

We're going "green"... which includes, look at a "weed" (the type they smoke) map of the US. Maybe this is part of that "clay" component... that *does not mix with the seed of men*—the turmoil that stirs up the nations at the end.

Daniel 2:⁴⁰ The fourth kingdom will be strong as iron, because iron breaks in pieces and subdues all things; and as iron that crushes all these, it will break in pieces and crush. ⁴¹ Whereas you saw the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, it will be a divided kingdom; but there will be in it of the strength of the iron, because you saw the iron mixed with miry clay. ⁴² As the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom will be partly strong, and partly broken. ⁴³ Whereas you saw the iron mixed with miry clay, they will mingle themselves with the seed of men; but they won't cling to one another, even as iron does not mix with clay.

Mysticism... mind-warping drug use... AI... the antichrist spirit—Satan... is becoming more *mixed into* the image of God. The manipulation attempting to *outdo* God is being defined as transhumanism. Instead of life improving, we're witnessing an increasing madness and self-destruction.

What it looks like when we think we can *outfox* God... that we're *separated* from Him by our sins... is described...

Galatians 5:¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,²⁰ Idolatry, witchcraft [[Strong's G5331](#) – **φαρμακεία pharmakeía**, far-mak-i'-ah; from [G5332](#); medication ("pharmacy"), i.e. (by extension) magic (literally or figuratively):—sorcery, witchcraft.], hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,²¹ Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

To look at some wording from Daniel 2...

With who should we *cling*, or cleave, to?

Deuteronomy 30:¹⁹ I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:²⁰ That thou mayest love the LORD thy God, and that thou mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto him: for he is thy life, and the length of thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.

How is it described to be *cleaved*?

2 Corinthians 6:¹⁴ Don't be unequally yoked with unbelievers, for what fellowship do righteousness and iniquity have? Or what fellowship does light have with darkness? ¹⁵ What agreement does Christ have with Belial? Or what portion does a believer have with an unbeliever? ¹⁶ What agreement does a temple of God have with idols? For you are a temple of the living God. Even as God said, "I will dwell in them and walk in them. I will be their God and they will be my people."¹⁷ Therefore "'Come out from among them, and be separate,' says the Lord. Touch no unclean thing. I will receive you. ¹⁸ I will be to you a Father. You will be to me sons and daughters,'

Ephesians 5:⁹ for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth, ¹⁰ proving what is well pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹ Have no fellowship with the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but rather even reprove them. ¹² For it is a shame even to speak of the things which are done by them in secret. ¹³ But all

things, when they are reprov'd, are revealed by the light, for everything that reveals is light. ¹⁴ Therefore he says, "Awake, you who sleep, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."¹⁵ Therefore watch carefully how you walk, not as unwise, but as wise, ¹⁶ redeeming the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Therefore don't be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸ Don't be drunken with wine, in which is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹ speaking to one another in psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs; singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; ²⁰ giving thanks always concerning all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to God, even the Father; ²¹ subjecting yourselves to one another in the fear of Christ.

Is not *cleaving to* also represented in marriage... and the Church?

Genesis 2:²³ And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.²⁴ Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

Ephesians 5:³⁰ For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.³¹ For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.³² This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

What allows the cleaving... the unity... is it not being of the same heart, mind, and Spirit—being on the same page?

John 17:²⁰ Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;²¹ That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.²² And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:

1 Corinthians 12:¹² For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ.¹³ For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

Ephesians 4:² With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love;³ Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.⁴ There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;⁵ One Lord, one faith, one baptism,⁶ One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

In other words... to be in a lasting relationship *cleaving to* God, can we remain waffling faithless perishable *clay*... or do we have to be transformed to the strength of *iron* through the power of the Holy Spirit?

John 3:⁵ Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.⁷ Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

1 Corinthians 15:⁴⁹ As we have borne the image of those made of dust, let's also bear the image of the heavenly. ⁵⁰ Now I say this, brothers, that flesh and blood can't inherit God's Kingdom; neither does the perishable inherit imperishable.

2 Timothy 1:⁷ For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

Romans 12:² Don't be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what is the good, well-pleasing, and perfect will of God.

2 Corinthians 3:¹⁷ Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.¹⁸ But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Iron subdues all things—did not God give man, *created in His image*, dominion over His creation?

Genesis 1:²⁶ And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.²⁷ So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.²⁸ And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

And, with a rod of *iron*... the only Begotten Son of God, and the Son of Man, will subdue all things—He shatters the nations like *clay* pots.

Psalms 2:⁷ I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee.⁸ Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.⁹ Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

And, is it not *the Spirit of the Lord*, the Holy Spirit, who Christ Jesus leads by?

Isaiah 11: And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:² And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;³ And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears:⁴ But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth: with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

The *rod of iron*—doesn't the *unadulterated iron* of discipline from Jesus Christ correct... remove... the cursed *clay* (wickedness) from man... that His righteousness will shine? Is this displayed with *His inheritance in the saints*?

Ephesians 1:¹⁸ The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,¹⁹ And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,²⁰ Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,²¹ Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:²² And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church,²³ Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

As king and priest saints, will Christ use us in a *rod of iron* role (by and with the power the Holy Spirit) when He returns?

Revelation 2:²⁶ He who overcomes, and he who keeps my works to the end, to him I will give authority over the nations. ²⁷ He will rule them with a rod of iron, shattering them like clay pots; as I also have received of my Father: ²⁸ and I will give him the morning star.

1 Corinthians 6:² Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters?³ Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life?⁴ If then ye have judgments of things pertaining to this life, set them to judge who are least esteemed in the church.⁵ I speak to your shame. Is it so, that there is not a wise man among you? no, not one that shall be able to judge between his brethren?

Are we in training—are we not to carry out *discipline unto good works* in His Body, the Church... again, through the power of the Holy Spirit?

Hebrews 10:²³ Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;) ²⁴ And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:²⁵ Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

How does Jesus want us to handle *dirt* in the Church? Is it not to become comfortable with it (the contamination) so it makes itself at home—the *dust* that seems to hang around... *the toes... the feet?*

John 13:¹⁰ Jesus said to him, “Someone who has bathed only needs to have his feet washed, but is completely clean. You are clean, but not all of you.” ¹¹ For he knew him who would betray him, therefore he said, “You are not all clean.” ¹² So when he had washed their feet, put his outer garment back on, and sat down again, he said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you? ¹³ You call me, ‘Teacher’ and ‘Lord.’ You say so correctly, for so I am. ¹⁴ If I then, the Lord and the Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet.

Mark 6:¹¹ Whoever will not receive you nor hear you, as you depart from there, shake off the dust that is under your feet for a testimony against them. Assuredly, I tell you, it will be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment than for that city!”

Luke 10:¹⁰ But into whatever city you enter, and they don’t receive you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹ ‘Even the dust from your city that clings to us, we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that God’s Kingdom has come near to you.’

If *iron* represents strength and dominion in the *seed of men...* and *clay* adulterates to weaken and destroy it... is this testifying that *compromised* fallen perishing man [including the kings—the 7 left from the 10 after the antichrist supplants 3 of them ([Daniel 7:17-27](#); [Revelation 17:10-12](#))] will face the wrath of God? They will be rendered powerless... that the Antichrist will... *come to his end, and no one will help him?*

Daniel 11:⁴⁴ But news out of the east and out of the north will trouble him; and he will go out with great fury to destroy and utterly to sweep away many. ⁴⁵ He will plant the tents of his palace between the sea and the glorious holy mountain; yet he will come to his end, and no one will help him.

When Satan is brought down, will not men marvel... *is this he who caused us trouble...* acknowledging his weakness? Are they gazing upon what amounts to less than a lump of... *clay*? At least, clay becomes a *living* soul from the *life-giving* breath from God in *the land of the living*—at most, Redeemed by His Breath of Life while there, to *remain* in the land of the living. In “the land of the dead”, i.e. Hell and the Lake of Fire, this can no longer happen—God’s condemning, *life-destroying* breath, *killing* the soul... *with the breath of His lips shall He slay the wicked...* severs the hope for Eternal Light.

Isaiah 14:⁹ Hell from beneath is moved for thee to meet thee at thy coming: it stirreth up the dead for thee, even all the chief ones of the earth; it hath raised up from their thrones all the kings of the nations.¹⁰ All they shall speak and say unto thee, Art thou also become weak as we? art thou become like unto us?¹¹ Thy pomp is brought down to the grave, and the noise of thy viols: the worm is spread under thee, and the worms cover thee.¹² How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!¹³ For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:¹⁴ I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.¹⁵ Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.¹⁶ They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, and consider thee, saying, Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms;¹⁷ That made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; that opened not the house of his prisoners?¹⁸ All the kings of the nations, even all of them, lie in glory, every one in his own house.¹⁹ But thou art cast out of thy grave like an abominable branch, and as the raiment of those that are slain, thrust through with a sword, that go down to the stones of the pit; as a carcase trodden under feet.²⁰ Thou shalt not be joined with them in burial, because thou hast destroyed thy land, and slain thy people: the seed of evildoers shall never be renowned.

Matthew 10:²⁸ And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

In context of witchcraft... *pharmakeía*...

Modern science, as a majority, doesn’t recognize the Genesis creation account. Doesn’t the world love darkness? They grasp onto evolution... “big bang”... an earth millions and billions of years old... as they design *pharmaceutical drugs*. What should we expect?

What does the *real* math say?

Listen to a pharmaceutical drug commercial... the list of horrific side effects far outweigh the marketed “benefits” of the drug. Further, what has the last few years uncovered with those barking the mantra... *just trust their science...* while they fight to legalize hallucinogens?

We’re still uncovering the depth of corruption in this country, and sometimes it feels like the job is never-ending. Every layer we peel back reveals yet another level of deceit....

In reality, our government, media, and medical establishment are deeply and dangerously intertwined with Big Pharma’s supply chain. Doctors get their education from pharma-sponsored universities; the government pushes or mandates these medications; and the media is owned by Big Pharma through cutesy cartoon ads.¹

The United States is the largest pharmaceutical market worldwide, accounting for almost half of global revenues in 2022. Nowhere else do consumers spend as much money on prescription drugs, over-the-counter medication, and other healthcare products and services as in the U.S..²

Is the use of “weed” and *pharma* “medication” following the same upward trajectory? Today, do you still have the same level of *trust* in this trend? Are we not experiencing the pursuit of “safety” bearing... neutered vitality?

Ephesians 4:¹⁷ This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind,¹⁸ Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:¹⁹ Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

“Stay safe” has been the death knell to... *live man... live... reach out for life!* In other words... *if you muffle the breath... you'll find death*—in more ways than one. Only God can provide for our ultimate safety in the age-to-come... not man attempting to nail it down in this fallen world.

Matthew 10:³⁸ He who doesn't take his cross and follow after me isn't worthy of me. ³⁹ He who seeks his life will lose it; and he who loses his life for my sake will find it.

It's guaranteed, we'll lose the battle with life—victory over the grave is through Jesus Christ... He's proved it already!

Proverbs 21:²⁹ A wicked man hardeneth his face: but as for the upright, he directeth his way.³⁰ There is no wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against the LORD.³¹ The horse is prepared against the day of battle: but safety is of [the victory belongs to (NASB)] the LORD.

The shifting winds of the world “shake, rattle, and roll the dead leaves”. Fearful of man, they stumble along the ground like the blindfolded headed for execution—it's their dance of homage to their “save the earth religion” because they've rejected the Truth. In other words... they fight to glorify the dust... the clay—they worship humanism and their conjured up “laws” justifying it as “their truth”. Like the serpent, they belly up to a heaping serving of... *dirt*.

Jeremiah 17:⁵ Thus saith the LORD; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.⁶ For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land and not inhabited [Sounds like just *dry dust and dirt*, sterile with no life... absent of Life.].

Colossians 2:²⁰ If you died with Christ from the elements of the world, why, as though living in the world, do you subject yourselves to ordinances,²¹ “Don't handle, nor taste, nor touch”²² (all of which perish with use), according to the precepts and doctrines of men? ²³ These things indeed appear like wisdom in self-imposed worship, humility, and severity to the body; but aren't of any value against the indulgence of the flesh.

The presence and working of the Holy Spirit in our perishable bodies of flesh is what prepares us for a body of glory. The *dirt*, by itself, has no merit of honor and glory. Like the Earth, our bodies serve to that end... they'll both pass away—He, the Holy Spirit, will remain.

Genesis 1: In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.² And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.³ And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

2 Corinthians 4:⁵ For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.⁶ For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.⁷ But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

Hebrews 1:¹⁰ And, “You, Lord, in the beginning, laid the foundation of the earth. The heavens are the works of your hands. ¹¹ They will perish, but you continue. They all will grow old like a garment does. ¹² You will roll them up like a mantle, and they will be changed; but you are the same. Your years won't fail.”

1 John 2:¹⁵ Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. ¹⁶ For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the vainglory [boastful pride (NASB)] of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. ¹⁷ And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

Philippians 3:¹⁸ For many walk, of whom I told you often, and now tell you even weeping, as the enemies of the cross of Christ, ¹⁹ whose end is destruction, whose god is the belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who think about earthly things. ²⁰ For our citizenship is in heaven, from where we also wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ who will change the body of our humiliation to be conformed to the body of his glory, according to the working [by the exertion of the power (NASB); working of his power (YLT)] by which he is able even to subject all things to himself.

Ephesians 3:¹⁹ And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. ²⁰ Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

What are you going to *cling* to? In other words... use... enjoy... don't misuse... but, worshiping *the clay* in a bid for preservation, is a *bad investment* of the breath-of-life.

How do we know?

Has an actual event similar to Daniel's prophecy of *iron being corrupted by clay* happened?

What previously brought on the wrath of God to destroy mankind? Was it not the *commingling of the seed of men*?

Genesis 6: And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them,² That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose.³ And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years.⁴ There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of renown.⁵ And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.⁶ And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.⁷ And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them. ⁸ But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

The *sons of God* are thought, by some, to be fallen angels who sired giants from *the daughters of men*. These corrupted demonic human *hybrids* that were so evil... that God chose to drown mankind, except for Noah and his family, with the Flood.

The majority were destroyed. At the end-of-this-age, it will be replayed... except for those who refuse to remain poisoned, perverted, and adulterated—*separated* from the God of Israel... like *clay that won't cleave to iron*.

We can be [healed](#) by reaching out to Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior... *cleaving* to God. You don't have to be destroyed—He will keep us if we trust in His Blood to cleanse us from our sins... and remain faithful to Him, waiting for Him to return.

Acts 3:² A certain man who was lame from his mother's womb was being carried, whom they laid daily at the door of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask gifts for the needy of those who entered into the temple. ⁶ But Peter said, "I have no silver or gold, but what I have, that I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, get up and walk!" ⁷ He took him by the right hand and raised him up. Immediately his feet and his ankle bones received strength. ¹⁶ By faith in his name, his name has made this man strong [Like iron?], whom you see and know. Yes, the faith which is through him has given him this perfect soundness [Like iron with no clay mixed in... were not his legs and feet made sound and strong for him to stand?] in the presence of you all. ¹⁹ "Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, so that there may come times of refreshing [a recovery of breath, i.e. (figuratively) revival... [Strong's G403](#) – anapsyxis] from the presence of the Lord,

Without the breath-of-life from God, we're just dirt, i.e. a lump of clay. Without the Breath of Life from God, being baptized by the Holy Spirit because of Jesus Christ' sacrifice at the Cross, we'll remain *crumbling clay*. Without His Spirit, we'll end up with the value of... dirt... unable to *unite with* God.

Genesis 2:⁷ And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

Genesis 3:¹⁹ In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return. ²² And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever.²³ Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.

Without breath... and Breath... from God, we have no strength—we're like a *dust devil* blown about with the *winds of change*. The *crushed* foundation of feet and ten toes collapsed the statue in Nebuchadnezzar's dream... it was *erased* from the sunrise on the horizon of the future.

Daniel 2:³⁴ You saw until a stone was cut out without hands, which struck the image on its feet that were of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces. ³⁵ Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold were broken in pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshing floors. The wind carried them away, so that no place was found for them. The stone that struck the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth. ⁴⁴ "In the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which will never be destroyed, nor will its sovereignty be left to another people; but it will break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it will stand forever. ⁴⁵ Because you saw that a stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God has made known to the king what will happen hereafter. The dream is certain, and its interpretation sure."

Matthew 21:⁴² Jesus said to them, “Did you never read in the Scriptures, ‘The stone which the builders rejected was made the head of the corner. This was from the Lord. It is marvelous in our eyes’?”⁴³ “Therefore I tell you, God’s Kingdom will be taken away from you and will be given to a nation producing its fruit. He who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, but on whomever it will fall, it will scatter him as dust.”

Psalms 30: I will extol thee, O LORD; for thou hast lifted me up, and hast not made my foes to rejoice over me.² O LORD my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me.³ O LORD, thou hast brought up my soul from the grave: thou hast kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.⁴ Sing unto the LORD, O ye saints of his, and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.⁵ For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.⁶ And in my prosperity I said, I shall never be moved.⁷ LORD, by thy favour thou hast made my mountain to stand strong: thou didst hide thy face, and I was troubled.⁸ I cried to thee, O LORD; and unto the LORD I made supplication.⁹ What profit is there in my blood, when I go down to the pit? Shall the dust praise thee? shall it declare thy truth?¹⁰ Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me: LORD, be thou my helper.¹¹ Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing [Does it take *strong sound feet* to dance?]: thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness;¹² To the end that my glory may sing praise to thee, and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.

Ephesians 4:¹¹ He gave some to be apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, shepherds and teachers; ¹² for the perfecting of the saints, to the work of serving, to the building up of the body of Christ, ¹³ until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a full grown man [Is not a full grown man supposed to have *strength*?], to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, ¹⁴ that we may no longer be children, tossed back and forth and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in craftiness, after the wiles of error; ¹⁵ but speaking truth in love, we may grow up in all things into him who is the head, Christ,

Hosea 8:⁶ For from Israel was it also: the workman made it; therefore it is not God: but the calf of Samaria shall be broken in pieces.⁷ For they have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind: it hath no stalk; the bud shall yield no meal: if so be it yield, the strangers shall swallow it up.

Attribute to another by seeking strength and wisdom through *the clay*... is to deny the Power of, and Strength through, the Holy Spirit. To shun what He does for our life because of Jesus Christ... we have no hope.

Matthew 12:²⁵ Knowing their thoughts, Jesus said to them, “Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and every city or house divided against itself [Like iron mixed with clay?] will not stand.²⁶ If Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand? ²⁷ If I by Beelzebub cast out demons, by whom do your children cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. ²⁸ But if I by the Spirit of God cast out demons, then God’s Kingdom has come upon you. ²⁹ Or how can one enter into the house of the strong man and plunder his goods, unless he first bind the strong man? Then he will plunder his house.³⁰ “He who is not with me is against me, and he who doesn’t gather with me, scatters [Like windblown chaff or dust?]. ³¹ Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven men. ³² Whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man, it will be forgiven him; but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven him, either in this age, or in that which is to come.”

Luke 24:⁴⁹ Behold, I send out the promise of my Father on you. But wait in the city of Jerusalem until you are clothed with power from on high.”

John 16:⁷ Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.⁸ And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:⁹ Of sin, because they believe not on me;¹⁰ Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;¹¹ Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.¹² I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.¹³ Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

Acts 1:⁴ Being assembled together with them, he commanded them, “Don’t depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which you heard from me.”⁵ For John indeed baptized in water, but you will be baptized in the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

Acts 2: Now when the day of Pentecost had come, they were all with one accord in one place.² Suddenly there came from the sky a sound like the rushing of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.³ Tongues like fire appeared and were distributed to them, and one sat on each of them.⁴ They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak with other languages, as the Spirit gave them the ability to speak.

To yield to the discipline of the *rod of iron*... the staff of the Great and Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ... I can be strengthened unto *iron*—He continues to remove the contaminating *clay* from my life.

John 10:⁹ I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.¹⁰ The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.¹¹ I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.¹⁴ I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.

Philippians 4:¹² I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.¹³ I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

Hebrews 12:⁴ Ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin.⁵ And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him:⁶ For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.⁷ If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?⁸ But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons.

2 Timothy 2:¹⁹ However God’s firm foundation stands, having this seal, “The Lord knows those who are his,” and, “Let every one who names the name of the Lord depart from unrighteousness.”²⁰ Now in a large house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of clay. Some are for honor, and some for dishonor.²¹ If anyone therefore purges himself from these, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified, and suitable for the master’s use, prepared for every good work.

Ephesians 5:²⁶ That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,²⁷ That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

Ephesians 6:¹⁰ Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. ¹³Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to **withstand** in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. ¹⁵ And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

To be *created in the image of God*... to be refined and purified... is not to be taken lightly—the Cross of Christ testifies to this. If the *iron is infused with clay*... it's weak, like chaff blown away by the breath of God's mouth.

Job 15:²⁰ the wicked man writhes in pain all his days, even the number of years that are laid up for the oppressor.²¹ A sound of terrors is in his ears. In prosperity the destroyer will come on him. ²⁵Because he has stretched out his hand against God, and behaves himself proudly against the Almighty, ²⁶ he runs at him with a stiff neck, with the thick shields of his bucklers, ²⁹ He will not be rich, neither will his substance continue, neither will their possessions be extended on the earth.³⁰ He will not depart out of darkness. The flame will dry up his branches. He will go away by the breath of God's mouth.

2 Thessalonians 2:⁷ For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.⁸ And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit [breath (ESV)] of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

When I started this, I thought I may have been “stretching for it” like a centerfielder reaching at the wall—as I dug in, I began to understand more how *iron* and *clay* relate to each other. I caught the “fly ball”.

I share hoping... Proverbs 27:¹⁷ Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.

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