

BIBLICAL READINGS
supplement to Shelmerdine
Chapter 7

A. Part of the Lord's prophecy to Isaiah:

ἔσται γάρ ὁ οὐρανὸς καινὸς, καὶ ἡ γῆ καινὴ... (LXX Isaiah 65.17)
ἔσται γάρ "for there will be" οὐρανός -οῦ ὁ "heaven" καινός --ή --όν "new"

B. From the Beatitudes in the Sermon on the Mount:

Μακάριοι οἱ πτωχοὶ τῷ πνεύματι, ὅτι αὐτῶν ἔστιν ἡ βασιλεία τῶν οὐρανῶν.

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μακάριοι οἱ πραεῖς, ὅτι αὐτοὶ κληρονομήσουσιν τὴν γῆν. (Matt. 5.3, 5.5)

μακάριος -η -ον "blessed" πτωχός -οῦ ὁ "poor" πνεύματι "spirit" (dat)
ὅτι "because" αὐτῶν "theirs" ἡ βασιλεία -ας ἡ "kingdom"
πραεῖς "meek" αὐτοὶ "they" κληρονομέω "inherit"

C. From later in the Sermon on the Mount:

Ὑμεῖς ἔστε τὸ ἄλας τῆς γῆς. (Matt. 5.13)
ὑμεῖς (nom. pl.) "you" ἄλας -ατος, τό "salt"

οὐ δύναται δένδρον ἀγαθὸν καρποὺς πονηροὺς ποιεῖν οὐδὲ δένδρον σαπρὸν καρποὺς
καλοὺς ποιεῖν. (Matt. 7.18)

δύναται "is able" ποιεῖν "to make" πονηρός --ή --όν "evil" σαπρός --ή --όν "bad"

D. From the Sermon on the Plain:

ὁ ἀγαθὸς ἀνθρωπος ἐκ τοῦ ἀγαθοῦ θησαυροῦ τῆς καρδίας προφέρει τὸ ἀγαθόν, καὶ ὁ
πονηρὸς ἐκ τοῦ πονηροῦ προφέρει τὸ πονηρόν. (Luke 6.45)
θησαυρός -οῦ ὁ "treasury" καρδία -ας ἡ "heart" προ-φέρω "bring forward"

E. James concludes his discussion of the relationship between faith and works:

ἡ πίστις χωρὶς ἔργων νεκρά ἔστιν. (James 2.26)
πίστις "faith" χωρὶς + gen. "without" νεκρός --ά --όν "dead"

F. James shouts at those who fight and spend on their own pleasure:

ἡ φιλία τοῦ κόσμου ἔχθρα τοῦ Θεοῦ ἔστιν (James 4.4)
κόσμος -ου ὁ "the world"

G. John strikes a paternal tone:

Ἄγαπητοί, νῦν τέκνα θεοῦ ἔσμεν (I John 3.2)
ἀγαπητός -ή -όν "beloved" νῦν "now"

H. John evokes Isaiah (cf. A above):

καὶ εἶδον οὐρανὸν καινὸν καὶ γῆν καινήν. (Rev. 21.1)
εἶδον "I saw" (aor.)