



# Eating An Elephant

*Part 2- Wisdom*

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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,

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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.



**All glory and praise  
to the God of all grace,  
Who has bought us, and sought us,  
And guided our ways.**

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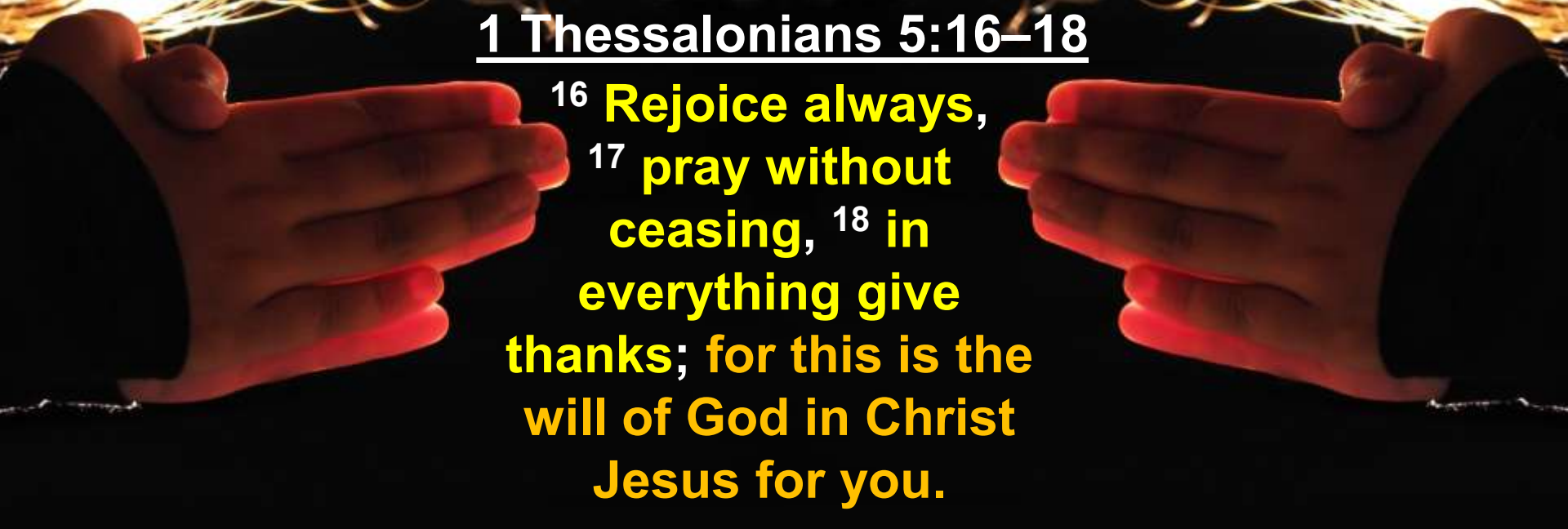
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## 1 Thessalonians 5:16–18



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

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## 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

<sup>6</sup> Now this *I say*, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. <sup>7</sup> 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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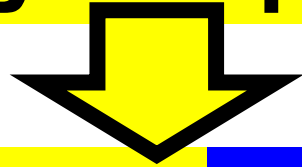
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**2 Timothy 3:15–17 <sup>15</sup> and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup> All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.**

**Eating An Elephant- wise for salvation** (NKJV)

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***What is this wisdom?***

## **Eating An Elephant- What is this wisdom?** (NKJV)

**Knowledge** *is the accumulation of information and facts learned.*

**Wisdom** *is the ability to apply that knowledge effectively and make sound (righteous) judgments.*

John 5:39–40 <sup>39</sup> **You search the Scriptures,**  
for in them you think you have eternal life;  
and **these are they which testify of Me.** <sup>40</sup>  
**But you are not willing to come to Me that  
you may have life.**

# **Eating An Elephant- What is this wisdom?** (NKJV)

**1 Corinthians 1:18–21, 25**

***18 For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but***

***to us who are being saved it is the power of God.***

***19 For it is written: “I will***

***destroy the wisdom of the wise, And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.”***

***20 Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?***

***25 Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.***

# **Eating An Elephant- What is this wisdom?** (NKJV)

## **James 3:13-17**

**<sup>13</sup> Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show by good conduct that his works are done in the meekness of wisdom.**

**<sup>14</sup> But if you have bitter envy and self-seeking in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth.**

**<sup>15</sup> This wisdom does not descend from above, but is earthly, sensual, demonic.**

**<sup>16</sup> For where envy and self-seeking exist, confusion and every evil thing are there.**

**<sup>17</sup> But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy.**

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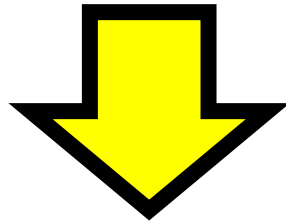
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Luke 8:15 But the ones that fell on the good ground are those who, having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep it and bear fruit with patience.



**the Holy Scriptures**



**wise**

*Regarding what?*

**for salvation**

*Salvation How?*

**through faith which is in Christ Jesus.**

**Eating An Elephant- wise for salvation** (NKJV)

**Believe** with all our heart

*Mark 16:16*

**Repent**

*Acts 2:38*

*Romans 10:10, Acts 8:37*

**Confess** Jesus Christ

**Be Baptized**, Immersed

**= Forgiveness of Sins/**

**Saved**

*Mark 16:16, Acts 2:38*

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# **Eating An Elephant- thoroughly equipped**

*(NKJV)*

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Doctrine/teaching- 1 Timothy 4:16 *Take heed to yourself and to the doctrine. Continue in them, for in doing this you will save both yourself and those who hear you.*

Reproof- to rebuke, usually gently or with kindly intent

Correction- the substitution of wrong with right

Instruction in righteousness- John 17:17.. *Your word is truth.*

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**Eating An Elephant- be diligent/rightly dividing (NKJV)**

**the Holy Scriptures**



**make you wise for salvation through faith  
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**Eating An Elephant- be diligent/rightly dividing (NKJV)**

**Be diligent** (*KJV study, ESV do your best*)

*regarding the word of truth*

**present yourself approved to God**

*How?*

**rightly dividing** (to cut straight) **the word of truth.**

*Matthew 26:28 ..**My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.***

*Deuteronomy 5:32 .. **you shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left.***

*Galatians 1:6–7<sup>6</sup> ..**a different gospel,**<sup>7</sup> **which is not another; ..pervert the gospel of Christ.***

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## Matthew 7:24–25

24 “Therefore whoever **hears** these sayings of Mine, and **does** them, I will liken him to a **wise** man who built his house on the rock:

25 and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was **founded on the rock.**

## James 1:5

**If any of you lacks wisdom,  
let him ask of God, who  
gives to all liberally and  
without reproach, and it will  
be given to him.**


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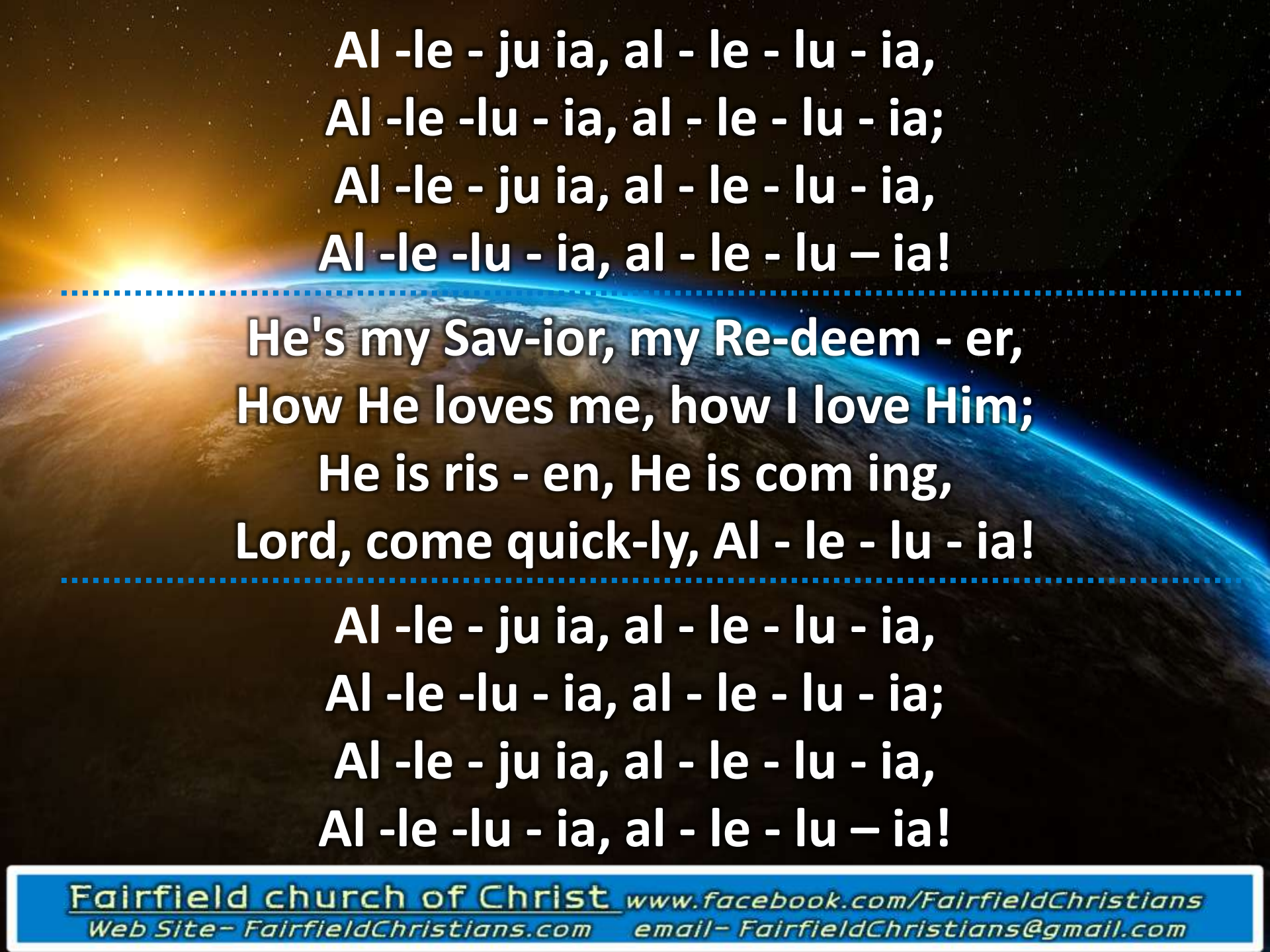
**Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee,  
casting down their golden crowns-  
around the crystal sea;  
cherubim and seraphim, falling down before Thee,  
Who wast, and art, and evermore shalt be.**



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

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Revive us again.**




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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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**We praise Thee, O God,  
For the Son of Thy love,  
For Jesus who died and  
Is now gone above.**

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