"Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: 'Men of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious.'" – Acts 17:22

"circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for legalistic righteousness, faultless." – Philippians 3:5-6

"The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned." – Isaiah 9:2

"The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for Me." – Matthew 25:40

"Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ..." – Romans 5:1

"For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." – I Corinthians 1:18

- "...we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles."

 I Corinthians 1:23
- "Many of them said, 'He is demon-possessed and raving mad. Why listen to Him?"" John 10:20
- "A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger." Proverbs 15:1
- "And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, [Jesus] explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning Himself." Luke 24:27

"When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, He said to him, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And from then on no one dared ask Him any more questions." – Mark 12:34