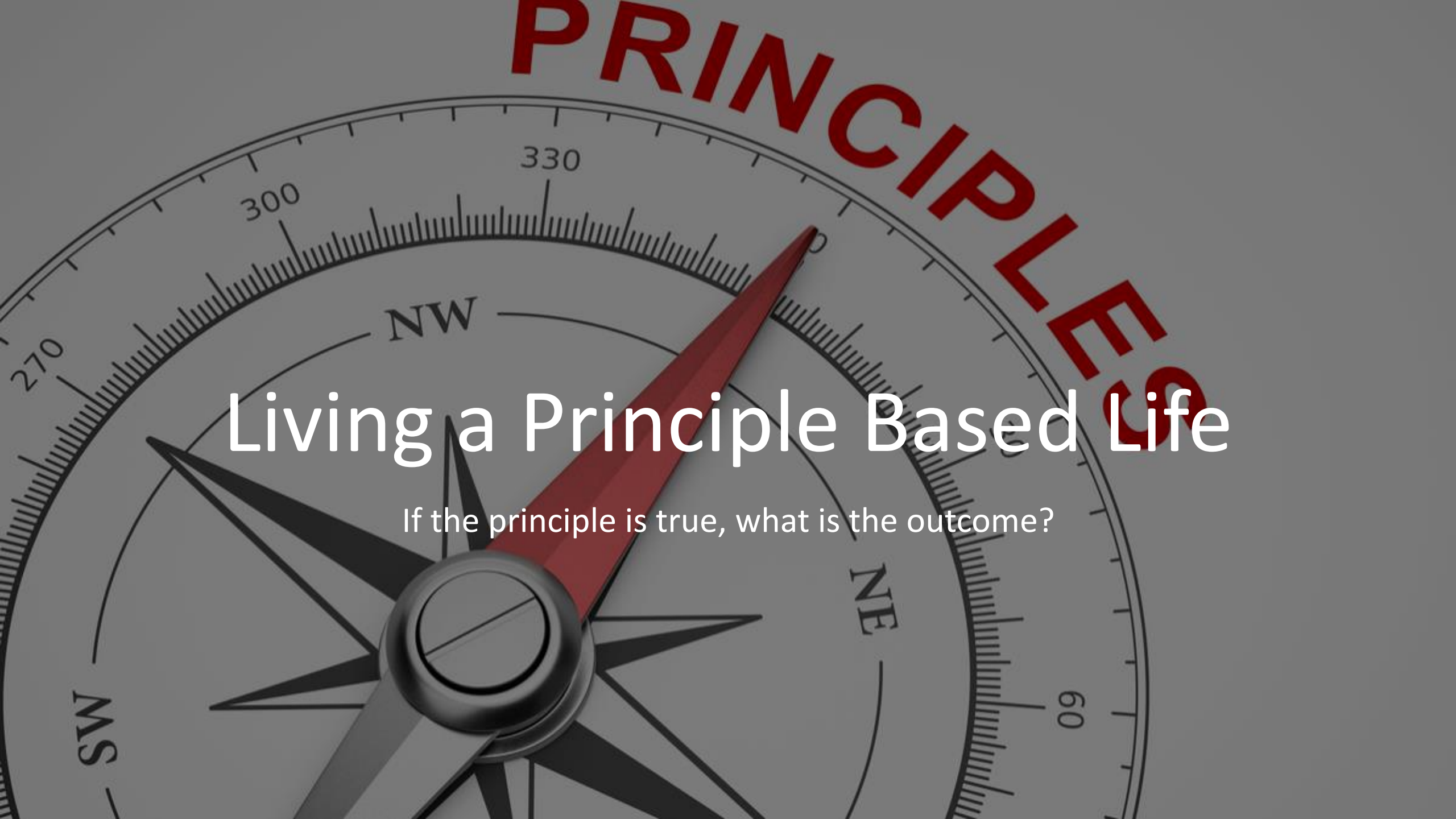


PRINCIPLES

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If the principle is true, what is the outcome?



God's Word Reveals Hidden Truth

Heb 4:12-13 For the Word of God is living and powerful and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing apart of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is **a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.** 13 Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in His sight, but **all things are naked** and opened to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do. (MJKV)

Planning for the Future

Mat 7:24-27 Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a **wise man who built his house on a rock**. 25 And **the rain came down, and the floods came, and the winds blew** and beat on that house. And it did not fall, for it was founded on a rock. 26 And everyone who hears these sayings of Mine and does not do them shall be compared to a foolish man who built his house on the sand. 27 And the rain came down, and the floods came, and the wind blew and beat on that house. And it fell, and great was its fall. (MKJV)

Importance of Principles

Mat 12:1-8 At that time Jesus went through the grain fields on the sabbath day. And His disciples were hungry, and began to pluck the heads of grain and to eat. 2 But when the Pharisees saw, they said to Him, Behold, **your disciples do that which it is not lawful** to do on the sabbath day. 3 But He said to them, Have you not read what **David did when he was hungry, and those who were with him,** 4 how he entered into the house of God and **ate the showbread,** which was not lawful for him to eat, nor for those who were with him, but only for the priests? 5 Or have you not read in the Law that **on the sabbath days the priests in the temple profane the sabbath** and are blameless? 6 But I say to you that One greater than the temple is in this place. 7 But if you had known what this is, "**I desire mercy and not sacrifice,**" you would not have condemned those who are not guilty. 8 For the Son of Man is Lord even of the sabbath. (MKJV)

15 Principles of Godly Living

1. **Foundations;** *trust, light, hypocrisy*
2. **Humility;** *humility, description, contentment*
3. **Relationships;** *lust, marriage, selfless*
4. **Justice;** *anger, patience, justice*
5. **Worship;** *structure, commitment, sacrifice*



Foundations

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A Firm Foundation

Trust

Mat 6:25-34 Therefore I say to you, **Do not be anxious** for your life, what you shall eat, or what you shall drink; nor for your body, what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? 26 Behold the birds of the air; for they sow not, nor do they reap, nor gather into barns. Yet your heavenly Father feeds them; are you not much better than they are? 27 Which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his stature? 28 And **why are you anxious** about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow. They do not toil, nor do they spin, 29 but I say to you that even Solomon in his glory was not arrayed like one of these. 30 Therefore if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much rather clothe you, little-faiths? 31 Therefore **do not be anxious**, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, With what shall we be clothed? 32 For the nations seek after all these things. For your heavenly Father knows that you have need of all these things. 33 But **seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added to you.** 34 Therefore do **not be anxious** about tomorrow; for tomorrow shall be anxious for its own things. Sufficient to the day is the evil of it. (MKJV)

Light

Mat 5:13-16 **You are the salt of the earth**, but if the salt loses its savor, with what shall it be salted? It is no longer good for anything, but to be thrown out and to be trodden underfoot by men. 14 **You are the light of the world**. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do men light a lamp and put it under the grain-measure, but on a lampstand. And it gives light to all who are in the house. 16 **Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in Heaven.** (MKJV)

Hypocrisy

Luk 6:37-42 Judge not, and you shall not be judged. Condemn not, and you shall not be condemned. Forgive, and you shall be forgiven. 38 Give, and it shall be given to you, good measure pressed down and shaken together and running over, they shall give into your bosom. For with the same measure that you measure, it shall be measured to you again. 39 And He spoke a parable to them: Can the blind lead the blind? Shall they not both fall into the ditch? 40 The disciple is not above his master, but everyone who is perfect shall be like his master. 41 And why do you look at the splinter that is in your brother's eye, **but do not see the beam that is in your own eye?** 42 Or how can you say to your brother, Brother, let me pull out the splinter in your eye, when you yourself do not see the beam that is in your own eye? **Hypocrite!** First cast out the beam out of your own eye, and then you shall see clearly to pull out the splinter that is in your brother's eye. (MKJV)



Humility

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Humility

Mar 9:33-37 And He came to Capernaum. And being in the house, He asked them, What was it that you disputed among yourselves in the way? 34 But they were silent. For in the way they had disputed among themselves **who was the greatest**. 35 And He sat down and called the Twelve and said to them, **If anyone desires to be first, he shall be last of all and servant of all**. 36 And He took a child, and embraced it, and set him in their midst. And He said to them, 37 **Whoever receives one of such children on My name receives Me**. And whoever receives Me does not only receives Me, but Him who sent Me. (MKJV)

Discretion

Mat 6:1-4 Take heed that you do not do your merciful deeds **before men, to be seen by them**. Otherwise you have no reward with your Father in Heaven. 2 Therefore when you do your merciful deeds, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so **that they may have glory from men**. Truly I say to you, They have their reward. 3 But when you do merciful deeds, **do not let your left hand know what your right hand does**, 4 so that your merciful deeds may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret Himself shall reward you openly. (MKJV)

Contentment

Mar 10:17-27 And when He had gone out into the way, one came running up and kneeled to Him, and asked Him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life? 18 And Jesus said to him, Why do you call Me good? No one is good except one, God. 19 You know the commandments: Do not commit adultery, do not kill, do not steal, do not bear false witness, do not defraud, honor your father and your mother. 20 And he answered and said to Him, Teacher, all these I have observed from my youth. 21 Then Jesus, beholding him, loved him and said to him, **One thing you lack. Go, sell whatever you have and give it to the poor, and you shall have treasure in Heaven.** And come, take up the cross and follow Me. 22 And he was sad at that saying and went away grieved, for he had great possessions. 23 And Jesus looked around and said to His disciples, **How hardly those having riches will enter into the kingdom of God!** 24 And the disciples were astonished at His words. But Jesus answering again said to them, Children, how hard it is for those who trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God! 25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich one to enter into the kingdom of God. 26 And they were astonished beyond measure, saying to themselves, And who can be saved? 27 And Jesus looking on them said, **With men it is impossible, but not with God; for with God all things are possible.** (MKJV)



Relationships

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Lust

Mat 5:27-30 You have heard that it was said to the ancients, "You shall not commit adultery." 28 But I say to you that whoever looks on a woman **to lust after her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.** 29 And if your right eye offends you, pluck it out and throw it from you. For it is profitable for you that one of your members should perish, and not that your whole body should be thrown into hell. 30 And if your right hand offends you, cut it off and throw it from you. For it is profitable for you that one of your members should perish, and not that your whole body should be thrown into hell. (MKJV)

Marriage

Mat 5:31-32 It was also said, Whoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a bill of **divorce**. 32 But I say to you that whoever shall put away his wife, except for the cause of fornication, causes her to commit **adultery**. And whoever shall marry her who is put away commits **adultery**. (MKJV)

Mar 10:4-12 And they said, Moses allowed a bill of **divorce** to be written, and to put her away. 5 And Jesus answered and said to them, He wrote you this precept because of the **hardness of your hearts**. 6 But from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female. 7 For this cause a man shall leave his father and mother and shall cleave to his wife. 8 And the **two of them shall be one flesh**. So then they are no longer two, but one flesh. 9 Therefore **what God has joined together, let not man put apart**. 10 And in the house His disciples asked Him again about the same. 11 And He said to them, Whoever shall put away his wife and marries another commits **adultery** against her. 12 And if a woman shall put away her husband and marries to another, she commits **adultery**. (MKJV)

Selfless

Luk 6:31-36 And as you desire that men should do to you, you do also to them likewise. 32 For if you love those who love you, what thanks do you have? For sinners also love those who love them. 33 And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks do you have? For sinners also do the same. 34 And if you lend to those of whom you hope to receive, what thanks do you have? For sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again. 35 But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return. And your reward shall be great, and you shall be the sons of the Highest. For He is kind to the unthankful and to the evil. 36 Therefore be merciful, even as your Father is merciful. (MKJV)

Justice

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Anger

Mat 5:21-26 You have heard that it was said to the ancients, "You shall not kill" —and, "Whoever shall kill shall be liable to the judgment." 22 But I say to you that **whoever is angry** with his brother without a cause shall be liable to the judgment. And whoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be liable to the sanhedrin; but whoever shall say, Fool! shall be liable to be thrown into the fire of hell. 23 Therefore if you offer your gift on the altar, and there remember that your brother has anything against you, 24 **leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.** 25 Agree with your adversary quickly, while you are in the way with him; that the opponent not deliver you to the judge, and the judge deliver you to the officer, and you be thrown into prison. 26 Truly I say to you, You shall by no means come out from there until you have paid the last kodrantes. (MKJV)

Patience

Jas 1:2-4 My brothers, count it all joy when you fall into different kinds of temptations, 3 **knowing that the trying of your faith works patience.** 4 But let patience have its perfect work, so that you may be perfect and entire, lacking nothing. (MKJV)

Jas 5:7-11 Therefore be patient, brothers, until the coming of the Lord. Behold, the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth and has long patience for it, until he receives the early and the latter rain. 8 You also be patient, establish your hearts, for the coming of your Lord draws near. 9 **Do not grudge against one another, brothers, lest you be condemned.** Behold, the Judge stands before the door. 10 My brothers, take the prophets who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering ill, and of patience. 11 Behold, we count blessed those who endure. You have heard of the patience of Job, and **you have seen the end of the Lord, that the Lord is full of pity and of tender mercy.** (MKJV)

Justice

Luk 6:27-36 But I say to you who hear: **Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you**, 28 bless those who curse you, and pray for those who spitefully use you. 29 And to him who strikes you on the one cheek, also offer the other. And to him who takes away your garment, do not forbid your tunic also. 30 Give to everyone who asks of you, and from him who takes away your goods, do not ask them again.

Mat 5:38-42 You have heard that it was said, "An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth." 39 But I say to you, **Do not resist evil**. But whoever shall strike you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also. 40 And to him desiring to sue you, and to take away your tunic, let him have your coat also. 41 And whoever shall compel you to go a mile, go with him two. 42 Give to him who asks of you, and you shall not turn away from him who would borrow from you. (MKJV)



Worship

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Structure

Act 2:42-47 And they were continuing steadfastly **in the apostles' doctrine**, and **in fellowship** and **in the breaking of the loaves**, and **in prayers**. 43 And fear came on every soul. And many wonders and miracles took place through the apostles. 44 And all who believed **were together and had all things common**. 45 And they sold their possessions and goods and **distributed them to all**, according as anyone had need. 46 And continuing **with one accord in the temple**, and **breaking bread from house to house**, they **shared food with gladness and simplicity of heart**, 47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord **added to the church daily those who were being saved**. (MKJV)

Commitments

Mat 5:33-37 Again, you have heard that it has been said to the ancients, "You shall not swear falsely, but **you shall perform your oaths** to the Lord." 34 But I say to you, Do not swear at all! Not by Heaven, because it is God's throne; 35 not by the earth, for it is the footstool of His feet; not by Jerusalem, because it is the city of the great King; 36 nor shall you swear by your head, because you cannot make one hair white or black. 37 But **let your word be, Yes, yes; No, no.** For whatever is more than these comes from evil. (MKJV)

Sacrifice

Rom 12:1-2 I beseech you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God to **present your bodies a living sacrifice**, holy, pleasing to God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And **do not be conformed to this world**, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, in order to prove by you what is that good and pleasing and perfect will of God. (MKJV)

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Heb 12:29 for also,
"Our God is a
consuming fire."