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"When Jesus explains that He hasn't come to destroy the law and he prophets, He is referring specifically to Jewish law and the teaching of the many prophets of the Hebrew Scriptures. Remember, Jesus was Jew, and was preaching to those who knew the Jewish law and scriptures, both Jew and Gentile. He had to explain Himself in this way because He had just seconds earlier done something incredibly risky by saying, in what we call the Beatitudes, that the poor, those in mourning, the meek, the hungry, the thirsty, the merciful, the pure of heart, the peacemakers, and the falsely persecuted are those who are blessed. He raised them up over the rich, those without feeling, the bullies, the well-fed, the merciless, the deceitful, the war makers, and the persecutors. He told them, the poor, the meek, the peacemakers, and so on, that they were the salt of the earth and the light of the world, and that they needed to let their light shine. This was seemingly heretical, dangerous stuff. And so, He felt it was necessary to explain Himself."

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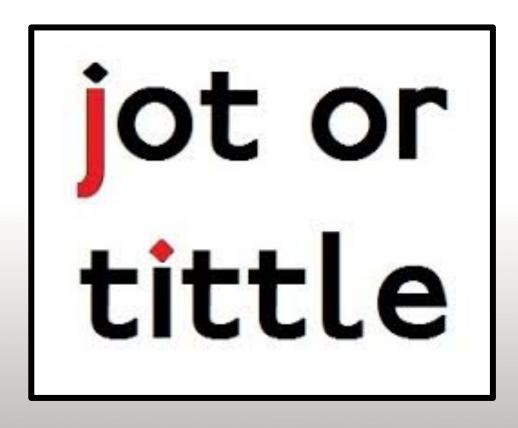
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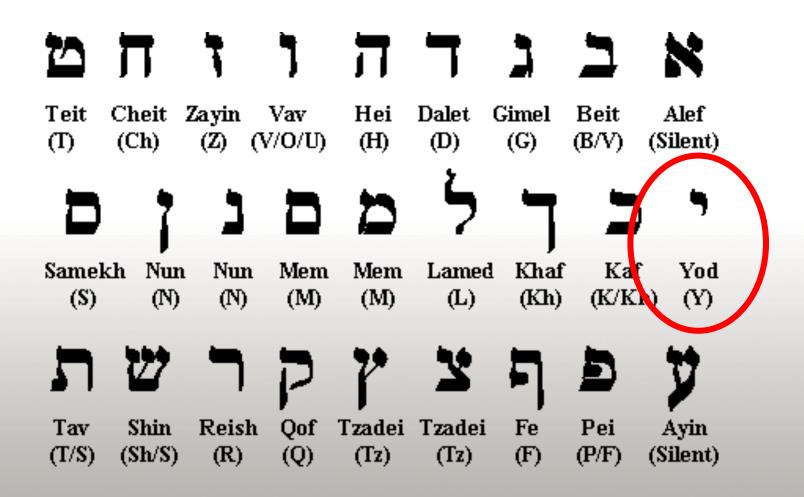


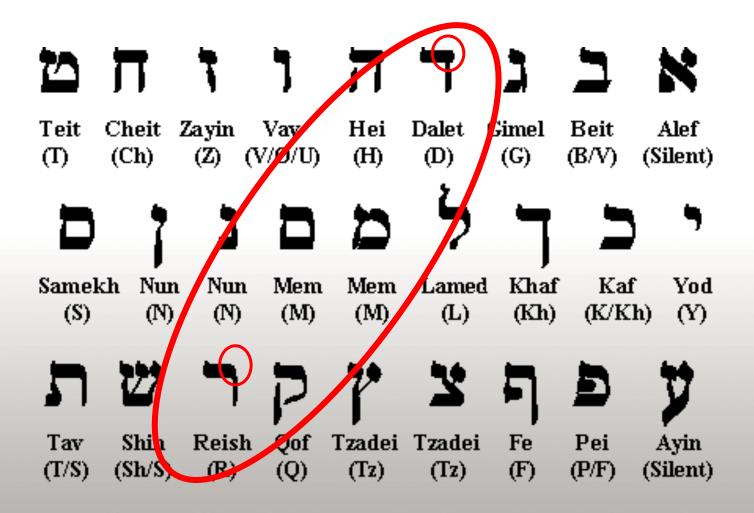












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- 2. The meaning of life
- 3. The moral values of life
- 4. The destiny of life

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Isaiah 61:1-3

- 1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD Has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;
- 2 to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God;

to comfort all who mourn;

3 to grant to those who mourn in Zion-- to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified.

Philippians 3:8-11

- Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For His sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ
- and be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—
- 10 that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and may share His sufferings, becoming like Him in His death,
- 11 that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

I Peter 1:3

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you.

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SO....THEREFORE.....WHAT NOW?



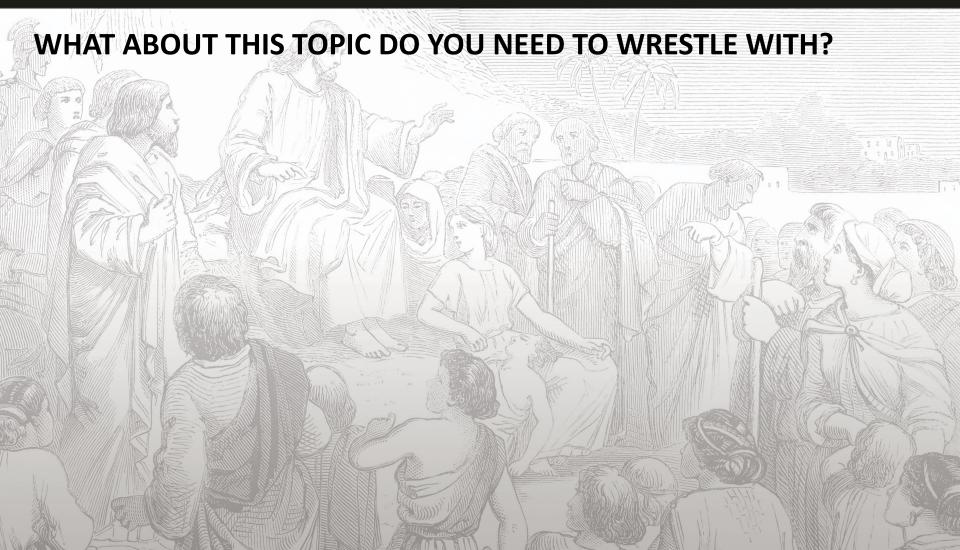
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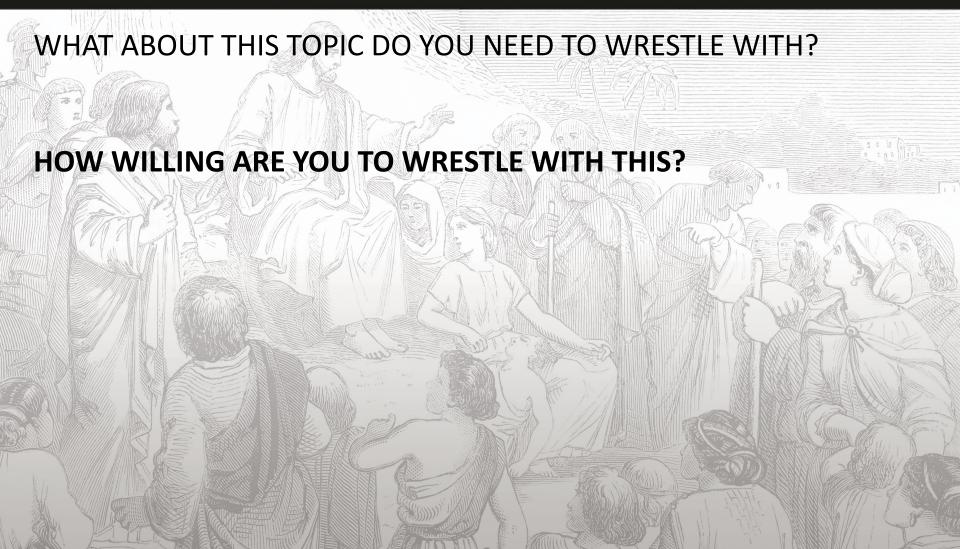


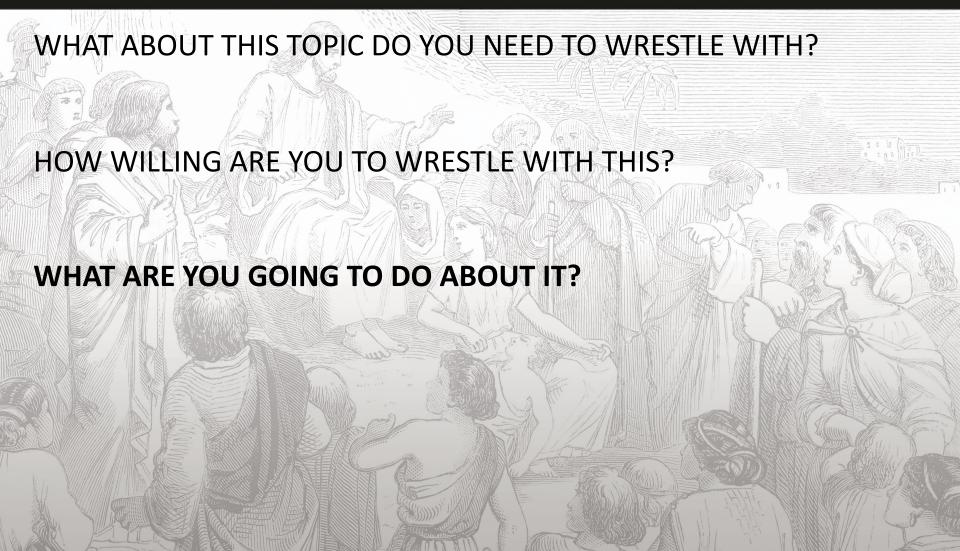
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WHAT ABOUT THIS TOPIC DO YOU NEED TO WRESTLE WITH?

HOW WILLING ARE YOU TO WRESTLE WITH THIS?

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?

IS THERE A SCRIPTURE PASSAGE THAT MIGHT HELP TO TRANSFORM YOUR THINKING?