

# Famine for the Word

<sup>6</sup>The **words** of the **LORD** are pure words:

as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.

<sup>7</sup>Thou shalt keep them, **O LORD**, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever. (*Psalms 12:6-7*)

<sup>11</sup>Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a **famine** in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of **hearing the words** of the **LORD**:

<sup>12</sup>And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to **seek the word** of the **LORD**, and shall not find it. (*Amos 8:11-12*)

Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye **know these things before**, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness. (*2 Peter 3:17*)

<sup>3</sup>Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a **falling away first**, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

<sup>4</sup>Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. (*2 Thessalonians 2:3-4*)

In the beginning was the **Word**, and the **Word** was with **God**, and the **Word was God**. (*John 1:1*)

And the **Word** was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld **his glory**, the glory as of the **only begotten of the Father**,) full of grace and truth. (*John 1:14*)

<sup>1</sup>**God**, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

<sup>2</sup>Hath in these last days **spoken unto us by his Son**, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

<sup>3</sup>Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high:

<sup>4</sup>Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. (*Hebrews 1:1-4*)

<sup>16</sup>All **scripture** is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

<sup>17</sup>That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. (*2 Timothy 3:16-17*)

<sup>1</sup>This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you;

in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:

<sup>2</sup>That ye may be mindful of the **words** which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:

<sup>3</sup>Knowing this first, that there shall come in the **last days scoffers**, walking after their own lusts, <sup>4</sup>And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

<sup>5</sup>For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the **word of God** the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

<sup>6</sup>Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:

<sup>7</sup>But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. (*2 Peter 3:1-7*)

My people hath been lost sheep:

their **shepherds** have caused them to go astray, they have turned them away on the mountains: they have gone from mountain to hill, they have forgotten their restingplace. (*Jerimiah 50:6*)

<sup>10</sup>His **watchmen** are blind:

they are all ignorant, they are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber.

<sup>11</sup>Yea, they are greedy dogs which can never have enough, and they are **shepherds** that cannot understand:

they all look to their own way, every one for his gain, from his quarter. (*Isaiah 56:10-11*)

<sup>19</sup>The portion of Jacob is not like them;

for he is the former of all things:

and Israel is the rod of his inheritance:

the LORD of hosts is his name.

<sup>20</sup>Thou art my battle axe and weapons of war:

for with thee will I break in pieces the nations, and with thee will I destroy kingdoms;

<sup>21</sup>And with thee will I break in pieces the horse and his rider;

and with thee will I break in pieces the chariot and his rider;

<sup>22</sup>With thee also will I break in pieces man and woman;

and with thee will I break in pieces old and young;

and with thee will I break in pieces the young man and the maid;

<sup>23</sup>I will also break in pieces with thee **the shepherd** and his flock;

and with thee will I break in pieces the husbandman and his yoke of oxen;

and with thee will I break in pieces captains and rulers. (*Jerimiah 51:19-23*)

<sup>2</sup>Son of man, prophesy against the **shepherds** of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the **Lord GOD** unto the **shepherds**;

Woe be to the **shepherds** of Israel that do feed themselves!

should not the **shepherds feed** the flocks?

<sup>3</sup>Ye eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill them that are fed:  
but **ye feed not** the flock.

<sup>4</sup>The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up that which was broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, neither have ye sought that which was lost;  
but with force and with cruelty have ye ruled them.

<sup>5</sup>And they were scattered, because there is no **shepherd**:  
and they became meat to all the beasts of the field, when they were scattered.

<sup>6</sup>My sheep wandered through all the mountains, and upon every high hill:  
yea, my flock was scattered upon all the face of the earth, and none did search or seek after them.

<sup>7</sup>Therefore, ye **shepherds**, hear the word of the LORD;

<sup>8</sup>As I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely because my flock became a prey, and my flock became meat to every beast of the field, because there was no **shepherd**, neither did my **shepherds** search for my flock, but the **shepherds** fed themselves, and **fed not my flock**;

<sup>9</sup>Therefore, O **ye shepherds**, hear the **word of the LORD**;

<sup>10</sup>Thus saith the Lord GOD;

Behold, I am **against the shepherds**;

and I will require my flock at their hand, and cause them to cease from feeding the flock;

**neither shall the shepherds feed themselves** any more;

for I will deliver my flock from their mouth, that they may not be meat for them.

<sup>11</sup>For thus saith the **Lord GOD**;

Behold, **I, even I**, will both search my sheep, and seek them out. (*Ezekiel 34:2-11*)

# Evolution of the Translations

## 2 Corinthians 6:14

KJV - 1611

Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

ASV - 1901

Be not unequally yoked with unbelievers: for what fellowship have righteousness and iniquity? or what communion hath light with darkness?

RSV - 1945

Do not be mismatched with unbelievers. For what partnership have righteousness and iniquity? Or what fellowship has light with darkness?

NASB - 1971

Do not be bound together with unbelievers; for what partnership have righteousness and lawlessness, or what fellowship has light with darkness?

NKJV - 1975

Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness?

NIV - 1978

Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?

NRSV - 1989

Do not be mismatched with unbelievers. For what partnership is there between righteousness and lawlessness? Or what fellowship is there between light and darkness?

ESV - 2001

Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers. For what partnership has righteousness with lawlessness? Or what fellowship has light with darkness?

TNIV - 2002

Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?

# Fasting

## Matthew 17:21

1611	KJV	Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and <b>fasting</b> .
1901	ASV	But this kind goeth not out save by prayer and <b>fasting</b> .
1945	RSV	N/A
1971	NASB	<i>But this kind does not go out except by prayer and <b>fasting</b>.</i>
1975	NKJV	However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and <b>fasting</b> ."
1978	NIV	N/A
2001	ESV	N/A

## Mark 9:29

1611	KJV	And he said unto them, This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and <b>fasting</b> .
1901	ASV	And he said unto them, This kind can come out by nothing, save by prayer.
1945	RSV	And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."
1971	NASB	And He said to them, "This kind cannot come out by anything but prayer."
1975	NKJV	So He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and <b>fasting</b> ."
1978	NIV	He replied, "This kind can come out only by prayer."
2001	ESV	And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

### Purpose for Fasting under (Johns' Baptism) vs. (Jesus Baptism)

Included is every reference to **fasting** in the New Testament  
(*except duplicates*)

### Repetition and Discipline - John

And the disciples of John and of the Pharisees used to **fast**:  
and they come and say unto him, Why do the disciples of John and of the Pharisees **fast**, but thy disciples fast not? (*Mark 2:18*)

And she was a widow of about fourscore and four years, which departed not from the temple, but served God with **fastings** and prayers night and day. (*Luke 2:37*)

I **fast** twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. (*Luke 18:12*)

## Fasting for a Purpose - Jesus

Jesus, the disciples, nor the apostles ever allude to fasting as a repetitive discipline

But the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them, and then shall they **fast** in those days. (Luke 5:35)

And Cornelius said, Four days ago I was **fasting** until this hour; and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house, and, behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing, <sup>31</sup>And said, Cornelius, thy prayer is heard, and thine alms are had in remembrance in the sight of God. (Acts 10:30-31)

And when they had **fasted** and prayed, and laid *their* hands on them, they sent *them* away. (Acts 13:3)

And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with **fasting**, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed. (Acts 14:23)

And when he had **fasted** forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred. (Matthew 4:2)

That thou appear not unto men to **fast**, but unto thy Father which is in secret: and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly. (Matthew 6:18)

Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and **fasting**. (Matthew 17:21)

And he said unto them, This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and **fasting**. (Mark 9:29)

Defraud ye not one the other, except it be with consent for a time, that ye may give yourselves to **fasting** and prayer; and come together again, that Satan tempt you not for your incontinency. (1 Corinthians 7:5)

Giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed:

<sup>4</sup>But in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, <sup>5</sup>In stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in **fastings**;

<sup>6</sup>By pureness, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned, <sup>7</sup>By the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, <sup>8</sup>By honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report: as deceivers, and yet true;

<sup>9</sup>As unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and, behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed;

<sup>10</sup>As sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich;

as having nothing, and yet possessing all things. (2 Corinthians 6:3-10)

Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep;

<sup>26</sup>In journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren;

<sup>27</sup>In weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in **fastings** often, in cold and nakedness. (Corinthians 11:25-27)