

## Before and After Reconciliation Col 1:21-29

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#### Colossians 1

<sup>21</sup> And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled

Alienated – [NT:526](#) ἀπαλλοτριόω **apallotrioo** (ap-al-lot-ree-o'-o); from [NT:575](#) and a derivative of [NT:245](#); to estrange away, i.e. (passively and figuratively) to be non-participant: **KJV** - alienate, be alien.

Enemies – [NT:2190](#) ἐχθρός **echthros** (ech-thros'); from a primary echtho (to hate); hateful (passively, odious, or actively, hostile); usually as a noun, an adversary (especially Satan): **KJV** - enemy, foe.

Reconciled – [NT:604](#) ἀποκατάλλασσω **apokatallasso** (ap-ok-at-al-las'-so); from [NT:575](#) and [NT:2644](#); to reconcile fully: **KJV** - reconcile.

...from – [NT:575](#) ἀπό **apo** (apo'); a primary particle; "off," i.e. away (from something near), in various senses (of place, time, or relation; literal or figurative):

**KJV** - (X here-) after, ago, at, because of, before, by (the space of), for (-th), from, in, (out) of, off, (up-) on (-ce), since, with. In composition (as a prefix) it usually denotes separation, departure, cessation, completion, reversal, etc.

...from – [NT:2644](#) καταλλάσσω **katallasso** (kat-al-las'-so); from [NT:2596](#) and [NT:236](#); to change mutually, i.e. (figuratively) to compound a difference: **KJV** - reconcile.

Wicked – [NT:4190](#) πονηρός **poneros** (pon-ay-ros'); from a derivative of [NT:4192](#); hurtful, i.e. evil (properly, in effect or influence, and thus differing from [NT:2556](#), which refers rather to essential character, as well as from [NT:4550](#), which indicates degeneracy from original virtue); figuratively, calamitous; also (passively) ill, i.e. diseased; but especially (morally) culpable, i.e. derelict, vicious, facinorous; neuter (singular) mischief, malice, or (plural) guilt; masculine (singular) the devil, or (plural) sinners:

**KJV** - bad, evil, grievous, harm, lewd, malicious, wicked (-ness). See also [NT:4191](#).

### Why?

#### Colossians 1

<sup>22</sup> In the body of his flesh through death, to **present you** holy and unblameable and unproveable in his sight:

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### Presentation

#### Colossians 1

<sup>22</sup> In the body of his flesh through death, to **present you holy and unblameable and unproveable in his sight**:

**Present** – [NT:3936](#) παρίστημι **paristemi** (par-is'-tay-mee); or **prolonged paristano** (par-is-tan'-o); from [NT:3844](#) and [NT:2476](#); to stand beside, i.e. (transitively) to exhibit, proffer, (specifically) recommend, (figuratively) substantiate; or (intransitively) to be at hand (or ready), aid:

**KJV** - assist, bring before, command, commend, give presently, present, prove, provide, shew, stand (before, by, here, up, with), yield.

**Sight** – [NT:2714](#) κατενώπιον **katenopion** (kat-en-o'-pee-on); from [NT:2596](#) and [NT:1799](#); directly in front of: **KJV** - before (the presence of), in the sight of.

**Holy** – [NT:40](#) ἅγιος **hagios** (hag'-ee-os); from **hagos** (an awful thing) [compare [NT:53](#), [NT:2282](#)]; sacred (physically, pure, morally blameless or religious, ceremonially, consecrated): **KJV** - (most) holy (one, thing), saint.

**Unblameable** – [NT:299](#) ἄμωμος **amomos** (am'-o-mos); from [NT:1](#) (as a negative particle) and [NT:3470](#); **unblemished** (literally or figuratively):

**KJV** - without blame (blemish, fault, spot), faultless, unblameable.

**Unproveable** – [NT:410](#) ἀνέγκλητος **anegkletos** (an-eng'-klay-tos); from [NT:1](#) (as a negative particle) and a derivative of [NT:1458](#); unaccused, i.e. (by implication) **irreproachable**: **KJV** - blameless.[faultless, flawless, ..fine!]

#### 2 Corinthians 11

<sup>1</sup> Would to God ye could bear with me a little in my folly: and indeed bear with me.

<sup>2</sup> For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to **one** husband, that I may **present you as a chaste virgin** to Christ.

**Chaste** – [NT:53](#) ἄγνός **hagnos** (hag-nos'); from the same as [NT:40](#); properly, clean, i.e. (figuratively) innocent, modest, perfect: **KJV** - chaste, clean, pure.

<sup>3</sup> But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

**Virgin** – [NT:53](#) ἄγνός **hagnos** (hag-nos'); from the same as [NT:40](#); properly, clean, i.e. (figuratively) innocent, modest, perfect: **KJV** - chaste, clean, pure.

...from – [NT:40](#) ἅγιος **hagios** (hag'-ee-os); from **hagos** (an awful thing) [compare [NT:53](#), [NT:2282](#)]; sacred (physically, pure, morally blameless or religious, ceremonially, consecrated): **KJV** - (most) holy (one, thing), saint.

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### Presentation (*cont*)

#### Colossians 1

<sup>22</sup> In the body of his flesh through death, to **present you** holy and unblameable and unproveable in his sight:

#### Jude 1

<sup>21</sup> Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

<sup>22</sup> And of some have compassion, making a difference:

<sup>23</sup> And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh.

<sup>24</sup> Now unto him **that is able to keep you from falling**, and to **present you faultless** before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,

**Falling** – [NT:679](#) ἄπταιστος **aptaistos** (ap-tah'-ee-stos); from [NT:1](#) (as a negative particle) and a derivative of [NT:4417](#); not stumbling, i.e. (figuratively) without sin: **KJV** - from falling.

**Faultless** – [NT:299](#) ἄμωμος **amomos** (am'-o-mos); from [NT:1](#) (as a negative particle) and [NT:3470](#); **unblemished** (literally or figuratively):

**KJV** - without blame (blemish, fault, spot), faultless, unblameable.

<sup>25</sup> To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

#### Philippians 2

<sup>14</sup> Do all things without murmurings and disputings:

<sup>15</sup> That ye may **be blameless and harmless**, the sons of God, **without rebuke**, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as **lights in the world**;

**Harmless** – [NT:185](#) ἀκέραιος **akeraios** (ak-er'-ah-yos); from [NT:1](#) (as a negative particle) and a presumed derivative of [NT:2767](#); **unmixed**, i.e. (figuratively) **innocent**: **KJV** - harmless, simple.

**Without rebuke** – [NT:299](#) ἄμωμος **amomos** (am'-o-mos); from [NT:1](#) (as a negative particle) and [NT:3470](#); **unblemished** (literally or figuratively):

**KJV** - without blame (blemish, fault, spot), faultless, unblameable.

<sup>16</sup> **Holding forth the word of life**; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain.

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### Presentation (*cont*)

#### Colossians 1

<sup>22</sup> In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unproveable in his sight:

#### 1 Peter 1 ...as He presented Himself

**19** But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

#### Hebrews 9 ...His Example

**14** How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit **offered himself without spot to God**, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

Purge – [NT:2511](#) καθαρίζω **katharizo** (kath-ar-id'-zo); from [NT:2513](#); to cleanse (literally or figuratively): **KJV** - (make) clean (-se), purge, purify.

Conscience – [NT:4893](#) συνείδησις **suneidesis** (soon-i'-day-sis); from a prolonged form of [NT:4894](#); coperception, i.e. moral consciousness: **KJV** - conscience.

#### 1 Timothy 6 ...follow after Him

<sup>11</sup> But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and **follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.**

<sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.

<sup>13</sup> 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;

<sup>14</sup> That thou keep this commandment **without spot, unrebukable**, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ:

#### Ephesians 5

**27** That he might **present it to himself** a glorious church, **not having spot**, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be **holy and without blemish.**

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### Continuation

#### Colossians 1

<sup>23</sup> If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;

Continue – [NT:1961](#) ἐπιμένω **epimeno** (ep-ee-men'-o); from [NT:1909](#) and [NT:3306](#); to stay over, i.e. remain (figuratively, persevere): **KJV** - abide (in), continue (in), tarry.

#### Grounded

Grounded – [NT:2311](#) θεμελιόω **themelioo** (them-el-ee-o'-o); from [NT:2310](#); to lay a basis for, i.e. (literally) erect, or (figuratively) consolidate:

**KJV** - (lay the) found (-ation), ground, settle.

#### Settled

Settled – [NT:1476](#) ἑδραῖος **hedraios** (hed-rah'-yos); from a derivative of **hezomai** (to sit); sedentary, i.e. (by implication) immovable: **KJV** - settled, stedfast.

Moved away – [NT:3334](#) μετακινέω **metakineo** (met-ak-ee-neh'-o); from [NT:3326](#) and [NT:2795](#); to stir to a place elsewhere, i.e. remove (figuratively):

**KJV** - move away.

#### Hopeful

Hope – [NT:1680](#) ἐλπίς **elpis** (el-pece'); from a primary **elpo** (to anticipate, usually with pleasure); expectation (abstractly or concretely) or confidence:

**KJV** - faith, hope.

Preached – [NT:2784](#) κηρύσσω **kerusso** (kay-roos'-so); of uncertain affinity; to herald (as a public crier), especially divine truth (the gospel):

**KJV** - preacher (-er), proclaim, publish.

Creature – [NT:2937](#) κτίσις **ktisis** (ktis'-is); from [NT:2936](#); original formation (properly, the act; by implication, the thing, literally or figuratively):

**KJV** - building, creation, creature, ordinance.

Minister – [NT:1249](#) διάκονος **diakonos** (dee-ak'-on-os); probably from an obsolete **diako** (to run on errands; compare [NT:1377](#)); an attendant, i.e. (genitive case) a waiter (at table or in other menial duties); specially, a Christian teacher and pastor (technically, a deacon or deaconess): **KJV** - deacon, minister, servant.

#### 1 Timothy 4

<sup>16</sup> **Take heed unto thyself**, and unto the **doctrine**; **continue in them**: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.

#### 2 Timothy 3

<sup>14</sup> But **continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them**;

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### Hopeful (*cont*)

#### 1 John 2

<sup>19</sup> **They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.**

#### 1 John 2

<sup>24</sup> **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.**

#### Romans 11

<sup>22</sup> Behold therefore the **goodness and severity of God**: on them which fell, severity; but toward thee, goodness, if thou **continue in his goodness**: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off.

#### Galatians 3

<sup>10</sup> For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, **Cursed is every one that continueth not** in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them.

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### Afflictions

#### Colossians 1

<sup>24</sup> Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ [Messiah] in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church:

*We suffer but not to the extent that Christ suffered yet following after and fulfilling His suffer through the living sacrifice of ourselves for the body of Christ, for His sake, for the church.*

Rejoice – [NT:5463](#) χαίρω **chairo** (khah'-ee-ro); a primary verb; to be "cheerful", i.e. calmly happy or well-off; impersonally, especially as salutation (on meeting or parting), be well:

**KJV** - farewell, be glad, God speed, greeting, hail, joy (-fully), rejoice.

Sufferings – [NT:3804](#) πάθημα **pathema** (path'-ay-mah); from a presumed derivative of [NT:3806](#); something undergone, i.e. hardship or pain; subjectively, an emotion or influence: **KJV** - affection, affliction, motion, suffering.

...from – [NT:3806](#) πάθος **pathos** (path'-os); from the alternate of [NT:3958](#); properly, suffering ("pathos"), i.e. (subjectively) a passion (especially concupiscence): **KJV** - (inordinate) affection, lust.

Behind – [NT:5303](#) ὑστέρημα **husterema** (hoos-ter'-ay-mah); from [NT:5302](#); a deficit; specifically, poverty:

**KJV** - that which is behind, (that which was) lack (-ing), penury, want.

...from – [NT:5302](#) ὑστερέω **hustereo** (hoos-ter-eh'-o); from [NT:5306](#); to be later, i.e. (by implication) to be inferior; generally, to fall short (be deficient): **KJV** - come behind (short), be destitute, fail, lack, suffer need, (be in) want, be the worse.

...from – [NT:5306](#) ὕστερος **husteros** (hoos'-ter-os); comparative from [NT:5259](#) (in the sense of behind); later: **KJV** - latter.

Afflictions – [NT:2347](#) θλίψις **thlipsis** (thlip'-sis); from [NT:2346](#); pressure (lit or fig):

**KJV** - afflicted (-tion), anguish, burdened, persecution, tribulation, trouble.

...from – [NT:2346](#) θλίβω **thlibo** (thlee'-bo); akin to the base of [NT:5147](#); to crowd (literally or figuratively):

**KJV** - afflict, narrow, throng, suffer tribulation, trouble.

Church – [NT:1577](#) ἐκκλησία **ekklesia** (ek-klay-see'-ah); from a compound of [NT:1537](#) and a derivative of [NT:2564](#); a calling out, i.e. (concretely) a popular meeting, especially a religious congregation (Jewish synagogue, or Christian community of members on earth or saints in heaven or both): **KJV** - assembly, church.

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#### Colossians 1

<sup>24</sup> Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ [Messiah] in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church:

#### Psalm 22

<sup>24</sup> For he hath not despised nor abhorred the **affliction** of the afflicted; neither hath he hid his face from him; but when he cried unto him, he heard.

#### Jonah 2

<sup>2</sup> And said, I cried by reason of mine **affliction** unto the LORD, and he heard me; out of the belly of hell cried I, and thou heardest my voice.

#### Psalm 34

<sup>19</sup> Many are the **afflictions** of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.

#### 2 Corinthians 4

<sup>17</sup> For our light **affliction**, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory;

#### 1 Thessalonians 1

<sup>6</sup> And ye became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much **affliction**, with joy of the Holy Ghost.

#### 2 Timothy 4

<sup>5</sup> But watch thou in all things, endure **afflictions**, do the work of an evangelist, **make full proof of thy ministry**.

#### 1 Corinthians 13

<sup>7</sup> Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

#### Hebrews 10

<sup>31</sup> It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

<sup>32</sup> But call to remembrance the former days, in which, after ye were illuminated, ye **endured a great fight of afflictions**;

<sup>33</sup> Partly, whilst ye were made a gazingstock both by reproaches and afflictions; and partly, whilst ye became companions of them that were so used.

<sup>34</sup> For ye had compassion of me in my bonds, and **took joyfully the spoiling of your goods**, knowing in yourselves that ye have in heaven a better and an enduring substance.

<sup>35</sup> Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward.

<sup>36</sup> For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.

<sup>37</sup> For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry.

<sup>38</sup> Now the just shall live by faith: but **if any man draw back**, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.

<sup>39</sup> But **we are not of them who draw back unto perdition**; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.



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### Dispensation

#### Colossians 1

<sup>25</sup> Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God;

Dispensation – [NT:3622](#) οἰκονομία **oikonomia** (oy-kon-om-ee'-ah); from [NT:3623](#); administration (of a household or estate); specifically, a (religious) "economy": **KJV** - dispensation, stewardship.

Fulfil – [NT:4137](#) πληρόω **pleroo** (play-ro'-o); from [NT:4134](#); to make replete, i.e. (literally) to cram (a net), level up (a hollow), or (figuratively) to furnish (or imbue, diffuse, influence), satisfy, execute (an office), finish (a period or task), verify (or coincide with a prediction), etc.:

**KJV** - accomplish, <sup>x</sup> after, (be) complete, end, expire, fill (up), fulfil, (be, make) full (come), fully preach, perfect, supply.

...from – [NT:4134](#) πλήρης **pleres** (play'-race); from [NT:4130](#); replete, or covered over; by analogy, complete: **KJV** - full.

#### Ephesians 1

<sup>10</sup> That in the **dispensation** of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:

#### Ephesians 3

<sup>1</sup> For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,

<sup>2</sup> If ye have heard of the **dispensation of the grace of God** which is given me to you-ward:

<sup>3</sup> How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words,

<sup>4</sup> Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)

<sup>5</sup> Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;

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### Manifestation

#### Colossians 1

<sup>26</sup> Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:

Mystery – [NT:3466](#) μυστήριον **musterion** (moos-tay'-ree-on); from a derivative of muo (to shut the mouth); a secret or "mystery" (through the idea of silence imposed by initiation into religious rites): **KJV** - mystery.

Ages – [NT:165](#) αἰών **aion** (ahee-ohn'); from the same as [NT:104](#); properly, an age; by extension, perpetuity (also past); by implication, the world; specially (Jewish) a Messianic period (present or future):

**KJV** - age, course, eternal, (for) ever (-more), [n-] ever, (beginning of the while the world (began, without end). Compare [NT:5550](#).

Generations – [NT:1074](#) γενεά **genea** (ghen-eh-ah'); from (a presumed derivative of [NT:1085](#)); a generation; by implication, an age (the period or the persons):

**KJV** - age, generation, nation, time.

Manifest – [NT:5319](#) φανερώω **phaneroo** (fan-er-o'-o); from [NT:5318](#); to render apparent (literally or figuratively):

**KJV** - appear, manifestly declare, (make) manifest (forth), shew (self).

...from – [NT:5318](#) φανερός **phaneros** (fan-er-os'); from [NT:5316](#); shining, i.e. apparent (literally or figuratively); neuter (as adverb) publicly, externally:

**KJV** - abroad, + appear, known, manifest, open [+ly], outward ([+ly]).

#### Mark 4

<sup>22</sup> For there is nothing hid, which shall not be **manifested**; neither was any thing kept secret, but that it should come abroad.

#### Romans 16

<sup>26</sup> But now is made **manifest**, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, **made known** to all nations **for the obedience** of faith:

#### 1 Corinthians 11

<sup>19</sup> For there **must be also heresies among you**, that they which are **approved may be made manifest among you**.

#### 1 John 3

<sup>8</sup> He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this **purpose the Son of God was manifested**, that he might **destroy the works of the devil**.

#### 1 John 4

<sup>9</sup> In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.

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### Revelation

#### Colossians 1

<sup>27</sup> To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the **hope of glory**:

Riches – [NT:4149](#) πλοῦτος **ploutos** (ploō'-tos); from the base of [NT:4130](#); wealth (as fulness), i.e. (literally) money, possessions, or (figuratively) abundance, richness, (specifically) valuable bestowment: **KJV** - riches.

Glory – [NT:1391](#) δόξα **doxa** (dox'-ah); from the base of [NT:1380](#); glory (as very apparent), in a wide application (literal or figurative, objective or subjective): **KJV** - dignity, glory (-ious), honour, praise, worship.

#### 1 Timothy 3

**16** And without controversy great is the **mystery** of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

#### Ephesians 1:9

Having made known unto us the **mystery** of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:

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### Perfection

#### Colossians 1

<sup>28</sup> Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus:

Warning – [NT:3560](#) νουθετέω **noutheteo** (noo-thet-eh'-o); from the same as [NT:3559](#); to put in mind, i.e. (by implication) to caution or **reprove gently [criticize, scold, admonish, tell off]**: **KJV** - admonish, warn.

...from – [NT:3559](#) νουθεσία **nouthesia** (noo-thes-ee'-ah); from [NT:3563](#) and a derivative of [NT:5087](#); calling attention to, i.e. (by implication) mild rebuke or warning: **KJV** - admonition.

#### Psalm 141

<sup>5</sup> Let the righteous smite me; it shall be a kindness: and let him **reprove** me; it shall be an excellent oil, which shall not break my head: for yet my prayer also shall be in their calamities.

#### Proverbs 9

<sup>8</sup> **Reprove** not a scorner, lest he hate thee: **rebuke a wise man, and he will love thee.**

#### Proverbs 29

<sup>1</sup> He, that being often **reproved** hardeneth his neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy.

Teaching – [NT:1321](#) διδάσκω **didasko** (did-as'-ko); a prolonged (causative) form of a primary verb dao (to learn); to teach (in the same broad application): **KJV** - teach.

Present – [NT:3936](#) παρίστημι **paristemi** (par-is'-tay-mee); or **prolonged paristano** (par-is-tan'-o); from [NT:3844](#) and [NT:2476](#); to stand beside, i.e. (transitively) to exhibit, proffer, (specifically) recommend, (figuratively) substantiate; or (intransitively) to be at hand (or ready), aid: **KJV** - assist, bring before, command, commend, give presently, present, prove, provide, shew, stand (before, by, here, up, with), yield.

Perfect – [NT:5046](#) τέλειος **teleios** (tel'-i-os); from [NT:5056](#); complete (in various applications of labor, growth, mental and moral character, etc.); neuter (as noun, with [NT:3588](#)) completeness: **KJV** - of full age, man, perfect.  
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### Operation

#### Colossians 1

<sup>29</sup> Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.

Labour – [NT:2872](#) κοπιᾶω **kopiaō** (kop-ee-ah'-o); from a derivative of [NT:2873](#); to feel fatigue; by implication, to work hard: **KJV** - (bestow) labour, toil, be wearied.

Striving – [NT:75](#) ἀγωνίζομαι **agonizomai** (ag-o-nid'-zom-ahee); from [NT:73](#); to struggle, literally (to compete for a prize), figuratively (to contend with an adversary), or genitive case (to endeavor to accomplish something):

**KJV** - fight, labor fervently, strive.

Working – [NT:1753](#) ἐνέργεια **energeia** (en-erg'-i-ah); from [NT:1756](#); efficiency ("energy"): **KJV** - operation, strong, (effectual) working.

...from – [NT:1756](#) ἐνεργής **energes** (en-er-gace'); from [NT:1722](#) and [NT:2041](#); active, operative: **KJV** - effectual, powerful.

#### 1 Corinthians 3

<sup>9</sup> For we are **labourers together with God**: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building.

#### Matthew 5

<sup>16</sup> Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good **works**, and glorify your **Father** which is in heaven.

#### John 14

<sup>10</sup> Believest thou not that I am in the **Father**, and the **Father** in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but **the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.**

#### 2 Corinthians 6

<sup>3</sup> Giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed:

<sup>4</sup> But in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses,

<sup>5</sup> In stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings;

<sup>6</sup> By pureness, by knowledge, by long suffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned,

<sup>7</sup> By the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left,

<sup>8</sup> By honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report: as deceivers, and yet true;

<sup>9</sup> As unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and, behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed;

<sup>10</sup> As sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.