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Ephesians 5:17

¹⁷ Therefore do not be <u>foolish</u>, but <u>understand</u> what the Lord's will is.

Matthew 11:27-30

²⁷ All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father. Nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and the one to whom the Son wills to reveal Him. ²⁸ Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

Genesis 3:1-6

¹ Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden'?" ² And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; ³ but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.'" ⁴ Then the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. ⁵ For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.

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I Samuel 13:11-13

¹¹ And Samuel said, "What have you done?" And Saul said, "When I saw that the people were scattered from me, and that you did not come within the days appointed, and that the Philistines gathered together at Michmash, ¹² then I said, 'The Philistines will now come down on me at Gilgal, and I have not made supplication to the LORD.' Therefore I felt compelled, and offered a burnt offering." ¹³ And Samuel said to Saul, "You have <u>done foolishly</u>. You have not kept <u>the commandment of the LORD</u> your God, which He commanded you...

I Samuel 14:24, 37-39

²⁴ And the men of Israel were distressed that day, for Saul had placed the people under oath, saying, "Cursed is the man who eats any food until evening, before I have taken vengeance on my enemies."

³⁷ So Saul asked counsel of God, "Shall I go down after the Philistines? Will You deliver them into the hand of Israel?" But <u>He did not answer him</u> that day. ³⁸ And Saul said, "Come over here, all you chiefs of the people, and know and see what this sin was today. ³⁹ For as the LORD lives, who saves Israel, though it be in Jonathan my son, he shall surely die."

I Samuel 15:3, 9, 13-14, 18-21

³ Now go and attack Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, and do not spare them. But kill both man and woman, infant and nursing child, ox and sheep, camel and donkey.

⁹ But Saul and the people spared Agag and the best of the sheep, the oxen, the fatlings, the lambs, and all that was good, and were <u>unwilling to utterly destroy</u> them. But everything despised and worthless, that they utterly destroyed.

¹³ Then Samuel went to Saul, and Saul said to him, "Blessed are you of the LORD! <u>I have performed the</u> <u>commandment of the LORD</u>." ¹⁴ But Samuel said, "What then is this bleating of the sheep in my ears, and the lowing of the oxen which I hear?"

¹⁸ "Now the LORD sent you on a mission, and said, 'Go, and <u>utterly destroy</u> the sinners, the Amalekites, and fight against them until they are consumed.' ¹⁹ Why then did you not obey the voice of the LORD? Why did you swoop down on the spoil, and do evil in the sight of the LORD?" ²⁰ And Saul said to Samuel, "<u>But I have obeyed</u> the voice of the LORD, and gone on the mission on which the LORD sent me, and brought back Agag king of Amalek; I have utterly destroyed the Amalekites. ²¹ <u>But the people</u> took of the plunder, sheep and oxen, the best of the things which should have been utterly destroyed, to sacrifice to the LORD your God in Gilgal."

Genesis 3:9-12

⁹ Then the LORD God called to Adam and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰ So he said, "I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself." ¹¹ And He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?" ¹² Then the man said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate."

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Daniel 10:12

¹² Then he said to me, "Do not fear, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to <u>understand</u>, and to <u>humble yourself</u> before your God, your words were heard; and I have come because of your words."

John 15:4-5

⁴ Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. ⁵ I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, **bears much fruit**; for without Me you can do nothing.

Philippians 4:6-7

⁶ Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; ⁷ and the <u>peace</u> of God, which surpasses all understanding, will <u>guard your hearts</u> <u>and minds</u> through Christ Jesus.