

### WHO IS YOUR GOD?

". . .Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed."

"Sodom and Gomorrah were destroyed through the gratification of unnatural appetite, which benumbed the intellect, and they could not discern the difference between the sacred claims of God and the clamor of appetite. The latter enslaved them, and they became so ferocious and bold in their detestable abomination that God would not tolerate them upon the earth. God ascribes the wickedness of Babylon to her gluttony and drunkenness."

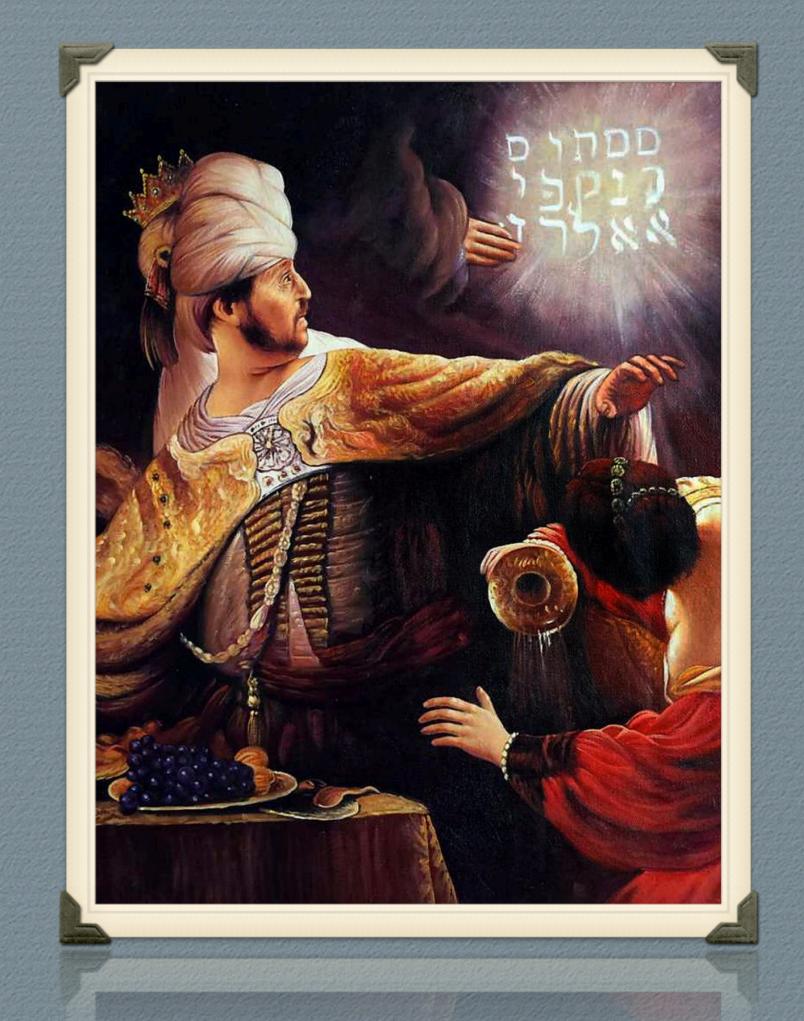
TESTIMONY FOR THE CHURCH — No. 22, p. 51.2

"Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom, pride, <u>fulness of bread</u>, and abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy."

EZEKIEL 16:49

"In my travels I have witnessed scenes of feasting and revelry; and as I have marked the effects of unrestrained indulgence, as I have listened to the blasphemous mirth, and seen the indifference and even contempt for all things sacred, I have thought of the sacrilegious feast of Belshazzar, to which were invited a thousand of his lords, his princes, his wives, and his concubines,—that feast where wine was freely drunk from the sacred vessels of the temple of God, while the revelers sang the praises of their gods of silver and gold. They knew not that an unseen Watcher heard every word of blasphemy, beheld every impious action."

CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE AND BIBLE HYGIENE, p. 20.1



"For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil."

ECC 12:14

"For the <u>drunkard and the glutton</u> shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags."

PRO 23:21

"And put a knife to thy throat, if thou be a man given to appetite."

PRO 23:2

"And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life, than having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched:"

MARK 9:45

"Their destiny is <u>destruction</u>, their <u>god is their stomach</u>, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is set on <u>earthly things</u>."

PHILIPPIANS 3:19

"Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play."

1 CORINTHIANS 10:7

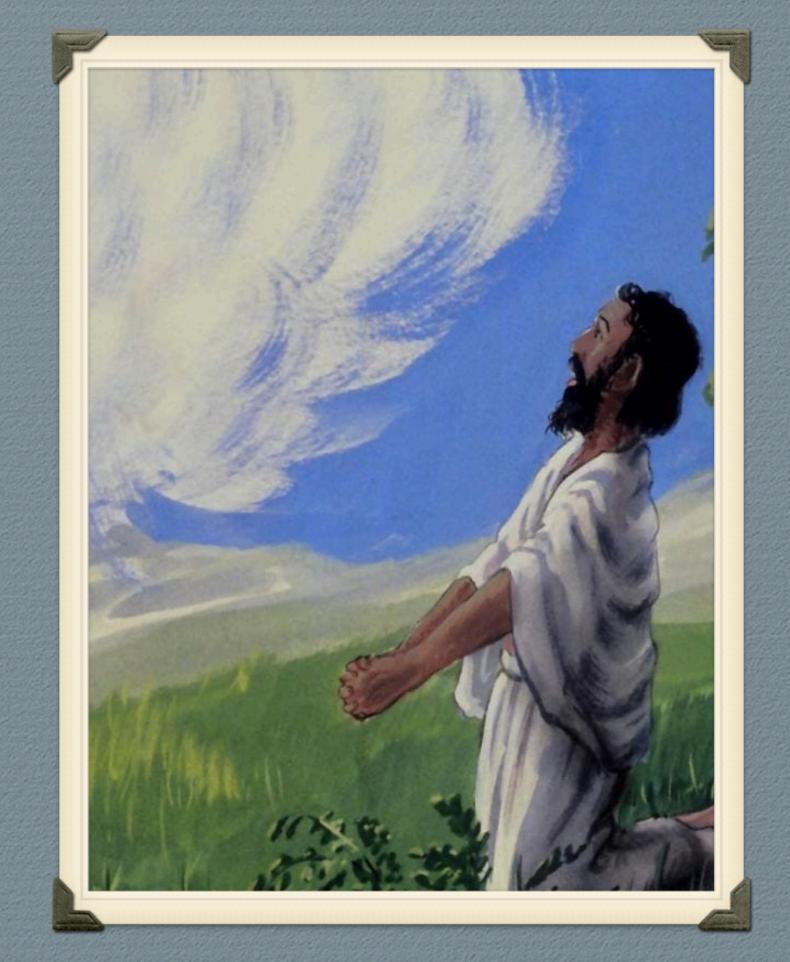
"Thou shalt have <u>no other gods</u> before me."

Exo 20:3

### Job Sons

"And there was a day when his sons and his daughters were <u>eating and drinking wine</u> in their eldest brother's house: And, behold, there came a great wind from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead . . ."

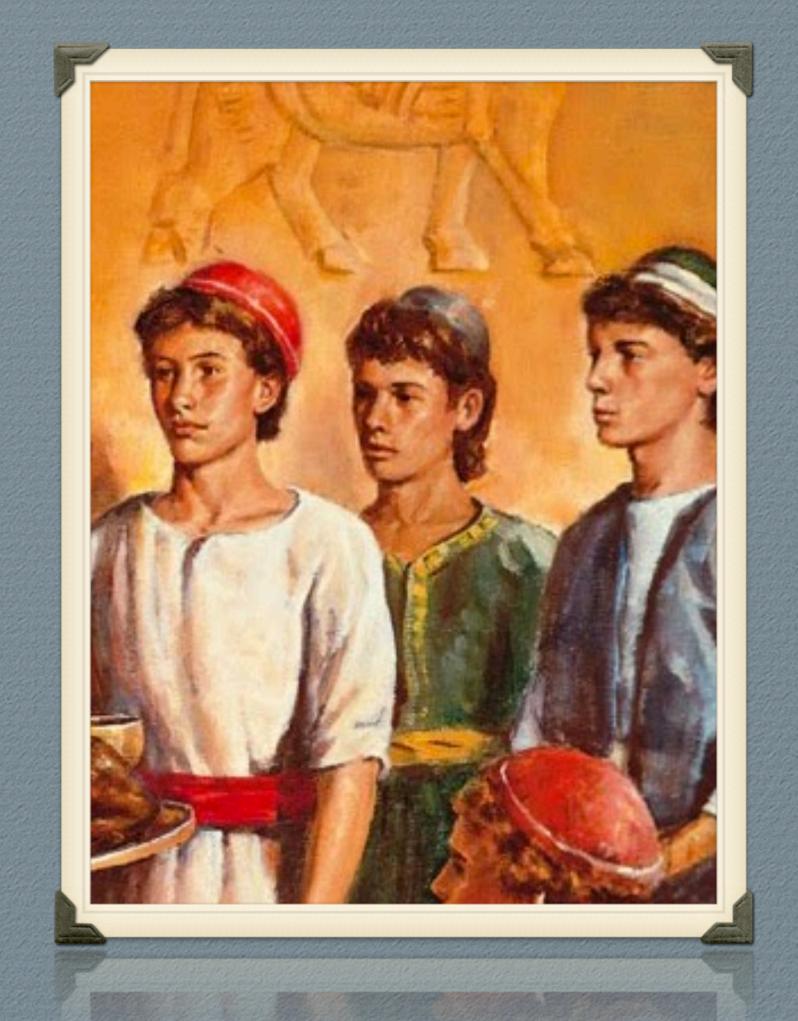
Јов 1:13,18



# Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, Azariah, and the Kings Meat

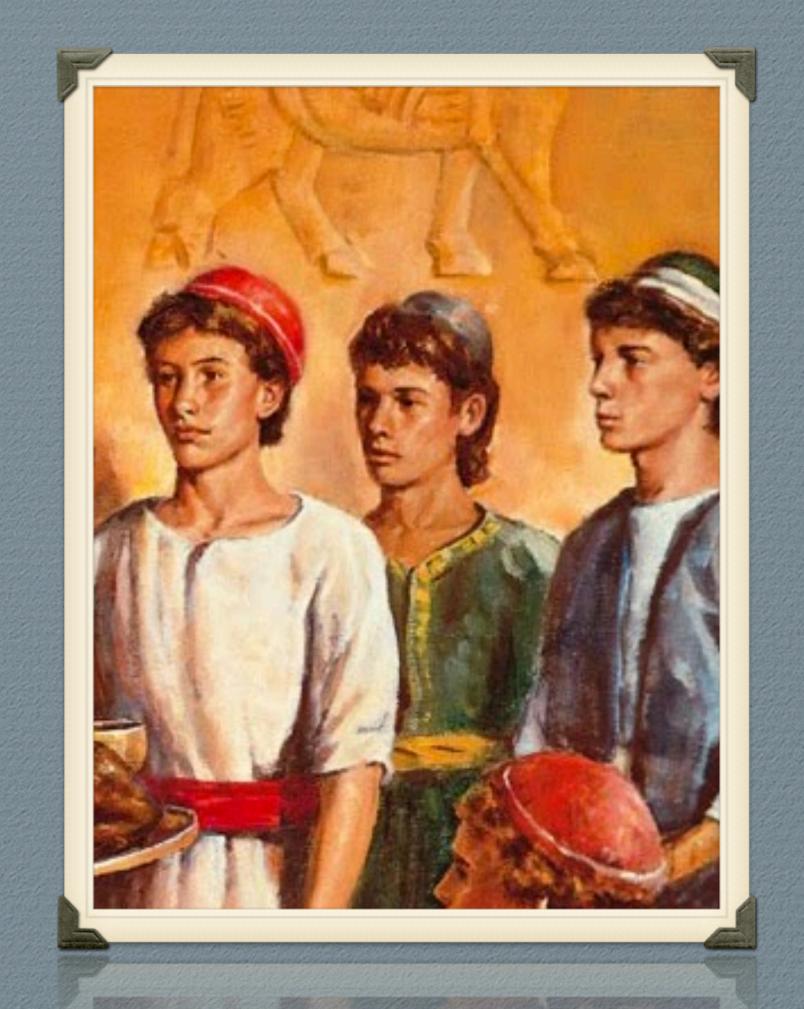
"Daniel was carried to Babylon, and was a captive in the king's court. Temptations and trials were upon every hand. He was allured on every side to follow the habits and customs of Babylon; but he knew that they were not at all after God's order. Study the history of Daniel. His part and that of his companions was to take their position in distinction from the Babylonians, who were indulging appetite, and who did not have the love and fear of God before them . . ."

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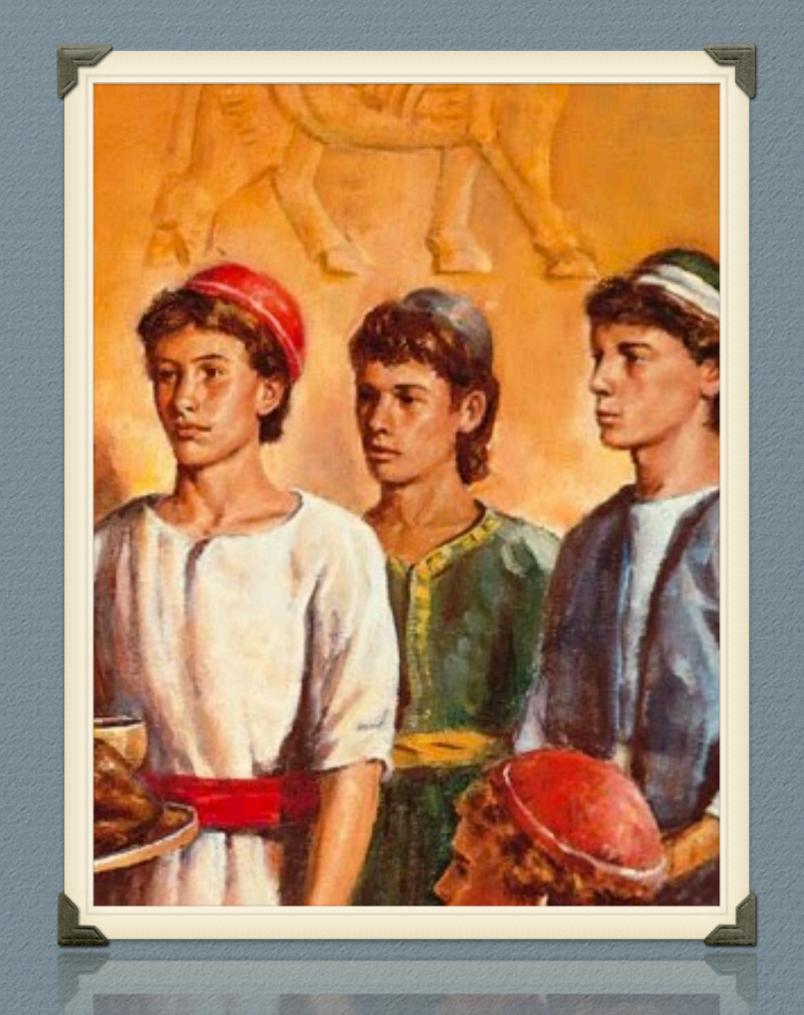
"... No power or influence could sway these Hebrew youth from what they believed to be right. The king's table was set before them, provided with everything for the indulgence of appetite; but they had grace to adhere to the simple practices that they had been taught, and they would not indulge in wine or in the luxuries of the king's table."

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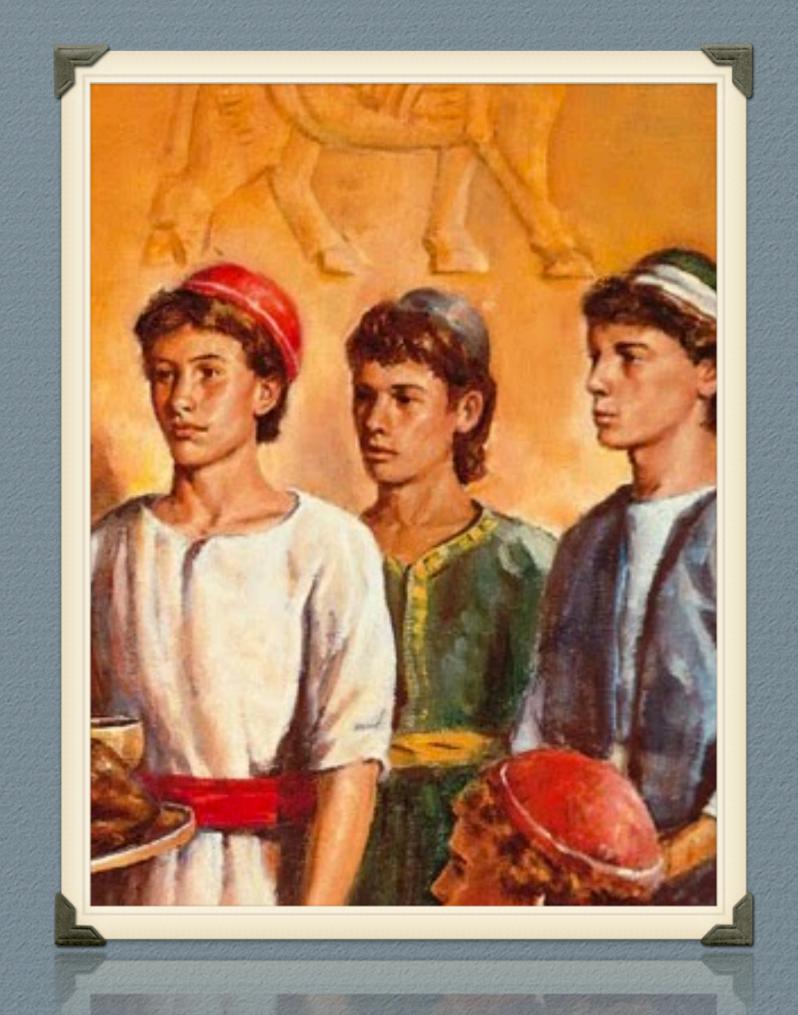
"It was God's design to show the Babylonians that there was a King above the king of Babylon,—the God whom the Hebrew youth worshipped. These youth exalted God. They knew that they were to carry out the principles of truth, and therefore they refused the meat from the royal table and the wine from the royal cellar. Their abstinence from the prescribed bill of fare made a distinction in every way between their appearance and the appearance of those youth who indulged their appetite . . ."

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"... There were plenty to make remarks, but these youth were faithful even in little things. And in <a href="mailto:physical">physical</a>
<a href="mailto:appearance">appearance</a> they were far ahead of the youth who sat at the king's table. Their <a href="mailto:simple diet">simple diet</a> kept their minds clear. They were better prepared for their studies; for they never knew the oppression caused by eating luxurious food. They were better prepared physically for taxing labour, for they were never sick. With clear minds, they could think and work vigorously. By obeying God they were doing the very things that will give strength of thought and memory."

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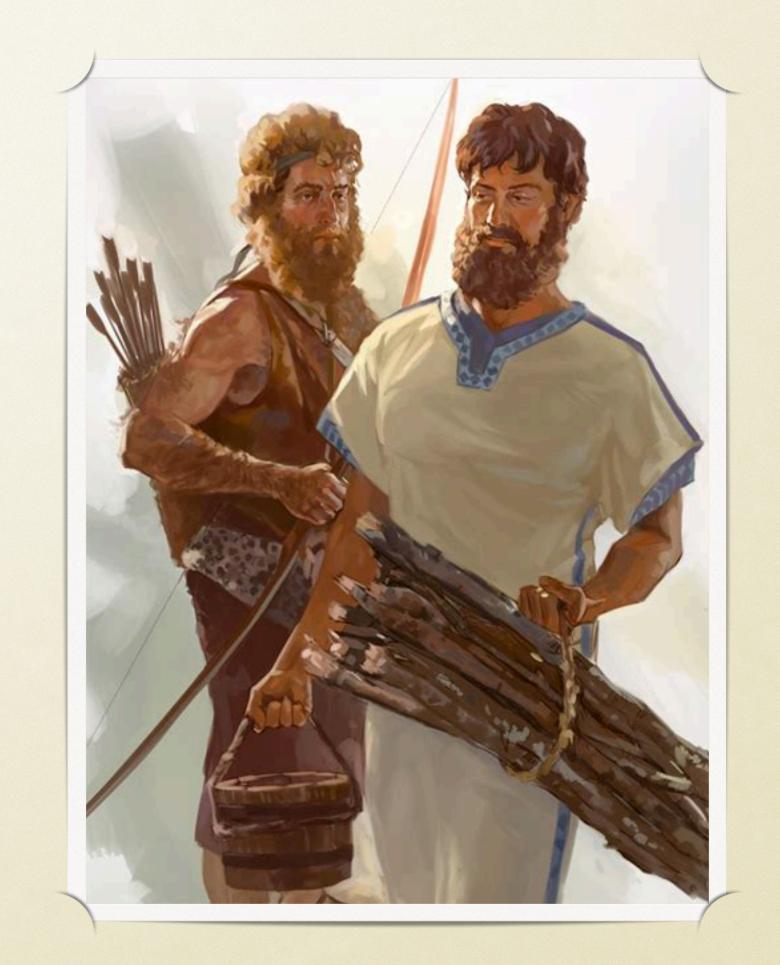
"If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you."

JOHN 15:19

#### JACOB AND ESAU

"And Jacob sod pottage: and Esau came from the field, and he was faint: And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red pottage; for I am faint: therefore was his name called Edom. And Jacob said, Sell me this day thy birthright."

GEN 25:29-31



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"And Esau said, Behold, I am at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me? And Jacob said, Swear to me this day; and he sware unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentiles; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: thus Esau despised his birthright."

GEN 25:32-34

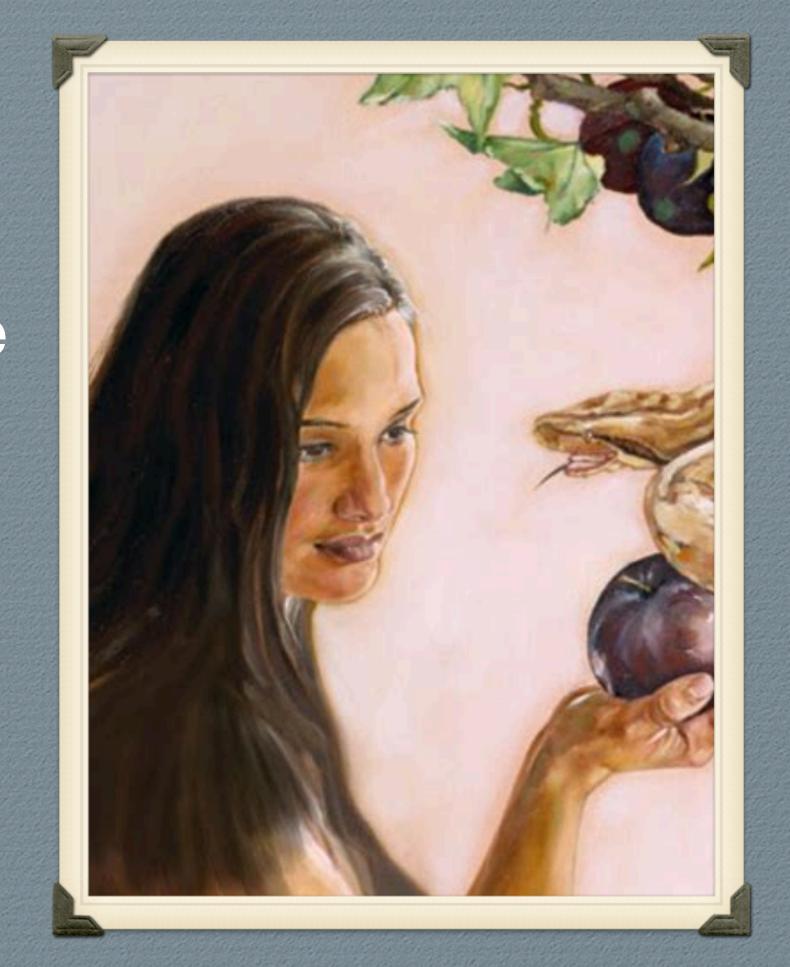
"Now all these things <u>happened unto them for examples</u>: and they are written for <u>our admonition</u>, upon whom the ends of the world are come."

1 COR 10:11

# THOSE WHO DO NOT - REMEMBERTHE PAST ARE CONDEMNED TO REPEAT IT

"Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?"

GEN 3:1



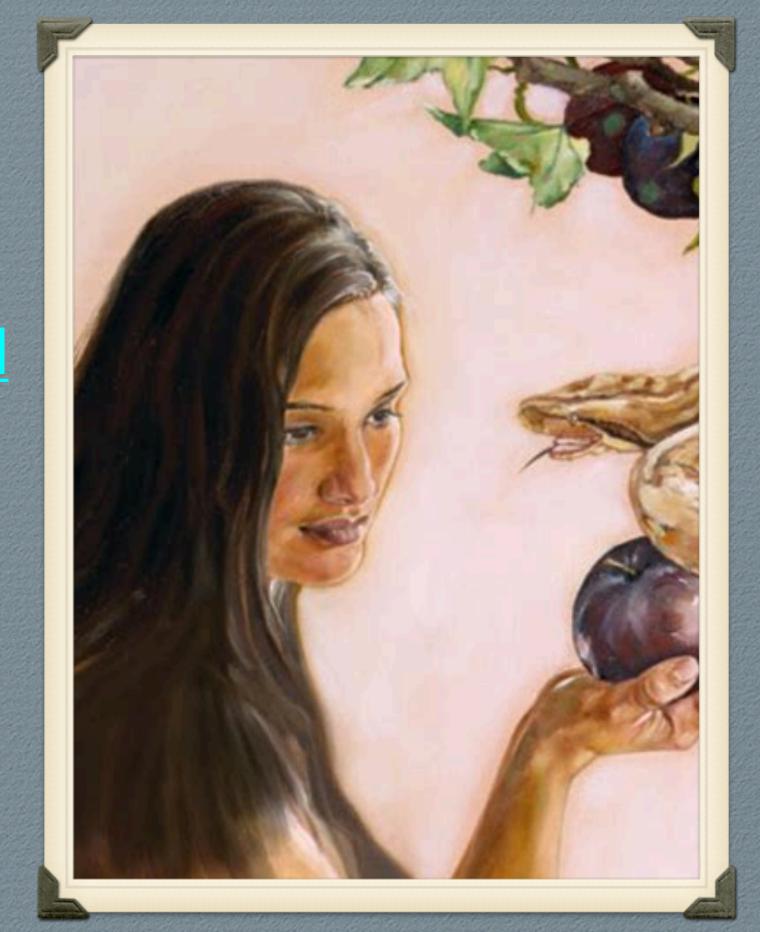
"And the woman said unto the serpent, <u>We may</u>
eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: But of the
fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden,
God hath said, <u>Ye shall not eat of it</u>, neither shall ye
touch it, lest ye die."

GEN 3:2,3



"And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil."

GEN 3:4,5

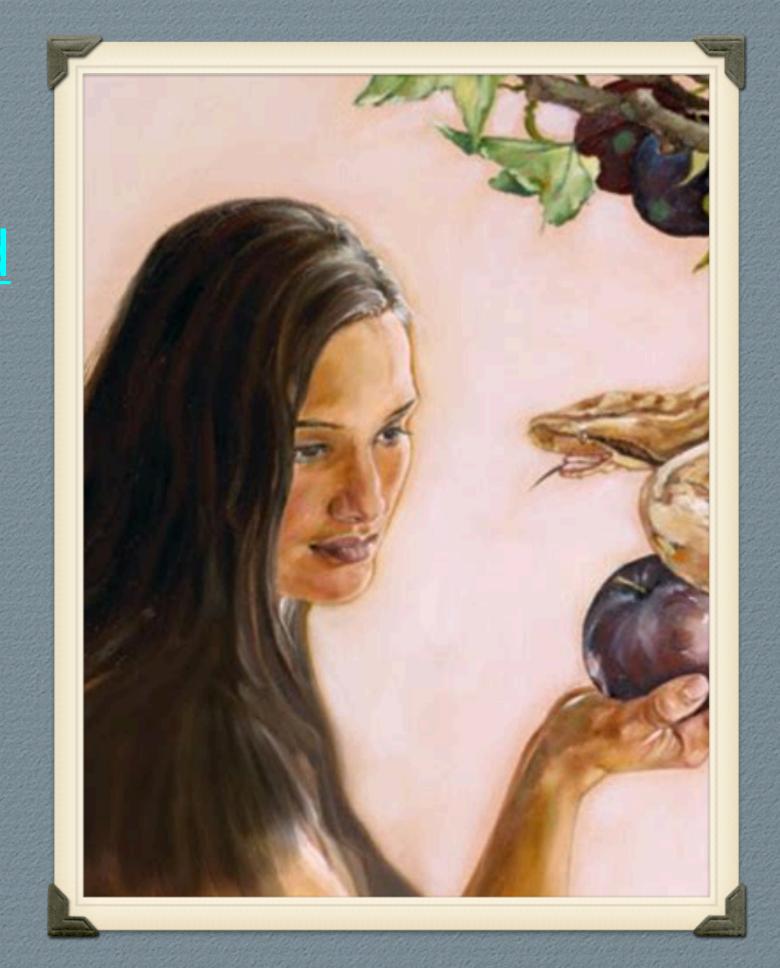


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PHILIPPIANS 3:19

"And when the woman <u>saw</u> that the tree was <u>good</u> <u>for food</u>, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, <u>and did eat</u>..."

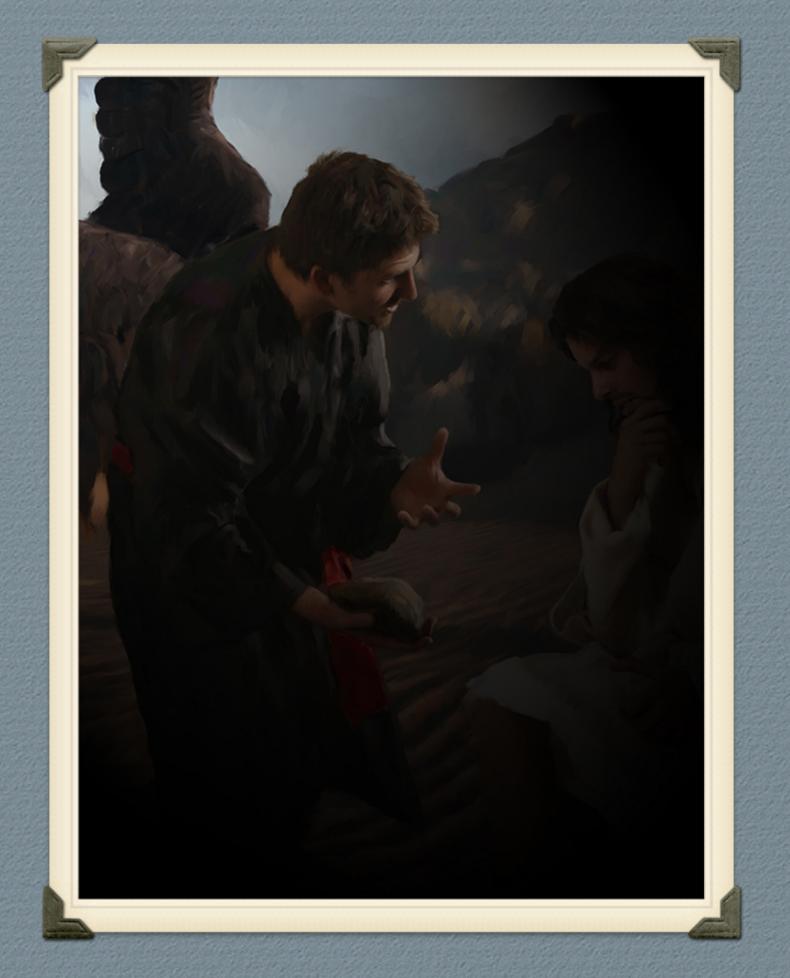
GEN 3:6



#### Jesus Our Example

"And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred. And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread."

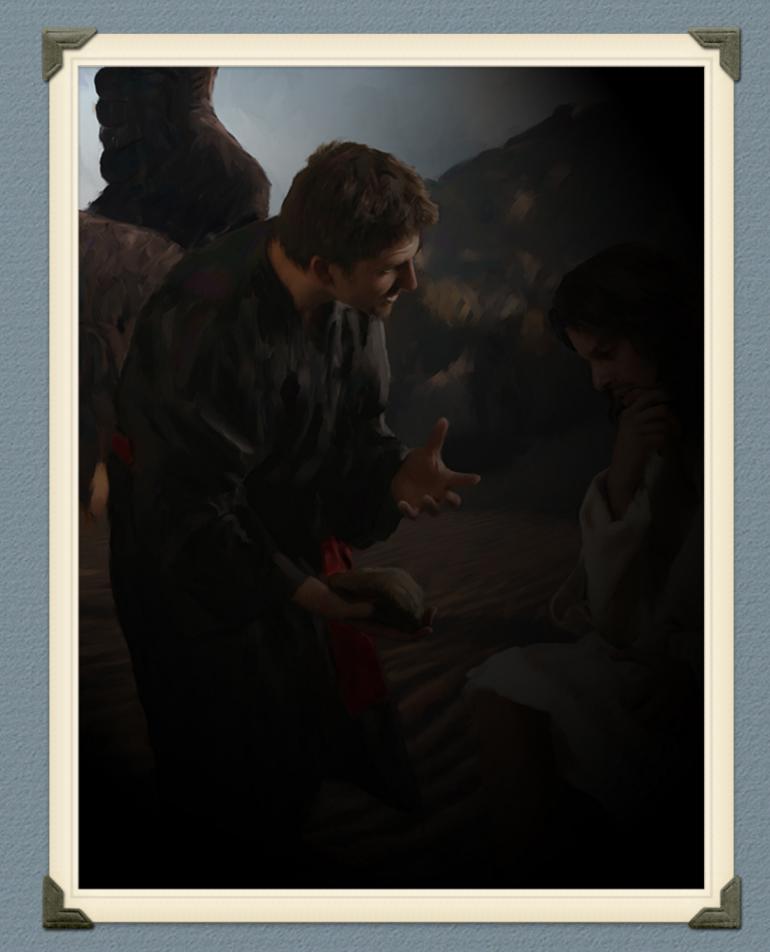
MATT 4:2,3



#### Jesus Our Example

"But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by <u>bread alone</u>, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."

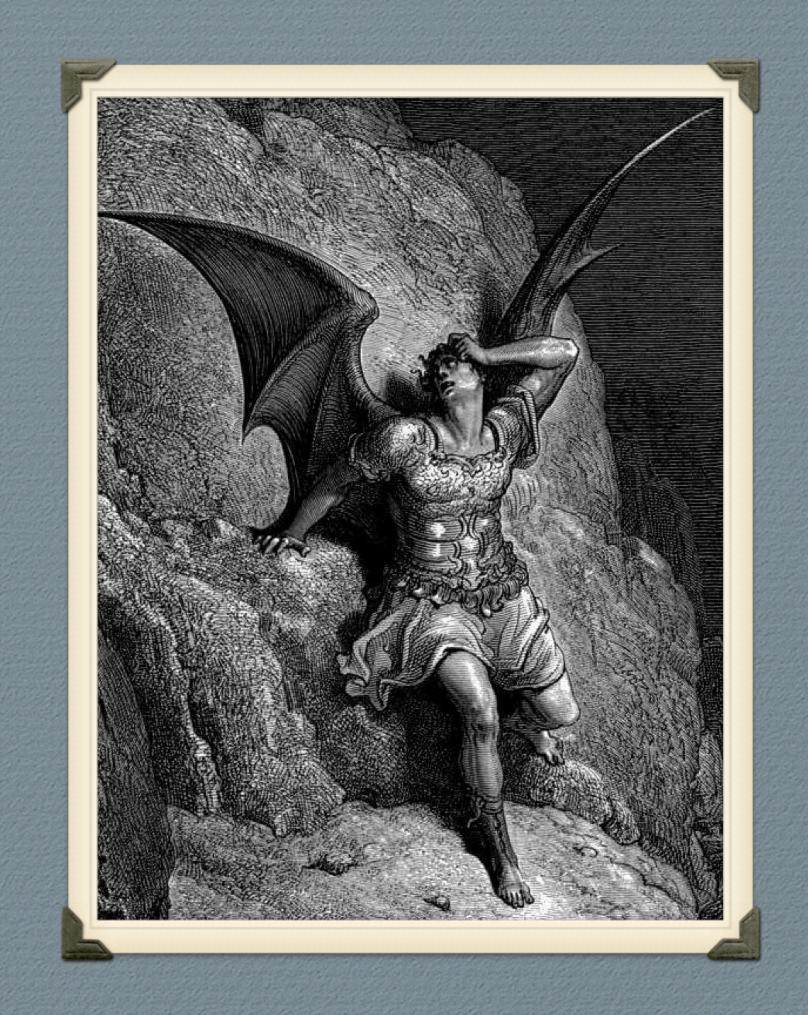
MATT 4:4



### Jesus Says

"... the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me."

JHN 14:30



"And he said unto them, Ye are from beneath; I am from above: ye are of this world; I am not of this world."

JHN 8:23

"This know also, that in the last days <u>perilous times</u> shall come. For men shall be <u>lovers of their own</u> <u>selves</u>, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,"

2 TIM 3:1,2



"Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, <u>lovers of pleasures</u> more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but <u>denying</u> the power thereof: from such <u>turn away</u>."

2 TIM 3:3-5



"There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death."

PRO 14:12

"Because it is wrong to eat merely to gratify a perverted taste, it does not follow that we should be indifferent in regard to our food. It is a matter of the highest importance. No one should adopt an impoverished diet. Many are debilitated from disease, and need nourishing, well-cooked food. Health reformers, above all others, should be careful to avoid extremes. The body must have sufficient nourishment. The God who gives his beloved sleep has furnished them also suitable food to sustain the physical system in a healthy condition."

CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE AND BIBLE HYGIENE, P. 49.3

"Those who labor with their hands, and those who labor in word and doctrine, must have a care to <u>sustain their physical powers</u>; for Satan and his evil angels are warring against them, seeking to <u>undermine their strength</u>. When they can, they should take rest both in body and mind, and should eat of nourishing food; for they will be obliged to use <u>all the power they have</u>. I saw that it does not glorify God in the least for any of his people to make a time of trouble for <u>themselves</u>. There is a time of trouble just before us, but he will prepare us for that fearful conflict."

CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE AND BIBLE HYGIENE, p. 152.2

"And be not <u>conformed</u> to this world: but be ye <u>transformed</u> by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and <u>perfect, will of God</u>."

ROM 12:2

## SO ARE YOU BEING "CONFORMED" OR "TRANSFORMED"

- To conform means that there is a giving in of something. In this example, to the world. As an illustration: **those people have completely conformed**, meaning there was a bending, a giving of something.
- To be transformed means there is a complete change. As an example: **those people have completely transformed**. It was something completely new and different. Which one will **you** be?

"Therefore if any man <u>be in Christ</u>, he is a <u>new creature</u>: old things are passed away; behold, all things are <u>become new</u>."

2 COR 5:17

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