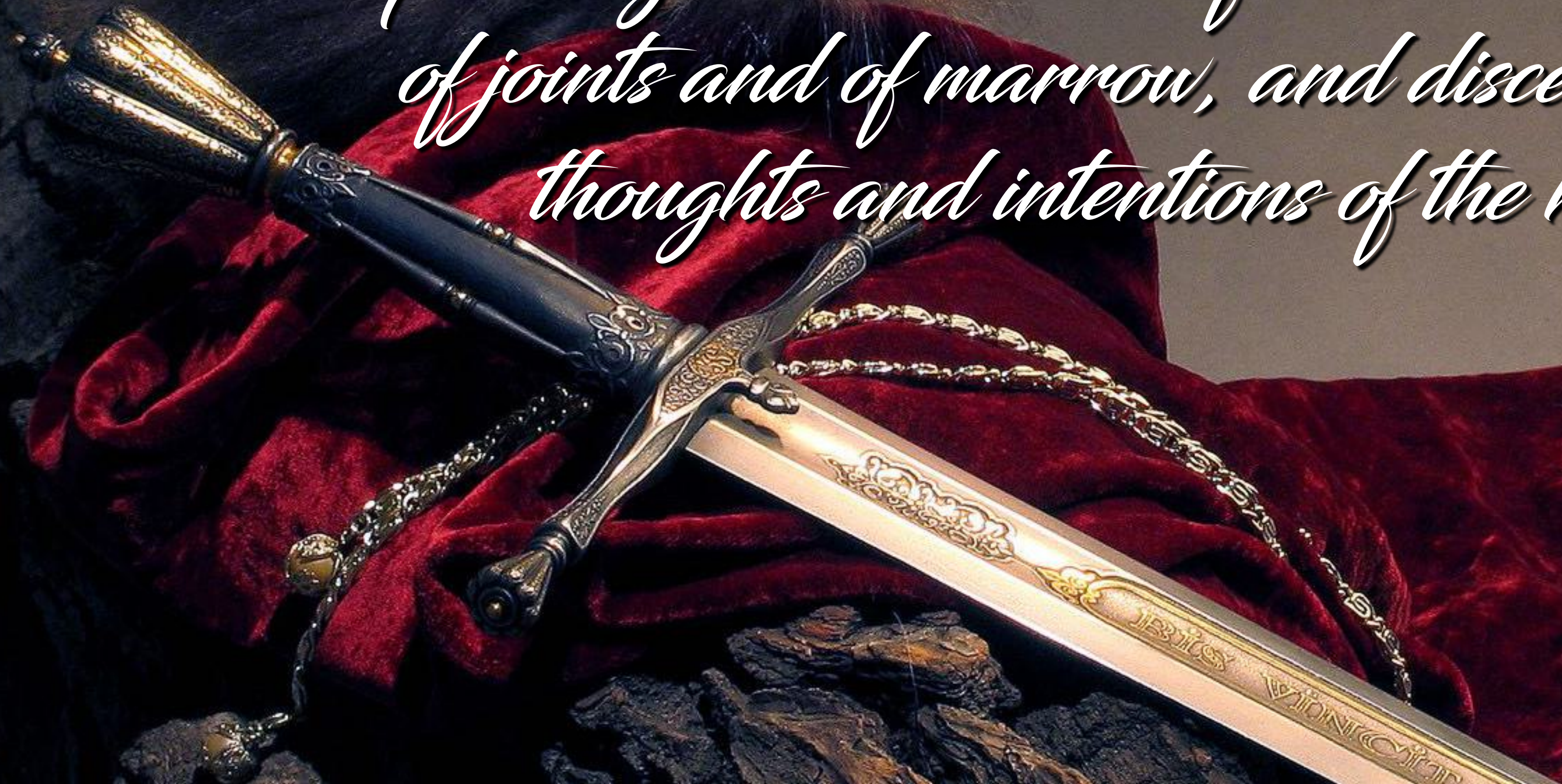


*For the word of God is living and active,
sharper than any two-edged sword,
piercing to the division of soul and of spirit,
of joints and of marrow, and discerning the
thoughts and intentions of the heart.*



Matthew 24:3–4

3. As He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of Your coming and of the end of the age?”
4. And Jesus answered them, “**See that no one leads you astray.**”

The Last Days

WHAT DOES THAT LOOK LIKE (17)

Kept E P Presented
With Great Joy

Jude 24 -25

24. Now to Him who is able to **keep you from stumbling** and to **present you blameless** before the presence of His glory with great joy,
25. to the only God, our Saviour, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

Philippians 1:6

And I am sure of this, that He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

Matthew 7:21-23

21. Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of My Father who is in heaven.
22. On that day **many** will say to Me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and cast out demons in Your name, and do many mighty works in Your name?'
23. And then will I declare to them (the many), 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you workers of lawlessness.'

1 Peter 1:3-5

3. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
4. to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable, undefiled, and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you,
5. who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

1 Peter 1:6-9

6. In this you greatly rejoice, even though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been distressed by various trials,
7. so that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold which perishes though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise, glory, and honour at the revelation of Jesus Christ;
8. and though you have not seen Him, you love Him, and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory,
9. obtaining as the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

While our inheritance is being kept guarded in heaven under the watchful eye of God, we are being garrisoned about by God's protecting care for it. The Almighty God stands sentinel over us all our days guarding our "going out and our coming in from this day forth and forever." The Guard is never changed. He is on duty 24 hrs/day, year in and year out until we arrive safely home. Believers are not kept by their own power, but by the power of God. Our faith in Christ has so united us to Him that His power now guards us and guides us. We are not kept by our strength, but by His faithfulness. How long will He guard us? Until Jesus Christ returns, we are in His hand.

Precept Austin Commentary

1 Peter 1:5, 7, 9

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9. obtaining as **the outcome of your faith**, the salvation of your souls.



Faith is deliberate confidence in the character of God whose ways you may not understand at the time.

Oswald Chambers

The Word generates faith and regenerates us.

Joseph Alleine

Believing faith requires me to take God at His Word.

Unknown



A faith that cannot be tested cannot be trusted!

The more a tree of righteousness is shaken by the wind,
the more it is rooted in Christ.

And no faith is so precious as that which lives and
triumphs in adversity.

Walking in faith so as to be kept & protected

- our faith must include clear spiritual vision

1 Chronicles 12:32

Of Issachar, men who had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do ...

1 Timothy 3:15

... the Church of the living God, the pillar and buttress of the truth.



We will either be the Bride, a member of the true Church or we will be the harlot, a member of the false Church. No alternatives exist.

Derek Prince (Protection From Deception)

Walking in faith so as to be kept & protected

- our faith must include clear spiritual vision
- our faith must include spiritual alertness

Jude 1-4

1. Jude, a bond-servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, To those who are the called, beloved in God the Father, **and kept for Jesus Christ:**
2. May mercy and peace and love be multiplied to you.
3. Beloved, while I was making every effort to write you about our common salvation, I felt the necessity to write to you appealing that you contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all handed down to the saints.
4. For certain persons have crept in unnoticed, those who were long beforehand marked out for this condemnation, ungodly persons who turn the grace of our God into licentiousness and deny our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ.

Walking in faith so as to be kept & protected

- our faith must include clear spiritual vision
- our faith must include spiritual alertness
- our faith must include spiritual humility

Luke 14:11

everyone who exalts himself will be humbled

James 4:6

God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble

Walking in faith so as to be kept & protected

- our faith must include clear spiritual vision
- our faith must include spiritual alertness
- our faith must include spiritual humility
- our faith must include healthy spiritual food

John 6:35

I am the bread of life; whoever comes to Me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in Me shall never thirst.

Jeremiah 2:13

For My people have committed two evils: they have forsaken Me, the Fountain of living waters, and they have hewn for themselves cisterns, broken cisterns which cannot hold water.

2 Timothy 4:3–4 (Amplified Bible)

3. For the time is coming when [people] will not tolerate sound and wholesome instruction, but, having ears itching [for something pleasing and gratifying], they will gather to themselves one teacher after another to a considerable number, chosen to satisfy their own liking and to foster the errors they hold,
4. And will turn aside from hearing the truth and wander off into myths and man-made fictions.