus took the lead, and introduced Paul, as a man whom all the Jews in Jerusalem had brought many accusations against, saying that he was not a man who was fit to live.

- And Festus said; King Agrippa and all you men who are **present** with us, you are beholding this man concerning whom all the multitude of the Jews together have applied to me both in Jerusalem and here, shouting that he ought not to live any longer. ([Acts of Apostles 25:24](#))

- So then, God reveals his own righteousness to mankind, in that he acts righteously, even when declaring righteous, sinful mankind. Can you as an individual see the equivalence of Yehowah's justice, and his righteousness, in his exercise of his mercy toward all mankind, through Christ? Are you showing spiritual appreciation toward his undeserved kindness, by making spiritual progress, and drawing close to such a loving and kind God.

- So as to exhibit his own righteousness in this **present** season, that he might be righteous even when declaring righteous the man that has faith in Jesus. ([Romans 3:26](#))

- We must not allow our body members to dictate our way of life, or let them carry us along in a course of sin. This involves two aspects, knowledge and self-control. Knowledge we gain by studying the Bible, and Bible instructional materials, like this book and many others, and through the spirit directly.

- Self control we gain through prayer, and a love of the spirit, and through gaining wisdom as we grow older, and live through discipline.

Sin killed us, and we died, therefore do not go back to submitting yourself to slavery to sin again.

- **Neither go on **presenting** your members to sin as weapons of unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, also your members to God as weapons of righteousness. (Romans 6:13)**
- **When Christians were within this, Satan the Devil's world, they **presented** themselves to its desires, because of their fear of death, thus becoming slaves of sin, leading them to lawless conduct before their God. Now Christians must submit to righteousness, with a view to becoming holy ones before their God. They must not engage in lawless conduct, even though they are not any longer under the Law Covenant and its penalties for wrongdoing.**
- **I am speaking in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh, for even as you **presented** your members as slaves to uncleanness and lawlessness with lawlessness in view, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness with holiness in view. (Romans 6:19)**
- **As a fleshly man under the Law Covenant Paul is driven by his flesh, and by its wrong desires. His spirit wishes for better, but he fails to measure up to the spirit's needs. His spirit is then weak, and is being overcome by his fleshly desires.**
- **For I know that in me, that is, in my flesh, there dwells nothing good, for ability to wish is **present** with me, but ability to work out what is fine is not present. (Romans 7:18)**
- **Paul admits, that even as a Christian who has been trained in this fine way of following the spirit, he has a constant fight against these fleshly desires, that would drag him back into wrong conduct, thus his training is not complete.**
- **I find, then, this Law in my case, that when I wish to do what is right, what is bad is **present** with me. (Romans 7:21)**
- **What then, do these **present** sufferings and tribulations amount to, when compared to the glories, that are sure to follow? They are really inconsequential, for they only last a lifetime, and the glories to follow are eternal. Also, we can endure them, but the glory to follow is exquisite, indescribable! Keep your eyes firmly fixed upon the prize of**

everlasting life, and do not let anything get in the way, of your attaining to it. It is worth the effort required.

- Consequently I reckon that the sufferings of the **present** season do not amount to anything in comparison with the glory that is going to be revealed in us. (**Romans 8:18**)
- Paul now draws out the comparison, for at the **present** time, that is, at the end of the Jewish system of things, a remnant of faithful ones have turned up according to a choosing by Yehowah God himself, faithful Jewish anointed Christians, like Paul, and all of Jesus' early first disciples were Jews.
- As shown earlier in this discussion there were likely, not more than twelve thousand of these left, the exact number not being accurately known. These few were also hunted and persecuted for their faith and their love for their creator, by their own countrymen, just like in Elijah's day. Paul himself was one of the ones taking the lead in this wicked activity, before becoming a disciple of Christ himself.
- In this way, therefore, at the **present** season also a remnant has turned up according to a choosing due to undeserved kindness. (**Romans 11:5**)
- So, in consideration of the previous lengthy discussion, Paul now states, that Christians should **present** their bodies as a sacrifice living, for they have been declared righteous by faith, and so they are a holy people. They are acceptable to God, as long as they stay on their course, that of putting to death the practices of the sinful body, through their love of the spirit of God.
- Consequently I entreat you by the compassions of God, brothers, to **present** your bodies a sacrifice living, holy, acceptable to God, a sacred service with your power of reason. (**Romans 12:1**)
- Paul had already resolved within his own mind, what the principles were here, and come to judgment on the matter. This in his mind, was the only right way to proceed with this man, but to do so in the hope of regaining him as a clean Christian brother. For the Law puts to death, but the spirit makes alive.
- I for one, although absent in body but **present** in spirit, have certainly judged already, as if I were present, the man who has

worked in such a way as this. (1 Corinthians 5:3)

- Paul knew that his knowledge then, and even ours now, is incomplete, and he referred to it with an illustration, that of looking at ourselves in a metal mirror. We will see a reflection of what is true, but it will be hazy, and just an outline, which over time will clear up as we come to know more and more. We must then never become dogmatic, by refusing to change and learn more.
- Paul also knew, that his heavenly father already knew Paul, even better than Paul knew himself. God's **present** knowledge of Paul was detailed and accurate. Paul however, did not yet know God accurately, for what he could see of God was like looking into a metal mirror, which would present only a hazy image. Only when Paul came into God's literal **presence**, would he come to know God accurately, by seeing him face to face, and then he would know God accurately.
- For at **present** we see in hazy outline by means of a metal mirror, but then it will be face to face. At present I know partially, but then I shall know accurately even as I am accurately known. (1 Corinthians 13:12)
- Later he appeared to upwards of five hundred men in Galilee before his ascension to heaven, and Paul knows, that to the **present** day, most of those men are still alive, and they could be consulted to ascertain the correctness of this teaching.
- After that he appeared to upward of five hundred brothers at one time, the most of whom remain to the **present**, but some have fallen asleep in death. (1 Corinthians 15:6)
- Their mental powers were thus dulled for they refused to clearly look at the glory of God. Paul shows, that this same veil remains upon them to this **present** day, at the reading of the Law Covenant.
- The veil itself is done away with by Christ, and this too was reflected at events accompanying Christ's death on a torture stake. The Bible record reveals, that when he thus died, that the curtain separating the Holy compartment from the Most Holy compartment was rent in two, and thus the veil was lifted and the opportunity was now opened for Christians to come into the very presence of Yehowah God.

- This was something that the Aaronic priesthood never could do, with the exception of the High Priest, and this only once a year on the Day of Atonement. Throughout their history, this veil remained in place, and it was done away with, rent from top, by Yehowah God, to bottom, the earthly disciples of his spiritual priesthood, who could now enter his spiritual tent, and after a resurrection like Christ's, they could come into his very presence. The veil had been removed by Christ's death.
- But their mental powers were dulled. For to this **present** day the same veil remains unlifted at the reading of the old covenant, because it is done away with by means of Christ. (**2 Corinthians 3:14**)
- We know that the same spirit, Yehowah God, who raised up Jesus Christ from the dead, will likewise raise us up together with him as a body of firstfruits, or firstborn ones **presented** before him and his glory.
- Knowing that he who raised Jesus up will raise us up also together with Jesus and will **present** us together with you. (**2 Corinthians 4:14**)
- Paul now asks them to be obedient to him, so that when he is **present** among them in person, he will not be forced to take bold measures against some there, who appraise him as just another man, and not a very impressive one at that.
- Those ones view Paul according to his physical stature and his speaking ability, and not according to his spiritual gifts, which he amply has demonstrated through his letters, and his outgoing love for them, and for all men.
- Indeed I beg that, when **present**, I may not use boldness with that confidence with which I am counting on taking bold measures against some who appraise us as if we walked according to what we are in the flesh. (**2 Corinthians 10:2**)
- So now Paul assures those who look upon him as being unimpressive when **present** in person, that he will act boldly against them, if they do not accept his counsel, for he has full authority to act.
- Let such a man take this into account, that what we are in our word by letters when absent, such we shall also be in action

when **present**. (2 Corinthians 10:11)

- Paul has become close to those there in Corinth and he has feelings of love for them, and from love comes proper jealousy. He has given his promise to Christ, that they will become Christ's future wife through the New Covenant.
- They must be **presented** to their High Priest as spiritual anointed sons of God, those within the covenant, and as chaste virgins, who follow no other man while on earth, except Christ. This is because, the High Priest in Israel, could only marry an Israelite woman, and she must be a virgin.
- For I am jealous over you with a godly jealousy, for I personally promised you in marriage to one husband that I might **present** you as a chaste virgin to the Christ. (2 Corinthians 11:2)
- Paul then showed, that when he was **present** and ministering to them in Corinth, and he fell in need, he did not turn to them in Corinth for assistance to continue ministering to them, but rather the brothers in Macedonia, whom Paul has already shown are poorer than they are, supplied all his need. Thus in every way he has held back from becoming any kind of a burden to them there in Corinth.
- And yet when I was **present** with you and I fell in need, I did not become a burden to a single one, for the brothers that came from Macedonia abundantly supplied my deficiency. Yes, in every way I kept myself unburdensome to you and will keep myself so. (2 Corinthians 11:9)
- Paul had said to them before, that if he came again to them, that he would not spare those who had sinned, but who had not repented. He would take strong measures to correct the things he saw wrong among them, so that they might grow spiritually, and be sound in mind and in spirit.
- I have said previously and, as if **present** the second time and yet absent now, I say in advance to those who have sinned before and to all the rest, that if ever I come again I will not spare. (2 Corinthians 13:2)
- So that is why this letter was written, and sent to them in advance, so that when Paul came to be **present** among them, that he

would not even need to act with severity, or to have to use his God given authority, for anything, but to upbuild them.

- That is why I write these things while absent, that, when I am **present**, I may not act with severity according to the authority that the Lord gave me, to build up and not to tear down. (2 Corinthians 13:10)
- Now referring to Jesus Christ, he shows, that Christ gave of himself in behalf of our sins, so as to deliver anointed Christians from the wicked powers of the **present** wicked system of things under Satan the Devil, for this is God's will for them.
- He gave himself for our sins that he might deliver us from the **present** wicked system of things according to the will of our God and Father. (Galatians 1:4)
- Paul now shows, that it is a fine thing for them to be earnestly sought after for a fine cause at all times, and not only when he is **present** with them.
- However, it is fine for you to be zealously sought for in a fine cause at all times, and not only when I am **present** with you. (Galatians 4:18)
- Paul wishes, that he could actually be **present** with them for then he would maybe seeing the situation more clearly, for he is perplexed with the way that they are acting, and would prefer to speak to them in a different way.
- But I could wish to be **present** with you just now and to speak in a different way, because I am perplexed over you. (Galatians 4:20)
- The purpose of this action by Christ, is to **present** the congregation to himself in its splendor, a true spiritual beauty without a spot or a wrinkle, or any of such defilements, but that it should be holy and without blemish.
- Likewise, a woman must not be argumentative with her husband, or finding fault with what he does. She is to accept with mildness this implanting of the word, along with his wishes for her, and for the children. This submissiveness glorifies the marriage union, and it will be a personal protection to her.

- That he might **present** the congregation to himself in its splendor, not having a spot or a wrinkle or any of such things, but that it should be holy and without blemish. (**Ephesians 5:27**)
- But now, they have been reconciled to God through the death of his son, for the purpose of **presenting** them in his presence, holy and unblemished before him, and open to no accusation.
- He now has again reconciled by means of that one's fleshly body through his death, in order to **present** you holy and unblemished and open to no accusation before him. (**Colossians 1:22**)
- Therefore Christ Jesus is the one, that Paul and many others are publicizing, and they also are admonishing them and teaching them all in wisdom, so as to **present** every man complete in union with Christ.
- He is the one we are publicizing, admonishing every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may **present** every man complete in union with Christ. (**Colossians 1:28**)
- Paul then tells Timothy, to give orders to those who are rich in the **present** system of things, not to be high-minded toward their brothers, thinking, that somehow their money makes them better than others. Such ones should rest their hopes on God, and not on these uncertain riches, for God furnishes us with all things richly for our enjoyment, and he is dependable.
- Give orders to those who are rich in the **present** system of things not to be high-minded, and to rest their hope, not on uncertain riches, but on God, who furnishes us all things richly for our enjoyment. (**1 Timothy 6:17**)
- Paul tells Timothy to **present** himself before God, whose work he is doing, as a workman with nothing to be ashamed of, by handling the word of truth, the Bible, aright. Thus like a skilled craftsman Timothy will wield his tools effectively, with both knowledge and love, making the truth known.
- Do your utmost to **present** yourself approved to God, a workman with nothing to be ashamed of, handling the word of the truth aright. (**2 Timothy 2:15**)

- Paul now tells Timothy, that Demas, who had been with him during his first imprisonment, has now left him, because he loved the **present** system of things more than his love for God, and so he has departed for Thessalonica. Others who are still faithful ones, like Crescens and Titus, have also gone to other areas in the work.
- For Demas has forsaken me because he loved the **present** system of things, and he has gone to Thessalonica, Crescens to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. (**2 Timothy 4:10**)
- This undeserved kindness of God, has instructed men to repudiate ungodliness, and worldly desires, and to live in this, Satan the Devil's **present** system of things, with soundness of mind and righteousness and godly devotion.
- Instructing us to repudiate ungodliness and worldly desires and to live with soundness of mind and righteousness and godly devotion amid this **present** system of things. (**Titus 2:12**)
- Paul now shows that discipline never seems joyous while we are under it, rather it is often grievous. Yet to those who have successfully completed a course of discipline, it yields peaceable fruitage, namely righteousness.
- Yehowah God allowed his foremost son to leave heaven and undergo this grievous form of discipline, to make him better, and all anointed ones will undergo similar training, so submit, and allow discipline to have its work complete within you.
- True, no discipline seems for the **present** to be joyous, but grievous, yet afterward to those who have been trained by it, it yields peaceable fruit, namely, righteousness. (**Hebrews 12:11**)
- Paul now counsels them to let their manner of life be completely free of the love of money, for they should be content with the **present** things. No amount of money will go with them to their glorious reward in heaven, and so they should stay focused on the truly important things, that will help them to gain that salvation. Money will not bring them any closer to God, to the contrary.
- Let your manner of life be free of the love of money, while you are content with the **present** things. For he has said; I will by no means leave you nor by any means forsake you. (**Hebrews 13:5**)

- Every good gift and every perfect **present** is from above! What a powerful statement! What would the earth be like without all of the precious gifts of our creator. Would you want to live upon a planet like the Moon or Mars where such things do not exist?
- Our food and drink, our friends and our families, our houses and forests, and the beauty of the earth, would all be gone, along with all the animal creation. We know love and appreciate time indefinite, we can learn and grow and share and laugh together. Could we every really thank Yehowah God enough for all of his many blessings given to mankind.
- This wonderful creator and spiritual father is the one alone who is responsible for all these gifts that enrich our very lives. He is consistent, and so is the creation that he has made, with stars guiding mankind for millenniums, these celestial lights too, he has made.
- He is also dependable and consistent spiritually, displaying fine qualities, for he is described as the rock of our spiritual lives, and he is such. As James states, with him, there is not the variation of the turning of a shadow.
- Every good gift and every perfect **present** is from above, for it comes down from the Father of the celestial lights, and with him there is not a variation of the turning of the shadow. (**James 1:17**)
- Peter now addresses their present lives, which in comparison to the glorious unending future that lies before them, is but a little while at **present**, and he shows that they are now experiencing suffering and tribulation, and this is grievous to endure, but well worth the effort considering the glorious prize that lies before them.
- In this fact you are greatly rejoicing, though for a little while at **present**, if it must be, you have been grieved by various trials. (**1 Peter 1:6**)
- Peter is addressing persons in distant places from Jerusalem who came into the truth after Christ's initial three and one-half year ministry. They never saw Jesus Christ, and yet they have come to love him through the preaching of the Good News Peter preaches.
- Though they are not **presently** looking upon Christ, yet they have faith in him. Also through this faith they have been anointed by God to

a very special calling to heavenly life and immortality, which is an unspeakable and glorified joy that lies before them.

- **Though you never saw him, you love him. Though you are not looking upon him at **present**, yet you exercise faith in him and are greatly rejoicing with an unspeakable and glorified joy. (1 Peter 1:8)**
- **Peter now shows that if anyone lacks these fine qualities then he has simply become forgetful of his cleansing of long ago, from all of his sins. He is shutting his eyes to the light of Yehowah's God's Holy Spirit, and the enlightening power it brings. Such a one, needs to spiritually awake to his present situation, before it is too late.**
- **For if these things are not **present** in anyone, he is blind, shutting his eyes to the light, and has become forgetful of his cleansing from his sins of long ago. (2 Peter 1:9)**
- **So then, because this is such an important thing in their lives, Peter will take the time to remind them of it over and over again if necessary. He knows that they already understand these things, but it is by way of a reminder, and to solidify their faith, that he writes these things.**
- **For this reason I shall be disposed always to remind you of these things, although you know them and are firmly set in the truth that is **present** in you. (2 Peter 1:12)**
- **The wild beast will go into a death-like state of inactivity, and then will revive, and when men see that it is now **present** again, many will wonder admiringly, but such men will not get life eternal.**
- **The wild beast that you saw was, but is not, and yet is about to ascend out of the abyss, and it is to go off into destruction. And when they see how the wild beast was, but is not, and yet will be **present**, those who dwell on the earth will wonder admiringly, but their names have not been written upon the scroll of life from the founding of the world. (Revelation 17:8)**