**Matt 12: 34-35**

**34 …For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.** **35** The good person out of his good treasure brings forth good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure brings forth evil.  **ESV**

**34…out of the overflow of the heart the mouth speaks.** **35** The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in him, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in him. NIV

**34** …**For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.** **35** A good man out of the good treasure of his heart**\*** brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things. NKJV

**34** … **For whatever is in your heart determines what you say.** **35** A good person produces good things from the treasury of a good heart, and an evil person produces evil things from the treasury of an evil heart. NLV

**2 Peter 3:9**

**9** The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promiseas some count slowness, but **is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish (utterly destroyed), but that all should reach repentance (change of mind-set).** ESV

**9** The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. **He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish (utterly destroyed), but everyone to come to repentance (change of mind-set)**. NIV

**9** The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise, as some count slackness, **but is longsuffering [patient] toward us, not willing that any should perish (utterly destroyed) but that all should come to repentance (change of mind-set).** NKJV

**9** The Lord isn't really being slow about his promise, as some people think**. No, he is being patient for your sake. He does not want anyone to be destroyed, but wants everyone to repent.** NLV

**John 6:44-45**

**44 No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws [drags] him.** AndI will raise him up on the last day. **45** It is written in the Prophets,'And they will all betaught by God.'Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— ESV

**44** "**No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws [drags] him**, and I will raise him up at the last day. **45** It is written in the Prophets: 'They will all be taught by God.'Everyone who listens to the Father and learns from him comes to me. NIV

**44 No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws [drags] him**; and I will raise him up at the last day. **45** It is written in the prophets, *'And they shall all be taught by God.'*Therefore everyone who has heard and learnedfrom the Father comes to Me. NKJV

**44 For no one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws [drags] them to me**, and at the last day I will raise them up. **45** As it is written in the Scriptures,'They will all be taught by God.' Everyone who listens to the Father and learns from him comes to me. NLV

**John 16:7-8**

**7** …**for if I do not go away, the Helper (Holy Spirit) will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. 8 And when he comes, he will convict [rebuke/convince] the world concerning sin and righteousness [justice] and judgment [court action]**: ESV

**7 Unless I go away, the Counselor (Holy Spirit) will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. 8 When he comes, he will convict [rebuke/convince] the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness [justice] and judgment [court action]:** NIV

**7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper (Holy Spirit) will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you. 8 And when He has come, He will convict [rebuke/convince] the world of sin, and of righteousness [justice], and of judgment [court action]:** NKJV

**7 But in fact, it is best for you that I go away, because if I don't, the Advocat (Holy Spirit) won't come. If I do go away, then I will send him to you. 8 And when he comes, he will convict [rebuke/convince] the world of its sin, and of God's righteousness [justice], and of the coming judgment [court action].** NLV

**Romans 6:23**

**23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.** ESV

**23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.** NIV

**23 For the wages of sin *is* death, but the gift of God *is* eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.** NKJV

**23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.** NLV

**2 Corinthians 4:16-18**

**16** So we do not lose heart. **Though our outer nature is wasting away [ruin/decay], our inner nature is being renewed [renovated] day by day**. **17** Forthis slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, **18** as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal. ESV

**16** Therefore we do not lose heart [faint]. **Though outwardly we are wasting away [ruin/decay], yet inwardly we are being renewed [renovated] day by day.** **17** For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. **18** So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. NIV

**16** Therefore we do not lose heart. **Even though our outward man is perishing [ruin/decay], yet the inward *man* is being renewed [renovated] day by day.** **17** For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding *and* eternal weight of glory, **18** while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen *are* temporary, but the things which are not seen *are* eternal. NKJV

**16** That is why we never give up. **Though our bodies are dying [ruin/decay], our spirits are being renewed [renovated] every day.** **17** For our present troubles are small and won't last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever! **18** So we don't look at the troubles we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen. For the things we see now will soon be gone, but the things we cannot see will last forever. NLV

**Col 3:5-10**

**5** Put to death thereforewhat is earthly in you:sexual immorality, impurity,passion, evil desire, and covetousness,which is idolatry. **6** On account of these the wrath of God is coming. **7** In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. **8** But nowyou must put them all away:anger, wrath, malice,slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. **9 Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off [wholly divested] the old self with its practices 10 and have put on [sunk into] the new self, which is being renewed [renovated] in knowledge [full discernment] after the image [likeness/resemblance] of its creator**… ESV

**5** Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. **6** Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. **7** You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. 8 But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. **9 Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off [wholly divested] your old self with its practices 10 and have put on [sunk into] the new self, which is being renewed [renovated] in knowledge [full discernment] in the image [likeness/resemblance] of its Creator…** NIV

**5** Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. **6** Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, **7** in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them.

**8** But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. **9 Do not lie to one another, since you have put off [wholly divested] the old man with his deeds, 10 and have put on [sunk into]the new *man* who is renewed [renovated] in knowledge [full discernment] according to the image [likeness/resemblance] of Him who created him,…** NKJV

**5** So put to death the sinful, earthly things lurking within you. Have nothing to do with sexual immorality, impurity, lust, and evil desires. Don't be greedy, for a greedy person is an idolater, worshiping the things of this world. **6** Because of these sins, the anger of God is coming. **7** You used to do these things when your life was still part of this world. **8** But now is the time to get rid of anger, rage, malicious behavior, slander, and dirty language. **9 Don't lie to each other, for you have stripped off [wholly divested] your old sinful nature and all its wicked deeds. 10 Put on [sunk into] your new nature, and be renewed [renovated] as you learn to know [full discernment] your Creator and become like [likeness/resemblance] him.**  NLV

**Romans 12:1-2**

**1** I appeal to you therefore, brothers,by the mercies of God,to present your bodiesas a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. **2 Do not be conformed [fashion alike] to this world, but be transformed [‎metamorphose] by the renewal [renovating] of your mind**, that by testing (examination) you maydiscern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. ESV

**1** Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God — this is your spiritualact of worship. **2 Do not conform [fashion alike] any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed [**‎**metamorphose] by the renewing [renovating]** **of your mind.** Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is — his good, pleasing and perfect will. NIV

**1** I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is* your reasonable service. **2 And do not be conformed [fashion alike] to this world, but be transformed [**‎**metamorphose] by the renewing [renovating]** **of your mind,** that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. NKJV

**1** And so, dear brothers and sisters,I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him. **2 Don't copy [fashion alike] the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform [**‎**metamorphose] you into a new person by changing [renovating]** **the way you think**. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect. NLV

Encouragement:

**1 John 5:14-15**

**14 And this is the confidence [boldness] that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. 15 And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have [hold] the requests that we have asked of him**. ESV

**14 This is the confidence [boldness] we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. 15 And if we know that he hears us — whatever we ask — we know that we have [hold] what we asked of him.** NIV

**14 Now this is the confidence [boldness] that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. 15 And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have [hold] the petitions that we have asked of Him.**  NKJV

**14 And we are confident [boldness] that he hears us whenever we ask for anything that pleases him. 15 And since we know he hears us when we make our requests, we also know that he will give us what we ask for.** NLV