

SOME IMPORTANT THINGS

NEW CREATION

EVERY

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- ✓ *We have been blessed with four new babes in Christ within the last two weeks –*
- ✓ *There are some things they need to know! - & - There are some things we need to know so we can help them grow to maturity in Christ.*

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SAVED *They obeyed the gospel - added to the saved by the Lord - 2:38,41,47*



CONTINUED STEADFASTLY



in the apostles teaching - 2:42; cf. Col 1:23; 2 Tim 3:14



in fellowship with one another, i.e., partaking of the Lord's supper & praying together - 2:42; 1 Cor 10:16,17; 11:20-26; Acts 4:31; Col 4:2

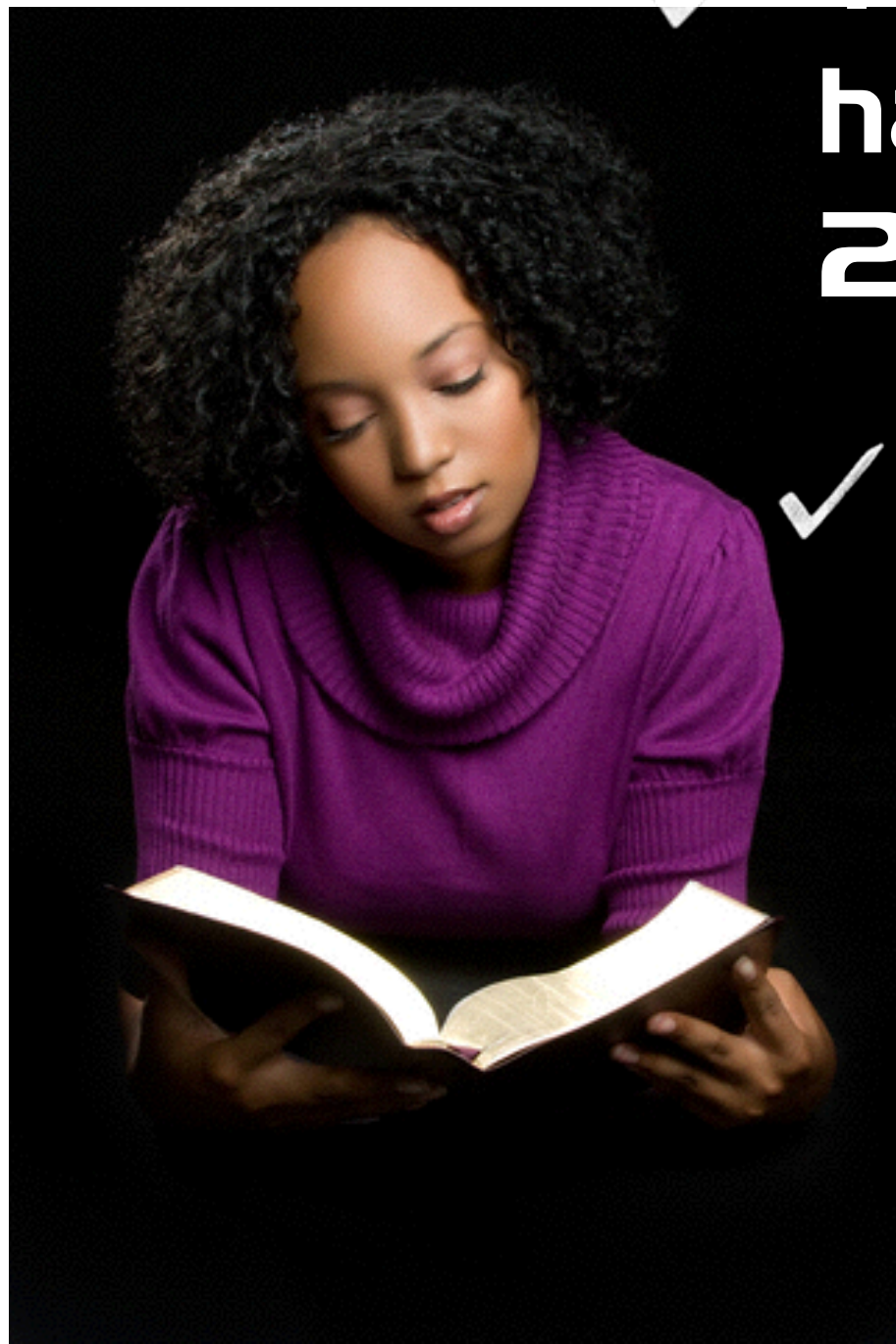


TOGETHER *sharing possessions & meals / one accord praising God - 2:43-47*



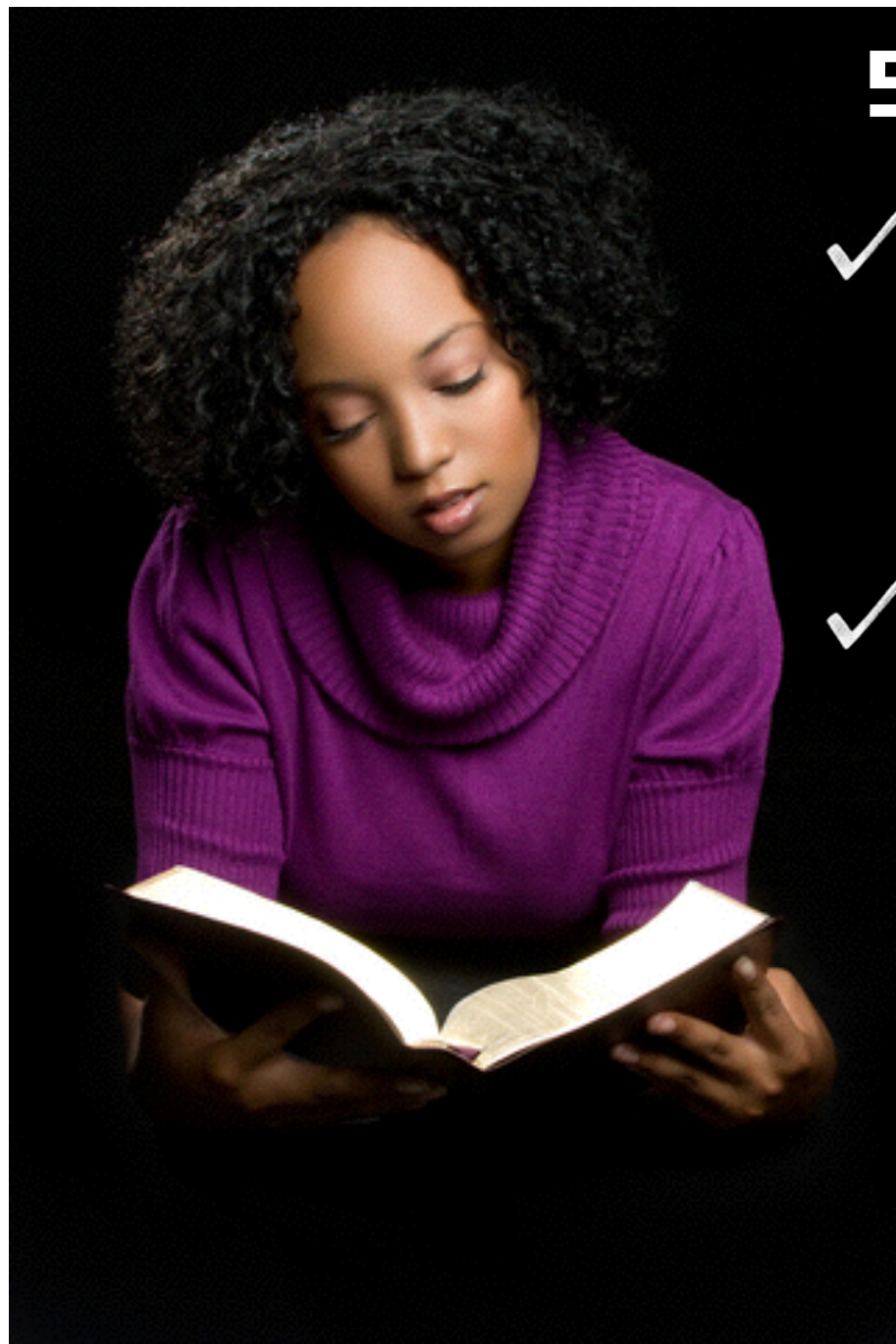
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*Not a feeling, Not an
unexplainable emotion, but
knowing you have done what
Jesus said to do – (Rom 6:3-17;
8:12-17; Gal 3:26,27)*

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Each one bears the responsibility for his own growth – Mat 16:27; Gal 6:4,5; Rom 2:6-9

Growth Is A Process – There Are No Shortcuts, Quick Fixes, One Step Solutions – Heb 4:12-14; 2 Pet 1:5-10; Gal. 5:22,23 - (To grow in faith, hope, & love REQUIRES time, effort, commitment, dedication, persistence, help

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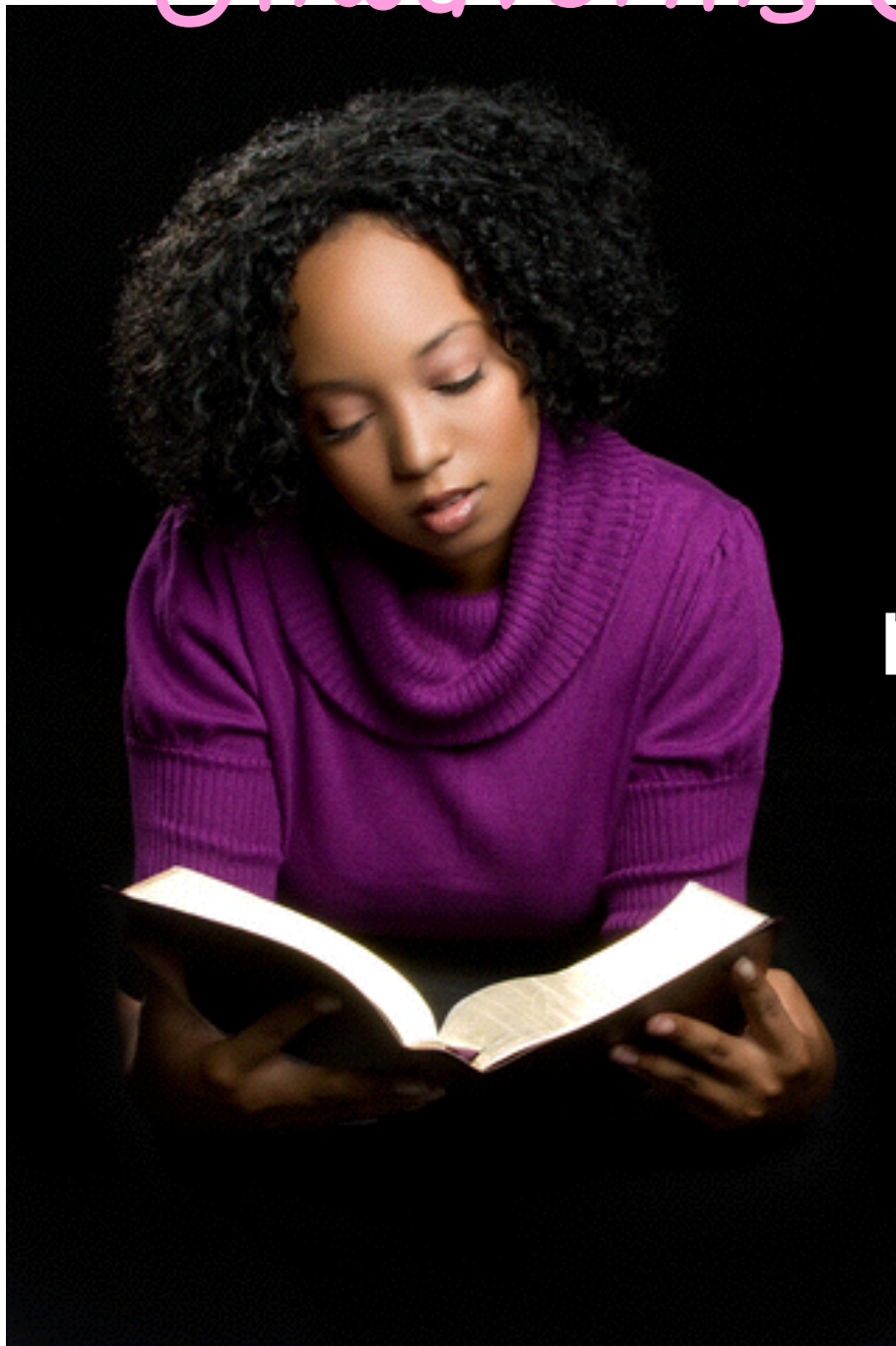
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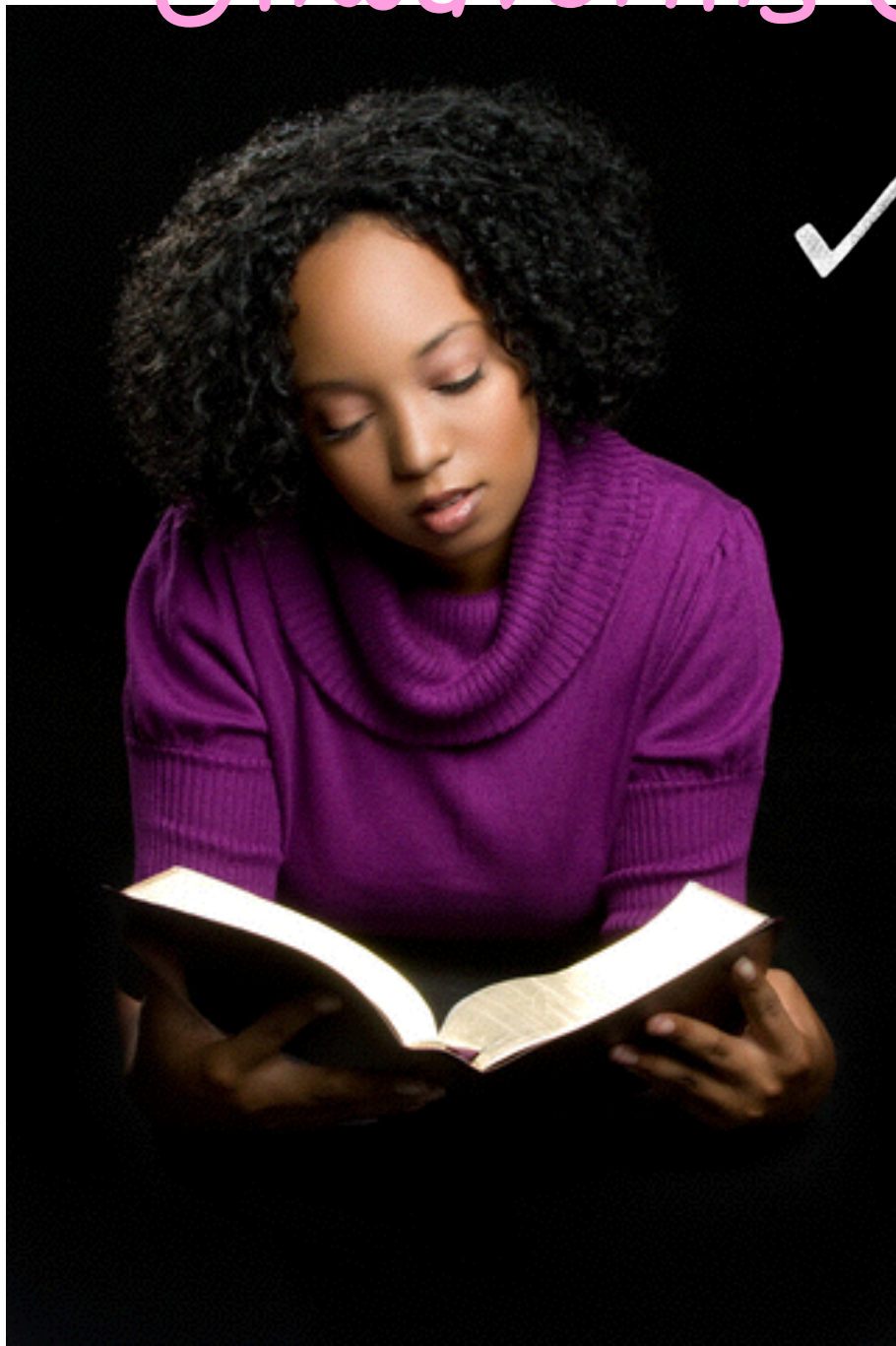
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*Mat 7:13,14; John
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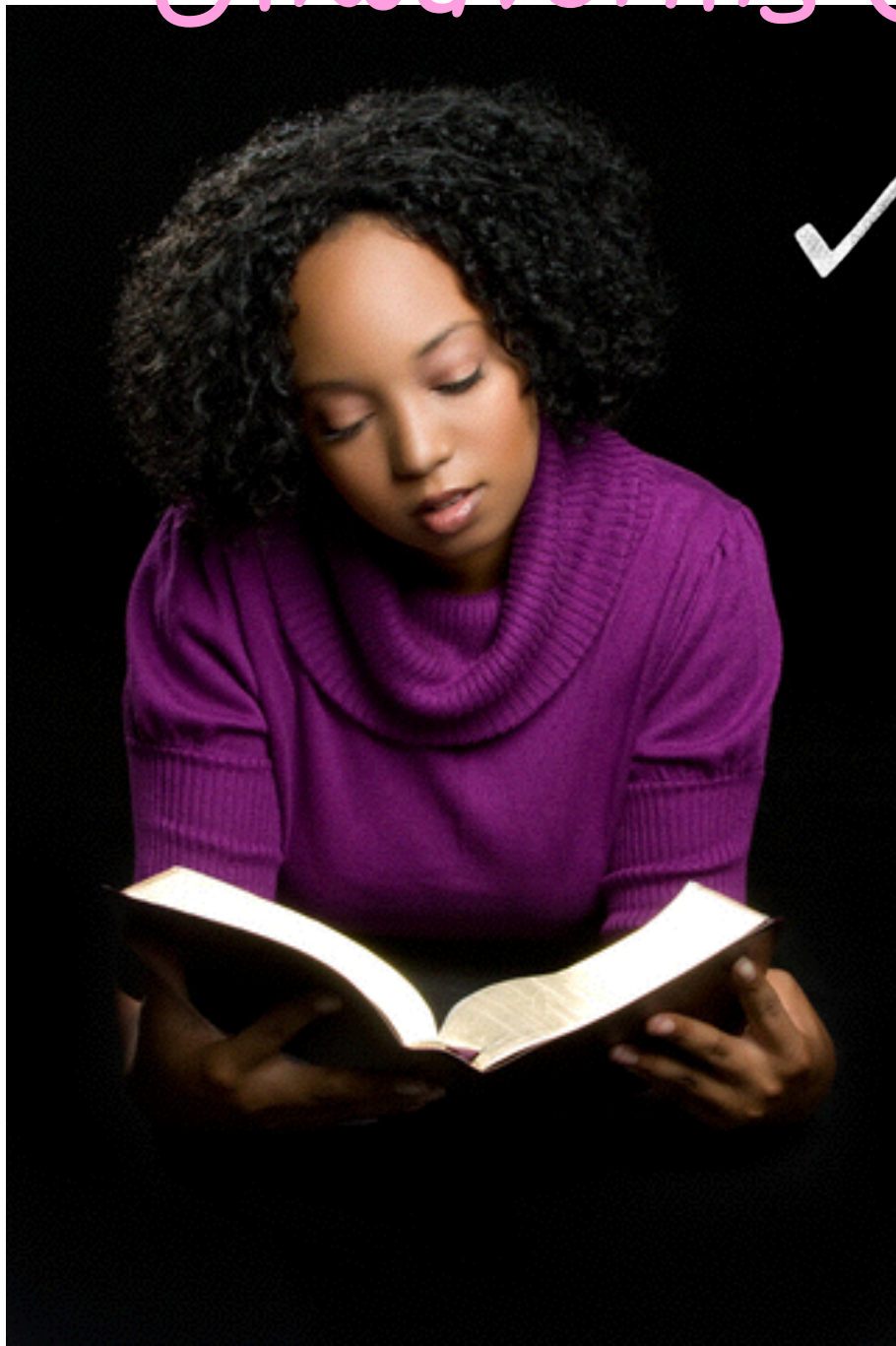
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✓ *Temptations do not go away – SAME
WEAKNESSES AS BEFORE
(Disappointed with themselves)
James 1:2,13; 1 Cor 10:13; (pattern
of self-denial must continue – Luke
9:23-25; Col 3:1-17)*

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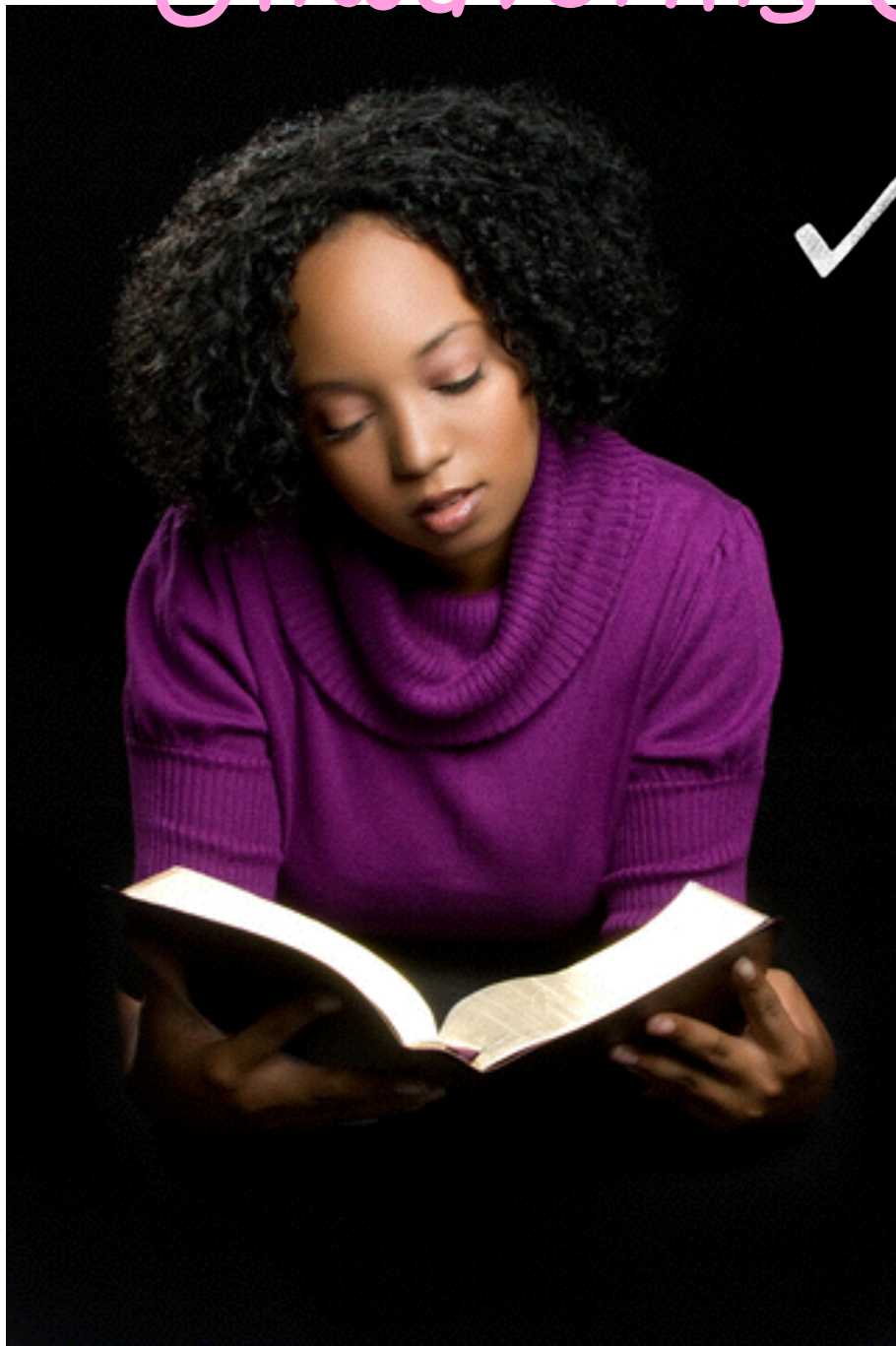
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✓ *IMPERFECT CHRISTIANS*
(Disappointed by brethren) –
Gal 2:11-13; James 3:2-13;
Mat 18:6; Rom 14:8-13, 19-21

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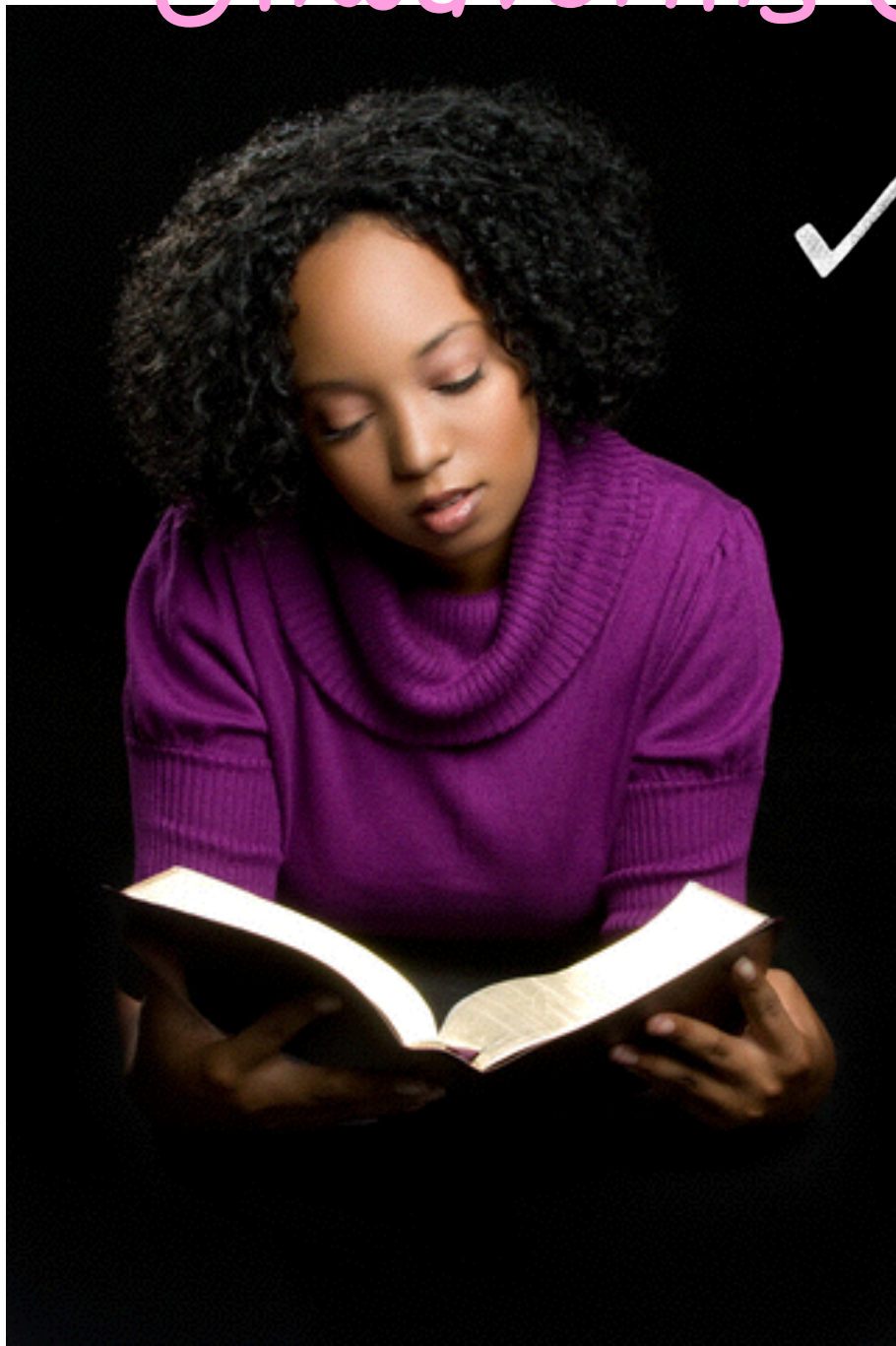
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✓ *The pull of the world –
John 15:18,19; 1 John
2:15-17; 3:13; James 4:4;
1 Cor 15:33; 1 Pet 5:8.9*

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✓ *The challenge of keeping our singular focus on pleasing God & spiritual things – Mat 6:19-24; 1 Pet 14:27-32; Col. 3:1,2; Rom 12:1,2; Phili 4:8,9*

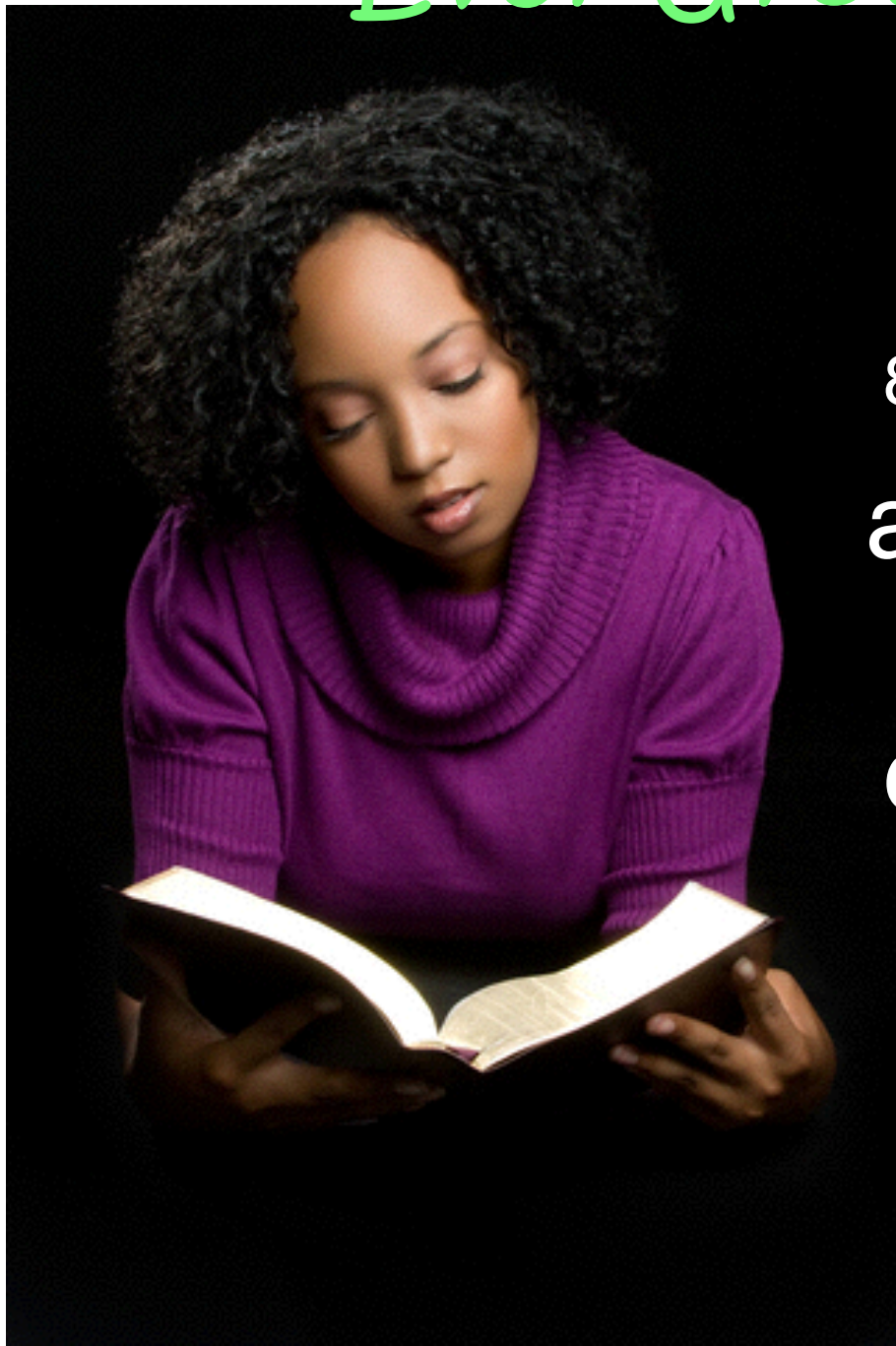
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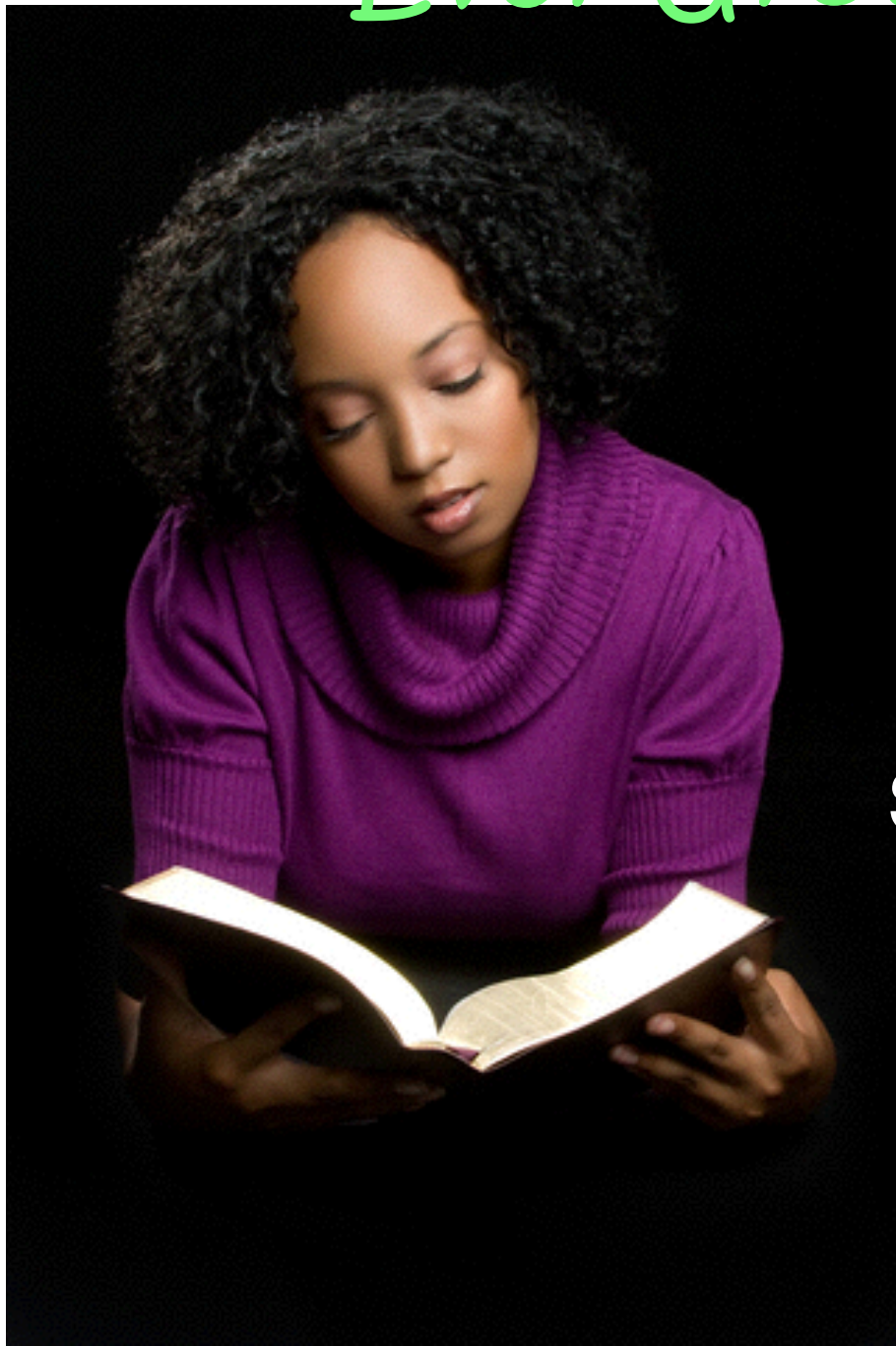
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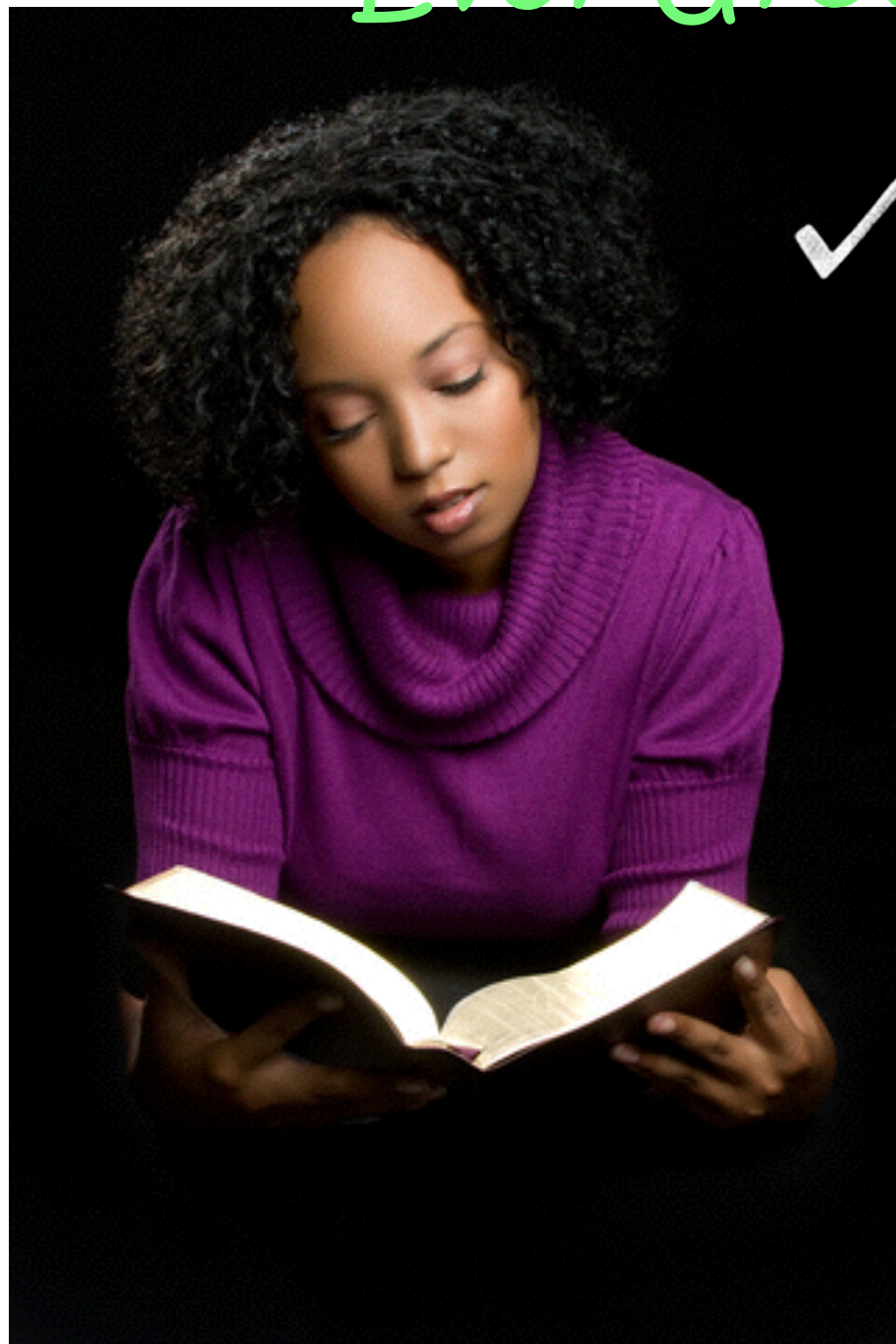
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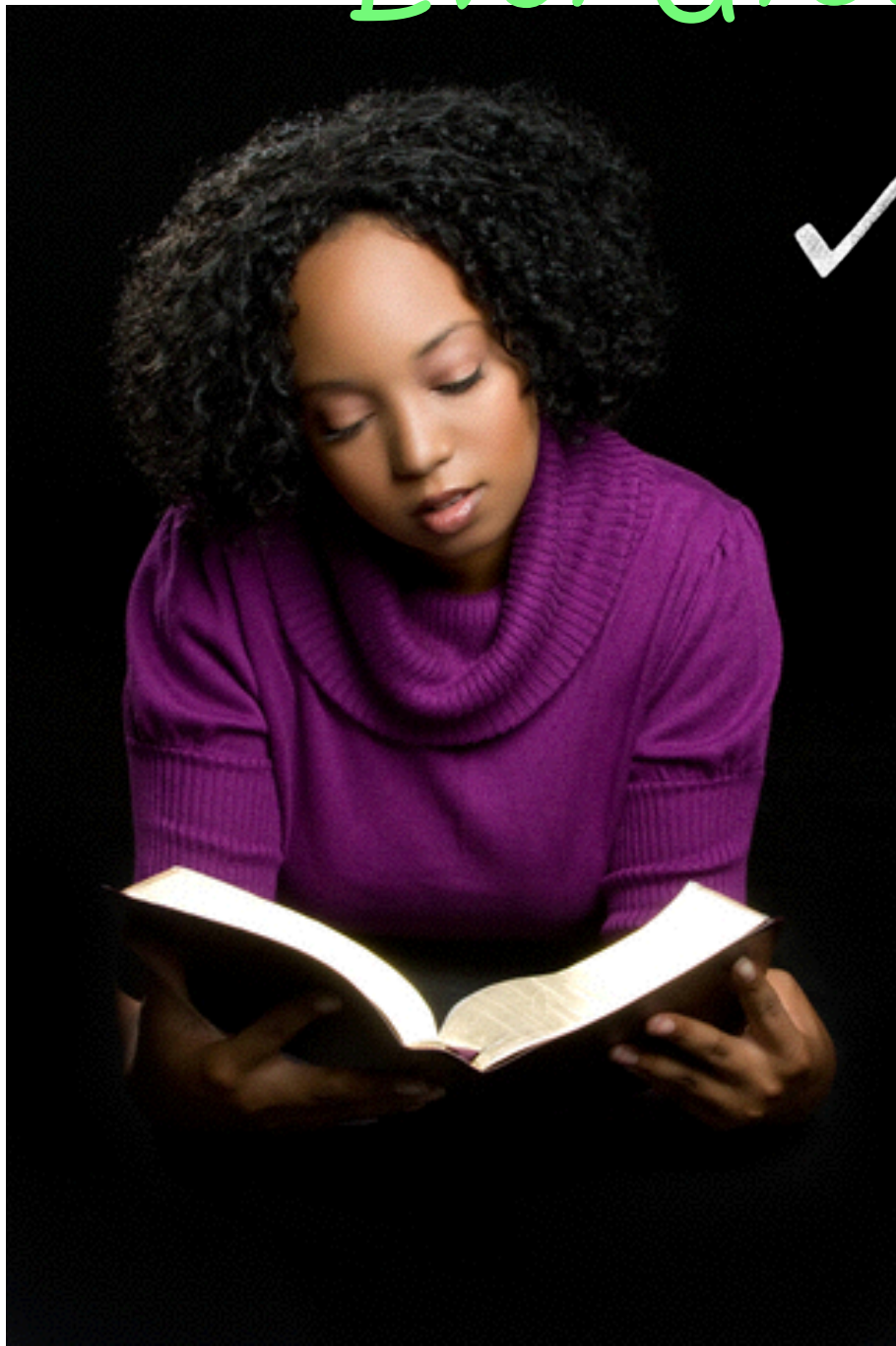
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✓ *We MUST constantly feed on the word or we will starve – (daily Bible reading, attend Bible classes, worship, read sound Biblical literature, etc.), Ps 1:1-3; 1 Pet 2:2; Heb 5:11,12;10:24,25; 2 Tim 2:15*

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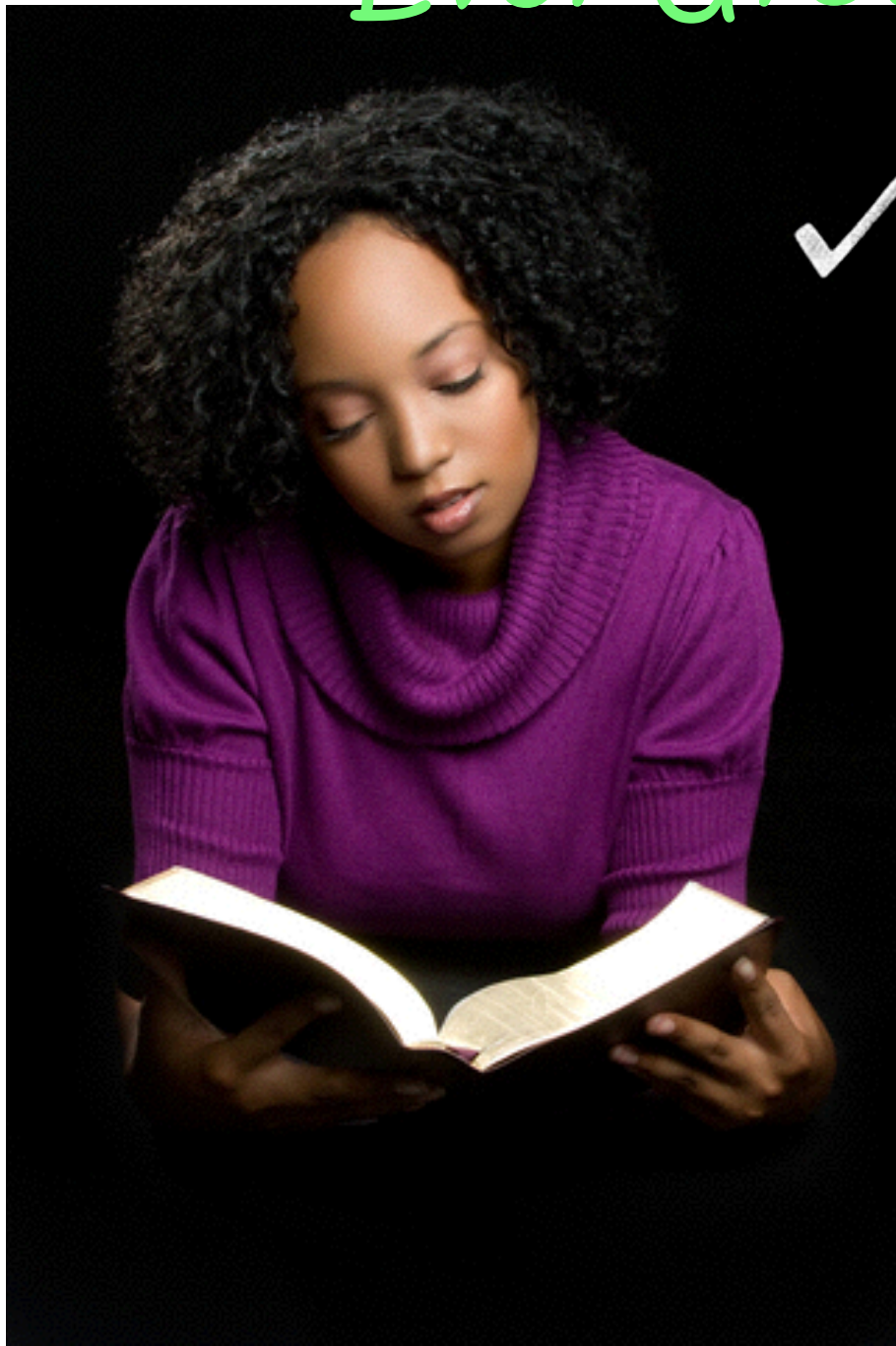
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✓ *A humble, trusting, strong faith helps us resist the devil & draw closer to God – James 4:6-10; 1 Pet 5:5-10; Eph 6:10-18*

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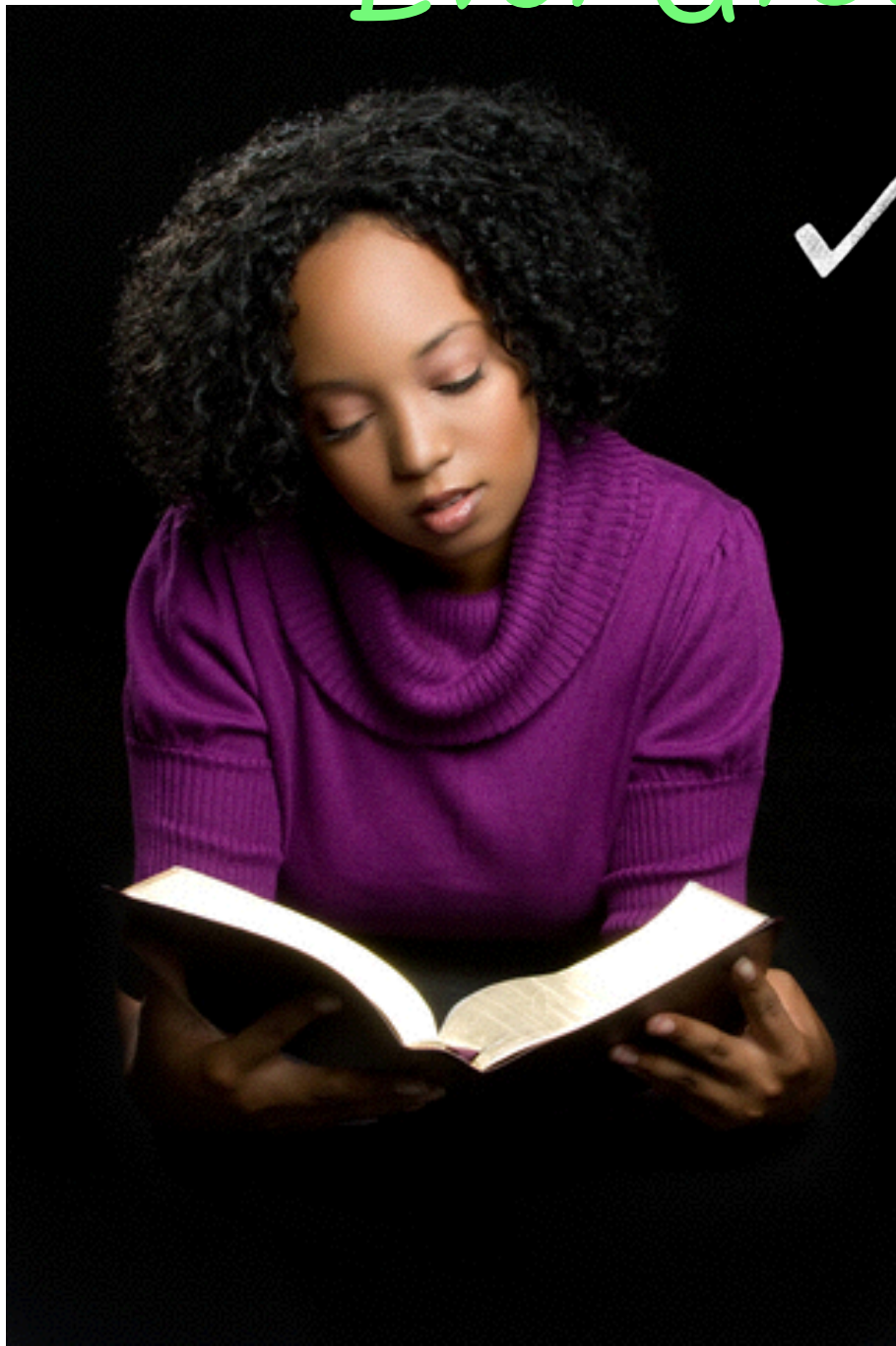
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✓ *The increase of knowledge & spiritual understanding, equips us with the strength & knowledge to recognize & resist sin & false doctrine – Heb 5:12-14; 2 Pet 3:16-18; Eph 4:13-15*

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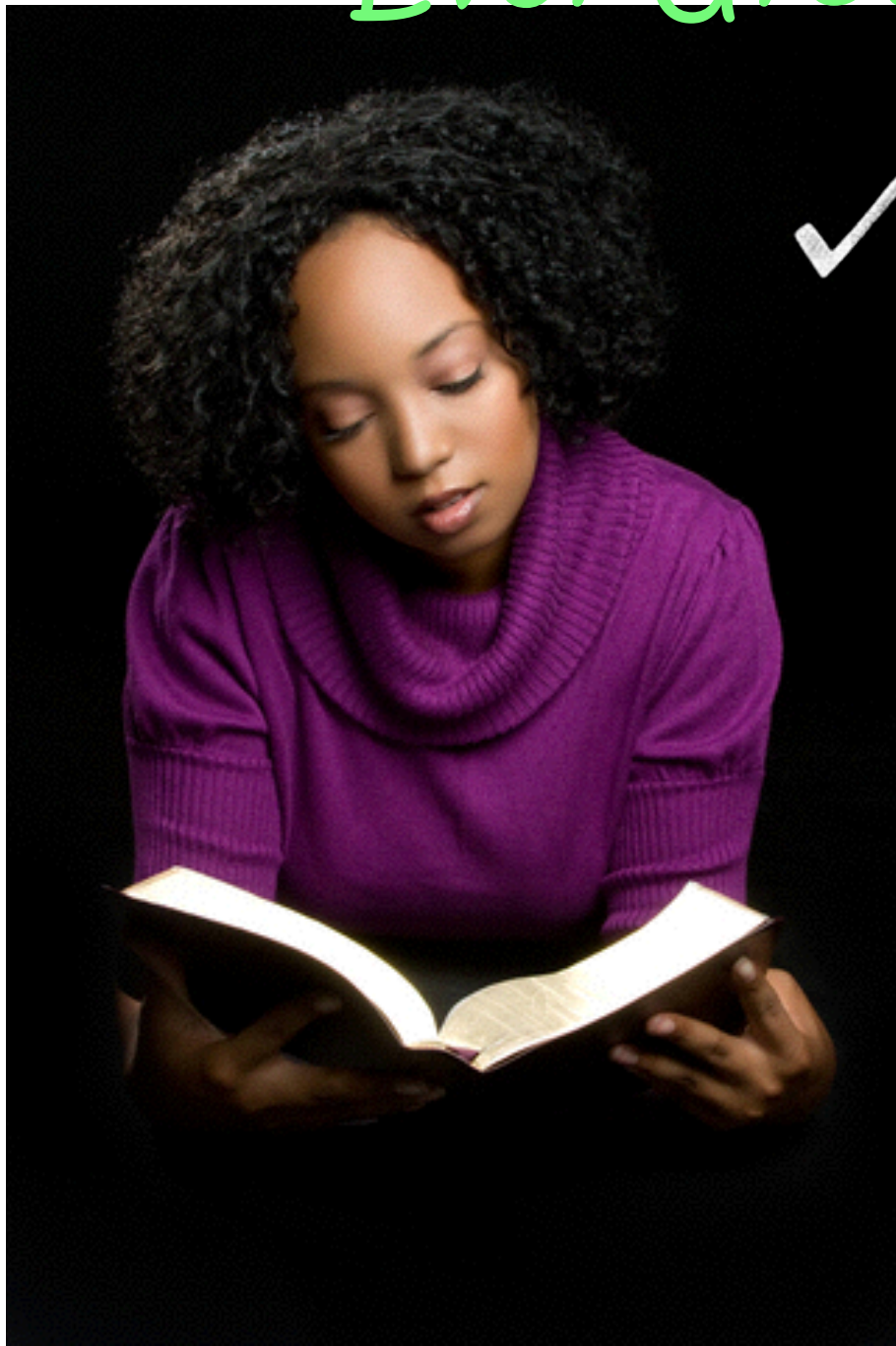
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✓ *Our initial faith **MUST** be
built upon with **DILIGENCE**
- 2 Pet 1:5-12; Heb 6:11;
11:6;*

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✓ *The increase of knowledge & spiritual understanding strengthens faith, producing the service & fruit God accepts – Col. 1:9,10; Eph 4:11-13, 15,16*

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Endurance Requires A Trusting Focus Upon
God's Promises – Rom 5:1-5; James 1:2-13;



✓ *Physical hardships / temporal struggles cannot compare with the eternal bliss, joy & state awaiting the faithful – 2 Cor 4:16-18; Rom 8:18-39; 1 Pet 1:3-9; Rev 2:10*

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How do we get
from where we are
to heaven? –

Keep Following Jesus (trust
Him, serve Him, obey Him) -
Heb 12:1,2; John 14:6; Luke
9:23-25; 1 Jn 1:5-2:6; 2 John 1:9



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Heaven Will
SURELY Be
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Acts 14:21-28 (NKJV)

²¹ And when they had preached the gospel to that city and made many disciples, they returned to Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch, ²² strengthening the souls of the disciples,

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exhorting *them* to continue in the faith, and *saying*, “We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God.”



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²³ So when they had appointed elders in every church, and prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed.

²⁴ And after they had passed through Pisidia, they came to Pamphylia.

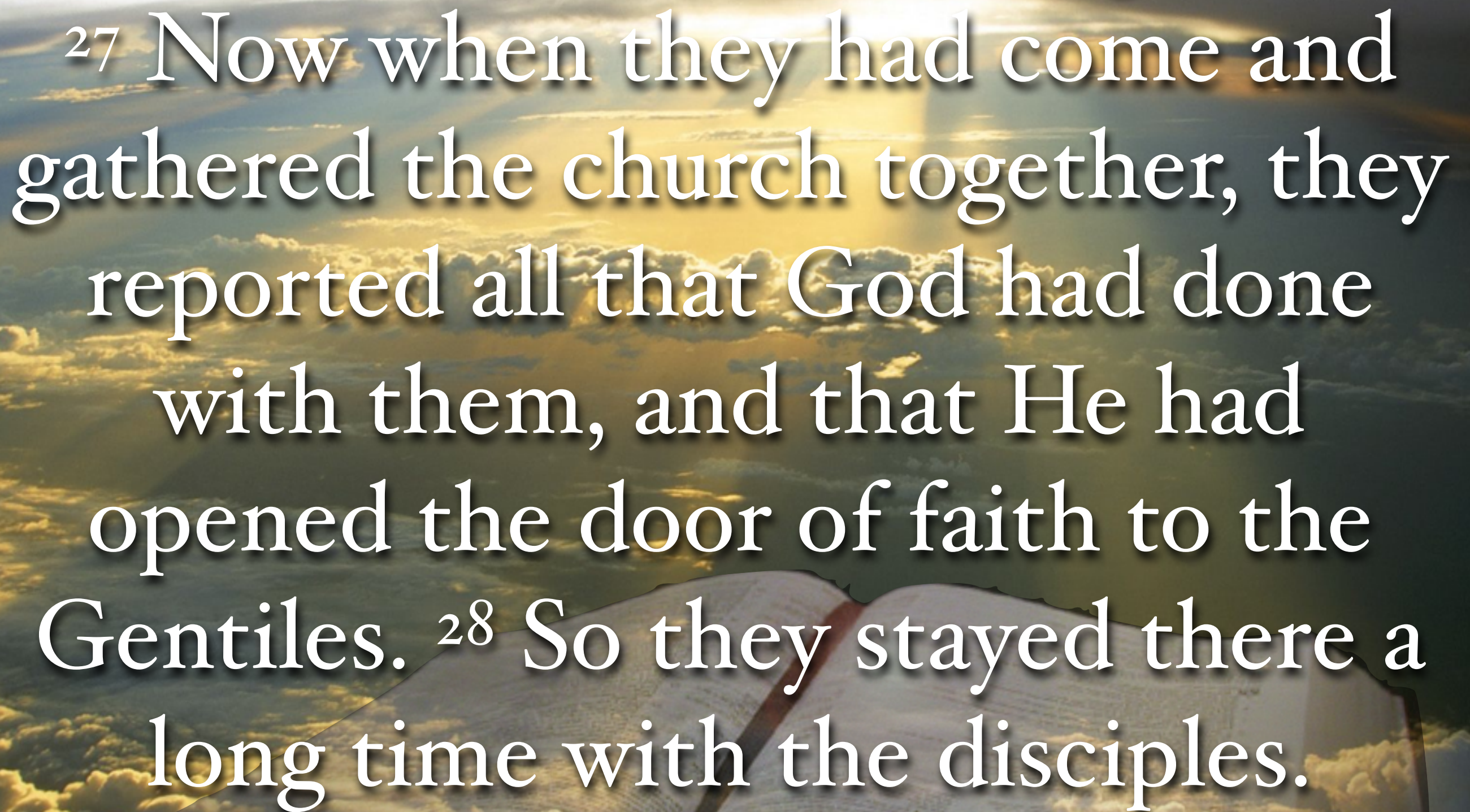


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²⁵ Now when they had preached the word in Perga, they went down to Attalia. ²⁶ From there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work which they had completed.

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²⁷ Now when they had come and gathered the church together, they reported all that God had done with them, and that He had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles. ²⁸ So they stayed there a long time with the disciples.

An open Bible is positioned at the bottom of the frame, its pages slightly aged and showing some text. It lies on a thick layer of soft, golden, glowing clouds that fill the lower half of the image. The background is a vast sky with more clouds, illuminated by a bright, low sun that creates a strong lens flare and a warm, golden light across the entire scene. The overall mood is peaceful and divine.