



## Ministry of Reconciliation (MOR) Bible Teachings

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MOR-Bible, which is by God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, may God's grace, unmerited divine favor, be to you and peace, an absolute end of all strife and trouble, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ to the faithful in Christ Jesus.

Father, we are grateful and thankful for your Word which is pure, perfect, and magnified by you. You cannot lie and your Word cannot be broken. We pray that you grant unto your children more boldness to speak your Word and to walk as children of the light. May we confess your Word and perform signs, miracles, and wonders in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

This month's teaching is on *Living and Confessing God's Word*. We will:

- Search, trace and track in God's Word the Greek word *homologia* used for our English words "profession" and "confession."
- Define the number six's (6) meaning in God's Word.
- Read an example of Jesus confessing God's Word.

The only way we can know God's Word and Will is from the Bible. The Bible does not include the Word of God, it is the Word of God! We must study the scriptures to show ourselves approved unto God, a workman that needed not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth (see 2 Timothy 2:15). Our passion and desire is to know God, our Father's, Word and Will. As born-again believers, we want to confess and manifest His Word with power in our daily walk. When people see us, they should see a child of God living and confessing His Word in all our actions and speech!

Note: The sources for all Greek English Words are [Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible](#), [The Critical Lexicon and Concordance to the English and Greek New Testament](#) (Bullinger), [Young's Analytical Concordance to the Bible](#), [The Word Study Concordance](#) by George V. Wigram and Ralph D. Winter, [The Bible Hub](#), and [Webster's Desk Dictionary of the English Language](#).

It is written in 1 John 3:2:

*Beloved now are we the sons of God.*

If you confess you are a son or daughter of God, then you are a son or daughter of God. We as children of God must confess our Father's Word! It is written in Romans 8:17:

*And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ.*

God's Word is our strength, refuge, and power! We all live by words, but do we live by God's Word? We are what we are because of the words we believe and make our own. Why not renew our minds (see Romans 12:2) to live by God's Word which is pure (see Psalm 12:6), perfect (see Psalm 19:7), cannot be broken (see John 10:35), and cannot lie (see Titus 1:2)? We should confess Romans 8:17 which says we are an heir of God and a joint-heir with Christ. We should not confess what we think we are nor should be confess what anyone else thinks we are. What you confess is what you become. Keep confessing God our Father's Word and it will become a reality in your life!

Let us search, trace, and track in God's Word the Greek word *homologia* used for our English word profession and confession. There are only six (6) usages of this Greek word in the New Testament. The number six (6) in God's Word is the number for human imperfections. It is the number of man without God and without Christ. The number six (6) also denotes man's labor apart from God's rest.

In the New Testament, the word "profession" is the Greek Word *homologia* which means confession, acknowledgment or saying the same thing or an agreement. The context of the first usage of *homologia* is about blessing, praise, and the benefits of sharing of one's abundance for the ministering of the saints, the born-again believers, the sanctified ones, the holy ones, or the purified ones in the church of the body. We will bold the word for *homologia* in the six (6) usages for emphasis.

First usage is documented in 2 Corinthians 9:13:

*Whiles by the experiment of this ministration they glorify God for your **professed** [homologia or confession] subjection unto the gospel of Christ, and for your liberal distribution unto them, and unto all men.*

To open our understanding of this verse, let us thoroughly explain some of the Greek words used for our English words. The word "glorify" is the Greek word *doxazó* which means to glorify, to honor, to praise. In the Word of God, *doxazó* is used to describe the act of giving honor and praise to God, acknowledging His majesty, power, and divine nature. It also refers to the glorification of Jesus Christ, particularly in the context of his resurrection and ascension. The word "God" in this verse is the Greek word *Theos* which primarily refers to the one true God, whom is the fountain of life and light. See [May 2021 teaching](#). The word "profession" is the Greek word *homologia* meaning confession or acknowledgment. The root word derives from the Greek verb *homologeō* meaning "to confess" or "to agree."

When we put these Greek definitions together in this verse, we get a clearer understanding. Let's re-read the verse:

Whiles by proven character of the work of serving others they who share of their abundance, give honor and praise to God, the one supreme whom is the fountain of life and light for your confession and submission unto the good news of Christ, the Anointed One, Messiah. For your sincerity, and purity of intention, and intimate fellowship and mutual participation in sharing of your abundance for the ministering of the saints, the born-again believers, the sanctified ones, the holy ones, the purified ones and unto all men. Bless the Lord oh my soul!

We donate our abundance for the ministering of the saints, the born-again believers, the sanctified ones, the holy ones, the purified ones and unto all people. If we love God we give of our abundance for the ministering of the saints.

The second usage of *homologia* is documented in 1 Timothy 6:12:

*Fight the good fight of faith [believing], lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast **professed** a good **profession** [homologia] before many witnesses.*

The word "fight" is the Greek word *agónizomai* which means to strive, to struggle, to fight, to labor fervently. The word "good" is the Greek word *kalos* which means good, beautiful, noble, excellent, or honorable. And the word "faith" is *pistis* or believing. See [January 2021](#) and [February 2021](#) teachings on *pistis*. The entire phrase *hast professed a good profession* is the Greek word *homologeó* which is from the root Greek words *homos* meaning the same and *legō* meaning to say or speak.

Now, let's re-read this verse:

Labor fervently, run a good race of believing, take hold upon, receive into manifestation eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and confessed an excellent and honorable profession or acknowledgment before many witnesses.

The third usage of *homologia* is documented in 1 Timothy 6:13:

*I give thee charge in the sight of God, who quickeneth all things, and before Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good **confession** [homologia].*

Here, Paul gives the command *in the sight of God*, the one supreme whom is the fountain of life and light who makes alive all things, *and before Christ*, the anointed one and Messiah, *Jesus*, the humble one *who before Pontius Pilate* (see Matthew 27:11-14)

testified *a good confession*. The verse becomes so much richer when our understanding is enhanced by the literal Greek meaning behind the words.

In the next usage of *homologia* in Hebrews 3:1, the verse begins with the word "wherefore." In order to understand the meaning, the previous verse must be read for the context. So, we turn first to Hebrews 2:18 to understand what the "wherefore" is referencing:

*For in that he [Jesus] himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour [to help, to come to the aid of, to assist] them that are tempted.*

Now, we read Hebrews 3:1:

*Wherefore [see Hebrews 2:18], holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our **profession** [*homologia*], Christ Jesus.*

When we read this verse, we notice the phrase *the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus*. Hebrews is addressed to Israel; as born-again believers, we are not Israel, but rather, we are in the body of Christ! We do not require an *High Priest*. Hebrews 1:1 clarifies this:

*God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets.*

Hebrews 1:1 states *unto the fathers*, meaning Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, *by the prophets* which indicates the Old Testament prophets of Israel. Going back to Hebrews 3:1 with the usage of *homologia*, we can now understand that the Apostle and High Priest of Israel profession was Christ Jesus.

The fifth usage of *homologia* is documented in Hebrews 4:14:

*Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our **profession** [*homologia*].*

Understanding that Hebrews was written to Israel, and we are in the body of Christ, this verse clarifies that Israel's *great high priest* is Jesus the son of God *who passed into the heavens*. This knowledge allows us to hold fast to our confession of Jesus the Son of God.

The final or sixth usage of *homologia* is documented in Hebrews 10:23:

*Let us hold fast the **profession** [*homologia*] of our faith without wavering (for he is faithful that promised).*

In this verse, the word “faith” is the Greek word *elpis* which means expectation or hope. The word “wavering” is the Greek word *aklinés* or unbending. And the word “faithful” is the Greek word *pistos* or faithful, reliable. Let’s put this all together for a deeper understanding:

We hold fast to our confession or agreement of hope without wavering or unbending because our Father is faithful and reliable!

We confess the Word of God rightly divided through this enriched understanding.

Let us read one of the many examples documented in the Bible of Jesus Christ confessing God’s Word! In this way, we can increase our walk and talk to align with God’s Word. We can live God’s Word through our actions and speech.

When Jesus was tempted, what did he do? He said, “it is written” and then quoted God’s Word. He confessed God’s Word rightly divided! Turn to Matthew 4:3-10. We will start with verse 3:

*And when the tempter [devil] came to him [Jesus], he [the tempter or devil] said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread.*

In this verse, the first thing the devil said to Jesus was *If thou be the Son of God*. The devil knew who Jesus was. But by saying that phrase, the devil was trying to get Jesus to doubt that he was the son of God. The devil uses the same tactics with us. When that voice in our head (or other people) says “You really don’t believe this,” or “A true son or daughter of God won’t want that” it is the devil tempting us to not align with God’s Word.

It is written in 1 John 3:2:

*Beloved, now are we the sons of God.*

God’s Word plainly declares that Jesus is the son of God! And through his resurrection and ascension we became sons and daughters of God. These are words straight from God which we should confess (*homologia*) daily and whenever that sneaky devil tempts us through our own thoughts or through other people.

Let’s continue with Matthew 4:4:

*But he [Jesus] answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.*

Jesus set the example. When we are tempted, we must confess what is written in God’s Word! We say “It is written” and state the verse.

Matthew 4:5-6:

*Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple,*

*And saith unto him [Jesus], If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone.*

The devil knew God's Word when he tempted Jesus. But he would never quote it rightly divided. See the teaching of [February 2016](#) where the devil tempted Eve. In verse 6 above, the devil took the quote out of context from Psalm 91:9-12:

*Because thou [David] hast made the Lord (Jehovah), which is my refuge, even the most-High [Elyon], thy habitation.*

*There shall no evil befall thee [David], neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.*

*For he [God] shall give his angels charge over thee [David], to keep thee in all thy ways.*

*They [his angels] shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.*

What was Jesus's response to the devil? He said, "It is written." Read verse 7:

*Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.*

Jesus, here, was telling the devil that he was taking God's Word out of context and was tempting *the Lord thy God*. How many times do you take the same action? It cannot be plainer, people. God's Word gives us the path upon which to walk the talk and talk the walk.

Let's continue with Matthew 4:8-10:

*Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them.*

*And saith unto him [Jesus], All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.*

*Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.*

The Bible clearly shows us that the Word of God is the only thing that backs the devil down! If you do not know God's Word rightly divided, you cannot defeat the devil! This is why we read the Bible for understanding.

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We must remember the Bible does not include the Word of God; it is the Word of God! We must study the scriptures to show ourselves approved unto God, a workman that needed not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth (2 Timothy 2:15). When we renew our minds to confess God's Word rightly divided, we have power in our life in any situation. We can stand confidently and firmly according to Ephesians 6:16:

*Above all, taking the shield of faith [believing], wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.*

Father, as dear children, we pray for more boldness to speak your Word and do your will. We pray that we can walk in love and light as you are. We pray that we can rightly confess (*homologia*) your Word, back down the devil by saying *It is written*, and rightly quoting your Word. We pray that we can be well pleasing and acceptable in your sight. In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

In the Lord,

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Son of God through Jesus Christ  
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