

First John

1 Jn. 2:24-29



Sonship



Fellowship



Fruitfulness

1 Jn. 2:24 Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father.

25 And this is the promise that he hath promised us, even eternal life.

26 These things have I written unto you concerning them that seduce you.

27 But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

28 And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.

29 If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him.



I. GOD'S LITTLE CHILDREN – LIVING AT HOME IN THE SPHERE WHERE THE FATHER IS LOVED, 1:1-3:24

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Jn. 15:4 **Abide in me**, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, **except it abide** in the vine; no more can ye, **except ye abide in me**.

5 I am the vine, ye *are* the branches: He that **abideth in me**, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

6 **If a man abide not in me**, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast *them* into the fire, and they are burned.

7 If ye **abide in me**, and **my words abide in you**, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

If we want the blessings of life, having close fellowship with Christ is an imperative!

6. The Blessings of that Life, 2:24-29

a. Living in Him, 2:24-25



(1) The principle involved, 2:24

(a) He abides in us, 2:24a

1 Jn. 2:24 Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father.

Original Word: μένω

Part of Speech: Imperative Verb

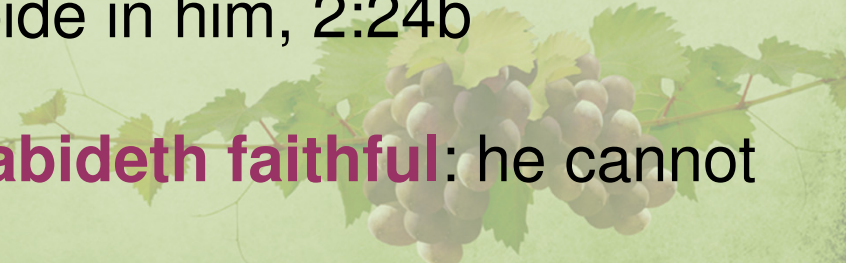
Transliteration: menó

Definition: I remain, abide, stay, wait; with acc: I wait for, await.

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(b) We abide in him, 2:24b

2 Tim. 2:13 If we believe not, yet **he abideth faithful**: he cannot deny himself.



Jn. 15:5 I am the vine, ye *are* the branches: He that **abideth in me**, and **I in him**, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for **without me ye can do nothing**.

(2) The promise involved, 2:25

1 Jn. 2:25 And this is the promise that he hath promised us, even eternal life.

Original Word: ἐπαγγελία

Transliteration: epaggelia

Definition: a promise.

epaggelía (a feminine noun comprised of *epí*, "appropriately *on*" and *aggellō*, "announce") – a *promise* which literally "announces what is fitting" (apt, appropriate).

epaggelia ("an appropriate *promise*") is nearly always used of *God's promises* in the NT – and hence *guaranteed by His own eternal Law (Being)*.

[In the NT (and throughout antiquity), (*epaggelía*) is a *legal term* that refers to an *officially sanctioned* promise. "Almost every NT use of the word *promise*

(*epaggelia*) points back to the OT" (Walter C. Kaiser, Jr., *Back Toward the Future*, Hints for Interpreting Bible Prophecy,

Gal. 3:22 But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that **the promise** by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.


Jn. 3:36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

Jn. 6:47 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life.

b. Learning of Him, 2:26-27

(1) The unveiling of the seducer, 2:26

1 Jn. 2:26 These things have I written unto you concerning them that seduce you.



Original Word: πλανάω

Transliteration: planaó

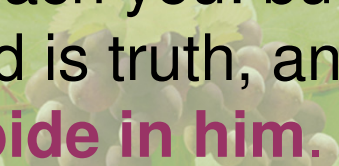
Definition: I lead astray, seduce, deceive, cause to wander.

planáō – properly, go astray, get off-course; to *deviate* from the correct path (circuit, course), *roaming* into error, *wandering*; (passive) be misled.

[(*planáō*) is the root of the English term, *planet* ("wandering body"). This term nearly always conveys the *sin* of roaming (for an exception – see Heb 11:38).] <http://biblehub.com/greek/4105.htm>

(2) The unction of the Spirit, 2:27

1 Jn. 2:27 But the anointing which ye have received of him **abideth in you**, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall **abide in him**.



Jn. 14:26 But the Comforter, *which is* the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, **he shall teach you all things**, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

Jn. 16:13 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.

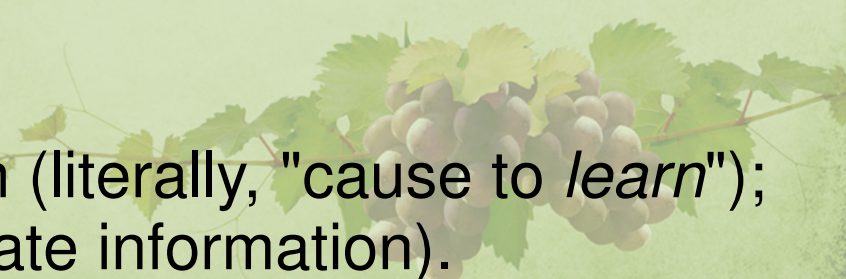
1 Jn. 2:20 But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things.

Original Word: διδάσκω

Transliteration: didaskó

Definition: I teach, direct, admonish.

didáskō (from *daō*, "learn") – to teach (literally, "cause to *learn*"); instruct, impart knowledge (disseminate information).



Summary

John began this section of his epistle (2:12-27) by affirming their healthful spiritual condition (2:12-14). He then warned them of three things:

- Of their spiritual adversaries (2:15-27);
- The allurements of the world (2:15-17);
- The enticements of false teachers (2:18-27).

Lev. 11:44 For I *am* the LORD your God: ye shall therefore **sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy**; for I *am* holy: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

45 For I *am* the LORD that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: **ye shall therefore be holy, for I *am* holy.**



Lev. 19:2 Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, **Ye shall be holy: for I the LORD your God am holy.**

Lev. 20:7 Sanctify yourselves therefore, and **be ye holy: for I am the LORD your God.**

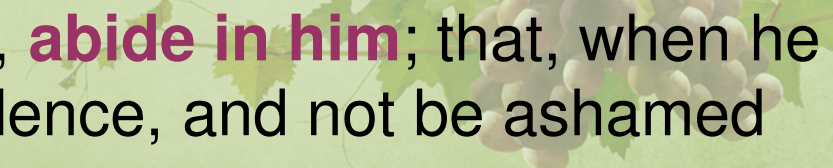
1 Pet. 1:15 But as he which hath called you is holy, **so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;**

16 Because it is written, **Be ye holy; for I am holy.**

c. Looking for Him, 2:28-29

(1) As to the prospect – a truth to be apprehended, 2:28

1 Jn. 2:28 And now, little children, **abide in him**; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.



Original Word: παρρησία

Transliteration: parrésia

Definition: freedom, openness, especially in speech; boldness, confidence.

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Original Word: αἰσχύνομαι

Transliteration: aischunó

Definition: I am ashamed, am put to shame.

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(2) As to the present – a test to be applied, 2:29

1 Jn. 2:29 If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him.



Original Word: οἶδα

Transliteration: eidó

Definition: I know, remember, appreciate.

eídō (oída) – properly, to *see* with *physical* eyes (cf. Ro 1:11), as it naturally bridges to the *metaphorical* sense: *perceiving* ("mentally seeing"). This is akin to the expressions: "*I see what you mean*"; "*I see what you are saying.*"

eídō ("*seeing* that becomes *knowing*") then is a *gateway* to grasp spiritual truth (reality) from a physical plane. (*eídō*) then is physical seeing (sight) which should be the constant bridge to mental and spiritual seeing (*comprehension*).
<http://biblehub.com/greek/1492.htm>

Original Word: γινώσκω


Transliteration: ginóskó

Phonetic Spelling: (ghin-occe'-ko)

Definition: I am taking in knowledge, come to know, learn; aor: I ascertained, realized.

ginóskō – properly, to *know*, especially through *personal experience* (*first-hand acquaintance*).

<http://biblehub.com/greek/1097.htm>





Conclusion

Heb. 12:10 For they verily for a few days chastened *us* after their own pleasure; but he for *our* profit, that *we* might be partakers of his holiness.

11 Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward **it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness** unto them which are exercised thereby.

12 Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees;

13 And **make straight paths for your feet**, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed.

14 Follow peace with all *men*, and **holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:**