

## THE SPICE OF CHARITY

### SONG OF SOLOMON 4:12

12 A garden inclosed is my sister, my spouse; a spring shut up, a fountain sealed.

### SONG OF SOLOMON 4:13

13 Thy plants are an orchard of pomegranates, with pleasant fruits; camphire, with spikenard,

### SONG OF SOLOMON 4:14

14 Spikenard and saffron; calamus and cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all the chief spices:

### SONG OF SOLOMON 4:15

15 A fountain of gardens, a well of living waters, and streams from Lebanon.

### SONG OF SOLOMON 4:16

16 Awake, O north wind; and come, thou south; blow upon my garden, that the spices thereof may flow out. Let my beloved come into his garden, and eat his pleasant fruits.

### I CORINTHIANS 13:1

1 Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

### I CORINTHIANS 13:2

2 And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.

### I CORINTHIANS 13:3

3 And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.

I CORINTHIANS 13:4

4 Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

The kindness of Christians in the second century so surprised their pagan counterparts that, according to Tertullian, they called Christians chrestiani, "made up of mildness or kindness," rather than christiani.

EPHESIANS 4:32

32 And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

I CORINTHIANS 13:4

4 Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity \*ENVIETH not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

ENVIETH: zeloo {dzay-lo'-o}

zealously affect, to be heated or to boil with envy, hatred, anger; to be the object of the zeal of others, to envy

I CORINTHIANS 3:3

3 For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?

GALATIANS 5:21

21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

GALATIANS 5:26

26 Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

JAMES 3:14

14 But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth.

JAMES 3:16

16 For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.

I CORINTHIANS 13:4

4 Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity \*VAUNTETH not itself, is not puffed up,

VAUNTETH: perpereuomai {per-per-yoo'-om-ahee}  
to boast one's self; a self display, employing rhetorical embellishments in extolling one's self excessively

ISAIAH 14:12

12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O \*LUCIFER, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

LUCIFER: heylel {hay-lale'}  
"light-bearer", shining one, morning star,

The word 'son' often denotes possession, or that one thing belongs to another. The same star in one place represents the Son of God himself; Re 21:16 : I am - the bright and morning star.

ISAIAH 14:13

13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will \*ASCEND into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the \*STARS of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

ASCEND: 'alah {aw-law'}  
to go up, ascend, climb, to excel, be superior to, to lift oneself

STARS: kowkab {ko-kawb'}  
of Messiah, brothers, youth, numerous progeny, personification,  
God's omniscience (figurative)

ISAIAH 14:14

14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be \*LIKE  
the most High.

LIKE: damah {daw-maw'}

Resemble, to be like, compare, to make oneself like

ISAIAH 14:15

15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the  
pit.

II THESSALONIANS 2:4

4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called  
God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the  
temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

LUKE 14:11

11 For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that  
humbleth himself shall be exalted.

I CORINTHIANS 13:4

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I CORINTHIANS 12:21

21 And the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of  
thee: nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you.

I CORINTHIANS 12:22

22 Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to  
be more feeble, are necessary:

I CORINTHIANS 12:23

23 And those members of the body, which we think to be less honourable, upon these we bestow more abundant honour; and our uncomely parts have more abundant comeliness.

I CORINTHIANS 12:24

24 For our comely parts have no need: but God hath tempered the body together, having given more abundant honour to that part which lacked:

I CORINTHIANS 12:25

25 That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another.

I CORINTHIANS 12:26

26 And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it.

I CORINTHIANS 12:27

27 Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.

EPHESIANS 4:1

1 I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,

EPHESIANS 4:2

2 With all \*LOWLINESS and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love;

LOWLINESS: tapeinophrosune {tap-i-nof-ros-oo'-nay}  
humility, humbleness of mind, lowliness of mind, the having a humble opinion of one's self; a deep sense of one's (moral) littleness; modesty, humility, lowliness of mind

EPHESIANS 4:3

3 Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

PHILIPPIANS 2:3

3 Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.

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