

第十篇

过敬虔的生活

诗歌：

读经：箴二九 18 上，二三 23，二十 27，四 23，十 12 下，十七 9

箴 29:18 上 没有异象，民就放肆；…
箴 23:23 你当买真理，不可出卖；要买智慧、训诲和聪明。
箴 20:27 人的灵是耶和华的灯，监察人的深处。
箴 4:23 你要切切保守你心，因为生命的果效发之于心。
箴 10:12 下 …爱能遮掩一切过错。
箴 17:9 遮掩人过的，是寻求爱；重题旧事的，离间密友。

纲要

壹 “没有异象，民就放肆”——箴二九 18 上：

箴 29:18 上 没有异象，民就放肆；…

一 在圣经里，“异象”是指一个特殊的景象；它是说到一种特别的看见，即荣耀、里面的看见，也是说到我们从神所看见的属灵景象——结一 1，4～28，但七 1，9～10，13～14。

结 1:1 第三十年四月初五日，我在迦巴鲁河边被掳的人中，那时诸天开了，我就看见神的异象。
结 1:4 我观看，见暴风从北方刮来，有一朵大云，有火不断地闪烁，周围有光辉；从其中，就是从火中所发出的，看来好象光耀的金银合金。
结 1:5 又从其中显出四个活物的样式来。他们显出来的样子是这样：有人的样式，
结 1:6 各有四个脸面，四个翅膀。
结 1:7 他们的腿是直的，脚掌好象牛犊之蹄，都灿烂如明亮的铜。
结 1:8 在四面的翅膀以下有人的手。这四个活物各有脸面和翅膀如下：

Message Ten

Living a Godly Life

Hymns:

Scripture Reading: Prov. 29:18a; 23:23; 20:27; 4:23; 10:12b; 17:9

Prov. 29:18a Where there is no vision, the people cast off restraint;…
Prov. 23:23 Buy truth, and do not sell it; / Buy wisdom and instruction and understanding.
Prov. 20:27 The spirit of man is the lamp of Jehovah, / Searching all the innermost parts of the inner being.
Prov. 4:23 Keep your heart with all vigilance, / For from it are the issues of life.
Prov. 10:12b …But love covers all transgressions.
Prov. 17:9 He who covers a transgression seeks love, / But he who repeats a matter separates close friends.

Outline

I. “Where there is no vision, the people cast off restraint”——Prov. 29:18a:

Prov. 29:18a Where there is no vision, the people cast off restraint;…

A. In the Bible vision denotes an extraordinary scene; it refers to a special kind of seeing—a glorious, inward seeing—and to the spiritual scenery that we see from God—Ezek. 1:1, 4-28; Dan. 7:1, 9-10, 13-14.

Ezek. 1:1 Now in the thirtieth year, in the fourth month, on the fifth of the month, while I was among the captives by the river Chebar, the heavens were opened and I saw visions of God.
Ezek. 1:4 And I looked, and there came a storm wind from the north, a great cloud and a fire flashing incessantly; and there was a brightness around it, and from the midst of it there was something like the sight of electrum, from the midst of the fire.
Ezek. 1:5 And from the midst of it there came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance: They had the likeness of a man.
Ezek. 1:6 And every one had four faces, and every one of them had four wings.
Ezek. 1:7 And their feet were straight feet, and the sole of their feet was like the sole of a calf's foot; and they sparkled like the sight of burnished bronze.
Ezek. 1:8 And the hands of a man were under their wings on their four sides. And the four of them had their faces and their wings thus:

结 1:9 他们的翅膀彼此相接；他们行走并不转身，俱各直往前行。
结 1:10 至于脸的样式，四活物前面各有人脸，右面各有狮子的脸，左面各有牛的脸，后面各有鹰的脸。

结 1:11 他们的脸就是如此。他们的翅膀向上展开；各有两个翅膀彼此相接，两个翅膀遮体。
结 1:12 他们俱各直往前行；灵往哪里去，他们就往哪里去，行走并不转身。
结 1:13 至于活物的样式，他们的样子如同烧着的火炭，如同火把的样子；火在活物中间来回闪动，这火有光辉，从火中发出闪电。
结 1:14 活物往来奔走，好象闪电的样子。
结 1:15 我正观看活物的时候，见活物的四个脸旁各有一轮在地上。

结 1:16 轮的样子和作法，看来好象水苍玉。四轮都是一个样式，样子和作法好象轮中套轮。

结 1:17 轮行走的时候，乃是向四方直行，行走时并不掉转。
结 1:18 至于轮辋，高而可畏；四个轮辋周围满了眼睛。

结 1:19 活物行走的时候，轮也在旁边行走；活物从地上升的时候，轮也上升。
结 1:20 灵往哪里去，活物就往哪里去；活物上升，轮也在活物旁边上升，因为活物的灵在轮中。
结 1:21 那些行走的时候，这些也行走；那些站住的时候，这些也站住；那些从地上升的时候，轮也在旁边上升，因为活物的灵在轮中。
结 1:22 活物的头以上有穹苍的样式，看着像可畏的水晶，铺张在活物的头以上。
结 1:23 穹苍以下，活物的一对翅膀直张，彼此相对；每个活物另有一对翅膀在两边遮体。
结 1:24 活物行走的时候，我听见翅膀的响声，象大水的声音，象全能者的声音；是哄嚷的声音，象军队的声音。活物站住的时候，便将翅膀垂下。
结 1:25 在他们头以上的穹苍之上有声音。他们站住的时候，便将翅膀垂下。
结 1:26 在他们头以上的穹苍之上，有宝座的样式，象蓝宝石的样子；在宝座的样式以上，有一位的样子好象人的样子。

结 1:27 我见从袖腰以上，看来好象光耀的金银合金，有仿佛火的样子四面包围；又见从袖腰以下，有仿佛火的样子。袖周围都有光辉。
结 1:28 下雨的日子，云中虹的样子怎样，周围光辉的样子也是怎样。这就是耶和華荣耀的样式显出来的样子。我一看见就面伏于地，又听见一位说话的声音。
但 7:1 巴比伦王伯沙撒元年，但以理在床上作梦，见了脑中的异

Ezek. 1:9 Their wings were joined one to another; they did not turn as they went; each went straight forward.
Ezek. 1:10 As for the likeness of their faces, they had the face of a man; and the four of them had the face of a lion on the right side, and the four of them had the face of an ox on the left side, and the four of them had the face of an eagle.
Ezek. 1:11 And thus their faces were. And their wings were spread out upward; two wings of each were joined one to another, and two covered their bodies.
Ezek. 1:12 And each went straight forward; wherever the Spirit was to go, they went; they did not turn as they went.
Ezek. 1:13 As for the likeness of the living creatures, their appearance was like burning coals of fire, like the appearance of torches; the fire went to and fro among the living creatures, and the fire was bright; and out of the fire went forth lightning.
Ezek. 1:14 And the living creatures ran to and fro like the appearance of a lightning bolt.
Ezek. 1:15 And as I watched the living creatures, I saw a wheel upon the earth beside the living creatures, for each of their four faces.
Ezek. 1:16 The appearance of the wheels and their workmanship were like the sight of beryl. And the four of them had one likeness; that is, their appearance and their workmanship were as it were a wheel within a wheel.
Ezek. 1:17 Whenever they went, they went in their four directions; they did not turn as they went.
Ezek. 1:18 As for their rims, they were high and they were awesome; and the rims of the four of them were full of eyes all around.
Ezek. 1:19 And whenever the living creatures went, the wheels went beside them; and whenever the living creatures were lifted up above the earth, the wheels were lifted up also.
Ezek. 1:20 Wherever the Spirit was to go, they went-whenever the Spirit was to go. And the wheels were lifted up alongside them, for the Spirit of the living creature was in the wheels.
Ezek. 1:21 Whenever those went, these went; and whenever those stood still, these stood still; and whenever those were lifted up above the earth, the wheels were lifted up alongside them; for the Spirit of the living creature was in the wheels.
Ezek. 1:22 And over the heads of the living creature there was the likeness of an expanse, like the sight of awesome crystal, stretched forth over their heads above.
Ezek. 1:23 And under the expanse one pair of their wings went straight out, one toward the other; each had another pair covering their bodies on this side and on that side.
Ezek. 1:24 And I heard the sound of their wings, like the sound of great waters, like the voice of the Almighty, as they went; it was the sound of a tumult, like the sound of an army. Whenever they stood still, they dropped their wings.
Ezek. 1:25 And there was a voice from above the expanse that was over their heads. When they stood still, they dropped their wings.
Ezek. 1:26 And above the expanse that was over their heads was the likeness of a throne, like the appearance of a sapphire stone; and upon the likeness of the throne was One in appearance like a man, above it.
Ezek. 1:27 Then I saw something like the sight of electrum, like the appearance of fire encased all around, from the appearance of His loins and upward; and from the appearance of His loins and downward, I saw something like the appearance of fire. And there was brightness all around Him.
Ezek. 1:28 Like the appearance of the rainbow that is in the cloud on a day of rain, such was the appearance of the brightness all around. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of Jehovah. And when I saw it, I fell on my face and I heard the voice of someone speaking.
Dan. 7:1 In the first year of Belshazzar the king of Babylon Daniel saw a dream and visions of his head

象。他就记录这梦，述说事情的大意。

但 7:9 我观看，见有些宝座设立，那亘古常在者坐下了。祂的衣服洁白如雪，头发如纯净的羊毛；祂的宝座乃是火焰，其轮乃是烈火。

但 7:10 从祂面前有火河流出。事奉祂的有千千，侍立在祂面前的有万万。审判者已经坐庭，案卷都展开了。

但 7:13 我在夜间的异象中观看，见有一位像人子的，驾着天云而来；祂来到亘古常在者那里，被领近祂面前。

但 7:14 权柄、荣耀、国度都给了祂，使各族、各国、各方言的人都事奉祂。祂的权柄是永远的权柄，不能废去，祂的国必不毁坏。

二 我们要得着异象，就需要有启示、光和视力——弗一 17～18 上。

弗 1:17 愿我们主耶稣基督的神，荣耀的父，赐给你们智慧和启示的灵，使你们充分地认识祂；

弗 1:18 上光照你们的心眼，使你们知道祂的呼召有何等盼望；…

三 属天的异象支配我们、限制我们、管制我们、指引我们、保守我们、彻底翻转我们、保守我们在真正的一里、并给我们胆量往前——箴二九 18 上。

箴 29:18 上 没有异象，民就放肆；…

四 当我们看见这异象时，我们全人就从里面有个转变，并且我们的思想、观念、态度都改变了。

五 属天的异象推动我们，加力给我们，托住我们，赐我们忍耐，将我们带进主今日的行动里，并使我们的生命满了意义和目的——来一 8，十二 1～2，弗三 11，提后一 9，三 10，启一 9，三 10。

来 1:8 论到子却说，“神啊，你的宝座是永永远远的，你国的权杖是正直的权杖。

来 12:1 所以，我们既有这许多的见证人，如同云彩围着我们，就当脱去各样的重担，和容易缠累我们的罪，凭着忍耐奔那摆在我们前头的赛程，

来 12:2 望断以及于耶稣，就是我们信心的创始者与成终者；祂为那摆在前面的喜乐，就轻看羞辱，忍受了十字架，便坐在神宝座的右边。

弗 3:11 这是照着祂在我们的主基督耶稣里，所立的永远定旨；

提后 1:9 神救了我们，以圣召召了我们，不是按我们的行为，乃是按祂自己的定旨和恩典；这恩典是历世之前，在基督耶稣

upon his bed. Then he wrote down the dream; he related the sum of the matters.

Dan. 7:9 I watched / Until thrones were set, / And the Ancient of Days sat down. / His clothing was like white snow, / And the hair of His head was like pure wool; / His throne was flames of fire, / Its wheels, burning fire.

Dan. 7:10 A stream of fire issued forth / And came out from before Him. / Thousands of thousands ministered to Him, / And ten thousands of ten thousands stood before Him. / The court of judgment sat, / And the books were opened.

Dan. 7:13 I watched in the night visions, / And there with the clouds of heaven / One like a Son of Man was coming; / And He came to the Ancient of Days, / And they brought Him near before Him.

Dan. 7:14 And to Him was given dominion, glory, and a kingdom, / That all the peoples, nations, and languages might serve Him. / His dominion is an eternal dominion, which will not pass away; / And His kingdom is one that will not be destroyed.

B. In order to have a vision, we need revelation, light, and sight——Eph. 1:17-18a.

Eph. 1:17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the full knowledge of Him,

Eph. 1:18a The eyes of your heart having been enlightened, that you may know what is the hope of His calling,...

C. The heavenly vision governs us, restricts us, controls us, directs us, preserves us, revolutionizes us, keeps us in the genuine oneness, and gives us the boldness to go on——Prov. 29:18a.

Prov. 29:18a Where there is no vision, the people cast off restraint;...

D. When we see this vision, our entire inner being has an inward turn, and we are changed in thought, concept, and attitude.

E. The heavenly vision motivates us, energizes us, holds us, gives us endurance, brings us into the Lord's up-to-date move, and causes our life to be full of meaning and purpose——Heb. 1:8; 12:1-2; Eph. 3:11; 2 Tim. 1:9; 3:10; Rev. 1:9; 3:10.

Heb. 1:8 But of the Son, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, and the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of Your kingdom.

Heb. 12:1 Therefore let us also, having so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, put away every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us and run with endurance the race which is set before us,

Heb. 12:2 Looking away unto Jesus, the Author and Perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down on the right hand of the throne of God.

Eph. 3:11 According to the eternal purpose which He made in Christ Jesus our Lord,

2 Tim. 1:9 Who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to His own purpose and grace, which was given to us in Christ Jesus before the times of the ages

里赐给我们的，

提后 3:10 但你已经紧紧跟随了我的教训、品行、志向、信心、宽容、爱心、忍耐、

启 1:9 我约翰，就是你们的弟兄，和你们在耶稣的患难、国度、忍耐里一同有分的，为神的话和耶稣的见证，曾在那名叫拔摩的海岛上。

启 3:10 你既遵守我忍耐的话，我也必保守你免去那将要临到普天下，试炼一切住在地上之人试炼的时候。

六 每一个事奉主的人，都必须是有异象的人；里面的异象会将我们事奉主的方式翻转过来——徒二六 13～19，罗一 9。

徒 26:13 王啊，正午的时候，我在路上看见一道光，比日头还亮，从天上四面照着我和与我同行的人。

徒 26:14 我们都仆倒在地上，我就听见有声音，用希伯来语向我说，扫罗，扫罗，你为什么逼迫我？你踢犁棒是难的。

徒 26:15 我说，主啊，你是谁？主说，我就是你所逼迫的耶稣。

徒 26:16 你起来站着，我向你显现，正是要选定你作执事和见证人，将你所看见我的事，和我将要显现给你的事，见证出来；

徒 26:17 我要拯救你脱离百姓和外邦人。

徒 26:18 我差你到他们那里去，叫他们的眼睛得开，从黑暗转入光中，从撒但权下转向神，又因信入我，得蒙赦罪，并在一切圣别的人中得着基业。

徒 26:19 亚基帕王啊，我故此没有违背那从天上来的异象，

罗 1:9 我在祂儿子的福音上，在我灵里所事奉的神，可以见证我怎样在祷告中，常常不住地提到你们，

七 我们在属天的异象之下，受指引朝向神的目的地，我们的生活也受神的经纶所支配——腓三 13～14，提前一 4。

腓 3:13 弟兄们，我不是以为自己已经取得了，我只有一件事，就是忘记背后，努力面前的，

腓 3:14 向着标竿竭力追求，要得神在基督耶稣里，召我向上去得的奖赏。

提前 1:4 也不可注意虚构无稽之事，和无穷的家谱；这等事只引起辩论，对于神在信仰里的经纶并无助益。

八 圣经中管制的异象，乃是一神将祂自己作到祂所拣选并救赎的人里面，为要以神圣的三一浸透他们全人，好产生并建造基督的身体，终极完成于新耶路撒冷——弗四 4～6，启二一 2，9～10。

2 Tim. 3:10 But you have closely followed my teaching, conduct, purpose, faith, long-suffering, love, endurance,

Rev. 1:9 I John, your brother and fellow partaker in the tribulation and kingdom and endurance in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus.

Rev. 3:10 Because you have kept the word of My endurance, I also will keep you out of the hour of trial, which is about to come on the whole inhabited earth, to try them who dwell on the earth.

F. Everyone who serves the Lord must be a person with a vision; the inner vision will revolutionize the way we serve the Lord—Acts 26:13-19; Rom. 1:9.

Acts 26:13At midday, on the way, I saw, O King, a light from heaven beyond the brightness of the sun, shining around me and those who journeyed with me.

Acts 26:14And when we all fell to the ground, I heard a voice saying to me in the Hebrew dialect, Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads.

Acts 26:15And I said, Who are You, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus, whom you persecute.

Acts 26:16But rise up and stand on your feet; for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you as a minister and a witness both of the things in which you have seen Me and of the things in which I will appear to you;

Acts 26:17Delivering you from the people and from the Gentiles, to whom I send you,

Acts 26:18To open their eyes, to turn them from darkness to light and from the authority of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who have been sanctified by faith in Me.

Acts 26:19Therefore, King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision,

Rom. 1:9 For God is my witness, whom I serve in my spirit in the gospel of His Son, how unceasingly I make mention of you always in my prayers,

G. Under the heavenly vision we are directed toward God's destination, and our life is controlled according to God's economy—Phil. 3:13-14; 1 Tim. 1:4.

Phil. 3:13 Brothers, I do not account of myself to have laid hold; but one thing I do: Forgetting the things which are behind and stretching forward to the things which are before,

Phil. 3:14 I pursue toward the goal for the prize to which God in Christ Jesus has called me upward.

1 Tim. 1:4 Nor to give heed to myths and unending genealogies, which produce questionings rather than God's economy, which is in faith.

H. The governing vision of the Bible is the Triune God working Himself into His chosen and redeemed people in order to saturate their entire being with the Divine Trinity for the producing and building up of the Body of Christ consummating in the New Jerusalem—Eph. 4:4-6; Rev. 21:2, 9-10.

弗 4:4 一个身体和一位灵，正如你们蒙召，也是在一个盼望中蒙召的；
弗 4:5 一主，一信，一浸；
弗 4:6 一位众人的神与父，就是那超越众人，贯彻众人，也在众人之内的。
启 21:2 我又看见圣城新耶路撒冷由神那里从天而降，预备好了，就如新妇妆饰整齐，等候丈夫。
启 21:9 拿着七个金碗，盛满末后七灾的七位天使中，有一位来对我说，你来，我要将新妇，就是羔羊的妻，指给你看。
启 21:10 我在灵里，天使带我到一座高大的山，将那由神那里从天而降的圣城耶路撒冷指给我看。

Eph. 4:4 One Body and one Spirit, even as also you were called in one hope of your calling;
Eph. 4:5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism;
Eph. 4:6 One God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Rev. 21:2 And I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.
Rev. 21:9 And one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and spoke with me, saying, Come here; I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.
Rev. 21:10 And he carried me away in spirit onto a great and high mountain and showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,

贰 “你当买真理，不可出卖”——箴二三 23 上：

箴 23:23 上 你当买真理，不可出卖；…

一 真理是需要买的，是需要出代价的——23 节上：

箴 23:23 上 你当买真理，不可出卖；…

- 1 买必须付代价。
- 2 我们如果要讨主的喜欢，为着真理站住，就得出代价——参启三 18。
- 3 我们的心如果准备好，领受对真理的爱，不惜出代价买真理，我们就有福了——帖后二 10 ~ 11，箴二三 23。

帖后 2:10 并且在那灭亡的人身上，行各样不义的欺骗；因他们不领受对真理的爱，使他们得救。

帖后 2:11 所以，神就使谬误运行在他们里面，叫他们信从虚谎，

箴 23:23 你当买真理，不可出卖；要买智慧、训诲和聪明。

二 神圣的真理是绝对的，我们必须对真理绝对，并维持真理的绝对——约十四 6，十八 37，约叁 3 ~ 4，8：

约 14:6 耶稣说，我就是道路、实际、生命；若不借着我，没有人能到父那里去。

约 18:37 彼拉多就对祂说，这样，你不是王么？耶稣回答说，你说我是王，我为此而生，也为此来到世间，为要给真理作见证；凡属真理的人，就听我的声音。

约叁 3 有弟兄来见证你持守真理，就是你在真理中行事为人，我就大大欢乐。

II. “Buy truth, and do not sell it”——Prov. 23:23a:

Prov. 23:23a Buy truth, and do not sell it;...

A. Truth is something that we have to buy, something that has a price——v. 23a:

Prov. 23:23a Buy truth, and do not sell it;...

1. Buying requires the paying of a price.
2. If we want to please the Lord and stand for the truth, we must pay the price——cf. Rev. 3:18.
3. If our hearts are ready to receive the love of the truth and buy the truth at any price, we will be blessed——2 Thes. 2:10-11; Prov. 23:23.

2 Thes. 2:10 And in all deceit of unrighteousness among those who are perishing, because they did not receive the love of the truth that they might be saved.

2 Thes. 2:11 And because of this God sends to them an operation of error that they might believe the lie, Prov. 23:23 Buy truth, and do not sell it; / Buy wisdom and instruction and understanding.

B. The divine truth is absolute, and we must be absolute for the truth and uphold the absoluteness of the truth——John 14:6; 18:37; 3 John 3-4, 8:

John 14:6 Jesus said to him, I am the way and the reality and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me.

John 18:37 Pilate said therefore to Him, So then You are a king? Jesus answered, You say that I am a king. For this I have been born, and for this I have come into the world, that I would testify to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice.

3 John 3 For I rejoiced greatly at the brothers' coming and testifying to your steadfastness in the truth, even as you walk in truth.

约叁 4 我听见我的儿女们在真理中行事为人，我的喜乐就没有比这个更大的。

约叁 8 所以我们应该款待、供应这样的人，使我们能成为在真理上的同工。

1 对真理绝对，就是不顾情感，就是不讲关系，就是不为着个人——太十六 24 ~ 25，彼前一 22。

太 16:24 于是耶稣对门徒说，若有人要跟从我，就当否认己，背起他的十字架，并跟从我。

太 16:25 因为凡要救自己魂生命的，必丧失魂生命；凡为我丧失自己魂生命的，必得着魂生命。

彼前一 1:22 你们既因顺从真理，洁净了自己的魂，以致爱弟兄没有假冒，就当从清洁的心里彼此热切相爱；

2 真理是唯一的标准，我们必须站在真理一边反对自己；唯有当我们从自己里面得蒙拯救，才有可能维持真理的绝对——约八 32，约贰 2，约叁 3 ~ 4。

约 8:32 你们必认识真理，真理必叫你们得以自由。

约贰 2 爱你们是因真理的缘故，这真理存在我们里面，也必永远与我们同在。

约叁 3 有弟兄来见证你持守真理，就是你在真理中行事为人，我就大大欢乐。

约叁 4 我听见我的儿女们在真理中行事为人，我的喜乐就没有比这个更大的。

3 我们应当尊重神的真理，走真理的路，一点不委屈真理——彼后二 2。

彼后 2:2 也有许多人将要随从他们的邪荡，叫真理的路因他们的缘故被毁谤；

三 为着终极完成神圣的经纶，我们需要对现有的真理绝对——一 12：

彼后 1:12 所以，你们虽已知道这些事，且在现有的真理上得了坚固，我还要常常提醒你们；

1 现有的真理，就是信徒所已经接受，并现在持有的真理——12 节。

彼后 1:12 所以，你们虽已知道这些事，且在现有的真理上得了坚固，我还要常常提醒你们；

2 现有的真理包括关于神永远的经纶、（弗一 10，三 9、）神圣的三一、（林后十三 14，启一 4 ~ 5、）包罗万有之基督的身位与工作、（西二 9，16 ~

3 John 4 I have no greater joy than these things, that I hear that my children are walking in the truth.

3 John 8 We therefore ought to support such ones that we may become fellow workers in the truth.

1. To be absolute for the truth means to set aside feelings, to ignore personal relationships, and to not stand for the self——Matt. 16:24-25; 1 Pet. 1:22.

Matt. 16:24 Then Jesus said to His disciples, If anyone wants to come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.

Matt. 16:25 For whoever wants to save his soul-life shall lose it; but whoever loses his soul-life for My sake shall find it.

1 Pet. 1:22 Since you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth unto unfeigned brotherly love, love one another from a pure heart fervently,

2. The truth is the unique standard, and we must stand on the side of the truth to oppose ourselves; upholding the absoluteness of the truth is possible only when we are delivered from ourselves——John 8:32; 2 John 2; 3 John 3-4.

John 8:32 And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall set you free.

2 John 2 For the sake of the truth which abides in us and will be with us forever:

3 John 3 For I rejoiced greatly at the brothers' coming and testifying to your steadfastness in the truth, even as you walk in truth.

3 John 4 I have no greater joy than these things, that I hear that my children are walking in the truth.

3. We should honor God's truth, take the way of the truth, and not compromise the truth in any way——2 Pet. 2:2.

2 Pet. 2:2 And many will follow their licentiousness, because of whom the way of the truth will be reviled.

C. For the consummation of the divine economy, we need to be absolute for the present truth——1:12:

2 Pet. 1:12 Therefore I will be ready always to remind you concerning these things, even though you know them and have been established in the present truth.

1. The present truth is the truth that is present with the believers, which they have already received and now possess——v. 12.

2 Pet. 1:12 Therefore I will be ready always to remind you concerning these things, even though you know them and have been established in the present truth.

2. The present truth includes the revelation concerning the eternal economy of God (Eph. 1:10; 3:9), the Divine Trinity (2 Cor. 13:14; Rev. 1:4-5), the person and work of the all-inclusive Christ (Col. 2:9, 16-17; 3:11), the

17, 三 11、) 终极完成之赐生命的灵、(约七 39, 林前十五 45 下, 后二二 17、) 神永远的生命、(约三 15 ~ 16、) 召会作为基督的身体、(弗一 22 ~ 23、) 和新耶路撒冷(后二一 2, 10 ~ 11) 的启示。

弗 1:10 为着时期满足时的经纶, 要将万有, 无论是在诸天之上的, 或是在地上的, 都在基督里归一于一个元首之下;
弗 3:9 并将那历世历代隐藏在创造万有之神里的奥秘有何等的经纶, 向众人照明,
林后 13:14 愿主耶稣基督的恩, 神的爱, 圣灵的交通, 与你们众人同在。
启 1:4 约翰写信给在亚西亚的七个召会: 愿恩典与平安, 从那今是昔是以后永是的, 从祂宝座前的七灵,
启 1:5 并从那忠信的见证人、死人中的首生者、为地上君王元首的耶稣基督, 归与你们。祂爱我们, 用自己的血, 把我们从我们的罪中释放了;
西 2:9 因为神格一切的丰满, 都有形有体地居住在基督里面,
西 2:16 所以不拘在饮食上、或在节期、月朔、或安息日方面, 都不可让人论断你们,
西 2:17 这些原是要来之事的影儿, 那实体却属于基督。
西 3:11 在此并没有希利尼人和犹太人、受割礼的和未受割礼的、化外人、西古提人、为奴的、自主的, 唯有基督是一切, 又在一切之内。
约 7:39 耶稣这话是指着信入祂的人将要受的那灵说的; 那时还没有那灵, 因为耶稣尚未得着荣耀。
林前 15:45 下 ...末后的亚当成了赐生命的灵。
启 22:17 那灵和新妇说, 来! 听见的人也该说, 来! 口渴的人也当来; 愿意的都可以白白取生命的水喝。
约 3:15 叫一切信入祂的都得永远的生命。
约 3:16 神爱世人, 甚至将祂的独生子赐给他们, 叫一切信入祂的, 不至灭亡, 反得永远的生命。
弗 1:22 将万有服在祂的脚下, 并使祂向着召会作万有的头;
弗 1:23 召会是祂的身体, 是那在万有中充满万有者的丰满。
启 21:2 我又看见圣城新耶路撒冷由神那里从天而降, 预备好了, 就如新妇妆饰整齐, 等候丈夫。
启 21:10 我在灵里, 天使带我到一座高大的山, 将那由神那里从天而降的圣城耶路撒冷指给我看。
启 21:11 城中有神的光荣; 城的光辉如同极贵的宝石, 好象碧玉, 明如水晶;

3 现有的真理包括神圣启示的高峰—这启示就是神成为人, 为要使人在生命和性情上(但不在神格上)成为神, 以产生并建造基督生机的身体, 为着完成神的经纶, 好结束这个时代, 并把基督带回来, 设

consummated life-giving Spirit (John 7:39; 1 Cor. 15:45b; Rev. 22:17), the eternal life of God (John 3:15-16), the church as the Body of Christ (Eph. 1:22-23), and the New Jerusalem (Rev. 21:2, 10-11).

Eph. 1:10 Unto the economy of the fullness of the times, to head up all things in Christ, the things in the heavens and the things on the earth, in Him;
Eph. 3:9 And to enlighten all that they may see what the mystery is, which throughout the ages has been hidden in God, who created all things,
2 Cor. 13:14 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
Rev. 1:4 John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is coming, and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne,
Rev. 1:5 And from Jesus Christ, the faithful Witness, the Firstborn of the dead, and the Ruler of the kings of the earth. To Him who loves us and has released us from our sins by His blood
Col. 2:9 For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily,
Col. 2:16 Let no one therefore judge you in eating and in drinking or in respect of a feast or of a new moon or of the Sabbath,
Col. 2:17 Which are a shadow of the things to come, but the body is of Christ.
Col. 3:11 Where there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all and in all.
John 7:39 But this He said concerning the Spirit, whom those who believed into Him were about to receive; for the Spirit was not yet, because Jesus had not yet been glorified.
1 Cor. 15:45b ...the last Adam became a life-giving Spirit.
Rev. 22:17 And the Spirit and the bride say, Come! And let him who hears say, Come! And let him who is thirsty come; let him who wills take the water of life freely.
John 3:15 That everyone who believes into Him may have eternal life.
John 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that everyone who believes into Him would not perish, but would have eternal life.
Eph. 1:22 And He subjected all things under His feet and gave Him to be Head over all things to the church,
Eph. 1:23 Which is His Body, the fullness of the One who fills all in all.
Rev. 21:2 And I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.
Rev. 21:10 And he carried me away in spirit onto a great and high mountain and showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,
Rev. 21:11 Having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, as clear as crystal.

3. The present truth includes the high peak of the divine revelation—the revelation that God became man so that man may become God in life and nature but not in the Godhead—to produce and build up the organic Body of Christ for the fulfillment of God’s economy to close this age and bring

立祂的国度—约一 12 ~ 14，约壹三 1 ~ 2，罗八 3，一 3 ~ 4，十二 4 ~ 5，后十一 15。

- 约 1:12 凡接受祂的，就是信入祂名的人，祂就赐他们权柄，成为神的儿女。
- 约 1:13 这等人不是从血生的，不是从肉体的意思生的，也不是从人的意思生的，乃是从神生的。
- 约 1:14 话成了肉体，支搭帐幕在我们中间，丰丰满满地有恩典，有实际。我们也见过祂的荣耀，正是从父而来独生子的荣耀。
- 约壹 3:1 你们看，父赐给我们的是何等的爱，使我们得称为神的儿女，我们也真是祂的儿女。世人所以不认识我们，是因未曾认识祂。
- 约壹 3:2 亲爱的，我们现在是神的儿女，将来如何，还未显明；但我们晓得祂若显现，我们必要象祂；因为我们必要看见祂，正如祂所是的。
- 罗 8:3 律法因肉体而软弱，有所不能的，神，既在罪之肉体的样式里，并为着罪，差来了自己的儿子，就在肉体中定罪了罪，论到祂的儿子，我们的主耶稣基督：按肉体说，是从大卫后裔生的，
- 罗 1:3 按圣别的灵说，是从死人的复活，以大能标出为神的儿子；
- 罗 12:4 正如我们一个身体上有好些肢体，但肢体不都有一样的功用；
- 罗 12:5 我们这许多人，在基督里是一个身体，并且各个互相作肢体，也是如此。
- 启 11:15 第七位天使吹号，天上就有大声音说，世上的国，成了我主和祂基督的国，祂要作王，直到永永远远。

Christ back to set up His kingdom—John 1:12-14; 1 John 3:1-2; Rom. 8:3; 1:3-4; 12:4-5; Rev. 11:15.

- John 1:12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the authority to become children of God, to those who believe into His name,
- John 1:13 Who were begotten not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.
- John 1:14 And the Word became flesh and tabernacled among us (and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only Begotten from the Father), full of grace and reality.
- 1 John 3:1 Behold what manner of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and we are. Because of this the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.
- 1 John 3:2 Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not yet been manifested what we will be. We know that if He is manifested, we will be like Him because we will see Him even as He is.
- Rom. 8:3 For that which the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God, sending His own Son in the likeness of the flesh of sin and concerning sin, condemned sin in the flesh,
- Rom. 1:3 Concerning His Son, who came out of the seed of David according to the flesh,
- Rom. 1:4 Who was designated the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness out of the resurrection of the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord;
- Rom. 12:4 For just as in one body we have many members, and all the members do not have the same function,
- Rom. 12:5 So we who are many are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.
- Rev. 11:15 And the seventh angel trumpeted; and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ, and He will reign forever and ever.

叁 “人的灵是耶和华的灯，鉴察人的深处” — III. “The spirit of man is the lamp of Jehovah, / Searching all the innermost parts of the inner being” — Prov. 20:27:

箴 20:27 人的灵是耶和华的灯，鉴察人的深处。

一 人的灵是神在人里面的灯—太二五 1:

太 25:1 那时，诸天的国好比十个童女，拿着她们的灯，出去迎接新郎。

1 在人重生之灵里面照耀的光，乃是神自己—约壹一 5。

约壹 1:5 神就是光，在祂里面毫无黑暗；这是我们从祂所听见，现在又报给你们的信息。

2 就如灯盛装光并彰显光，照样，人的灵受造是要盛装神并彰显神。

3 为要让神圣的光照进人内里的各部分，神的灵作为

A. Man's spirit is God's lamp within man—Matt. 25:1:

Matt. 25:1 At that time the kingdom of the heavens will be likened to ten virgins, who took their lamps and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

1. The light shining within man's regenerated spirit is God Himself—1 John 1:5.

1 John 1:5 And this is the message which we have heard from Him and announce to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

2. Just as a lamp contains light and expresses it, man's spirit was created to contain God and express Him.

3. In order for the divine light to shine into man's inward parts, God's Spirit

油，必须浸润（调和）作为灯芯的人的灵，并与人的灵一同“焚烧”——罗八16，十二11。

罗 8:16 那灵自己同我们的灵见证我们是神的儿女。

罗 12:11 殷勤不可懒惰，要灵里火热，常常服事主。

4 我们若回应灵的照耀，就会照着灵而行——八4。

罗 8:4 使律法义的要求，成就在我们这不照着肉体，只照着灵而行的人身上。

二 神的灵也是灯，有祂七倍强度的照耀——启四5：

启 4:5 有闪电、声音、雷轰，从宝座中发出。又有七盏火灯在宝座前点着，这七灯就是神的七灵。

1 我们重生的灵是有神的灵内住的灯，神的灵也是灯。

2 人的灵与神的灵都是灯，一同光照人内里的部分——箴二十27，启四5。

箴 20:27 人的灵是耶和华的灯，监察人的深处。

启 4:5 有闪电、声音、雷轰，从宝座中发出。又有七盏火灯在宝座前点着，这七灯就是神的七灵。

3 灵要光照我们魂的每一部分。

三 我们用我们的灵正确地祷告，就有照耀的灯——弗六18，一17~18，五8~9：

弗 6:18 时时在灵里祷告，并尽力坚持，在这事上儆醒，且为众圣徒祈求，

弗 1:17 愿我们主耶稣基督的神，荣耀的父，赐给你们智慧和启示的灵，使你们充分地认识祂；

弗 1:18 光照你们的心眼，使你们知道祂的呼召有何等盼望；祂在圣徒中之基业的荣耀，有何等丰富；

弗 5:8 你们从前是黑暗，但如今在主里面乃是光，行事为人就要象光的儿女，

弗 5:9 （光的果子是在于一切的善、义和真实，）

1 我们祷告，我们的灵就尽功用，作照耀的灯，监察我们魂所有的部分——箴二十27。

箴 20:27 人的灵是耶和华的灯，监察人的深处。

as the oil must soak (mingle with) man's spirit as the wick and "burn" together with man's spirit—Rom. 8:16; 12:11.

Rom. 8:16 The Spirit Himself witnesses with our spirit that we are children of God.

Rom. 12:11 Do not be slothful in zeal, but be burning in spirit, serving the Lord.

4.If we respond to the spirit's shining, we will walk according to the spirit—8:4.

Rom. 8:4 That the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the spirit.

B.The Spirit of God is also a lamp, with a sevenfold intensity to His shining—Rev. 4:5:

Rev. 4:5 And out of the throne come forth lightnings and voices and thunders. And there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God;

1.Our regenerated spirit is a lamp indwelt by the Spirit of God, who is also a lamp.

2.Man's spirit and God's spirit are both lamps, together enlightening the inward parts—Prov. 20:27; Rev. 4:5.

Prov. 20:27 The spirit of man is the lamp of Jehovah, / Searching all the innermost parts of the inner being.

Rev. 4:5 And out of the throne come forth lightnings and voices and thunders. And there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God;

3.The spirit wants to enlighten every part of our soul.

C.When we exercise our spirit to pray properly, there is a lamp shining—Eph. 6:18; 1:17-18; 5:8-9:

Eph. 6:18 By means of all prayer and petition, praying at every time in spirit and watching unto this in all perseverance and petition concerning all the saints,

Eph. 1:17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the full knowledge of Him,

Eph. 1:18 The eyes of your heart having been enlightened, that you may know what is the hope of His calling, and what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints,

Eph. 5:8 For you were once darkness but are now light in the Lord; walk as children of light

Eph. 5:9 (For the fruit of the light consists in all goodness and righteousness and truth),

1.As we pray, our spirit functions as a shining lamp, searching all the parts of our soul—Prov. 20:27.

Prov. 20:27 The spirit of man is the lamp of Jehovah, / Searching all the innermost parts of the inner being.

2 我们越用我们的灵祷告，就越蒙光照—林后四 6：

林后 4:6 因为那说光要从黑暗里照出来的神，已经照在我们心里，为着光照人，使人认识那显在耶稣基督面上之神的荣耀。

a 灯会照耀在我们的心思、情感和意志上。

b 我们内里的部分会彻底被主鉴察—诗一三九 23 ~ 24。

诗 139:23 神啊，求你鉴察我，知道我的心；试炼我，知道我的思虑；
诗 139:24 看在我里面有什么害人的行径没有，引导我走永久的道路。

3 这样祷告以后，我们就会觉得光明、透亮、被神充满—弗五 8 ~ 9。

弗 5:8 你们从前是黑暗，但如今在主里面乃是光，行事为人就要象光的儿女，

弗 5:9 (光的果子是在于一切的善、义和真实，)

肆 “你要切切保守你心，因为生命的果效发之于心”—箴四 23：

箴 4:23 你要切切保守你心，因为生命的果效发之于心。

一 魂是人位的本身，而心是采取行动的人位—路一 66，二 19，51，徒十一 23，弗三 17，帖前三 13：

路 1:66 凡听见的人，都将这事放在心里，说，这个孩子将来会怎么样？因为主的手与他同在。

路 2:19 马利亚却把这一切的事存在心里，反复思想。

路 2:51 祂就同他们下去，回到拿撒勒，并且服从他们。祂母亲把这一切的事，都谨慎地存在心里。

徒 11:23 他到了，看见神的恩典，就欢乐，劝勉众人，要立定心志，一直与主同在；

弗 3:17 使基督借着信，安家在你心里，叫你们在爱里生根立基，

帖前 3:13 好使你们的心，当我们主耶稣同祂众圣徒来临的时候，在我们的神与父面前，得以坚固，在圣别上无可指摘。

1 我们里面的所是里有个代表我们的，就是我们的心—路六 45，约十六 22，林后三 16。

路 6:45 善人从他心里所存的善，发出善来；恶人从他心里所存的恶，发出恶来；因为心里所充满的，口里就说出来。

约 16:22 你们现在也有忧愁，但我要再见你们，你们的心就喜乐了，并且你们的喜乐，没有人能从你们夺去。

林后 3:16 但他们的心几时转向主，帕子就几时除去了。

2. The more we exercise our spirit in prayer, the more we are enlightened—2 Cor. 4:6:

2 Cor. 4:6 Because the God who said, Out of darkness light shall shine, is the One who shined in our hearts to illuminate the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

a. The lamp may shine on our thoughts, emotions, and will.

b. Our inward parts will be thoroughly searched by the Lord—Psa. 139:23-24.

Psa. 139:23 Search me, O God, and know my heart; / Try me, and know my anxious thoughts;
Psa. 139:24 And see if there is some harmful way in me, / And lead me on the eternal way.

3. After such a time of prayer, we will feel bright and transparent, filled with God—Eph. 5:8-9.

Eph. 5:8 For you were once darkness but are now light in the Lord; walk as children of light

Eph. 5:9 (For the fruit of the light consists in all goodness and righteousness and truth),

IV. “Keep your heart with all vigilance, / For from it are the issues of life”—Prov. 4:23:

Prov. 4:23 Keep your heart with all vigilance, / For from it are the issues of life.

A. The soul is the person himself, but the heart is the person in action—Luke 1:66; 2:19, 51; Acts 11:23; Eph. 3:17; 1 Thes. 3:13:

Luke 1:66 And all who heard these things put them in their heart, saying, What then will this little child be? For indeed the hand of the Lord was with him.

Luke 2:19 But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.

Luke 2:51 And He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was subject to them. And His mother carefully kept all these things in her heart.

Acts 11:23 Who, when he arrived and saw the grace of God, rejoiced and encouraged them all to remain with the Lord with purpose of heart;

Eph. 3:17 That Christ may make His home in your hearts through faith, that you, being rooted and grounded in love,

1 Thes. 3:13 So that He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all His saints.

1. We have something in our inner being that represents us, and this representative is our heart—Luke 6:45; John 16:22; 2 Cor. 3:16.

Luke 6:45 The good man, out of the good treasure of his heart, brings forth that which is good, and the evil man, out of the evil treasure of his heart, brings forth that which is evil; for out of the abundance of his heart his mouth speaks.

John 16:22 Therefore you also now have sorrow; but I will see you again and your heart will rejoice, and no one takes your joy away from you.

2 Cor. 3:16 But whenever their heart turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away.

2 我们与神的关系首先是在于心，因为心是我们表达自己的器官，也是我们借以决定接受或拒绝事物的器官——徒八 37，罗十 9 ~ 10。

徒 8:37 腓利对他说，你若全心相信就可以。他回答说，我信耶稣基督是神的儿子。

罗 10:9 就是你若口里认耶稣为主，心里信神叫祂从死人中复活，就必得救；

罗 10:10 因为人心里信，就得着义；口里承认，就得救。

3 我们的灵虽是纯净的，但灵所发表出来的乃在于我们的心——帖后二 17，三 5。

帖后 2:17 安慰你们的心，并在一切善行善言上，坚固你们。

帖后 3:5 愿主修直你们心中的途径，引导你们的心，进入神的爱以爱神，并进入基督的忍耐以忍耐。

二 心是我们全人的出入口——太十三 19，十五 18 ~ 19:

太 13:19 凡听见国度之道不领悟的，那恶者就来，把撒在他心里的夺了去；这就是那撒在路旁的。

太 15:18 唯独出口的，是从心里发出来的，那才污秽人。

太 15:19 因为从心里发出恶念、凶杀、奸淫、淫乱、偷窃、假见证和谤讟，

1 我们真实的人乃是借着我们的心而出来，因为我们的交通是通过我们的心——路六 45。

路 6:45 善人从他心里所存的善，发出善来；恶人从他心里所存的恶，发出恶来；因为心里所充满的，口里就说出来。

2 我们的灵是我们这人的源头，但我们的心的通道，是出入口，我们这人里面的交通是从这里通过——太十二 34 ~ 35。

太 12:34 毒蛇之种，你们既是恶的，怎能说出善来？因为心里所充满的，口里就说出来。

太 12:35 善人从他所存的善，发出善来；恶人从他所存的恶，发出恶来。

3 要作正确的基督徒，我们需要运用我们的灵，也需要切切保守我们的心，以护卫这心——箴四 23。

箴 4:23 你要切切保守你心，因为生命的果效发之于心。

2. The relationship that we have with God first depends on our heart, because the heart is the organ by which we express ourselves and by which we make decisions to receive or reject things—Acts 8:37; Rom. 10:9-10.

Acts 8:37 And Philip said, If you believe from all your heart, you will be saved. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.

Rom. 10:9 That if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;

Rom. 10:10 For with the heart there is believing unto righteousness, and with the mouth there is confession unto salvation.

3. Although our spirit is pure, what is expressed from our spirit depends on our heart—2 Thes. 2:17; 3:5.

2 Thes. 2:17 Comfort your hearts and establish you in every good work and word.

2 Thes. 3:5 And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God and into the endurance of Christ.

B. The heart is the entrance and exit to our whole being—Matt. 13:19; 15:18-19:

Matt. 13:19 When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand, the evil one comes and snatches away that which has been sown in his heart. This is the one sown beside the way.

Matt. 15:18 But the things which proceed out of the mouth come out of the heart, and those defile the man.

Matt. 15:19 For out of the heart come evil reasonings, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witnessings, blasphemies.

1. It is through our heart that our real being comes out because the traffic of our being is through our heart—Luke 6:45.

Luke 6:45 The good man, out of the good treasure of his heart, brings forth that which is good, and the evil man, out of the evil treasure of his heart, brings forth that which is evil; for out of the abundance of his heart his mouth speaks.

2. Our spirit is the source of our being, but our heart is the passage, the entrance and the exit, through which the traffic in our being passes—Matt. 12:34-35.

Matt. 12:34 Offspring of vipers, how can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.

Matt. 12:35 The good man, out of his good treasure, brings forth good things, and the evil man, out of his evil treasure, brings forth evil things.

3. In order to be a proper Christian, we need to exercise our spirit and guard our heart by keeping it with all vigilance—Prov. 4:23.

Prov. 4:23 Keep your heart with all vigilance, / For from it are the issues of life.

三 箴言四章二十三节里“保守”的原文，意思是“护卫”：

箴 4:23 你要切切保守你心，因为生命的果效发之于心。

1 我们应当护卫我们的心，胜过护卫一切，因为生命的果效发之于心。

2 二十三节里的“果效”，含示源头、泉源和流出：

箴 4:23 你要切切保守你心，因为生命的果效发之于心。

a 生命的果效是生命的流出—参约四 14。

约 4:14 人若喝我所赐的水，就永远不渴；我所赐的水，要在他里面成为泉源，直涌入永远的生命。

b 心与生命的源头、生命的泉源、以及生命的流出都有关联—参赛十二 3。

赛 12:3 所以你们必从救恩之泉欢然取水，

c 我们的所是，我们真实之人的泉源，源头，从我们的心流出—参约七 37 ~ 38。

约 7:37 节期的末日，就是最大之日，耶稣站着高声说，人若渴了，可以到我这里来喝。

约 7:38 信入我的人，就如经上所说，从他腹中要流出活水的江河来。

四 我们借着照顾我们的心，并在主面前以生命的路彻底对付我们的心，而护卫我们的心；我们越对付我们的心，就越护卫我们的心—诗二六 2，一三九 23 ~ 24，箴四 23，罗八 27，启二 23，太十三 18 ~ 23，五 8。

诗 26:2 耶和華啊，求你察看我，试验我，熬炼我的肺腑心肠。

诗 139:23 神啊，求你鉴察我，知道我的心；试炼我，知道我的思虑；

诗 139:24 看在我里面有什么害人的行径没有，引导我走永远的道路。

箴 4:23 你要切切保守你心，因为生命的果效发之于心。

罗 8:27 那鉴察人心的，晓得那灵的意思，因为祂是照着神为圣徒代求。

启 2:23 我又要用死亡击杀她的儿女，叫众召会都知道，我是那察看人肺腑心肠的；我且要照你们的行为报应你们各人。

太 13:18 所以你们要听这撒种者的比喻。

太 13:19 凡听见国度之道不领悟的，那恶者就来，把撒在他心里的夺了去；这就是那撒在路旁的。

太 13:20 又有那撒在石头地上的，就是人听了道，立刻欢喜领受，

C. The Hebrew word rendered “keep” in Proverbs 4:23 means “guard”:

Prov. 4:23 Keep your heart with all vigilance, / For from it are the issues of life.

1. We should guard our heart above all because out of it are the issues of life.

2. Issues in Proverbs 4:23 implies sources and springs as well as issues:

Prov. 4:23 Keep your heart with all vigilance, / For from it are the issues of life.

a. The issues of life are the flowing out of life—cf. John 4:14.

John 4:14 But whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall by no means thirst forever; but the water that I will give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into eternal life.

b. The heart is related to the sources of life, the springs of life, and the issues of life—cf. Isa. 12:3.

Isa. 12:3 Therefore you will draw water with rejoicing / From the springs of salvation,

c. The fountain, the source, of what we are, of our real being, flows out from our heart—cf. John 7:37-38.

John 7:37 Now on the last day, the great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink.

John 7:38 He who believes into Me, as the Scripture said, out of his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water.

D. We guard our heart by caring for our heart and having a thorough dealing with our heart before the Lord in the way of life; the more we deal with our heart, the more we guard our heart—Psa. 26:2; 139:23-24; Prov. 4:23; Rom. 8:27; Rev. 2:23; Matt. 13:18-23; 5:8.

Psa. 26:2 Examine me, O Jehovah, and try me; / Test my inward parts and my heart.

Psa. 139:23 Search me, O God, and know my heart; / Try me, and know my anxious thoughts;

Psa. 139:24 And see if there is some harmful way in me, / And lead me on the eternal way.

Prov. 4:23 Keep your heart with all vigilance, / For from it are the issues of life.

Rom. 8:27 But He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He intercedes for the saints according to God.

Rev. 2:23 And her children I will kill with death; and all the churches will know that I am He who searches the inward parts and the hearts; and I will give to each one of you according to your works.

Matt. 13:18 You therefore hear the parable of the one who sowed.

Matt. 13:19 When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand, the evil one comes and snatches away that which has been sown in his heart. This is the one sown beside the way.

Matt. 13:20 And the one sown on the rocky places, this is he who hears the word and immediately

太 13:21 只因他里面没有根，不过是暂时的；一旦为道遭遇患难或逼迫，就立刻绊跌了。
太 13:22 还有那撒在荆棘里的，就是人听了道，后来有今世的思虑，和钱财的迷惑，把道全然挤住了，道就不能结实。
太 13:23 但那撒在好土里的，就是人听了道，也领悟了，他就结出果实，有的结了一百倍，有的六十倍，有的三十倍。
太 5:8 清心的人有福了，因为他们必看见神。

五 我们要为着神的建造而在生命里长大，就必须爱主，留意我们的灵，切切护卫我们的心，而留在生命的途径上——彼前一 8，二 2，5，三 4，15，箴二一 2，四 18～23，申十 12，可十二 30。

彼前 1:8 你们虽然没有见过祂，却是爱祂，如今虽不得看见，却因信入祂而欢腾，有说不出、满有荣光的喜乐，
彼前 2:2 像才生的婴孩一样，切慕那纯净的话奶，叫你们靠此长大，以致得救；
彼前 2:5 也就象活石，被建造成为属灵的殿，成为圣别的祭司体系，借着耶稣基督献上神所悦纳的属灵祭物。
彼前 3:4 乃要重于那以温柔安静的灵为不朽坏之妆饰的心中隐藏的人，这在神面前是极有价值的。
彼前 3:15 只要心里尊崇基督为圣，以祂为主，常作准备，好对每一个问你们里面盼望因由的人有所答辩，
箴 21:2 人所行的，在自己眼中都看为正，唯耶和華衡量人心。
箴 4:18 但义人的途径好象黎明的光，越照越明，直到日午。

箴 4:19 恶人的道路好象幽暗；自己不知因什么绊跌。
箴 4:20 我儿，要留心听我的言语，侧耳听我的讲论。
箴 4:21 都不可使这些离你的眼目；要持守在你心中。
箴 4:22 因为对寻得的人，这些乃是生命，又是全身的医治。
箴 4:23 你要切切保守你心，因为生命的果效发之于心。
申 10:12 以色列啊，现在耶和華你神向你所要的是什么？只要你敬畏耶和華你的神，行祂一切的道路，全心全魂爱祂并事奉祂，
可 12:30 你要全心、全魂、全心思并全力，爱主你的神。”

伍 “爱能遮掩一切过错”——箴十 12 下：

箴 10:12 下 …爱能遮掩一切过错。

一 “遮掩人过的，是寻求爱；重提旧事的，离间密友”——十七 9。

箴 17:9 遮掩人过的，是寻求爱；重提旧事的，离间密友。

receives it with joy;

Matt. 13:21 Yet he does not have root in himself but lasts only for a time, and when affliction or persecution occurs because of the word, immediately he is stumbled.
Matt. 13:22 And the one sown in the thorns, this is he who hears the word, and the anxiety of the age and the deceitfulness of riches utterly choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.
Matt. 13:23 But the one sown on the good earth, this is he who hears the word and understands, who by all means bears fruit and produces, one a hundredfold, and one sixtyfold, and one thirtyfold.
Matt. 5:8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

E. In order to grow in life for God's building, we need to love the Lord, take heed to our spirit, and guard our heart with all vigilance to stay on the pathway of life—1 Pet. 1:8; 2:2, 5; 3:4, 15; Prov. 21:2; 4:18-23; Deut. 10:12; Mark 12:30.

1 Pet. 1:8 Whom having not seen, you love; into whom though not seeing Him at present, yet believing, you exult with joy that is unspeakable and full of glory,
1 Pet. 2:2 As newborn babes, long for the guileless milk of the word in order that by it you may grow unto salvation,
1 Pet. 2:5 You yourselves also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house into a holy priesthood to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.
1 Pet. 3:4 But the hidden man of the heart in the incorruptible adornment of a meek and quiet spirit, which is very costly in the sight of God.
1 Pet. 3:15 But sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, being always ready for a defense to everyone who asks of you an account concerning the hope which is in you,
Prov. 21:2 Every way of a man is right in his own eyes, / But Jehovah weighs the hearts.
Prov. 4:18 But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, / Which shines brighter and brighter until the full day.
Prov. 4:19 The way of the wicked is like deep darkness; / They do not know what they stumble over.
Prov. 4:20 My son, be attentive to my words; / Incline your ear to my sayings.
Prov. 4:21 Do not let them depart from your sight; / Keep them in the midst of your heart.
Prov. 4:22 For they are life to those who find them, / And healing to all their flesh.
Prov. 4:23 Keep your heart with all vigilance, / For from it are the issues of life.
Deut. 10:12 And now, O Israel, what does Jehovah your God ask of you except that you fear Jehovah your God so that you would walk in all His ways and love Him and serve Jehovah your God with all your heart and with all your soul;
Mark 12:30 And you shall love the Lord your God from your whole heart and from your whole soul and from your whole mind and from your whole strength."

V. “Love covers all transgressions”——Prov. 10:12b:

Prov. 10:12b ...But love covers all transgressions.

A. “He who covers a transgression seeks love, / But he who repeats a matter separates close friends”——17:9.

Prov. 17:9 He who covers a transgression seeks love, / But he who repeats a matter separates close friends.

二 遮盖是爱；揭露是没有爱—雅五 20。

雅 5:20 这人该知道，那叫一个罪人从他错谬的路上转回的，必救他的魂脱离死亡，也必遮盖众多的罪。

三 遮盖带进祝福，揭露带进咒诅—创九 22 ~ 27:

创 9:22 迦南的父亲含看见他父亲赤身，就到外边告诉他的两个弟兄。

创 9:23 于是闪和雅弗拿件衣服搭在肩上，倒退着进去，遮盖他们父亲的赤身；他们背着脸，就没有看见父亲的赤身。

创 9:24 挪亚醒了酒，知道小儿子向他所作的事，

创 9:25 就说，迦南当受咒诅，必给他弟兄作奴仆的奴仆。

创 9:26 又说，耶和華闪的神，是当受颂赞的；愿迦南作闪的奴仆。

创 9:27 愿神使雅弗扩张，使他住在闪的帐棚里；又愿迦南作他的奴仆。

1 揭露别人的人遭受咒诅。

2 遮盖别人的罪、缺点和短处的人，享受、得着并接受祝福。

四 爱是“凡事包容”，（林前十三7上，）意即遮盖一切，不仅遮盖好事，也遮盖坏事：

林前 13:7 上凡事包容，…

1 “作长老的必须知道，他们在牧养时，必须遮盖别人的罪，不可计算别人的恶” —活力排，八九页：

a “凡揭露召会中肢体的缺点、短处和罪恶的，就没有资格作长老” —九〇页。

b “我们若揭露在我们长老职分下，在我们牧养之下的肢体，这就废除了我们的资格” —九〇页。

2 我们需要按着神牧养人，有遮掩一切过错的爱—彼前五 2，箴十 12 下。

彼前 5:2 务要牧养你们中间神的群羊，按着神监督他们，不是出于勉强，乃是出于甘心；不是为着卑鄙的利益，乃是出于热切；

箴 10:12 下 …爱能遮掩一切过错。

五 “最要紧的，是彼此热切相爱，因为爱能遮盖众多的罪” —彼前四 8。

B. To cover is love; to uncover is not love—James 5:20.

James 5:20 Let him know that he who turns a sinner back from the error of his way will save that one's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

C. Covering brings in blessing, but uncovering brings in a curse—Gen. 9:22-27:

Gen. 9:22 And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father and told his two brothers outside.

Gen. 9:23 And Shem and Japheth took a garment and laid it upon both their shoulders, and they walked backward and covered the nakedness of their father. And their faces were turned backward, so that they did not see their father's nakedness.

Gen. 9:24 And Noah awoke from his wine and learned what his youngest son had done to him.

Gen. 9:25 And he said, Cursed be Canaan: / A servant of servants / Shall he be to his brothers.

Gen. 9:26 And he said, Blessed be Jehovah, / The God of Shem; / And let Canaan be his servant.

Gen. 9:27 May God enlarge Japheth, / And let him dwell in the tents of Shem, / And let Canaan be his servant.

1. Those who uncover others suffer the curse.

2. Those who cover others' sins, defects, and shortcomings enjoy gain and receive blessing.

D. “Love covers all things” (1 Cor. 13:7a), not only the good things but also the bad things:

1 Cor. 13:7a It covers all things,...

1. “The elders need to realize that in their shepherding, they have to cover others' sins, to not take account of others' evils” —The Vital Groups, p. 72:

a. “Whoever uncovers the defects, shortcomings, and sins of the members of the church is disqualified from the eldership” —p. 72.

b. “Our uncovering of the members under our eldership, our shepherding, annuls our qualification” —p. 72.

2. We need to shepherd others according to God, with a love that covers all transgressions—1 Pet. 5:2; Prov. 10:12b.

1 Pet. 5:2 Shepherd the flock of God among you, overseeing not under compulsion but willingly, according to God; not by seeking gain through base means but eagerly;

Prov. 10:12b ...But love covers all transgressions.

E. “Above all, have fervent love among yourselves, because love covers a multitude of sins” —1 Pet. 4:8.

彼前 4:8 最要紧的，是彼此热切相爱，因为爱能遮盖众多的罪。

1 Pet. 4:8 Above all, have fervent love among yourselves, because love covers a multitude of sins.