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"And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write, 'These things says He (Jesus) who has the Two-edged Sharp Sword. I know your works, and where you dwell, even where Satan's seat is; and you hold fast My name, and have not denied My faith, even in those days in which Antipas was My faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where satan dwells. But I have a few things against you, because you have there those who hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balak to cast a stumbling-block before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication. So have you also those who hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate. Repent; or else I will come unto you quickly, and will fight against them with the Sword of My mouth. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says unto the churches. To him who overcomes will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knows except he who receives it." (Revelation 2:12-17)

He who has: from the Greek words <u>ho echon</u> which means: masculine for <u>the-one having</u>, thus <u>He who has</u>; Jesus, is speaking of Himself; and in the sense of having <u>within Himself</u> the two-edge sharp sword.

Two-edged Sharp Sword: from the Greek words <u>di-stomon oxeianx rhomphaian</u> which mean: <u>two-edged sharp sword</u>; properly: a sword with both sides of the blade with the edges sharpened. Figuratively, the Sword of His Mouth is the Word of God that proceeds out of His mouth, and accomplishes the will of God! It is as it says: "And take the Helmet of Salvation, and the Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God!" (Ephesians 6:17)

The context is one of judgement and spiritual warfare carried out by the resurrected Christ-Messiah Jesus, who is reigning at the Right Hand of God the Father! The weapon of His warfare is the sharp two-edged sword; which comes forth <u>out of the mouth</u> of Jesus; please consider the following:

"And I, (John), turned to see the voice who spoke with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden lamp-stands; and in the midst of the seven lamp-stands someone like unto **the Son of Man (Jesus)**, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girded about the waist with a golden sash. His head and His hair were white like wool, as white as snow; and His eyes were as a flame of fire; and His feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and His voice as the sound of many waters. And He had in His right hand seven stars; and **out of His mouth went a Two-edged Sharp Sword**; and His countenance was as the sun shining in its strength." (Revelation 1:12-16)

Out of His Mouth: from the Greek words <u>ek tou stimatos autou</u> which mean: <u>out-of the mouth of-him</u>; i.e. the Word of God coming forth <u>from within Jesus</u>, and out of His mouth, and against the sin and sinners who are in rebellion against God. It is as it says:

"For the <u>Word of God</u> is quick, and powerful, and sharper <u>than any two-edged sword</u>, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, <u>and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart</u>." (Hebrews 4:12)

"And there shall come forth <u>a rod out of the stem of Jesse</u>, and <u>a Branch (referring to Jesus)</u> shall grow out of his roots; and the Spirit of the LORD shall rest <u>upon Him</u>, the <u>Spirit of wisdom and understanding</u>, the <u>Spirit of counsel and might</u>, the <u>Spirit of knowledge</u> and of the fear of the LORD; and shall make <u>Him</u> of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD. And <u>He</u> shall not judge after the sight of <u>His</u> eyes, nor reprove after the hearing of <u>His</u> ears. But with righteousness <u>He</u> shall judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth. And He shall smite <u>the earth</u> with <u>the rod of His mouth</u>, and with <u>the breath of His lips</u> He shall slay the wicked." (<u>Isaiah 11:1-4</u>)

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"Come, and let us return unto the LORD; for He has torn, but He will heal us; He has smitten, but he will bind us up. After two days will He revive us; in the third day He will raise us up, and we shall live in His sight. Then we shall know, if we follow on, to know the LORD. His going forth is prepared as the morning-dawn; and He shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth. O Ephraim, what shall I do unto you? O Judah, what shall I do unto you? For your goodness is as a morning cloud (or fleeting fog), and as the early dew that (quickly) evaporates away. Therefore, I have hewn (cut-down) them by the prophets; Lhave slain them by the words of My mouth; with judgments as lighting going forth. For L desire mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings." (Hosea 6:1-6)

"Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto Him, that you be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, that the day of Christ is at hand. Let no man deceive you by any means; for that day shall not come, except there first comes a falling away, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition; who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he sits as God sits in the Temple of God, (trying to) show himself that he is God. Do you not remember that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things? And now you know what restrains, so that he might be revealed in his time. For the mystery of iniquity is already at work; only He who now restrains will do so until he is taken out of the way. And then shall that Wicked-one be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the breath of His mouth, and shall destroy with the appearing (or brightness) of His (second) coming." (2 Thessalonians 2:1-10)

Once, Jesus chose not to utilize the Sword of His mouth against His adversaries:

"He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, <u>yet He opened not His mouth</u>. He was brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers <u>is silent</u>, so <u>He opened not His mouth</u>! " (Isaiah 53:7) (see also Matthew 27:11-14)

Although He could have opened His mouth, Jesus did not! Please consider the following:

"And while He (Jesus) yet spoke, lo, Judas, one of the twelve (apostles), came, and with him a great multitude with swords and staffs, from the chief priests and elders of the people. Now he who betrayed <u>Him</u> gave them a sign, saying, 'Whomsoever I shall kiss, He is the one; arrest Him.' And he came forth to Jesus, and said, 'Hail, Master;' and kissed Him. And Jesus said unto him, 'Friend, for what have you come?' Then came they, and laid hands on Jesus, and took Him. And, behold, one of them who was with Jesus stretched out his hand, and drew his sword, and struck a servant of the high priest's, and cut off his ear. Then Jesus said unto him, 'Put back your sword into its place; for all those who take the sword shall perish with the sword. Do you think that I cannot now pray to My Father, and <u>He shall presently give</u> <u>Me more than twelve legions of angels</u>? But <u>how then</u> shall the scriptures be fulfilled, that it thus <u>must</u> be so?' " (Matthew 26:47-54)

And so, for our sake, and for our salvation, Jesus endured death on the Cross:

"But (Jesus) made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Himself the <u>form of a servant</u>, and was made in the likeness of men; and being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and <u>became obedient</u> unto death, **even <u>the death of the Cross</u>**. Therefore, God also has <u>highly exalted **Him**</u>, and gave <u>Him</u> a Name which is above every name; so that <u>at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow</u>, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should <u>confess that Jesus Christ is Lord</u>, to the <u>Glory of God the Father.</u>" (<u>Philippians 2:7-11</u>)

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But things will be different at His Second Coming:

"And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and He (Jesus) who sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He does judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns; and He had a name written, that no man knew, but He Himself. And He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood; and His Name is called The Word of God. And the armies which were in heaven followed Him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And out of His mouth goes a Sharp Sword, that with it He should smite the nations: and He shall rule them with a Rod of Iron: and He treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He has on His robe and on His thigh a Name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS. And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, 'Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; so that you may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men. and the flesh of horses, and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great. And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against **Him** who sat on the horse, and against His army. And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet who performed miracles before him, with which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast, and those who worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. And the remnant were slain with the Sword of Him (Jesus) who sat upon the horse, which proceeded out of His mouth; and all the fowls (carrion eating birds) were filled with their flesh." (Revelation 19:11-21)

The followers of Jesus also have access to the same Sharp Two-edged Sword:

"Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Therefore, take unto yourselves the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand in the day of evil, and having done everything to stand-firm. Stand-firm therefore, having your loins girded about with Truth, and having on the Breastplate of Righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of Peace. Above all, take the Shield of Faith, with which you shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And put-on the Helmet of Salvation, and the Sword of the Spirit - which is the Word of God; praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints." (Ephesians 6:11-18)

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This Sword is the Sword of the Spirit – which is the Word of God !!
With the breath of His mouth and the Word of God Jesus will smite the nations !!

Jesus will slay them with the Words of His mouth !!

And at the Name of Jesus every knee will bow, and every tongue will confess that Jesus is Lord of Lords, and King of Kings – to the Glory of God the Father !!

Worthy are You Lord Jesus who was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing. Blessing, and honor, and glory, and power, be unto the Father upon the throne, and unto Jesus the Lamb of God - forever and ever.