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□ **Two sides to the coin**

- Jesus: “If you remain in Me [_____ are in Christ] and I remain in you [Christ is in _____], then you will bear much fruit.”
- Two sides to the Salvation Coin:
 - _____ → Christ = forgiveness/justification
 - Christ → _____ = fruit/sanctification
 - Galatians 2:20—“I am crucified with Christ [_____ are in Christ]: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ lives in me [Christ is in _____]: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.”
- The “Christ is in us” side of the coin:
 - John 15:5—“Abide in Me and I _____.”
 - Galatians 2:20—“Christ lives _____.”
 - Galatians 4:19—“My dear children, for whom I am again in the pains of childbirth until Christ is formed _____.”
 - Ephesians 3:17—“ . . . so that Christ may dwell in _____ through faith . . .”
 - Colossians 1:27—“ . . . God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this [Gospel] mystery, which is Christ _____, the hope of glory.”
 - Revelation 3:20—““Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will _____ and eat with that person, and they with me.”
- Jesus—“I am the Vine and you are the branches. If you remain in Me and I in you, you will bear much _____.”
 - For God—the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit—bearing fruit is a huge deal—because it is the only way to _____ that the branch is truly connected to the Vine.
 - Luke 13:6-9—“If it bears _____ next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.”
 - Galatians 5:22-23 NRSV—“The _____ of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.”
 - Job was bearing fruit that showed he had the faith of Jesus: “Though He slay me, yet will I _____ Him” (Job 13:15).
 - And what is “the faith of Jesus”? “I will put My _____ in Him” (Hebrews 2:13).
 - There will be a generation at the end of time that will demonstrate the faith of _____, because they have the faith of _____.
 - And the faith of Jesus is revealed in the fruit of the _____.
- *Desire of Ages* 677: “‘Herein is My Father glorified,’ said Jesus, ‘that ye bear much fruit.’ God desires to manifest through you the holiness, the benevolence, the compassion, of His own _____. Yet the Saviour does not bid the disciples _____ to bear fruit. He tells them to _____ in Him.”

- Mike Mason—“Marriage, even under the very best of circumstances, is a crisis—one of the major crises of life—and it is a dangerous thing not to be aware of this. Whether it turns out to be a healthy, challenging, and constructive crisis or a disastrous nightmare depends largely upon how willing the partners are to be changed, how malleable they are. Yet ironically, it is some of the most hardened and crusty and unlikely people in the world who plunge themselves into the arms of marriage and thereby submit in almost total naiveté to the two most transforming powers known to the human heart: the love of another person and the gracious love of God. So be prepared for _____! Be prepared for the most sweeping and revolutionary _____ of a lifetime.” (*The Mystery of Marriage: As Iron Sharpens Iron* 60-61)

□ **One example to follow**

- Matthew 4:4—“It is written: “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every _____ that comes from the mouth of God.””
- Psalm 40:8/Hebrews 10:7—“I desire to do Your will, my God; Your _____ is within My heart.”
- Psalm 119:11—“I have hidden Your _____ in my heart that I might not sin against You.”
- Psalm 16:8-10—“I will keep my eyes always on the LORD. With Him at My right hand, I will not be shaken. . . . because You will _____ abandon Me to the realm of the dead, _____ will You let Your faithful one see decay.”
- Cameron Schofield: “If you don’t get anything else out of this study, I want you to listen carefully and get this. Take it home with you and do not forget it. How was it that Christ was able to give himself up into the hands of the Father? How was it that no matter how dark the malignity of sin was, how terrible the weight of guilt, how impossible it seemed that there was any way out, how did He conquer? *He believed that God would keep His _____*. By faith Christ was victorious! ‘And this is the victory that overcomes the world, even our faith.’ 1 John 5:4. Is your faith the faith of Jesus?” (*Heralding the Loud Cry* 94)
- *Desire of Ages* 677: “It is through the _____ that Christ abides in His followers. . . . The words of Christ [in the Gospels] are spirit and life. Receiving them, you receive the life of the Vine. You live ‘by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God.’ Matthew 4:4. The life of Christ in you produces the same _____ as in Him. Living in Christ, adhering to Christ, supported by Christ, drawing nourishment from Christ, you bear fruit after the similitude of Christ.”
- If you want to abide in Christ and want Him to abide in you, everyday ask for the _____ of Jesus as you read the _____ of God.

“Abide in Me and I in you”

We, Us, We, Us, We, Us, in you, in me, in you, your hearts, in you, come in, fruit, show, fruit, fruit, trust, trust, Job, Jesus, Spirit, character, labor, abide, change, reforms, word, law, word, not, nor, *Word*, Word, fruits, faith, Word