



A Four-Letter Word For Political Violence

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Welcome to Bible Study!

1 Peter 2:2 (NKJV) as newborn babes, **desire** the pure milk of **the word**, that you may **grow** thereby,

1 Peter 3:15

But **sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense** to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear;

Romans

10:17

So then **faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.**

Hebrews 5:14

But **solid food** belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of **use** have their senses **exercised** to **discern** both good and evil.




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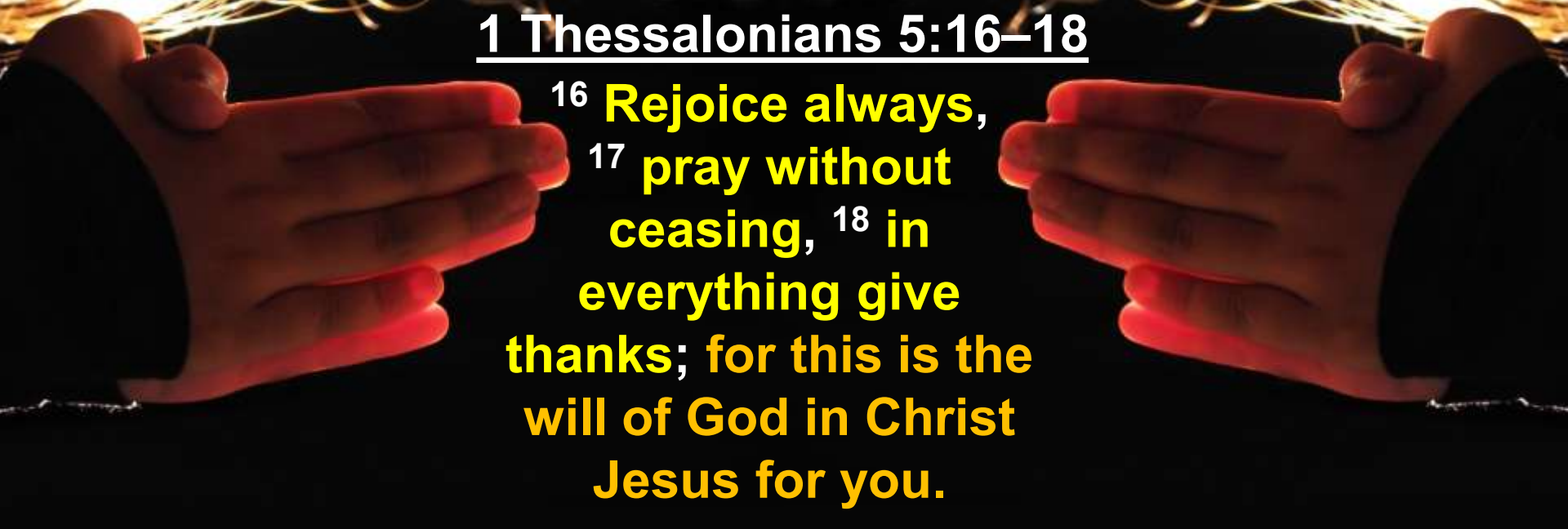


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1 Thessalonians 5:16–18



¹⁶ **Rejoice always,**
¹⁷ **pray without**
ceasing, ¹⁸ **in**
everything give
thanks; for this is the
will of God in Christ
Jesus for you.

Philippians 4:6–7

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

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Matthew 26:26-28 (NKJV) [26] And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." Luke 22:19 *"This is My body which is*



given for you; do this in remembrance of Me." [27]

Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you.

[28] "For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

1 Corinthians 11:25-26 ..*"This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."* [26] For

as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes.

Acts 2:42 .And **they continued steadfastly** in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in **the breaking of bread**, and in prayers.

Acts 20:7.. **on the first day of the week,** when the disciples came together to **break bread,..**



1 Corinthians 16:2

On the first day of every week each one of you is to put aside and save, as he may prosper, so that no collections be made when I come.



2 Corinthians 9:6-7

⁶ Now this *I say*, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷ Each one *must do* just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

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1 Corinthians 13:4–8 ⁴ Love suffers long and is kind;
love does not envy;
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⁵ does not behave rudely,
does not seek its own,
is not provoked,
thinks no evil;
⁶ **does not rejoice in iniquity**, but **rejoices in the truth**;
⁷ bears all things,
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⁸ Love never fails. ..



speaking the truth in love-What is truth? (NKJV)

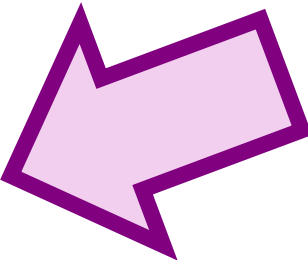
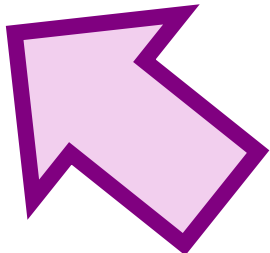
**John 18:38 Pilate said to Him,
“What is truth?”..**

John 17:17 Sanctify them by Your truth.

Your word is truth.

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Hebrews 10:23

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.

speaking the truth in love- without wavering (NKJV)

1 Corinthians 15:2 ..hold fast that word ..

1 Thessalonians 5:21 Test all things; hold fast what is good.

2 Thessalonians 2:15 ..stand fast and hold the traditions which you were taught, whether by word or our epistle.

2 Timothy 1:13 Hold fast the pattern of sound words..

Hebrews 3:6 ..hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm to the end.

Hebrews 4:14 ..let us hold fast our confession.

not hate or violence (NKJV)

Prayer with Illinois House of Representatives May 9, 2024

*“We pray that peace, honor, and love
will reign when there may be political
disagreements and not hate or
violence.”*

love your neighbor ~~and hate your enemy~~-love your enemies (NKJV)

Matthew 5:43–45 ⁴³ “You have heard that it was said,
‘You shall **love your neighbor and hate your enemy.**’

⁴⁴ But I say to you, **love your enemies,**

**bless those who curse you,
do good to those who hate you, and
pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute
you,**

⁴⁵ **that you may be sons of your Father in heaven;** for
He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and
sends rain on the just and on the unjust.

Luke 6:32 “But **if you love those who love you, what
credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who
love them.**

Given By Him, In His Image, Not Wanting Any Lost (NKJV)

Genesis 1:26 Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness;..

Ecclesiastes 12:7 Then the dust will return to the earth as it was, And the spirit will return to God who gave it.

2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

Let your light so shine- not wavering.. (NKJV)

Matthew 5:16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

1 Peter 2:12 having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation.

Let your light so shine- not wavering.. (NKJV)

It is not just free speech, anything goes, for the child of God, but speech befitting a child of God. Speech grounded in the word of truth, yet humble, honorable, and spoken with love.

In our country the child of God is blessed with the right to vote for elected officials. If we vote, let us use the word of truth as a template to carefully weigh our choices.

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1 Timothy 2:1-6 ¹ Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, ² for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. ³ For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴ who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

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1 John 3:12–13 ¹² not as **Cain** who was of the wicked one and **murdered his brother**. And **why** did he murder him? Because **his works were evil and his brother's righteous**. ¹³ **Do not marvel, my brethren, if the world hates you.**

1 John 5:3–4 ³ For **this is the love of God**, that we **keep His commandments**. And His commandments are not burdensome. ⁴ For **whatever is born of God overcomes the world**. And **this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith**.

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Mark 1:15, 16:16, Acts 8:37

Believe *with all our heart*

Mark 1:15, Acts 2:38

Repent

Matt 10:32, Rom 10:10, Acts 8:37

Confess *Jesus Christ*

Mark 16:16 Acts 2:38, 8:35-38, 22:16, Col 2:12, 1 Peter 3:21, Gal 3:26-28, etc.

Be Baptized, *Immersed*


**= Faith in the working of God, the
answer of a good conscience to God,
Forgiveness/ Salvation, becoming a
son of God**

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

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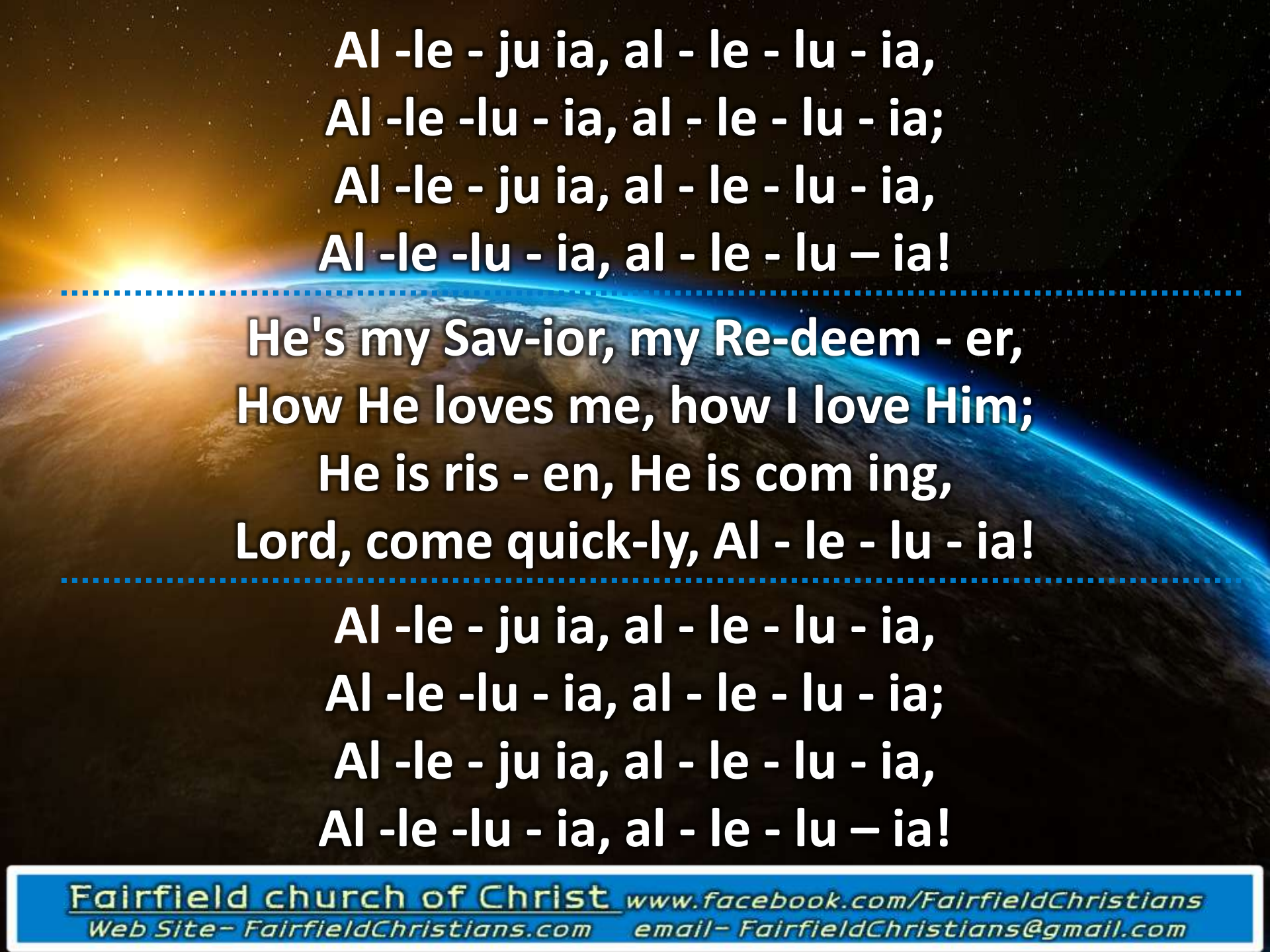
**Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God over all, and blest eternally.**

**Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee,
casting down their golden crowns-
around the crystal sea;
cherubim and seraphim, falling down before Thee,
Who wast, and art, and evermore shalt be.**



**All glory and praise
to the Lamb that was slain,
Who has borne all our sins,
And has cleansed every stain.**


**Hallelujah! Thine the glory,
Hallelujah! Amen!
Hallelujah! Thine the glory,
Revive us again.**



Al -le - ju ia, al - le - lu - ia,
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He's my Sav-ior, my Re-deem - er,
How He loves me, how I love Him;
He is ris - en, He is com ing,
Lord, come quick-ly, Al - le - lu - ia!

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All Thy works shall praise Thy name,-
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