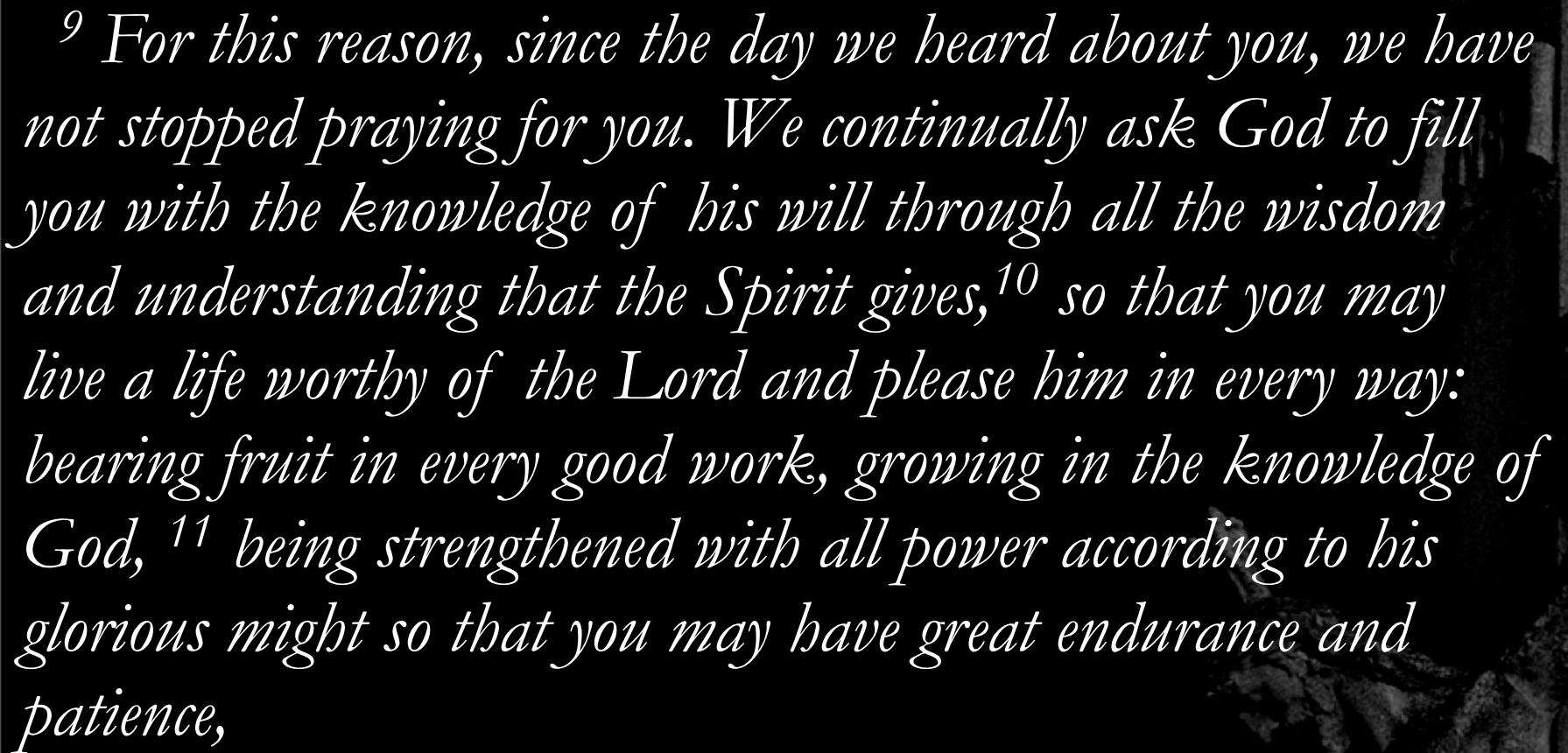


# LIFE : *In Christ*

*A study in Colossians*



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*<sup>9</sup> For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives,<sup>10</sup> so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God,<sup>11</sup> being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience,*

*<sup>12</sup> and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light. <sup>13</sup> For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, <sup>14</sup> in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.*

*Colossians 1 vs. 9-14*

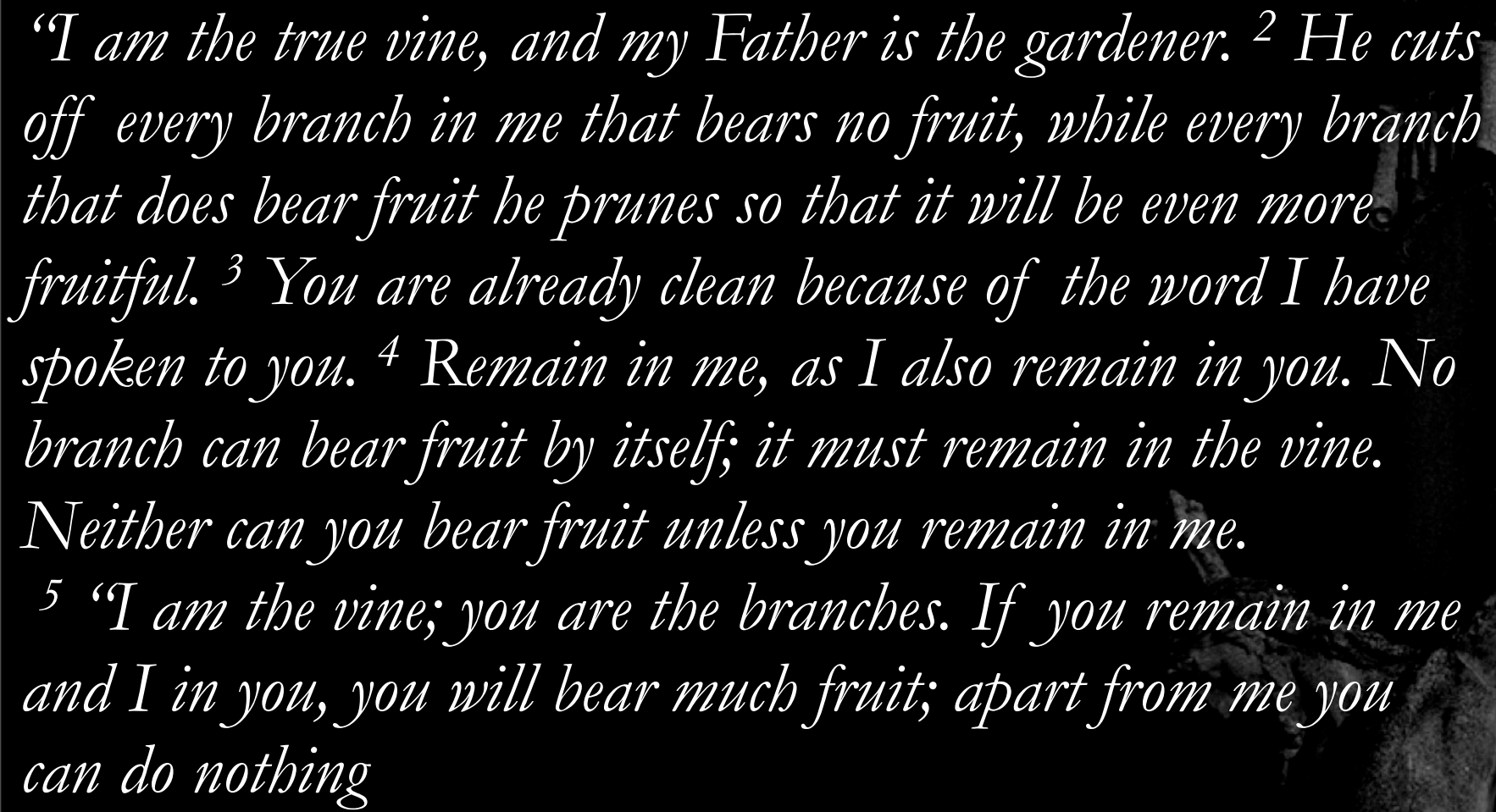
*Knowing* → *Obeying* → *Knowing*



*The Joy of God's Heart*



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*‘I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. <sup>2</sup> He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. <sup>3</sup> You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. <sup>5</sup> ‘I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing*

*John 15 vs. 1-5*

*Resistance is Real*



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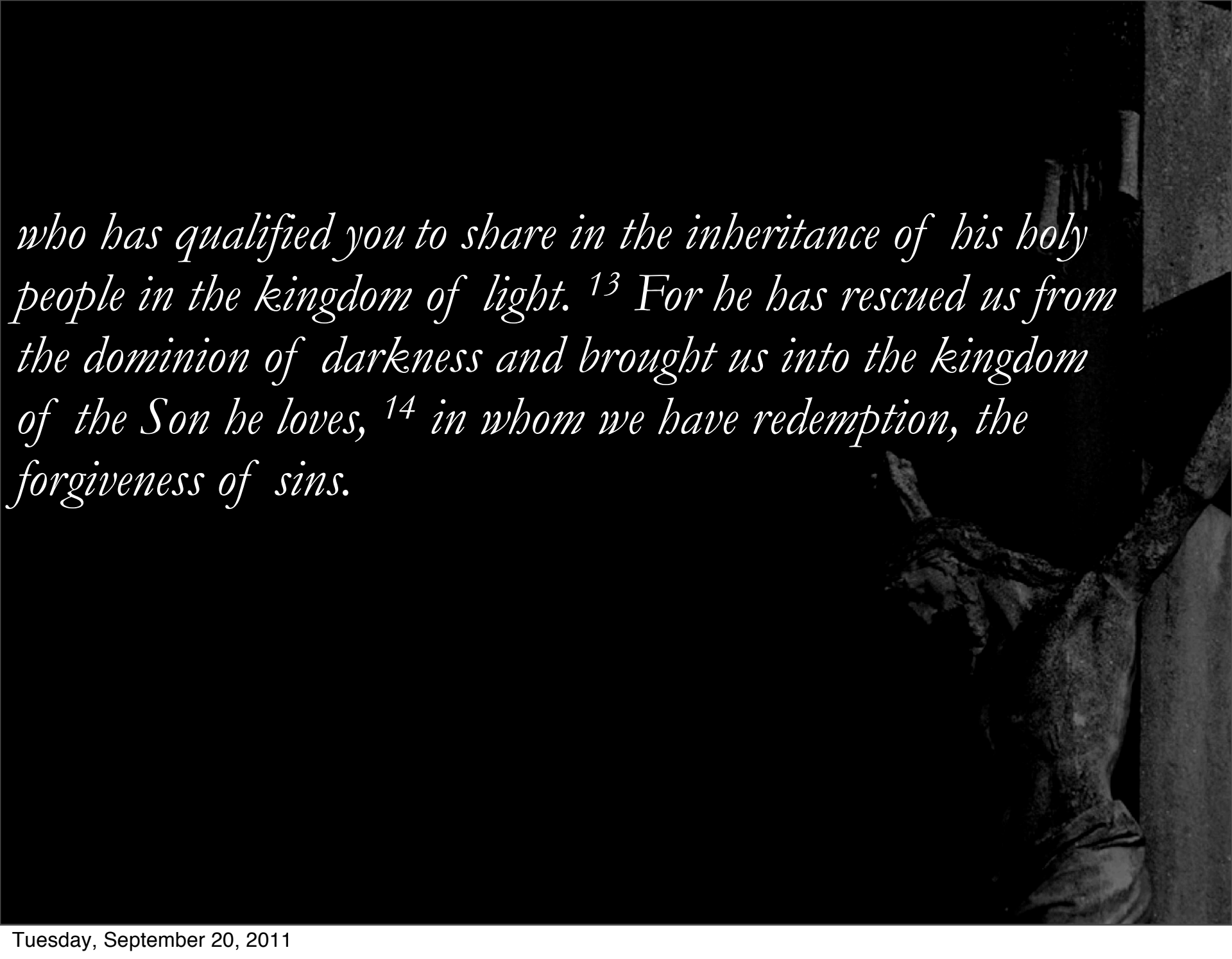


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*The NEW Exodus*



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# *Rescue*



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# *EMPIRE*

1. Systemic centralizations of power.
2. Secured by structures of socioeconomic and military control.
3. Religiously legitimated by powerful myths.
4. Sustained by proliferation of imperial images that capture the imaginations of the population.

# *Transfer*



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# *Inheritance*



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