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I. MATTHEW 5:48 a troublesome passage to many. *
   1. Frightening: "Live daily without sin or doomed"

TRUTH: GR. teleios or "having reached its goal, be complete, full-grown or mature.
II Timothy 4:6-8. Teleiosed his life!!!!
*Note: N. T. in 26 Translations. p. 20.

II. ROMANS 12:1-3. What is God's Perfect will?
   1. Live the good Christian life for 2 reasons:
      b. Others. James 5:19-20. God's complete will
   *Note: 26 Translations. p. 706.

   1. I Cor. 12 about Spiritual gifts. V. 7-12.
   2. Vs. 13-14. One body, spirit; many members and many kinds of gifts.
   3. Avoid jealousy about such things: V. 15-20.
   4. One gift is greater than all others: V. 31.
   5. GIFT OF LOVE. v. 13.
   6. To squabble over temporary gifts is to quarrel over that which is passing. V. 8-9. These temporary Spr. gifts are incomplete: IN PART!
   7. When the PERFECT comes! GR. Teleios or full knowledge of God's revelation. Jas. 1:25.
   * Note: 26 Translations. p. 771.

IV. II TIMOTHY 3:16-17. No excuse for APATHY.
   1. Gr. ARTIOS or "FITTED to the task." Read again!
   2. Ill. Denotes functionality or usefulness.
   *Jer. 18:1-6. God can make a man PERFECT or GOOD if he will yield to the Potter's touch.
   (Knt. II,p.716) JOHN FOSTER, Pottery worker.
   John hired as TRUSTED employee! Owner left his secret-formula book open in office while visited a problem-area in factory. John saw it! Could have copied it! Started own factory DIDN'T!!! Closed it and took it to the owner. Received a "Thank you, John." No more. BUT HAD MORE!!! Victory over temptation, Satan & sin. A "perfect" employee. Good man. Complete.
Jesus restates Matthew 5:48.  

Reminds each of us: II Tim. 3:16-17.  
Every good work.  

Fulfill God's Will for you.  
Mk. 16:15-16.  

Come, give your life to the Lord tonight!  

Come enjoy the inner peace and happiness which only Christians possess.