

## The Gospel According to

# MATTHEW



### THE BOOK OF MATTHEW

Matthew is the gospel written by a Jew to Jews about a Jew. Matthew is the writer, his countrymen are the readers, and Jesus Christ is the subject. Matthew's design is to present Jesus as the King of the Jews, the long-awaited Messiah. Through a carefully selected series of Old Testament quotations, Matthew documents Jesus Christ's claim to be the Messiah. His genealogy, baptism, messages, and miracles all point to the same inescapable conclusion: Christ is King. Even in His death, seeming defeat is turned to victory by the Resurrection, and the message again echoes forth: the King of the Jews lives.

At an early date this gospel has given the title *Kata Matthaion*, "According to Matthew." As this title suggests, other gospel accounts were known at that time (the word "gospel" was added later). Matthew ("Gift of the Lord") was also surnamed Levi (Mark 2:14; Luke 5:27).



### THE AUTHOR OF MATTHEW

The early church uniformly attributed this gospel to Matthew, and no tradition to the contrary ever emerged. This book was known early and accepted quickly. In his Ecclesiastical History (A.D. 323), Eusebius quoted a statement by Papias (c. A.D. 140) that Matthew wrote *logia* ("sayings") in Aramaic. No Aramaic gospel of Matthew has been found, and it is evident that Matthew is not a Greek translation of an Aramaic original. Some believe that Matthew wrote an abbreviated version of Jesus' sayings in Aramaic before writing his gospel in Greek for a larger circle of readers.

Matthew, the son of Alphaeus (Mark 2:14), occupied the unpopular post of tax collector in Capernaum for the Roman government. As a publican he was no doubt disliked by his Jewish countrymen. When Jesus called him to discipleship (Matt. 9:9–13; Mark 2:14; Luke 5:27, 28), his quick response probably meant that he had already been stirred by Jesus' public preaching. He gave a large reception for Jesus in his house so that his associates could meet Jesus. He was chosen as one of the twelve apostles, and the last appearance of his name in the Bible is in Acts 1:13. Matthew's life from that point on is veiled in tradition.



### THE TIME OF MATTHEW

Like all the gospels, Matthew is not easy to date: suggestions have ranged from A.D. 40 to 140. The two expressions "unto this day" (27:8) and "until this day" (28:15) indicate that a substantial period of time has passed since the events described in the book, but they also point to a date prior to the destruction of Jerusalem in A.D. 70. The Olivet Discourse (24–25) also anticipates this event. The strong Jewish flavor of this gospel is another argument for a date prior to A.D. 70. If Matthew depended on Mark's gospel as a source, the date of Mark would determine the earliest date for Matthew. The likely time frame for this book is A.D. 58–68. It may have been written in Palestine or Syrian Antioch.



### THE CHRIST OF MATTHEW

Matthew presents Jesus as Israel's promised messianic King (1:23; 2:2, 6; 3:17; 4:15–17; 21:5, 9; 22:44, 45; 26:64; 27:11, 27–37). The phrase "the kingdom of heaven" appears thirty-two times in Matthew but nowhere else in the New Testament. To show that Jesus fulfills the qualifications for the Messiah, Matthew uses more Old Testament quotations and allusions than any other book (almost 130). Often used in this gospel is the revealing phrase "that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet," which does not appear even once in the other gospels. Jesus is the climax of the prophets (12:39, 40; 13:13–15, 35; 17:5–13), "the Son of man" (24:30ff.), the "servant" of the Lord (12:17–21), and the "son of David" (the Davidic reference occurs nine times in Matthew, but only six times in all of the other gospels).



### KEYS TO MATTHEW

**Key Word:** *Jesus the King*—A Jewish tax collector named Matthew writes to a Jewish audience to convince them that the King of Jews has come. By quoting repeatedly from the Old Testament, Matthew validates Christ's claims that He is, in fact, the prophesied Messiah (the Anointed One) of Israel. Everything about this King is unique: His miraculous

birth and obscure yet carefully prophesied birthplace, His flight into Egypt, His announcement by John, His battle with Satan in the wilderness, all support the only possible conclusion—Jesus is the culmination of promises delivered by the prophets over a period of a thousand years. Thus God’s redemptive plan is alive and well, even after four hundred years of prophetic silence.

**Key Verses: Matthew 16:16–19 and 28:18–20**—“And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven” (16:16–19).

“And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world” (28:18–20).

**Key Chapter: Matthew 12**—The turning point of Matthew comes in the twelfth chapter when the Pharisees, acting as the leadership of the nation of Israel, formally reject Jesus Christ as the Messiah, saying that His power comes not from God but from Satan. Christ’s ministry changes immediately with His new teaching of parables, increased attention given to His disciples, and His repeated statement that His death is now near.



## SURVEY OF MATTHEW

The Old Testament prophets predicted and longed for the coming of the Anointed One who would enter history to bring redemption and deliverance. The first verse of Matthew succinctly announces the fulfillment of Israel’s hope in the coming of Christ: “The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.” Matthew was placed first in the canon of New Testament books by the early church because it is a natural bridge between the Testaments. This gospel describes the Person and work of Israel’s messianic King. An important part of Matthew’s structure is revealed in the phrase “when Jesus had finished” (7:28; 11:1; 13:53; 19:1; 26:1), which is used to conclude the five key discourses

of the book: the Sermon on the Mount (5:3–7:27), Instruction of the Disciples (10:5–42), Parables of the Kingdom (13:3–52), Terms of Discipleship (18:3–35), and the Olivet Discourse (24:4–25:46). Matthew can be outlined as follows: the presentation of the King (1:1–4:11); the proclamation of the King (4:12–7:29); the power of the King (8:1–11:1); the progressive rejection of the King (11:2–16:12); the preparation of the King’s disciples (16:13–20:28); the presentation and rejection of the King (20:29–27:66); the proof of the King (28:1–20).

**The Presentation of the King (1:1–4:11):** The promise to Abraham was that “in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed” (Gen. 12:3). Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world, is “the son of Abraham” (Matt. 1:1). However, He is also “the son of David”; and as David’s direct descendant, He is qualified to be Israel’s King. The magi know that the “King of the Jews” (2:2) has been born and come to worship Him. John the Baptist, the messianic forerunner who breaks the four hundred years of prophetic silence, also bears witness of Him (cf. Mal. 3:1). The sinlessness of the King is proved when He overcomes the satanic temptations to disobey the will of the Father.

**The Proclamation of the King (4:12–7:29):** In this section, Matthew uses a topical rather than a chronological arrangement of his material in order to develop a crucial pattern in Christ’s ministry. The words of the Lord are found in the Sermon on the Mount (5–7). This discourse requires less than fifteen minutes to read, but its brevity has not diminished its profound influence on the world. The Sermon on the Mount presents new laws and standards for God’s people.

**The Power of the King (8:1–11:1):** The works of the Lord are presented in a series of ten miracles (8–9) that reveal His authority over every realm (disease, demons, death, and nature). Thus, the words of the Lord are supported by His works; His claims are verified by His credentials.

**The Progressive Rejection of the King (11:2–16:12):** Here we note a series of reactions to Christ’s words and works. Because of increasing opposition, Jesus begins to spend proportionately more time with His disciples as He prepares them for His coming death and departure.

**The Preparation of the King’s Disciples (16:13–20:28):** In a series of discourses, Jesus communicates the significance of accepting or rejecting His offer of righteousness. His teaching in 16:13–21:11 is primarily directed to those who accept Him.

**The Presentation and Rejection of the King (20:29–27:66):** The majority of Christ’s words in this section are aimed at those who reject their King. The Lord predicts the terrible judgment that will fall on Jerusalem, resulting in the dispersion

of the Jewish people. Looking beyond these events (fulfilled in A.D. 70), He also describes His second coming as the Judge and Lord of the earth.

*The Proof of the King (28):* Authenticating His words and works are the empty tomb, resurrection, and appearances, all proving that Jesus Christ is indeed the prophesied Messiah, the very Son of God.

Christ's final ministry in Judea (beginning in 19:1) reaches a climax at the cross as the King willingly gives up His life to redeem sinful persons. Jesus endures awesome human hatred in this great demonstration of divine love (cf. Rom. 5:7, 8). His perfect sacrifice is acceptable, and this gospel concludes with His glorious resurrection.

## OUTLINE OF MATTHEW

### Part One: The Presentation of the King (1:1—4:11)

#### I. The Advent of the King . . . . . 1:1—2:23

- A. Genealogy of Christ . . . . . 1:1–17
- B. Birth of Christ . . . . . 1:18–25
- C. Visit of Wise Men . . . . . 2:1–12
- D. Flight into Egypt . . . . . 2:13–15
- E. Herod Kills the Children . . . . . 2:16–18
- F. Jesus Returns to Nazareth . . . . . 2:19–23

#### II. The Announcer of the King . . . . . 3:1–12

- A. The Person of John the Baptist . . . . . 3:1–6
- B. The Preaching of John the Baptist . . . . . 3:7–12

#### III. The Approval of the King . . . . . 3:13—4:11

- A. Baptism of Jesus . . . . . 3:13–17
- B. Temptation of Jesus . . . . . 4:1–11
  - 1. First Temptation . . . . . 4:1–4
  - 2. Second Temptation . . . . . 4:5–7
  - 3. Third Temptation . . . . . 4:8–11

### Part Two: The Proclamation of the King (4:12—7:29)

#### I. The Background for the Sermon . . . . . 4:12–25

- A. Jesus Begins His Ministry . . . . . 4:12–17
- B. Jesus Calls His First Disciples . . . . . 4:18–22
- C. Jesus Ministers in Galilee . . . . . 4:23–25

#### II. The Sermon on the Mount . . . . . 5:1—7:29

- A. The Subjects of the Kingdom . . . . . 5:1–16
  - 1. The Beatitudes . . . . . 5:1–12
  - 2. The Similitudes . . . . . 5:13–16
- B. The Relationship of Jesus to the Law . . . . . 5:17–7:6
  - 1. Jesus Fulfills the Law . . . . . 5:17–19

- 2. Jesus Rejects Pharisaic Interpretation . . . . . 5:20–48
- 3. Jesus Rejects Pharisaic Practices . . . . . 6:1–7:6
- C. Jesus Instructs on Entering the Kingdom . . . . . 7:7–27
  - 1. “Ask and It Shall Be Given” . . . . . 7:7–11
  - 2. Golden Rule . . . . . 7:12
  - 3. Two Ways of Life . . . . . 7:13, 14
  - 4. False and True Teaching . . . . . 7:15–20
  - 5. True Way into the Kingdom . . . . . 7:21–23
  - 6. Parable of the Two Builders . . . . . 7:24–27
- D. Response to the Sermon . . . . . 7:28, 29

### Part Three: The Power of the King (8:1—11:1)

#### I. The Demonstration of the King's Power . . . . . 8:1—9:34

- A. Miracles of Healing . . . . . 8:1–17
  - 1. The Leper Is Cleansed . . . . . 8:1–4
  - 2. The Centurion's Servant Is Healed . . . . . 8:5–13
  - 3. Peter's Mother-in-Law Is Healed . . . . . 8:14–17
- B. Demands of Discipleship . . . . . 8:18–22
- C. Miracles of Power . . . . . 8:23–9:8
  - 1. The Sea Is Stilled . . . . . 8:23–27
  - 2. Devils Are Cast into Swine . . . . . 8:28–34
  - 3. The Paralytic Is Forgiven . . . . . 9:1–8
- D. Distinctions of Disciples . . . . . 9:9–17
  - 1. Matthew Is Called . . . . . 9:9

- 2. The Disciples Eat with Sinners . . . 9:10–13
- 3. The Disciples Do Not Fast . . . . . 9:14–17
- E. Miracles of Restoration . . . . . 9:18–34
  - 1. Life Is Restored . . . . . 9:18–26
  - 2. Sight Is Restored . . . . . 9:27–31
  - 3. Speech Is Restored . . . . . 9:32–34

#### II. The Delegation of the King's Power . . . . . 9:35—11:1

- A. The Need for Delegation of Power . . . . . 9:35–38
- B. The Twelve Apostles Are Sent . . . . . 10:1–4
- C. The Twelve Apostles Are Instructed . . . . . 10:5–11:1

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**Part Four: The Progressive Rejection of the King (11:2—16:12)**

- I. The Commencement of Rejection . . . . . 11:2—30**
  - A. Rejection of John the Baptist . . . . . 11:2—15
  - B. Rejection by Jesus' Generation . . . . . 11:16—19
  - C. Rejection of Chorazin, Bethsaida, and Capernaum . . . . . 11:20—24
  - D. Invitation to Come unto Jesus . . . . . 11:25—30
- II. The Rejection of Christ by the Pharisees . . . . . 12:1—50**
  - A. Controversy over Sabbath-Labour . . . . . 12:1—8
  - B. Controversy over Sabbath-Healing . . . . . 12:9—13
  - C. Pharisees Plan to Destroy Christ . . . . . 12:14—21
  - D. Pharisees Blaspheme the Holy Spirit . . . . . 12:22—30
  - E. Pharisees Commit the Unpardonable Sin . . . . . 12:31—37
  - F. Pharisees Demand a Sign . . . . . 12:38—45
  - G. Jesus and the True Brethren . . . . . 12:46—50
- III. The Consequences of the Rejection . . . . . 13:1—53**
  - A. Parables Spoken to the Multitude . . . . . 13:1—35
    - 1. Parable of the Soils . . . . . 13:1—23
    - 2. Parable of the Wheat and Tares . . . . . 13:24—30
    - 3. Parable of the Mustard Seed . . . . . 13:31, 32
    - 4. Parable of the Leaven . . . . . 13:33—35
  - B. Parables Spoken to the Disciples . . . . . 13:36—53
    - 1. Parable of the Tares Explained . . . . . 13:36—43
    - 2. Parable of the Hidden Treasure . . . . . 13:44
    - 3. Parable of the Pearl of Great Price . . . . . 13:45, 46
    - 4. Parable of the Net . . . . . 13:47—50
    - 5. Parable of the Householder . . . . . 13:51—53
- IV. The Continuing Rejection of the King . . . . . 13:54—16:12**
  - A. Rejection at Nazareth . . . . . 13:54—58
  - B. Rejection by Herod . . . . . 14:1—36
    - 1. Reaction of Herod . . . . . 14:1—12
    - 2. Withdrawal of Jesus . . . . . 14:13—36
  - C. Rejection by Scribes and Pharisees . . . . . 15:1—39
    - 1. Debate over Tradition . . . . . 15:1—20
    - 2. Withdrawal of Jesus . . . . . 15:21—39
  - D. Rejection by Pharisees and Sadducees . . . . . 16:1—12
    - 1. Debate over a Sign from Heaven . . . . . 16:1—4
    - 2. Withdrawal of Jesus . . . . . 16:5—12

**Part Five: The Preparation of the King's Disciples (16:13—20:28)**

- I. The Revelation in View of Rejection . . . . . 16:13—17:13**
  - A. Revelation of the Person of the King . . . . . 16:13—17
  - B. Revelation of the Program of the King . . . . . 16:18—17:13
    - 1. Revelation of the Church . . . . . 16:18—20
    - 2. Revelation of Jesus' Death . . . . . 16:21—23
    - 3. Revelation of Jesus' Reward . . . . . 16:24—26
    - 4. The Prophecy of the Second Coming . . . . . 16:27, 28
    - 5. The Transfiguration . . . . . 17:1—13
- II. The Instruction in View of Rejection . . . . . 17:14—20:28**
  - A. Instruction About Faith . . . . . 17:14—21
  - B. Instruction About Jesus' Death . . . . . 17:22, 23
  - C. Instruction About Taxes . . . . . 17:24—27
  - D. Instruction About Humility . . . . . 18:1—5
  - E. Instruction About Causing Offense . . . . . 18:6—20
    - 1. Punishment of Offenders . . . . . 18:6—10
    - 2. Parable of the Lost Sheep . . . . . 18:11—14
    - 3. The Offended Brother . . . . . 18:15—20
  - F. Instruction About Forgiveness . . . . . 18:21—35
  - G. Instruction About Divorce . . . . . 19:1—15
  - H. Instruction About Wealth . . . . . 19:16—20:16
    - 1. Rich Young Ruler . . . . . 19:16—26
    - 2. The Apostles' Reward . . . . . 19:27—30
    - 3. Parable of the Laborers . . . . . 20:1—16
  - I. Instruction About Jesus' Death . . . . . 20:17—19
  - J. Instruction About Ambition . . . . . 20:20—28

**Part Six: The Presentation and Rejection of the King (20:29—27:66)**

- I. The Blind Men Recognize the King . . . . . 20:29—34**
- II. The Public Presentation of the King . . . . . 21:1—17**
  - A. The Triumphal Entry . . . . . 21:1—11
  - B. The Cleansing of the Temple . . . . . 21:12—17
- III. The Nation Rejects the King . . . . . 21:18—22:46**
  - A. Cursing of the Fig Tree . . . . . 21:18—22
  - B. Conflict with Priests and Elders . . . . . 21:23—22:14
    - 1. Question of Jesus' Authority . . . . . 21:23—27

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- 2. Parable of the Two Sons . . . . . 21:28–32
- 3. Parable of the Householder . . . . . 21:33–46
- 4. Parable of the Marriage Feast . . . . . 22:1–14
- C. Conflict with Pharisees and Herodians . . . . . 22:15–22
- D. Conflict with Sadducees . . . . . 22:23–33
- E. Conflict with Pharisees . . . . . 22:34–46
  - 1. The Greatest Commandment . . . . . 22:34–40
  - 2. The Son of David . . . . . 22:41–46
- IV. The King Rejects the Nation . . . . . 23:1–39
  - A. Jesus Characterizes the Pharisees . . . . . 23:1–12
  - B. Jesus Condemns the Pharisees . . . . . 23:13–36
  - C. Jesus Laments over Jerusalem . . . . . 23:37–39
- V. The Predictions of the King’s Second Coming . . . . . 24:1–25:46
  - A. The Temple to Be Destroyed . . . . . 24:1, 2
  - B. The Disciples’ Two Questions: “When?” and “What?” . . . . . 24:3
  - C. Jesus Answers the “What?” . . . . . 24:4–31
    - 1. The Tribulation . . . . . 24:4–26
    - 2. The Second Coming . . . . . 24:27–31
  - D. Jesus Answers the “When?” . . . . . 24:32–51
    - 1. Parable of the Fig Tree . . . . . 24:32–35
    - 2. Illustration of the Days of Noah . . . . . 24:36–44
      - 3. Illustration of the Two Servants . . . . . 24:45–51
  - E. Jesus Predicts Judgment at His Coming . . . . . 25:1–46
    - 1. Parable of the Ten Virgins . . . . . 25:1–13
- 2. Parable of the Talents . . . . . 25:14–30
- 3. Judgment of the Gentiles . . . . . 25:31–46
- VI. The Passion of the King . . . . . 26:1–27:66
  - A. The Religious Leaders Plot to Kill Jesus . . . . . 26:1–5
  - B. Mary Anoints Jesus for Burial . . . . . 26:6–13
  - C. Judas Agrees to Betray Jesus . . . . . 26:14–16
  - D. The Disciples Celebrate the Passover . . . . . 26:17–35
    - 1. The Passover Is Prepared . . . . . 26:17–19
    - 2. The Passover Is Celebrated . . . . . 26:20–25
    - 3. The Lord’s Supper Is Instituted . . . . . 26:26–29
    - 4. Peter’s Denial Is Predicted . . . . . 26:30–35
  - E. Jesus Is Arrested in Gethsemane . . . . . 26:36–56
    - 1. Jesus’ Three Prayers . . . . . 26:36–46
    - 2. Jesus’ Betrayal and Arrest . . . . . 26:47–56
  - F. Jesus Is Tried . . . . . 26:57–27:25
    - 1. The Trial Before Caiaphas . . . . . 26:57–75
    - 2. The Trial Before Pilate . . . . . 27:1–25
  - G. Jesus Is Crucified . . . . . 27:26–56
    - 1. Jesus Is Scourged . . . . . 27:26–28
    - 2. Jesus Is Led to Golgotha . . . . . 27:29–33
    - 3. Jesus Is Crucified . . . . . 27:34–44
    - 4. Jesus Dies . . . . . 27:45–50
    - 5. Signs Accompanying Jesus’ Death . . . . . 27:51–56
  - H. Jesus Is Buried . . . . . 27:57–66

### Part Seven: The Proof of the King (28:1–20)

- I. The Empty Tomb . . . . . 28:1–8
- II. The Appearance of Jesus to the Women . . . . . 28:9, 10
- III. The Bribery of the Soldiers . . . . . 28:11–15
- IV. The Appearance of Jesus to the Disciples . . . . . 28:16, 17
- V. The Great Commission . . . . . 28:18–20

## CHAPTER 1

### Genealogy of Christ

*Ruth 4:18–22; 1 Chr. 1:34; 2:1–15; Luke 3:31–34*

**T**HE book of the <sup>a</sup>generation of Jesus Christ, <sup>b</sup>the son of David, <sup>c</sup>the son of Abraham.

2 <sup>a</sup>Abraham begat Isaac; and <sup>b</sup>Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat <sup>c</sup>Judas and his brethren; 3 And <sup>a</sup>Judas begat Phares and Zara of Thamar; and <sup>b</sup>Phares begat Esrom; and Esrom begat Aram;

4 And Aram begat Aminadab; and Aminadab begat Naasson; and Naasson begat Salmon;

5 And Salmon begat <sup>a</sup>Booz of <sup>b</sup>Rachab; and Booz begat Obed of Ruth; and Obed begat Jesse;

<sup>1:1</sup> <sup>a</sup>Luke 3:23  
<sup>b</sup>2 Sam. 7:12–16; Ps. 132:11; Is. 9:6; 11:1; Jer. 23:5 ★; [Matt. 1:18; Luke 3:23, 31]; John 7:42; Acts 2:30; [Rom. 1:3]; Rev. 22:16 <sup>c</sup>Gen. 12:3; 22:18 ★; [Gal. 3:16]

<sup>1:2</sup> <sup>a</sup>Gen. 21:2, 12  
<sup>b</sup>Gen. 25:26; 28:14  
<sup>c</sup>Gen. 29:35

<sup>1:3</sup> <sup>a</sup>Gen. 38:27; 49:10 <sup>b</sup>Ruth 4:18–22; 1 Chr. 2:1–15; Matt. 1:3–6  
<sup>1:5</sup> <sup>a</sup>Ruth 2:1; 4:1–13, <sup>1</sup>Rahab, Josh. 2:1  
<sup>1:6</sup> <sup>a</sup>1 Sam. 16:1; Is. 11:1, 10 ★ <sup>b</sup>2 Sam.

6 And <sup>a</sup>Jesse begat David the king; and <sup>b</sup>David the king begat Solomon of her *that had been the wife of* Urias;

7 And <sup>a</sup>Solomon begat Roboam; and Roboam begat <sup>b</sup>Abia; and Abia begat Asa;

8 And Asa begat <sup>a</sup>Josaphat; and Josaphat begat Joram; and Joram begat <sup>b</sup>Ozias;

9 And Ozias begat Joatham; and Joatham begat <sup>a</sup>Achaz; and Achaz begat Ezekias;

10 And <sup>a</sup>Ezekias begat Manasses; and Manasses begat Amon; and Amon begat <sup>b</sup>Josias;

7:12; 12:24; Is. 9:7 <sup>1:7</sup> <sup>a</sup>1 Kin. 11:43; 1 Chr. 3:10 <sup>b</sup>2 Chr. 11:20  
<sup>1:8</sup> <sup>a</sup>1 Chr. 3:10 <sup>b</sup>2 Kin. 15:13 <sup>1:9</sup> <sup>a</sup>2 Kin. 15:38 <sup>1:10</sup> <sup>a</sup>2 Kin. 20:21 <sup>b</sup>1 Kin. 13:2

11 And <sup>a</sup>Josias begat <sup>1</sup>Jechonias and his brethren, about the time they were <sup>b</sup>carried away to Babylon:

12 And after they were brought to Babylon, <sup>a</sup>Jechonias begat <sup>1</sup>Salathiel; and Salathiel begat <sup>b</sup>Zorobabel;

13 And Zorobabel begat Abiud; and Abiud begat Eliakim; and Eliakim begat Azor;

14 And Azor begat Sadoc; and Sadoc begat Achim; and Achim begat Eliud;

15 And Eliud begat Eleazar; and Eleazar begat Matthan; and Matthan begat Jacob;

16 And Jacob begat Joseph the husband of <sup>a</sup>Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ.

17 So all the generations from Abraham to David *are* fourteen generations; and from David until the carrying away into Babylon *are* fourteen generations; and from the carrying away into Babylon unto Christ *are* fourteen generations.

**Birth of Christ**

18 Now the <sup>a</sup>birth of Jesus Christ was <sup>1</sup>on this wise: When as his mother Mary was <sup>2</sup>esposed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child <sup>b</sup>of the <sup>3</sup>Holy Ghost.

19 Then Joseph her husband, being a <sup>1</sup>just man, and not willing <sup>a</sup>to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away <sup>2</sup>privily.

20 But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: <sup>a</sup>for that which is <sup>c</sup>conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

21 <sup>a</sup>And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name <sup>1</sup>JESUS: for <sup>b</sup>he shall save his people from their sins.

22 Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,

23 <sup>a</sup>Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which <sup>1</sup>being interpreted is, God with us.

24 Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife:

25 And <sup>1</sup>knew her not till she had brought forth <sup>a</sup>her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.

**CHAPTER 2**

**Visit of Wise Men**

**N**ow when <sup>a</sup>Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came <sup>1</sup>wise men <sup>b</sup>from the east to Jerusalem,

2 Saying, <sup>a</sup>Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen <sup>b</sup>his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

1:11 <sup>a1</sup> Chr. 3:15, 16  
<sup>b2</sup> Kin. 24:14-16;  
Jer. 27:20; Matt. 1:17  
<sup>1</sup> Jehoiachin, 2 Kin.

24:6; Coniah,  
Jer. 22:24  
1:12 <sup>a1</sup> Chr. 3:17  
<sup>b</sup> Ezra 3:2; Neh. 12:1;  
Hag. 1:1 <sup>1</sup> Shealtiel,  
Ezra 3:2

1:16 <sup>a</sup> Matt. 13:55;  
Mark 6:3  
1:18 <sup>a</sup> Matt. 12:46;  
Luke 1:27 <sup>b1s.</sup> 7:14;  
49:5 \*; Luke 1:35  
<sup>1as follows</sup>  
<sup>2</sup> betrothed <sup>3</sup> Holy Spirit

1:19 <sup>a</sup> Deut. 24:1;  
John 8:4, 5  
<sup>1</sup> upright <sup>2</sup> secretly

1:20 <sup>a</sup> Luke 1:35  
<sup>1</sup> Lit. begotten

1:21 <sup>a</sup> [Is. 7:14; 9:6, 7];  
Luke 1:31; 2:21  
<sup>b</sup> Luke 2:11; John

1:29; [Acts 4:12; 5:31;  
13:23, 38; Rom. 5:18,  
19 \*; Col. 1:20-23]  
<sup>1</sup> Lit. Saviour

1:23 <sup>a</sup> Is. 7:14 \* <sup>1is translated</sup>  
1:25 <sup>a</sup> Ex. 13:2; Luke 2:7, 21 \* <sup>1</sup> Kept her a virgin

2:1 <sup>a</sup> Mic. 5:2 \*;  
Luke 2:4-7 <sup>b</sup> Gen. 25:6; 1 Kin. 4:30  
<sup>1</sup> Gr. magoi

2:2 <sup>a</sup> Luke 2:11  
<sup>b</sup> [Num. 24:17 \*;  
Is. 60:3]

2:4 <sup>a2</sup> Chr. 36:14  
<sup>b2</sup> Chr. 34:13  
<sup>c</sup> Mal. 2:7  
2:6 <sup>a</sup> Mic. 5:2; John 7:42 \* <sup>b</sup> Gen. 49:10; [Rev. 2:27]  
<sup>1</sup> Ruler <sup>2</sup> shepherd  
2:7 <sup>a</sup> Num. 24:17  
<sup>1</sup> secretly

2:11 <sup>a</sup> Ps. 72:10;  
Is. 60:6  
2:12 <sup>a</sup> [Job 33:15, 16];  
Matt. 1:20  
2:15 <sup>a</sup> Num. 24:8;  
Hos. 11:1 \*  
2:16 <sup>a</sup> deceived  
<sup>2</sup> angry <sup>3</sup> male children <sup>4</sup> districts  
2:17 <sup>a</sup> Jeremiah  
2:18 <sup>a</sup> Jer. 31:15 \*

3 When Herod the king had heard *these things*, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

4 And when he had gathered all <sup>a</sup>the chief priests and <sup>b</sup>scribes of the people together, <sup>c</sup>he demanded of them where Christ should be born.

5 And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet,

6 <sup>a</sup>And thou Bethlehem, *in* the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a <sup>1</sup>Governor, <sup>b</sup>that shall <sup>2</sup>rule my people Israel.

7 Then Herod, when he had <sup>1</sup>privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the <sup>a</sup>star appeared.

8 And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found *him*, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

9 When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

11 And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, <sup>a</sup>they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

12 And being warned of God <sup>a</sup>in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

**Flight into Egypt**

13 And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.

14 When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt:

15 And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, <sup>a</sup>Out of Egypt have I called my son.

**Herod Kills the Children**

16 Then Herod, when he saw that he was <sup>1</sup>mocked of the wise men, was exceeding <sup>2</sup>wroth, and sent forth, and slew all the <sup>3</sup>children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the <sup>4</sup>coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men.

17 Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by <sup>1</sup>Jeremy the prophet, saying,

18 <sup>a</sup>In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning,

Rachel weeping *for* her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.

### Jesus Returns to Nazareth

*Luke 2:39*

19 But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt,

20 <sup>a</sup>Saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which <sup>b</sup>sought the young child's life.

21 And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel.

22 But when he heard that Archelaus did reign in Judaea <sup>i</sup>in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go <sup>2</sup>thither: notwithstanding, being warned of God in a <sup>a</sup>dream, he turned aside <sup>b</sup>into the <sup>3</sup>parts of Galilee:

23 And he came and dwelt in a city called <sup>a</sup>Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled <sup>b</sup>which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.

## CHAPTER 3

### The Person of John the Baptist

*Mark 1:2–6; Luke 3:3–6*

**I**N those days came <sup>a</sup>John the Baptist, preaching <sup>b</sup>in the wilderness of Judaea,

2 And saying, Repent ye: for <sup>a</sup>the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

3 For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, <sup>a</sup>The voice of one crying in the wilderness, <sup>b</sup>Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

4 And <sup>a</sup>the same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern <sup>i</sup>girdle about his <sup>2</sup>loins; and his <sup>3</sup>meat was <sup>b</sup>locusts and <sup>c</sup>wild honey.

5 <sup>a</sup>Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judaea, and all the region round about Jordan,

6 <sup>a</sup>And were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins.

2:20 <sup>a</sup>Luke 2:39  
<sup>b</sup>Matt. 2:16  
 2:22 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 2:12, 13, 19  
<sup>b</sup>Matt. 3:13; Luke 2:39  
<sup>1</sup>instead of <sup>2</sup>there <sup>3</sup>region  
 2:23 <sup>a</sup>Luke 1:26; 2:39; John 1:45, 46  
<sup>b</sup>Judg. 13:5 ★  
 3:1 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 3:1–12; Mark 1:3–8; Luke 3:2–17; John 1:6–8, 19–28  
<sup>b</sup>Josh. 14:10  
 3:2 <sup>a</sup>Dan. 2:44; Mal. 4:6 ★; Matt. 4:17; Mark 1:15; Luke 1:17; 10:9; 11:20; 21:31  
 3:3 <sup>a</sup>Is. 40:3 ★; Luke 3:4; John 1:23  
<sup>b</sup>Luke 1:76  
 3:4 <sup>a</sup>2 Kin. 1:8; Zech. 13:4; Matt. 11:8; Mark 1:6  
<sup>b</sup>Lev. 11:22  
<sup>c</sup>Sam. 14:25, 26  
<sup>1</sup>belt <sup>2</sup>waist <sup>3</sup>food  
 3:5 <sup>a</sup>Mark 1:5  
 3:6 <sup>a</sup>Acts 19:4, 18  
 3:7 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 12:34; Luke 3:7–9  
<sup>b</sup>[Rom. 5:9; 1 Thess. 1:10]  
<sup>1</sup>for <sup>2</sup>brood  
 3:8 <sup>1</sup>worthy of  
 3:9 <sup>a</sup>John 8:33; Acts 13:26; [Rom. 4:1, 11, 16; Gal. 3:29]  
 3:10 [Ps. 92:12–14]; Matt. 7:19; Luke 13:7, 9; [John 15:6]  
 3:11 <sup>a</sup>Mark 1:4, 8; Luke 3:16; Acts 1:5  
<sup>b</sup>[Is. 4:4; John 20:22; Acts 2:3, 4 ★; 1 Cor. 12:13]  
 3:12 <sup>a</sup>Mal. 3:3  
<sup>b</sup>Mal. 4:1; Matt. 13:30  
<sup>1</sup>winnowing fan <sup>2</sup>threshing-floor <sup>3</sup>barn  
 3:13 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 3:13–17; Mark 1:9–11; Luke 3:21, 22; John 1:31–34  
<sup>b</sup>Matt. 2:22  
 3:15 <sup>1</sup>Allow <sup>2</sup>is fitting for us  
<sup>3</sup>allowed  
 3:16 <sup>a</sup>Mark 1:10  
<sup>b</sup>[Is. 11:2]; Luke 3:22; John 1:32; Acts 7:56

### The Preaching of John the Baptist

*Mark 1:7, 8; Luke 3:7–9, 16, 17*

7 But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come <sup>t</sup>to his baptism, he said unto them, <sup>a</sup>O <sup>2</sup>generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from <sup>b</sup>the wrath to come?

8 Bring forth therefore fruits <sup>4</sup>meet for repentance:

9 And think not to say within yourselves, <sup>a</sup>We have Abraham to *our* father: for I say unto you, that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham.

10 And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: <sup>a</sup>therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

11 <sup>a</sup>I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: <sup>b</sup>he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and *with* fire:

12 <sup>a</sup>Whose <sup>i</sup>fan *is* in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his <sup>2</sup>floor, and gather his wheat into the <sup>3</sup>garner; but he will <sup>b</sup>burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

### Baptism of Jesus

*Mark 1:9–11; Luke 3:21–23*

13 <sup>a</sup>Then cometh Jesus <sup>b</sup>from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him.

14 But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me?

15 And Jesus answering said unto him, <sup>i</sup>Suffer *it to be so now: for thus it <sup>2</sup>becometh us to fulfil all righteousness.* Then he <sup>3</sup>suffered him.

16 <sup>a</sup>And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw <sup>b</sup>the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him:

17 <sup>a</sup>And lo a voice from heaven, saying,

3:17 <sup>a</sup>John 12:28

**3:17 God the Father of Christ**—Every new Christian eventually wonders in what sense God may be called the Father of Christ and Christ the Son of God. The answer to this question is not a simple one. First, one must recognize that the title “Son of God” does not speak of physical nature, for God is spirit (John 4:24), and Christ was the Son of God before He assumed a human body in Bethlehem (John 3:16; Gal. 4:4). Passages which use terms implying physical origin must be taken in a figurative sense (Heb. 1:5).

Second, the title expresses a unique relationship. Christ distinguished His sonship from that of His disciples (John 20:17). He is begotten of God in a sense that no one else is (John 1:14; 3:16). Some call it “eternal generation,” signifying the timelessness of this “God from God” relationship.

Third, the title describes a relationship of equality. The Son of God is no less than God. When Jesus claimed to be “one” with the Father, He was speaking of a unity of “substance” with the Father and thus equality in all the attributes of deity (John 10:30). The Jews certainly understood this claim, for they took up stones to stone Him, protesting that “thou . . . makest thyself God” (John 10:33).

Fourth, the title especially emphasizes Christ’s role as the revealer of God. He alone possesses the knowledge of the Father (John 14:6–9; 1 John 1:2), and He is the sole mediator of that knowledge (1 Tim. 2:5). Therefore no one can know the Father except through the Son (John 14:6). The narrowness of this way to God should be a sober incentive to take to all the world the message that the Son of God has come to impart to every person the life of the Father.

*Now turn to Rom. 8:15: God the Father of Believers.*

<sup>b</sup>This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

**CHAPTER 4**

**First Temptation**

*Mark 1:12, 13; Luke 4:1-4*

**T**HEN was <sup>a</sup>Jesus led up of <sup>b</sup>the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil.

2 And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward <sup>a</sup>an hungry.

3 And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread.

4 But he answered and said, **It is written, <sup>a</sup>Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.**

**Second Temptation**

*Luke 4:9-12*

5 Then the devil taketh him up <sup>a</sup>into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple,

6 And saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, <sup>a</sup>He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and <sup>b</sup>in *their* hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone.

7 Jesus said unto him, **It is written again, <sup>a</sup>Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.**

**Third Temptation**

*Mark 1:13; Luke 4:5-8, 13*

8 Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and <sup>a</sup>sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them;

9 And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.

10 Then saith Jesus unto him, **<sup>a</sup>Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, <sup>a</sup>Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.**

11 Then the devil <sup>a</sup>leaveth him, and, behold, <sup>b</sup>angels came and ministered unto him.

**Jesus Begins His Ministry**

*Mark 1:14, 15; Luke 4:14, 31*

12 <sup>a</sup>Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, he departed into Galilee;

13 And leaving Nazareth, he came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephtholim:

14 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,

15 <sup>a</sup>The land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephtholim, *by* the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles;

16 <sup>a</sup>The people which sat in darkness saw

3:17<sup>b</sup> Ps. 2:7; Is. 42:1; Mark 1:11; Luke 1:35; 9:35; Col. 1:13  
4:1<sup>a</sup> Matt. 4:1-11; Mark 1:12; Luke 4:1  
<sup>b</sup> Ezek. 3:14; Acts 8:39  
4:2<sup>1</sup> hungry  
4:4<sup>a</sup> Deut. 8:3  
4:5<sup>a</sup> Neh. 11:1, 18; Dan. 9:24; Matt. 27:53  
4:6<sup>a</sup> Ps. 91:11 ★  
<sup>b</sup> Ps. 91:12 ★  
4:7<sup>a</sup> Deut. 6:16  
<sup>1</sup>test  
4:8<sup>a</sup> [Matt. 16:26; 1 John 2:15-17]  
4:10<sup>a</sup> Deut. 6:13; 10:20; Josh. 24:14  
<sup>1</sup>Away with you  
4:11<sup>a</sup> [James 4:7]  
<sup>b</sup> Matt. 26:53; Luke 22:43; [Heb. 1:14]  
4:12<sup>a</sup> Matt. 14:3; Mark 1:14; Luke 3:20; John 4:43  
4:15<sup>a</sup> Is. 9:1, 2 ★  
4:16<sup>a</sup> Is. 42:7; Luke 2:32

<sup>1</sup>has dawned  
4:17<sup>a</sup> Mark 1:14, 15  
<sup>b</sup> Matt. 3:2; 10:7  
<sup>1</sup>near  
4:18<sup>a</sup> Matt. 4:18-22; Mark 1:16-20; Luke 5:2-11; John 1:40-42  
<sup>b</sup> Matt. 10:2; 16:18; John 1:40-42  
4:19<sup>a</sup> Luke 5:10  
4:20<sup>a</sup> Matt. 19:27; Mark 10:28  
4:21<sup>a</sup> Mark 1:19  
4:23<sup>a</sup> Ps. 22:22 ★; Matt. 9:35; Mark 1:21; 6:2; 10:1; Luke 4:15; 6:6; 13:10; John 6:59; 18:20 <sup>b</sup>[Matt. 24:14]; Mark 1:14; Luke 4:43; 8:1; 16:16  
<sup>c</sup> Mark 1:34; Luke 4:40; 7:21; Acts 10:38  
<sup>2</sup>Lit. every disease  
<sup>2</sup>Lit. every sickness  
4:24<sup>a</sup> Mark 1:32, 33; Luke 4:40 <sup>1</sup>various  
<sup>2</sup>demons  
<sup>3</sup>epileptics <sup>4</sup>were paralyzed  
4:25<sup>a</sup> Matt. 5:1; 8:1, 18; Mark 3:7, 8 <sup>1</sup>The Ten Cities  
5:1<sup>a</sup> Matt. 14:23; 15:29; 17:1; Mark 3:13; Luke 6:17; 9:28; John 6:3, 15 <sup>1</sup>seated  
5:2<sup>a</sup> [Matt. 7:29]; Mark 10:1; 12:35; John 8:2  
5:3<sup>a</sup> Prov. 16:19; Is. 66:2; Luke 6:20-23  
5:4<sup>a</sup> Is. 61:2, 3; Luke 6:21; [John 16:20]; Acts 16:34; [2 Cor. 1:7]; Rev. 21:4  
5:5<sup>a</sup> Ps. 37:11; Is. 29:19 <sup>b</sup>[Rom. 4:13]  
<sup>1</sup>land  
5:6<sup>a</sup> Luke 1:53; Acts 2:4 <sup>b</sup>[Is. 55:1; 65:13; John 4:14; 6:48; 7:37]  
5:7<sup>a</sup> Ps. 41:1; Mark 11:25

great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light <sup>4</sup>is sprung up.

17 <sup>a</sup>From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, <sup>b</sup>Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is <sup>4</sup>at hand.

**Jesus Calls His First Disciples**

*Mark 1:16-20*

18 <sup>a</sup>And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon <sup>b</sup>called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.

19 And he saith unto them, **Follow me, and <sup>a</sup>I will make you fishers of men.**

20 <sup>a</sup>And they straightway left *their* nets, and followed him.

21 <sup>a</sup>And going on from thence, he saw other two brethren, James *the son* of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them.

22 And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him.

**Jesus Ministers in Galilee**

*Mark 1:39; Luke 4:44*

23 And Jesus went about all Galilee, <sup>a</sup>teaching in their synagogues, and preaching <sup>b</sup>the gospel of the kingdom, <sup>c</sup>and healing <sup>1</sup>all manner of sickness and <sup>2</sup>all manner of disease among the people.

24 And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they <sup>a</sup>brought unto him all sick people that were taken with <sup>1</sup>divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with <sup>2</sup>devils, and those which were <sup>3</sup>lunatick, and those that <sup>4</sup>had the palsy; and he healed them.

25 <sup>a</sup>And there followed him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and *from* <sup>1</sup>Decapolis, and *from* Jerusalem, and *from* Judaea, and *from* beyond Jordan.

**CHAPTER 5**

**The Beatitudes**

*Luke 6:20-26*

**A**ND seeing the multitudes, <sup>a</sup>he went up into a mountain: and when he was <sup>a</sup>set, his disciples came unto him:

2 And he opened his mouth, and <sup>a</sup>taught them, saying,

3 **<sup>a</sup>Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

4 **<sup>a</sup>Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.**

5 **<sup>a</sup>Blessed are the meek: for <sup>b</sup>they shall inherit the <sup>4</sup>earth.**

6 **Blessed are they which do <sup>a</sup>hunger and thirst after righteousness: <sup>b</sup>for they shall be filled.**

7 **Blessed are the merciful: <sup>a</sup>for they shall obtain mercy.**



8 <sup>a</sup>Blessed *are* the pure in heart: for <sup>b</sup>they shall see God.

9 Blessed *are* the peacemakers: for they shall be called the <sup>1</sup>children of God.

10 <sup>a</sup>Blessed *are* they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 <sup>a</sup>Blessed *are* ye, when *men* shall revile you, and persecute *you*, and shall say all manner of <sup>b</sup>evil against you falsely, for my sake.

12 <sup>a</sup>Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great *is* your reward in heaven: for <sup>b</sup>so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

### The Similitudes

13 Ye are the salt of the earth: <sup>a</sup>but if the salt have lost his <sup>1</sup>savour, <sup>2</sup>wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

14 <sup>a</sup>Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

15 Neither do men <sup>a</sup>light a <sup>1</sup>candle, and put it under a <sup>2</sup>bushel, but on a <sup>3</sup>candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

16 Let your light so shine before men, <sup>a</sup>that they may see your good works, and <sup>b</sup>glorify your Father which is in heaven.

### Jesus Fulfills the Law

17 <sup>a</sup>Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

18 For verily I say unto you, <sup>a</sup>Till heaven and earth pass, one <sup>1</sup>jot or one <sup>2</sup>tittle shall <sup>3</sup>in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

19 <sup>a</sup>Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach *them*, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

### Murder

20 For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed <sup>a</sup>the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall <sup>1</sup>in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

21 Ye have heard that it was said <sup>1</sup>by them of old time, <sup>a</sup>Thou shalt not <sup>2</sup>kill; and whosoever shall <sup>2</sup>kill shall be in danger of the judgment:

22 But I say unto you, That <sup>a</sup>whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, <sup>b</sup>Raca, <sup>1</sup>shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, <sup>2</sup>Thou fool, shall be in danger of <sup>3</sup>hell fire.

23 Therefore <sup>a</sup>if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there remember that thy brother hath <sup>1</sup>ought against thee;

24 <sup>a</sup>Leave there thy gift before the altar, and

5:8 <sup>a</sup>Ps. 15:2; 24:4; Heb. 12:14 <sup>b</sup>Acts 7:55, 56; 1 Cor. 13:12

5:9 <sup>1</sup>Lit. *soms*

5:10 <sup>a</sup>[2 Cor. 4:17];

1 Pet. 3:14

5:11 <sup>a</sup>Luke 6:22

<sup>b</sup>1 Pet. 4:14

5:12 <sup>a</sup>Luke 6:23; Acts 5:41; 1 Pet. 4:13, 14

<sup>b</sup>2 Chr. 36:16; Neh. 9:26; Matt. 23:37;

Acts 7:52; 1 Thess. 2:15; Heb. 11:35-37;

James 5:10

5:13 <sup>a</sup>Mark 9:50;

Luke 14:34 <sup>1</sup>flavour

<sup>2</sup>by what

5:14 <sup>a</sup>[Prov. 4:18;

John 8:12]; Phil. 2:15

5:15 <sup>a</sup>Mark 4:21;

Luke 8:16; Phil. 2:15

<sup>1</sup>lamp <sup>2</sup>basket

<sup>3</sup>lampstand

5:16 <sup>a</sup>1 Pet. 2:12

<sup>b</sup>[John 15:8];

1 Cor. 14:25

5:17 <sup>a</sup>Rom. 10:4

5:18 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 24:35;

Luke 16:17 <sup>1</sup>Gr. *iota*,

Heb. *yod*, the

smallest letter.

<sup>2</sup>The smallest

stroke in a Heb.

letter <sup>3</sup>by

*no means*

5:19 <sup>a</sup>[James 2:10]

5:20 <sup>a</sup>[Rom. 10:3]

<sup>1</sup>by *no means*

5:21 <sup>a</sup>Ex. 20:13; Deut.

5:17 <sup>1</sup>to <sup>2</sup>murder

5:22 <sup>a</sup>[1 John 3:15]

<sup>b</sup>[James 2:20; 3:6]

<sup>1</sup>Lit., in Aram.,

*Empty head* <sup>2</sup>Gr.

*More* <sup>3</sup>Gr. *gehenna*

5:23 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 8:4

<sup>1</sup>something

5:24 <sup>a</sup>[Job 42:8;

1 Tim. 2:8; 1 Pet. 3:7]

5:25 <sup>a</sup>[Prov. 25:3];

Luke 12:58, 59 <sup>b</sup>[Ps.

32:6; Is. 55:6]

5:26 <sup>a</sup>Gr. *kodrantēs*

5:27 <sup>a</sup>Ex. 20:14;

Deut. 5:18 <sup>1</sup>to

5:28 <sup>a</sup>2 Sam. 11:2-5;

Job 31:1; Prov. 6:25;

[Matt. 15:19; James

1:14, 15]

5:29 <sup>a</sup>Mark 9:43

<sup>b</sup>[Col. 3:5] <sup>1</sup>cause

*thee to sin*

5:30 <sup>1</sup>cause *thee to*

*sin* <sup>2</sup>Gr. *gehenna*

5:31 <sup>a</sup>Deut. 24:1;

[Jer. 3:1]; Mark 10:2

<sup>1</sup>divorce

<sup>2</sup>certificate

5:32 <sup>a</sup>[Matt. 19:9;

Mark 10:11; Luke

16:18; Rom. 7:3];

1 Cor. 7:11 <sup>1</sup>sexual

*immorality*

5:33 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 23:16

<sup>b</sup>[Ex. 20:7]; Lev.

19:12; Num. 30:2

<sup>c</sup>Deut. 23:23 <sup>1</sup>to

<sup>2</sup>swear *falsely*

5:34 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 23:16;

James 5:12 <sup>b</sup>Is. 66:1

5:35 <sup>a</sup>Ps. 48:2;

[Matt. 5:2, 19; 6:10]

5:37 <sup>a</sup>[Col. 4:6];

James 5:12 <sup>1</sup>word

<sup>2</sup>from the evil one

5:38 <sup>a</sup>Ex. 21:24;

go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.

25 <sup>a</sup>Agree with thine adversary quickly, <sup>b</sup>whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the officer, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison.

26 Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost <sup>1</sup>farthing.

### Adultery

27 Ye have heard that it was said <sup>1</sup>by them of old time, <sup>a</sup>Thou shalt not commit adultery:

28 But I say unto you, That whosoever <sup>a</sup>looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.

29 <sup>a</sup>And if thy right eye <sup>1</sup>offend thee, <sup>b</sup>pluck it out, and cast *it* from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not <sup>c</sup>that thy whole body should be cast into hell.

30 And if thy right hand <sup>1</sup>offend thee, cut it off, and cast *it* from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not <sup>c</sup>that thy whole body should be cast into <sup>2</sup>hell.

### Divorce

31 It hath been said, <sup>a</sup>Whosoever shall <sup>1</sup>put away his wife, let him give her a <sup>2</sup>writing of divorcement:

32 But I say unto you, That <sup>a</sup>whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of <sup>1</sup>fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.

### Oaths

33 Again, ye have heard that <sup>a</sup>it hath been said <sup>1</sup>by them of old time, <sup>b</sup>Thou shalt not <sup>2</sup>swear thyself, but <sup>c</sup>shalt perform unto the Lord thine oaths:

34 But I say unto you, <sup>a</sup>Swear not at all; neither by heaven; for it is <sup>b</sup>God's throne:

35 Nor by the earth; for it is his footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is the city of <sup>a</sup>the great King.

36 Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black.

37 <sup>a</sup>But let your <sup>1</sup>communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh <sup>2</sup>of evil.

### Retaliation

38 Ye have heard that it hath been said, <sup>a</sup>An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth:

39 But I say unto you, <sup>a</sup>That ye resist not <sup>1</sup>evil:

Lev. 24:20; Deut. 19:21 5:39 <sup>a</sup>[Prov. 20:22]; Luke 6:29; [Rom. 12:17; 1 Cor. 6:7; 1 Pet. 3:9] <sup>1</sup>an evil person

<sup>b</sup>but whosoever shall <sup>2</sup>smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.

40 And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy <sup>1</sup>coat, let him have *thy* cloak also.

41 And whosoever <sup>a</sup>shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him <sup>1</sup>twain.

42 Give to him that asketh thee, and <sup>a</sup>from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away.

**Love**  
*Luke 6:27, 32*

43 Ye have heard that it hath been said, <sup>a</sup>Thou shalt love thy neighbour, <sup>b</sup>and hate thine enemy.

44 But I say unto you, <sup>a</sup>Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, <sup>b</sup>do good to them that hate you, and pray <sup>c</sup>for them which <sup>1</sup>despitefully use you, and persecute you;

45 That ye may be the <sup>1</sup>children of your Father which is in heaven: for <sup>a</sup>he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

46 <sup>a</sup>For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the <sup>1</sup>publicans the same?

47 And if ye <sup>1</sup>salute your brethren only, what do ye more *than others?* do not even the <sup>2</sup>publicans so?

48 <sup>a</sup>Be ye therefore perfect, even <sup>b</sup>as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

**CHAPTER 6**  
**Almsgiving**

**T**AKE heed that ye do not your <sup>1</sup>alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward <sup>2</sup>of your Father which is in heaven.

2 Therefore <sup>a</sup>when thou doest *thine* alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.

3 But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth:

4 That thine <sup>1</sup>alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself <sup>a</sup>shall reward thee openly.

**Prayer**

*Luke 11:2-4*

5 And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the <sup>1</sup>hypocrites *are*: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.

6 But thou, when thou prayest, <sup>a</sup>enter into thy <sup>1</sup>closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy

5:39<sup>b</sup>Is. 50:6; Lam. 3:30 <sup>2</sup>slaps  
5:40<sup>a</sup>tunic  
5:41<sup>a</sup>Matt. 27:32 <sup>1</sup>two  
5:42<sup>a</sup>Deut. 15:7-11; Luke 6:30-34; 1 Tim. 6:18  
5:43<sup>a</sup>Lev. 19:18  
<sup>b</sup>Deut. 23:3-6; Ps. 41:10  
5:44<sup>a</sup>Luke 6:27; Rom. 12:14 <sup>b</sup>[Rom. 12:20] <sup>c</sup>Luke 23:34; Acts 7:60; 1 Cor. 4:12; 1 Pet. 2:23  
<sup>1</sup>spitefully  
5:45<sup>a</sup>Job 25:3; Ps. 65:9-13; Luke 12:16, 17; Acts 14:17  
<sup>1</sup>Lit. sons  
5:46<sup>a</sup>Luke 6:32  
<sup>1</sup>tax collectors  
5:47<sup>1</sup>greet <sup>2</sup>tax collectors  
5:48<sup>a</sup>Gen. 17:1; Lev. 11:44; 19:2; Luke 6:36; [Col. 1:28; 4:12]; James 1:4; 1 Pet. 1:15  
<sup>b</sup>Eph. 5:1  
6:1<sup>1</sup>charitable deeds <sup>2</sup>from  
6:2<sup>a</sup>Rom. 12:8  
6:4<sup>a</sup>Luke 14:12-14  
<sup>1</sup>charitable deed  
6:5<sup>1</sup>pretenders  
6:6<sup>a</sup>2 Kin. 4:33  
<sup>1</sup>inner room  
6:7<sup>a</sup>Eccl. 5:2  
<sup>b</sup>1 Kin. 18:26  
6:8<sup>a</sup>[Rom. 8:26, 27]  
6:9<sup>a</sup>Matt. 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4; [John 16:24; Eph. 6:18; Jude 20] <sup>b</sup>[Matt. 5:9, 16] <sup>c</sup>Mal. 1:11  
6:10<sup>a</sup>Matt. 26:42; Luke 22:42; Acts 21:14 <sup>b</sup>Ps. 103:20  
6:11<sup>a</sup>[Job 23:12]; Prov. 30:8; Is. 33:16; Luke 11:3  
6:12<sup>a</sup>[Matt. 18:21, 22]  
6:13<sup>a</sup>[Matt. 26:41; 1 Cor. 10:31; 2 Pet. 2:9; Rev. 3:10]  
<sup>b</sup>John 17:15; [2 Thess. 3:3]; 2 Tim. 4:18; [1 John 5:18] <sup>1</sup>Or the evil one  
6:14<sup>a</sup>[Matt. 7:2]; Mark 11:25; [Eph. 4:32; Col. 3:13]  
6:15<sup>a</sup>Matt. 18:35; James 2:13  
6:16<sup>a</sup>Is. 58:3-7; Luke 18:12  
<sup>1</sup>pretenders  
6:17<sup>a</sup>Ruth 3:3; 2 Sam. 12:20; Dan. 10:3  
6:19<sup>a</sup>Prov. 23:4; [1 Tim. 6:17; Heb. 13:5]; James 5:1  
<sup>1</sup>ruin  
6:20<sup>a</sup>Matt. 19:21; Luke 12:33; 18:22; 1 Tim. 6:19; 1 Pet. 1:4  
6:22<sup>a</sup>Luke 11:34, 35  
<sup>1</sup>lamp <sup>2</sup>Healthy  
6:23<sup>1</sup>Unhealthy  
6:24<sup>a</sup>Luke 16:9, 11, 13  
<sup>b</sup>[Gal. 1:10; 1 Tim. 6:17; James 4:4; 1 John 2:15] <sup>1</sup>be loyal to <sup>2</sup>Lit., in Aram., riches  
6:25<sup>a</sup>[Ps. 55:22];

Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

7 <sup>a</sup>But when ye pray, <sup>b</sup>use not vain repetitions, as the heathen *do*: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking.

8 Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father <sup>a</sup>knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.

9 After this <sup>a</sup>manner therefore pray ye: <sup>b</sup>Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy <sup>c</sup>name.

10 Thy kingdom come. <sup>a</sup>Thy will be done in earth, <sup>b</sup>as *it is* in heaven.

11 Give us this day our <sup>a</sup>daily bread.

12 And <sup>a</sup>forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

13 <sup>a</sup>And lead us not into temptation, but <sup>b</sup>deliver us from <sup>1</sup>evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

14 <sup>a</sup>For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you:

15 But <sup>a</sup>if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

**Fasting**

16 Moreover <sup>a</sup>when ye fast, be not, as the <sup>1</sup>hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.

17 But thou, when thou fastest, <sup>a</sup>anoint thine head, and wash thy face;

18 That thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret: and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly.

**Wealth**

*Luke 11:34-36; 12:22-34*

19 <sup>a</sup>Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth <sup>1</sup>corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

20 <sup>a</sup>But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:

21 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

22 <sup>a</sup>The <sup>1</sup>light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be <sup>2</sup>single, thy whole body shall be full of light.

23 But if thine eye be <sup>1</sup>evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great *is* that darkness!

24 <sup>a</sup>No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will <sup>1</sup>hold to the one, and despise the other. <sup>b</sup>Ye cannot serve God and <sup>2</sup>mammon.

25 Therefore I say unto you, <sup>a</sup>Take<sup>1</sup> no

Luke 12:22; [Phil. 4:6; 1 Pet. 5:7] <sup>1</sup>Do not worry about

thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than <sup>2</sup>meat, and the body than <sup>3</sup>raiment?

26 <sup>a</sup>Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?

27 Which of you by <sup>t</sup>taking thought can add one cubit unto his <sup>2</sup>stature?

28 And why <sup>t</sup>take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:

29 And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not <sup>t</sup>arrayed like one of these.

30 Wherefore, if God so <sup>t</sup>clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, *shall he* not much more *clothe* you, O ye of little faith?

31 Therefore <sup>t</sup>take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?

32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

33 But <sup>a</sup>seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

34 <sup>t</sup>Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day *is* the <sup>2</sup>evil thereof.

## CHAPTER 7

### Judging

Luke 6:37-42

**J**UDGE! <sup>a</sup>not, that ye be not judged.

2 For with what <sup>t</sup>judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: <sup>a</sup>and with what measure ye <sup>2</sup>mete, it shall be measured to you again.

3 <sup>a</sup>And why beholdest thou the <sup>t</sup>mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the <sup>2</sup>beam that is in thine own eye?

4 Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the <sup>t</sup>mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a <sup>2</sup>beam *is* in thine own eye?

5 Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the <sup>t</sup>mote out of thy brother's eye.

6 <sup>a</sup>Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and <sup>t</sup>rend you.

### "Ask and It Shall Be Given"

Luke 11:9-13

7 <sup>a</sup>Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:

8 For <sup>a</sup>every one that asketh receiveth; and

6:25 <sup>2</sup>food

<sup>3</sup>clothing

6:26 <sup>a</sup>Job 38:41; Ps.

147:9; Matt. 10:29;

Luke 12:24

6:27 <sup>1</sup>worrying

<sup>2</sup>height

6:28 <sup>1</sup>do you worry

about clothing

6:29 <sup>1</sup>clothed

6:30 <sup>1</sup>clothes

6:31 <sup>1</sup>do not worry

6:33 <sup>a</sup>1 Kin. 3:13;

Luke 12:31;

[1 Tim. 4:8]

6:34 <sup>1</sup>Therefore do

not worry about

tomorrow

<sup>2</sup>trouble

7:1 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 7:1-5;

Luke 6:37; Rom.

14:3; [1 Cor. 4:3, 4]

<sup>1</sup>Condemn

7:2 <sup>a</sup>Mark 4:24;

Luke 6:38

<sup>1</sup>Condemna-

tion <sup>2</sup>use

7:3 <sup>a</sup>Luke 6:41

<sup>1</sup>speck <sup>2</sup>plank

7:4 <sup>1</sup>speck <sup>2</sup>plank

7:5 <sup>1</sup>speck

7:6 <sup>a</sup>Prov. 9:7, 8;

Acts 13:45 <sup>1</sup>tear

7:7 <sup>a</sup>[Matt. 21:22;

Mark 11:24]; Luke

11:9-13; 18:1-8;

[John 15:7; James

1:5, 6; 1 John 3:22]

7:8 <sup>a</sup>Prov. 8:17;

Jer. 29:12

7:9 <sup>a</sup>Luke 11:11

7:11 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 6:5; 8:21;

Ps. 84:11; Is. 63:7;

[Rom. 8:32; James

1:17]; 1 John 3:1

7:12 <sup>a</sup>Luke 6:31

<sup>b</sup>Matt. 22:40; Rom.

13:8; Gal. 5:14;

[1 Tim. 1:5]

7:13 <sup>a</sup>Luke 13:24

<sup>1</sup>narrow

7:14 <sup>1</sup>How narrow

<sup>2</sup>difficult or

confined

7:15 <sup>a</sup>Deut. 13:3; Jer.

23:16; Ezek. 22:28;

Mark 13:22; [Luke

6:26]; Rom. 16:17;

Eph. 5:6; [Col. 2:8;

2 Pet. 2:1; 1 John

4:1-3] <sup>2</sup>Mic. 3:5

<sup>1</sup>ravenous

7:16 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 7:20;

12:33; Luke 6:44;

James 3:12

<sup>b</sup>Luke 6:43

7:17 <sup>a</sup>Jer. 11:19; Matt.

12:33 <sup>1</sup>bad

7:18 <sup>1</sup>bad

7:19 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 3:10;

Luke 3:9; [John

15:2, 6]

7:21 <sup>a</sup>Hos. 8:2; Matt.

25:11; Luke 6:46;

Acts 19:13 <sup>b</sup>Rom.

2:13; James 1:22

7:22 <sup>a</sup>Num. 24:4

<sup>1</sup>demons

<sup>2</sup>miracles

7:23 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 25:12;

Luke 13:25; [2 Tim.

2:19] <sup>b</sup>Ps. 5:5;

6:8 ☆; [Matt. 25:41];

Luke 13:27

<sup>1</sup>lawlessness

7:24 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 7:24-27;

Luke 6:47-49

he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

9 <sup>a</sup>Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone?

10 Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent?

11 If ye then, <sup>a</sup>being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?

### Golden Rule

Luke 6:31

12 Therefore all things <sup>a</sup>whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for <sup>b</sup>this is the law and the prophets.

### Two Ways of Life

13 <sup>a</sup>Enter ye in at the <sup>t</sup>strait gate: for wide *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

14 <sup>a</sup>Because strait *is* the gate, and <sup>2</sup>narrow *is* the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

### False and True Teaching

Luke 6:43-45

15 <sup>a</sup>Beware of false prophets, <sup>b</sup>which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are <sup>t</sup>ravening wolves.

16 <sup>a</sup>Ye shall know them by their fruits. <sup>b</sup>Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?

17 Even so <sup>a</sup>every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth <sup>t</sup>evil fruit.

18 A good tree cannot bring forth <sup>t</sup>evil fruit, neither *can* a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

19 <sup>a</sup>Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

20 Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

### True Way into the Kingdom

Luke 6:46

21 Not every one that saith unto me, <sup>a</sup>Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that <sup>b</sup>doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we <sup>a</sup>not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out <sup>t</sup>devils? and in thy name done many <sup>2</sup>wonderful works?

23 And <sup>a</sup>then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: <sup>b</sup>depart from me, ye that work <sup>t</sup>iniquity.

### Parable of the Two Builders

Luke 6:47-49

24 Therefore <sup>a</sup>whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him

unto a wise man, which built his house upon <sup>2</sup>a rock:

**25** And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon <sup>2</sup>a rock.

**26** And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:

**27** And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

**Response to the Sermon**

**28** And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, <sup>a</sup>the people were astonished at his <sup>2</sup>doctrine:

**29** <sup>a</sup>For he taught them as *one* having authority, and not as the scribes.

**CHAPTER 8**

**The Leper Is Cleansed**

*Mark 1:40-44; Luke 5:12-14*

**W**HEN he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him.

**2** <sup>a</sup>And, behold, there came a leper and <sup>b</sup>worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

**3** And Jesus put forth *his* hand, and touched him, saying, **I will; be thou clean.** And immediately his leprosy <sup>a</sup>was cleansed.

**4** And Jesus saith unto him, <sup>a</sup>See thou tell no man; but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that <sup>b</sup>Moses <sup>c</sup>commanded, for a testimony unto them.

**The Centurion's Servant Is Healed**

*Luke 7:1-10*

**5** <sup>a</sup>And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a <sup>b</sup>centurion, beseeching him,

**6** And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home <sup>1</sup>sick of the palsy, grievously tormented.

**7** And Jesus saith unto him, **I will come and heal him.**

**8** The centurion answered and said, Lord, <sup>a</sup>I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof: but <sup>b</sup>speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.

**9** For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this *man*, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth *it*.

**10** When Jesus heard *it*, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, **Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.**

**11** And I say unto you, That <sup>a</sup>many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven.

7:24 <sup>1</sup>the  
7:25 <sup>1</sup>the  
7:28 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 13:54;  
Mark 1:22; 6:2; Luke  
4:32; John 7:46  
<sup>1</sup>teaching  
7:29 <sup>a</sup>[John 7:46]  
8:2 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 8:2-4;  
Mark 1:40-45; Luke  
5:12-14 <sup>b</sup>Matt. 2:11;  
9:18; 15:25; John  
9:38; Acts 10:25  
8:3 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 11:5;  
Luke 4:27  
8:4 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 9:30;  
Mark 5:43; Luke  
4:41; 8:56; 9:21  
<sup>b</sup> Lev. 14:3, 4, 10;  
Mark 1:44; Luke 5:14  
<sup>c</sup> Lev. 14:4-32;  
Deut. 24:8  
8:5 <sup>a</sup>Luke 7:1-3  
<sup>b</sup> Matt. 27:54;  
Acts 10:1  
8:6 <sup>1</sup>paralyzed  
8:8 <sup>a</sup>Luke 15:19, 21  
<sup>b</sup> Ps. 107:20  
8:11 <sup>a</sup>[Gen. 12:3; Is.  
2:2, 3; 11:10]; Mal.  
1:11 ☆; Luke 13:29;  
[Acts 10:45; 11:18;  
14:27; Rom. 15:9-13;  
Eph. 3:6]

**12** But <sup>a</sup>the 'children of the kingdom <sup>b</sup>shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

**13** And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, *so* be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.

**Peter's Mother-in-Law Is Healed**

*Mark 1:29-34; Luke 4:38-41*

**14** <sup>a</sup>And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw <sup>b</sup>his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever.

**15** And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them.

**16** <sup>a</sup>When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with <sup>2</sup>devils: and he cast out the spirits with *his* word, and healed all that were sick:

**17** That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, <sup>a</sup>Himself took our infirmities, and bare *our* sicknesses.

**Demands of Discipleship**

*Luke 9:57-62*

**18** Now when Jesus saw great multitudes about him, he gave commandment to depart unto the other side.

**19** <sup>a</sup>And a certain scribe came, and said unto him, Master, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.

**20** And Jesus saith unto him, **The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay *his* head.**

**21** <sup>a</sup>And another of his disciples said unto him, Lord, <sup>b</sup>suffer me first to go and bury my father.

**22** But Jesus said unto him, **Follow me; and let the dead bury their dead.**

**The Sea Is Stilled**

*Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:22-25*

**23** And when he was entered into a ship, his disciples followed him.

**24** <sup>a</sup>And, behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves: but he was asleep.

**25** And his disciples came to *him*, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish.

**26** And he saith unto them, **Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith?** Then <sup>a</sup>he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm.

**27** But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him!

**Devils Are Cast into Swine**

*Mark 5:1-17; Luke 8:26-37*

**28** <sup>a</sup>And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met

8:12 <sup>a</sup>[Matt. 21:43]  
<sup>b</sup> Matt. 13:42, 50;  
22:13; 24:51; 25:30;  
Luke 13:28; 2 Pet.  
2:17; Jude 13  
<sup>1</sup>Lit. sons  
8:14 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 8:14-16;  
Mark 1:29-31; Luke  
4:38, 39 <sup>b1</sup> Cor. 9:5  
8:16 <sup>a</sup>Mark 1:32-34;  
Luke 4:40, 41  
<sup>1</sup>demons  
8:17 <sup>a</sup>Is. 53:4; 1 Pet.  
2:24 ★  
8:19 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 8:19-22;  
Luke 9:57, 58  
8:21 <sup>a</sup>Luke 9:59, 60  
<sup>b1</sup> Kin. 19:20  
8:24 <sup>a</sup>Mark 4:37;  
Luke 8:23-25  
8:26 <sup>a</sup>Ps. 65:7; 89:9;  
107:29  
8:28 <sup>a</sup>Mark 5:1-4;  
Luke 8:26-33

him two possessed with <sup>4</sup>devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way.

29 And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? art thou come hither to torment us before the time?

30 And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine feeding.

31 So the <sup>4</sup>devils besought him, saying, If thou cast us out, <sup>2</sup>suffer us to go away into the herd of swine.

32 And he said unto them, **Go.** And when they were come out, they went into the herd of swine: and, behold, the whole herd of swine ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and perished in the waters.

33 And they that kept them fled, and went their ways into the city, and told every thing, and what was befallen to the <sup>4</sup>possessed of the devils.

34 And, behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw him, <sup>a</sup>they <sup>4</sup>besought *him* that he would depart out of their <sup>2</sup>coasts.

## CHAPTER 9

### The Paralytic Is Forgiven

*Mark 2:1–12; Luke 5:17–26*

**A**ND he entered into a ship, and passed over, <sup>a</sup>and came into his own city.

2 <sup>a</sup>And, behold, they brought to him a <sup>4</sup>man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed: <sup>b</sup>and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the <sup>2</sup>sick of the palsy; **Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee.**

3 And, behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, This *man* blasphemeth.

4 And Jesus <sup>a</sup>knowing their thoughts said, **Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts?**

5 For <sup>a</sup>whether is easier, to say, *Thy sins be forgiven thee*; or to say, *Arise, and walk*?

6 **But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins,** (then saith he to the <sup>4</sup>sick of the palsy,) **Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house.**

7 And he arose, and departed to his house.

8 But when the multitudes saw *it*, they <sup>a</sup>marvelled, and glorified God, which had given such power unto men.

### Matthew Is Called

*Mark 2:14; Luke 5:27, 28*

9 <sup>a</sup>And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the <sup>4</sup>receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, **Follow me.** And he arose, and followed him.

### The Disciples Eat with Sinners

*Mark 2:15–17; Luke 5:29–32*

10 <sup>a</sup>And it came to pass, as Jesus sat <sup>4</sup>at meat in the house, behold, many <sup>2</sup>publicans and

8:28 <sup>1</sup>demons

8:31 <sup>1</sup>demons

begged <sup>2</sup>permit

8:33 <sup>1</sup>demon-

possessed men

8:34 <sup>a</sup>Deut. 5:25;

1 Kin. 17:18; Amos

7:12; Luke 5:8; Acts

16:39 <sup>1</sup>begged

<sup>2</sup>region

9:1 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 4:13; 11:23;

Mark 5:21

9:2 <sup>a</sup>Mark 2:3–12;

Luke 5:18–26

<sup>b</sup>Matt. 8:10

<sup>1</sup>paralyzed man

<sup>2</sup>paralytic

9:4 <sup>a</sup>Ps. 139:2; Matt.

12:25; Mark 12:15;

Luke 5:22; 6:8;

9:47; 11:17

9:5 <sup>1</sup>which

9:6 <sup>1</sup>paralytic

9:8 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 8:27;

John 7:15

9:9 <sup>a</sup>Mark 2:14;

Luke 5:27 <sup>1</sup>tax

office

9:10 <sup>a</sup>Mark 2:15;

Luke 5:29 <sup>1</sup>at the

table <sup>2</sup>tax

collectors

9:11 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 11:19;

Mark 2:16; Luke

5:30; 15:2 <sup>b</sup>[Gal.

2:15] <sup>1</sup>tax

collectors

9:12 <sup>1</sup>are well

9:13 <sup>a</sup>Hos. 6:6; [Mic.

6:6–8]; Matt. 12:7

<sup>b</sup>Mark 2:17; Luke

5:32; 1 Tim. 1:15

9:14 <sup>a</sup>Mark 2:18;

Luke 5:33–35; 18:12

<sup>1</sup>often

9:15 <sup>a</sup>John 3:29

<sup>b</sup>Acts 13:2, 3; 14:23

<sup>1</sup>friends of the

bridegroom

9:16 <sup>1</sup>unshrunk

<sup>2</sup>The patch <sup>3</sup>pulls

away from <sup>4</sup>tear

9:17 <sup>1</sup>wineskins

<sup>2</sup>burst <sup>3</sup>are ruined

9:18 <sup>a</sup>Mark 5:22–43;

Luke 8:41–56

9:19 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 10:2–4

9:20 <sup>a</sup>Mark 5:25;

Luke 8:43 <sup>b</sup>Num.

15:38; Deut. 22:12;

Matt. 14:36; 23:5;

Mark 6:56 <sup>1</sup>a flow

9:22 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 9:29;

15:28; Mark 5:34;

10:52; Luke 7:50;

8:48; 17:19; 18:42

<sup>1</sup>take courage

9:23 <sup>a</sup>Mark 5:38;

Luke 8:51 <sup>b</sup>2 Chr.

35:25; Jer. 9:17; 16:6;

Ezek. 24:17 <sup>1</sup>flute

players <sup>2</sup>crowd

9:24 <sup>a</sup>John 11:3;

Acts 20:10

9:25 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 8:3, 15;

Mark 1:31 <sup>1</sup>crowd

<sup>2</sup>outside

sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples.

11 And when the Pharisees saw *it*, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master with <sup>a</sup>publicans' and <sup>b</sup>sinners?

12 But when Jesus heard *that*, he said unto them, **They that <sup>4</sup>be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick.**

13 **But go ye and learn what *that* meaneth, <sup>a</sup>I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, <sup>b</sup>but sinners to repentance.**

### The Disciples Do Not Fast

*Mark 2:18–22; Luke 5:33–39*

14 Then came to him the disciples of John, saying, <sup>a</sup>Why do we and the Pharisees fast <sup>4</sup>oft, but thy disciples fast not?

15 And Jesus said unto them, **Can <sup>a</sup>the <sup>4</sup>children of the bridechamber mourn, as long as the bridegroom is with them? but the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken from them, and <sup>b</sup>then shall they fast.**

16 **No man putteth a piece of <sup>4</sup>new cloth unto an old garment, for <sup>2</sup>that which is put in to fill it up <sup>3</sup>taketh from the garment, and the <sup>4</sup>rent is made worse.**

17 **Neither do men put new wine into old <sup>4</sup>bottles: else the bottles <sup>2</sup>break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles <sup>3</sup>perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved.**

### Life Is Restored

*Mark 5:21–43; Luke 8:40–56*

18 <sup>a</sup>While he spake these things unto them, behold, there came a certain ruler, and worshipped him, saying, My daughter is even now dead: but come and lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live.

19 And Jesus arose, and followed him, and *so did* his <sup>a</sup>disciples.

20 <sup>a</sup>And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with <sup>4</sup>an issue of blood twelve years, came behind *him*, and <sup>b</sup>touched the hem of his garment:

21 For she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole.

22 But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, **Daughter, <sup>4</sup>be of good comfort; <sup>a</sup>thy faith hath made thee whole.** And the woman was made whole from that hour.

23 <sup>a</sup>And when Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw <sup>b</sup>the <sup>4</sup>minstrels and the <sup>2</sup>people making a noise,

24 He said unto them, **<sup>a</sup>Give place: for the maid is not dead, but sleepeth.** And they laughed him to scorn.

25 But when the <sup>4</sup>people were put <sup>2</sup>forth, he went in, and <sup>a</sup>took her by the hand, and the maid arose.

26 And the <sup>a</sup>fame <sup>7</sup>hereof went abroad into all that land.

**Sight Is Restored**

27 And when Jesus departed thence, <sup>a</sup>two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, <sup>b</sup>*Thou son of David, have mercy on us.*

28 And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, **Believe ye that I am able to do this?** They said unto him, Yea, Lord.

29 Then touched he their eyes, saying, **According to your faith be it unto you.**

30 And their eyes were opened; and Jesus <sup>1</sup>straitly charged them, saying, <sup>a</sup>**See that no man know it.**

31 **But they, when they were departed, spread abroad his fame in all that <sup>1</sup>country.**

**Speech Is Restored**

32 <sup>a</sup>As they went out, behold, they brought to him a <sup>1</sup>dumb man possessed with a <sup>2</sup>devil.

33 And when the <sup>1</sup>devil was cast out, the <sup>2</sup>dumb spake: and the multitudes marvelled, saying, It was never so seen in Israel.

34 But the Pharisees said, <sup>a</sup>He casteth out <sup>1</sup>devils through the <sup>2</sup>prince of the devils.

**The Need for Delegation of Power**

35 And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, <sup>a</sup>teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

36 <sup>a</sup>But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they <sup>1</sup>fainted, and were scattered abroad, <sup>b</sup>as sheep having no shepherd.

37 Then saith he unto his disciples, <sup>a</sup>**The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few;**

38 <sup>a</sup>**Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.**

**CHAPTER 10**

**The Twelve Apostles Are Sent**

*Mark 6:7; Luke 9:1*

**A**ND <sup>a</sup>when he had called unto *him* his twelve disciples, he gave them power *against* unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.

2 Now the names of the twelve apostles are these; The first, Simon, <sup>a</sup>who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James *the son of Zebedee*, and John his brother;

3 Philip, and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew *the publican*; James *the son of Alphaeus*, and Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus;

9:26 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 4:24; Mark 1:28, 45; Luke 4:14, 37; 5:15; 7:17 <sup>1</sup>of this

9:27 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 20:29-34 <sup>b</sup>Matt. 15:22; Mark 10:47; Luke 18:38, 39

9:30 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 8:4; Luke 5:14 <sup>1</sup>sternly warned

9:31 <sup>a</sup>Mark 7:36 <sup>1</sup>Lit. land

9:32 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 12:22, 24; Luke 11:14 <sup>1</sup>mute <sup>2</sup>demon

9:33 <sup>1</sup>demon <sup>2</sup>mute

9:34 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 12:24; Mark 3:22; Luke 11:15; John 7:20 <sup>1</sup>demons <sup>2</sup>ruler of demons

9:35 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 4:23

9:36 <sup>a</sup>Mark 6:34

<sup>b</sup>Num. 27:17; 1 Kin. 22:17; Ezek. 34:5; Zech. 10:2; Mark 6:34 <sup>1</sup>were weary

9:37 <sup>a</sup>Luke 10:2; John 4:35

9:38 <sup>a</sup>[Matt. 28:19, 20; Eph. 4:11, 12]; 2 Thess. 3:1

10:1 <sup>a</sup>Mark 3:13; Luke 6:13

10:2 <sup>a</sup>John 1:42

10:3 <sup>1</sup>tax collector

10:4 <sup>a</sup>Luke 6:15; Acts 1:13 <sup>b</sup>Matt. 26:14; Luke 22:3; John 13:2, 26

10:5 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 4:15

<sup>b</sup>2 Kin. 17:24; Luke 9:52; 10:33; 17:16; John 4:9

10:6 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 15:24; Acts 13:46 <sup>b</sup>Is. 53:6; Jer. 50:6

10:7 <sup>a</sup>Luke 9:2

<sup>b</sup>Matt. 3:2; Luke 10:9

<sup>1</sup>has come near

10:8 <sup>a</sup>[Acts 8:18] <sup>1</sup>demons

10:9 <sup>a</sup>1 Sam. 9:7; Mark 6:8 <sup>b</sup>Mark 6:8 <sup>1</sup>money belts

10:10 <sup>a</sup>Luke 10:7; [1 Cor. 9:4-14]; 1 Tim. 5:18 <sup>1</sup>bag <sup>2</sup>tunics <sup>3</sup>sandals <sup>4</sup>staffs <sup>5</sup>food

10:11 <sup>a</sup>Luke 10:8

10:12 <sup>1</sup>greet

10:13 <sup>a</sup>Luke 10:5 <sup>b</sup>Ps. 35:13 <sup>1</sup>household

10:14 <sup>a</sup>Mark 6:11; Luke 9:5 <sup>b</sup>Neh. 5:13; Luke 10:10, 11; Acts 13:51

10:15 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 11:22, 24

10:16 <sup>a</sup>Luke 10:3

<sup>b</sup>2 Cor. 12:16; Eph. 5:15; Col. 4:5 <sup>c</sup>[Phil. 2:14-16] <sup>1</sup>innocent

10:17 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 23:34; Mark 13:9; Luke 12:11

<sup>b</sup>Acts 5:40; 22:19; 26:11

10:18 <sup>a</sup>Acts 12:1; 2 Tim. 4:16 <sup>1</sup>to

10:19 <sup>a</sup>Mark 13:11; Luke 12:11, 12; 21:14, 15

<sup>b</sup>Ex. 4:12; Jer. 1:7

<sup>1</sup>do not worry about

10:20 <sup>a</sup>2 Sam. 23:2; [2 Tim. 4:17]

4 <sup>a</sup>Simon the Canaanite, and Judas <sup>b</sup>Isariot, who also betrayed him.

**The Twelve Apostles Are Instructed**

*Mark 6:8-13; Luke 9:2-6; 12:2-10*

5 These twelve Jesus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, <sup>a</sup>**Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into *any* city of *the* Samaritans enter ye not:**

6 **But go rather to the <sup>b</sup>lost sheep of the house of Israel.**

7 **And as ye go, preach, saying, <sup>b</sup>The kingdom of heaven <sup>1</sup>is at hand.**

8 **Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out <sup>1</sup>devils: <sup>a</sup>freely ye have received, freely give.**

9 **Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor <sup>b</sup>brass in your <sup>1</sup>purses,**

10 **Nor <sup>1</sup>scrip for *your* journey, neither two <sup>2</sup>coats, neither <sup>3</sup>shoes, nor yet <sup>4</sup>staves: <sup>a</sup>for the workman is worthy of his <sup>5</sup>meat.**

11 **And into whatsoever city or town ye shall enter, enquire who in it is worthy; and there abide till ye go thence.**

12 **And when ye come into an house, <sup>1</sup>salute it.**

13 **And if the <sup>1</sup>house be worthy, let your peace come upon it: <sup>b</sup>but if it be not worthy, let your peace return to you.**

14 **And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear your words, when ye depart out of that house or city, <sup>b</sup>shake off the dust of your feet.**

15 **Verily I say unto you, <sup>a</sup>It shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrhah in the day of judgment, than for that city.**

16 **Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: <sup>b</sup>be ye therefore wise as serpents, and <sup>c</sup>harmless <sup>d</sup>as doves.**

17 **But beware of men: for <sup>a</sup>they will deliver you up to the councils, and <sup>b</sup>they will scourge you in their synagogues;**

18 **And <sup>a</sup>ye shall be brought before governors and kings for my sake, for a testimony <sup>1</sup>against them and the Gentiles.**

19 **But when they deliver you up, <sup>1</sup>take no thought how or what ye shall speak: for <sup>b</sup>it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak.**

20 **For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.**

21 **And the brother shall deliver up the brother to death, and the father the child: and the children shall rise up against *their* parents, and cause them to be put to death.**

22 **And <sup>a</sup>ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake: <sup>b</sup>but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.**

23 **But <sup>a</sup>when they persecute you in this city,**

10:21 <sup>a</sup>Mic. 7:6; Luke 21:16 10:22 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 24:9; Luke 21:17; John 15:18 <sup>b</sup>[Dan. 12:12]; Matt. 24:13; Mark 13:13 10:23 <sup>a</sup>Matt. 2:13; Acts 8:1