

Spirit of Prophecy Version™

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- 1) God, the Eternal Father, the Creator and Sustainer of all existence
- 2) The Holy Spirit, the seven Spirits of God who are before his throne,
who continually convict us of sin, righteousness, and the coming Judgment
- 3) Jesus Christ, the Eternal Son of God, the Lord and Savior of all mankind

Without these Three, this work would never have been possible.

CHAPTER 1

1 Forasmuch as many took in hand to arrange in proper order a narrative concerning the things which had been fulfilled among us,

2 just as those who from [the] beginning were eyewitnesses and servants of the word handed [them] down to us,

3 it seemed good also to me, having followed closely from the beginning all [things] accurately, to write to you in successive order, most excellent Theophilus,

4 in order that you might know exactly the certainty concerning [the] things which you were instructed.

5 There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judea, a certain priest by [the] name Zechariah, from [the] division of Abijah, and his wife [was] from the daughters of Aaron, and her name [was] Elizabeth.

6 And they were both righteous before God, going in all the commandments and regulations of the lord blameless.

7 And they did not have a child, because Elizabeth was infertile, and both were advanced in their days.

8 Now it happened, while he was performing the service of a priest in the fixed order of his division before God,

9 according to the custom of the priestly office, he was chosen by lot to go into the temple of the Lord [and] to make the incense offering.

10 And all the multitude of the people were praying outside at the hour of the incense offering.

11 And [the] angel of [the] Lord appeared to him, standing from [the] right [side] of the altar of incense.

12 And Zechariah was troubled when [he] saw [him], and fear fell upon him.

13 But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer was heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear a son to you, and you will shall his name John.

14 "And joy will be to you, and exultation, and many will rejoice at his birth.

15 "For he will be great before the Lord, and wine and beer he will certainly not drink, and with [the] Holy Spirit he will be filled, even from [the] womb of his mother.

16 "And many of the sons of Israel will he turn to [the] Lord their God,

17 "and he himself will go ahead before him in [the] spirit and power of Elijah, to turn [the] hearts of fathers to children, and disobedient [ones] to [the] mind of righteous [ones], to make ready a people having been prepared for [the] Lord."

18 And Zechariah said to the angel, "By what will I know this? For I am an old man, and my wife [is] advanced in her days."

19 And answering, the angel said to him, "I am Gabriel, who stands before God, and I was sent forth to speak to you and to bring good news of these [things] to you.

20 "And behold, you will be silent and not able to speak, until [the] day in which these [things] begin to happen, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their season."

21 Now the people were waiting for Zechariah, and they were marveling while he was delaying in the temple.

22 And after coming out, he was not able to speak to them, and they perceived that he had seen a vision in the temple, and he was making signs to them and was remaining mute.

23 And it happened, when the days of his service were fulfilled, he departed to his house.

24 And after these days Elizabeth his wife conceived, and she was hiding herself for five months, saying,

25 "Thus the Lord has done to me in [the] days in which he looked upon [me], to take away my disgrace among men."

26 Now in the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent forth by God to a city of Galilee, of which [the] name [was] Nazareth,

27 to a virgin having been engaged to a man, whose name [was] Joseph, from [the] house of David. And the name of the virgin [was] Mary.

28 And after coming in, the angel said to her, "Greetings, favored [one]! The Lord [is] with you. Most blessed [are] you among women!"

29 But she, when [she] saw [him], was greatly perplexed at his word, and began pondering what sort of greeting this might be.

30 And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you found grace with God.

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1 Forasmuch as many have taken in hand to set forth in order a declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us,

2 Even as they delivered them unto us, which from the beginning were eyewitnesses, and ministers of the word;

3 It seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write unto thee in order, most excellent Theophilus,

4 That thou mightest know the certainty of those things, wherein thou hast been instructed.

5 There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judaea, a certain priest named Zacharias, of the course of Abia: and his wife was of the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elisabeth.

6 And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless.

7 And they had no child, because that Elisabeth was barren, and they both were *now* well stricken in years.

8 And it came to pass, that while he executed the priest's office before God in the order of his course,

9 According to the custom of the priest's office, his lot was to burn incense when he went into the temple of the Lord.

10 And the whole multitude of the people were praying without at the time of incense.

11 And there appeared unto him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense.

12 And when Zacharias saw *him*, he was troubled, and fear fell upon him.

13 But the angel said unto him, Fear not, Zacharias: for thy prayer is heard; and thy wife Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John.

14 And thou shalt have joy and gladness; and many shall rejoice at his birth.

15 For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb.

16 And many of the children of Israel shall he turn to the Lord their God.

17 And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.

18 And Zacharias said unto the angel, Whereby shall I know this? for I am an old man, and my wife well stricken in years.

19 And the angel answering said unto him, I am Gabriel, that stand in the presence of God; and am sent to speak unto thee, and to shew thee these glad tidings.

20 And, behold, thou shalt be dumb, and not able to speak, until the day that these things shall be performed, because thou believest not my words, which shall be fulfilled in their season.

21 And the people waited for Zacharias, and marvelled that he tarried so long in the temple.

22 And when he came out, he could not speak unto them: and they perceived that he had seen a vision in the temple: for he beckoned unto them, and remained speechless.

23 And it came to pass, that, as soon as the days of his ministration were accomplished, he departed to his own house.

24 And after those days his wife Elisabeth conceived, and hid herself five months, saying,

25 Thus hath the Lord dealt with me in the days wherein he looked on *me*, to take away my reproach among men.

26 And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,

27 To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.

28 And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, *thou that art* highly favoured, the Lord *is* with thee: blessed *art* thou among women.

29 And when she saw *him*, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.

30 And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.

31 "And behold, you will conceive in [your] womb and will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus.

32 "This [one] will be great, and [the] Son of [the] Most High will he be called, and [the] Lord God will give him the throne of David his father,

33 "and he will reign over the house of Jacob to the ages, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

34 But Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I have not known a man?"

35 And answering, the angel said to her, "[The] Holy Spirit will come upon you, and [the] power of [the] Most High will overshadow you. Therefore also the holy [thing] which will be born from you will be called [the] Son of God.

36 "And behold, Elizabeth your relative – she has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is [the] sixth month with her who was called infertile.

37 "For nothing will be impossible with God."

38 Then Mary said, "Behold, the maidservant of [the] Lord! May it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

39 Now Mary rose up in these days [and] went into the mountainous [country] with haste, to a city of Judah,

40 and she came into the house of Zechariah, and greeted Elizabeth.

41 And it happened, when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with [the] Holy Spirit,

42 and she cried out with a loud voice, and said, "Most blessed [are] you among women, and blessed [is] the fruit of your womb!

43 "And from where [is] this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?

44 "For behold, when the voice of your greeting came into my ears, the baby leaped with exultation in my womb.

45 "And blessed [is] she who believed that there would be a fulfillment in those things which were spoken to her from [the] Lord."

46 And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord,

47 "and my spirit has exulted in God my savior.

48 "For he looked upon the lowliness of his maidservant. For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed.

49 "For the powerful [one] did to me great [things], and holy [is] his name.

50 "And his mercy [is] to generations of generations on those who fear him.

51 "He did a mighty deed with his arm; he scattered [the] proud in [the] thought of their heart.

52 "He brought down rulers from thrones, and exalted [the] lowly.

53 "Ones who were hungry he filled with good [things], and ones who were rich he sent away empty.

54 "He helped Israel his servant, in order that [he] might remember mercy

55 "(just as he spoke to our fathers) to Abraham and to his seed to eternity."

56 And Mary remained with her for about three months, and then she returned to her house.

57 Now for Elizabeth the time that she should give birth was fulfilled, and she bore a son.

58 And her neighbors and relatives heard that [the] Lord had made his mercy great with her, and they were rejoicing with her.

59 And it happened on the eighth day, they came to circumcise the child, and they were trying to call him by the name of his father Zechariah.

60 But answering, his mother said, "Not so, rather he will be called John."

61 And they said to her, "No one is among your kindred who is called by this name."

62 And they began making signs to his father as to what he would want him to be called.

63 And after asking for a small writing tablet, he wrote, saying, "His name is John." And all marvelled.

64 Then his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue, and he began speaking, praising God.

31 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.

32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:

33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

34 Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?

35 And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.

36 And, behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren.

37 For with God nothing shall be impossible.

38 And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

39 And Mary arose in those days, and went into the hill country with haste, into a city of Juda;

40 And entered into the house of Zacharias, and saluted Elisabeth.

41 And it came to pass, that, when Elisabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost:

42 And she spake out with a loud voice, and said, Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.

43 And whence is this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?

44 For, lo, as soon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in mine ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy.

45 And blessed is she that believed: for there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from the Lord.

46 And Mary said, My soul doth magnify the Lord,

47 And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

48 For he hath regarded the low estate of his handmaiden: for, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

49 For he that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy is his name.

50 And his mercy is on them that fear him from generation to generation.

51 He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

52 He hath put down the mighty from *their* seats, and exalted them of low degree.

53 He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away.

54 He hath holpen his servant Israel, in remembrance of *his* mercy;

55 As he spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed for ever.

56 And Mary abode with her about three months, and returned to her own house.

57 Now Elisabeth's full time came that she should be delivered; and she brought forth a son.

58 And her neighbours and her cousins heard how the Lord had shewed great mercy upon her; and they rejoiced with her.

59 And it came to pass, that on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they called him Zacharias, after the name of his father.

60 And his mother answered and said, Not so; but he shall be called John.

61 And they said unto her, There is none of thy kindred that is called by this name.

62 And they made signs to his father, how he would have him called.

63 And he asked for a writing table, and wrote, saying, His name is John. And they marvelled all.

64 And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue loosed, and he spake, and praised God.

65 And fear came upon all who were living around them, and in the whole mountainous [country] of Judea all these things were being discussed.
 66 And all who heard [them] laid [them] in their heart, saying, "What, then, will this child be?" And [the] hand of [the] Lord was with him.
 67 Now Zechariah his father was filled with [the] Holy Spirit, and he prophesied, saying,
 68 "Blessed [be the] Lord God of Israel, for he visited and made redemption for his people,
 69 "and he raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of David his servant –
 70 "just as he spoke through [the] mouth of his holy prophets who [have been] from time immemorial –
 71 "salvation from our enemies and from [the] hand of all who hated us,
 72 "to perform mercy with our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant,
 73 "[the] oath which he swore to Abraham our father,
 74 "in order to give to us, after being delivered from [the] hand of our enemies, to serve him fearlessly
 75 "in holiness and righteousness before him all the days of our life.
 76 "And thou, child, [the] prophet of [the] Most High will you be called, for you will go before [the] face of [the] Lord to prepare his ways,
 77 "in order to give knowledge of salvation to his people by [the] remission of their sins,
 78 "because of [the] inward parts of mercy of our God, by which [the] dawn from on high visited us,
 79 "to give light to those who sit in darkness and [the] shadow of death, in order to direct our feet into [the] way of peace."
 80 And the child was growing and was being strengthened in spirit, and he was in the wildernesses until [the] day of his showing to Israel.

65 And fear came on all that dwelt round about them: and all these sayings were noised abroad throughout all the hill country of Judaea.
 66 And all they that heard *them* laid *them* up in their hearts, saying, What manner of child shall this be! And the hand of the Lord was with him.
 67 And his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost, and prophesied, saying,
 68 Blessed *be* the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people,
 69 And hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David;
 70 As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began:
 71 That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us;
 72 To perform the mercy *promised* to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant;
 73 The oath which he sware to our father Abraham,
 74 That he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve him without fear,
 75 In holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life.
 76 And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;
 77 To give knowledge of salvation unto his people by the remission of their sins,
 78 Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us,
 79 To give light to them that sit in darkness and *in* the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.
 80 And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, and was in the deserts till the day of his shewing unto Israel.

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1 Now it happened in those days, a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered.
 2 This registration first happened while Quirinius was governor of Syria.
 3 And all were going to register themselves, each to his own city.
 4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of [the] city of Nazareth, to Judea, to [the] city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was from [the] house and family of David,
 5 to register himself with Mary who was engaged to him for a wife, being pregnant.
 6 Now it happened while they were there, the days that she should give birth were fulfilled.
 7 And she gave birth to her firstborn son, and she wrapped him up in swaddling clothes and laid him down in the manger, because there was no place for them in the lodging place.
 8 And shepherds were in the same country living outside in the fields and keeping watches during [the] night over their flock.
 9 And behold, [the] angel of [the] Lord stood near them, and [the] glory of [the] Lord shone around them, and they feared [with] a great fear.
 10 And the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring good news of great joy to you, which will be to all the people.
 11 "For there was born to you today a savior, who is Christ [the] Lord, in [the] city of David.
 12 "And this [is] the sign to you: you will find a baby having been wrapped up in swaddling clothes lying in the manger."
 13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of [the] heavenly army, praising God and saying,
 14 "Glory to God in [the] highest, and on earth peace; goodwill among men."
 15 And it happened, when the angels departed from them into heaven, that the men, the shepherds, said to one another, "Let us go over now as far as Bethlehem, and let us see this thing which has happened, which the Lord revealed to us."
 16 And they came, hurrying, and found both Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger.

1 And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.
 2 (*And* this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)
 3 And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.
 4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)
 5 To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.
 6 And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.
 7 And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.
 8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.
 9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.
 10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.
 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.
 12 And this *shall be* a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.
 13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,
 14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.
 15 And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.
 16 And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

17 And after seeing [him], they gave an exact report concerning the thing which had been spoken to them concerning this child.

18 And all who heard marveled concerning those things which were spoken to them by the shepherds.

19 But Mary was treasuring up these things, pondering [them] in her heart.

20 And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God at all [the things] which they had heard and seen, just as it had been spoken to them.

21 And when eight days were fulfilled to circumcise the child, then his name was called Jesus, which had been called by the angel before he had been conceived in the womb.

22 And when the days of her purification were fulfilled according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present [him] to the Lord –

23 just as it is written in [the] law of [the] Lord, “Every male opening [the] womb shall be called holy to the Lord” –

24 and to give a sacrifice according to that which is said in [the] law of [the] Lord, “A pair of turtledoves or two young [ones] of pigeons.”

25 And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name [was] Simeon, and this man [was] righteous and devout, waiting for [the] consolation of Israel, and [the] Holy Spirit was upon him.

26 And it had been divinely made known to him by the Holy Spirit that [he] would not see death before he saw the Christ of [the] Lord.

27 And he came by the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus in order that they might do according to the custom of the law concerning him,

28 then he received him into his arms, and praised God, and said,

29 “Now you are releasing your servant, Lord, according to your word, in peace.

30 “For my eyes have seen your salvation,

31 “which you prepared before [the] face of all the peoples;

32 “a light for a revelation of [the] Gentiles, and [the] glory of your people Israel.”

33 And Joseph and his mother were marveling at the things which were being spoken concerning him.

34 And Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this [one] is set for [the] fall and rise of many in Israel, and for a sign being spoken against –

35 “and also your own soul will a sword pierce – in order that [the] thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.”

36 And there was Anna, a prophetess, a daughter of Phanuel, from [the] tribe of Asher – this [woman] having advanced in many days, after living with a husband for seven years from her virginity,

37 and this [woman was] a widow, about eighty-four years [old] – who would not withdraw from the temple, serving with fasts and prayers night and day.

38 And this [woman], in the same hour standing near, began praising the Lord, and was speaking about him to all who were waiting for redemption in Jerusalem.

39 And when they had completed all the [things] according to the law of [the] Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their city Nazareth.

40 And the child was growing and was being strengthened in spirit, being filled with wisdom, and [the] grace of God was upon him.

41 Now his parents would go each year to Jerusalem to the festival of the Passover.

42 And when he was twelve years old, after they went up to Jerusalem according to the custom of the festival,

43 and after [they] fulfilled the days, while they were returning, the child Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, and Joseph and his mother did not know [this].

44 And after supposing that he was in the caravan, they went a journey of a day, and they began searching for him among [their] relatives and among [their] acquaintances.

45 And when [they] did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem for the purpose of seeking him.

17 And when they had seen *it*, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

18 And all they that heard *it* wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

19 But Mary kept all these things, and pondered *them* in her heart.

20 And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

21 And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

22 And when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present *him* to the Lord;

23 (As it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord;)

24 And to offer a sacrifice according to that which is said in the law of the Lord, A pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.

25 And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him.

26 And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

27 And he came by the Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law,

28 Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said,

29 Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word:

30 For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,

31 Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

32 A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.

33 And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of him.

34 And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this *child* is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against;

35 (Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also,) that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.

36 And there was one Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser: she was of a great age, and had lived with an husband seven years from her virginity;

37 And she was a widow of about fourscore and four years, which departed not from the temple, but served *God* with fastings and prayers night and day.

38 And she coming in that instant gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of him to all them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem.

39 And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth.

40 And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him.

41 Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover.

42 And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast.

43 And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of *it*.

44 But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among *their* kinsfolk and acquaintance.

45 And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him.

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46 And it happened, after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in [the] midst of the teachers, both listening to them and questioning them.

47 And all who were hearing him were continually amazed at [his] understanding and his answers.

48 And when [they] saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Child, why did you do to us in this manner? Behold, your father and I, being pained, were seeking you."

49 And he said to them, "Why [is it] that you were seeking me? You knew that it was necessary for me to be in the [things] of my Father, did you not?"

50 But they did not understand the saying which he had spoken to them.

51 And he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and he was subjecting himself to them, and his mother was keeping all these things in her heart.

52 And Jesus was advancing in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and men.

CHAPTER 3

1 Now in [the] fifteenth year of the chief command of Tiberius Caesar, while Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and while Herod was tetrarch of Galilee, and while Phillip his brother was tetrarch of the Iturean and Trachonitis region, and while Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene,

2 in the time of [the] high priests Annas and Caiaphas, [the] word of God came to John, the son of Zechariah, in the wilderness.

3 And he came into all the surrounding [region] of the Jordan, proclaiming [the] baptism of repentance for [the] remission of sins,

4 as it is written in [the] scroll of [the] words of Isaiah the prophet, saying, "A voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way of [the] Lord; make his paths straight!'

5 'Every ravine will be filled, and every mountain and hill will be brought low, and the crooked [places] will become a straight [path], and the rough [paths] into smooth paths.

6 'And all flesh will see the salvation of God.'"

7 Then he began saying to the crowds who were coming out to be baptized by him, "Offsprings of snakes! Who showed you to flee from the coming wrath?"

8 "Therefore make fruits worthy of repentance, and do not begin to say within yourselves, 'We have Abraham [as] father,' for I say to you that God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham.

9 "Now already even the ax is lying at the root of the trees. Therefore every tree not making good fruit is cut down and is thrown into [the] fire."

10 Then the crowds began asking him, saying, "What, then, shall we do?"

11 And answering, he says to them, "He who has two shirts, let him share with the one who does not have [any], and he who has food, let him do likewise."

12 And also tax-collectors came to be baptized, and they said to him, "Teacher, what shall we do?"

13 And he said to them, "Collect nothing more than that which is commanded to you."

14 And also soldiers began asking him, saying, "And we, what shall we do?" And he said to them, "Shake no one violently, nor accuse falsely, and be satisfied with your wages."

15 Now while the people were waiting, and while all were pondering in their hearts concerning John, whether perhaps he himself might be the Christ,

16 John answered, saying to all, "I indeed baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not fit to loose – he will baptize you with [the] Holy Spirit and fire,

17 "whose winnowing shovel [is] in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his threshing floor, and will gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff will he burn up with inextinguishable fire."

18 Therefore indeed while exhorting also many other [things], he was proclaiming the gospel to the people,

19 but Herod the tetrarch, being reproved by him concerning Herodias the wife of Phillip his brother and concerning all [the] evil [things] which Herod had done,

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46 And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions.

47 And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.

48 And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing.

49 And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?

50 And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them.

51 And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart.

52 And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

CHAPTER 3

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1 Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judaea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of Ituraea and of the region of Trachonitis, and Lysanias the tetrarch of Abilene,

2 Annas and Caiaphas being the high priests, the word of God came unto John the son of Zacharias in the wilderness.

3 And he came into all the country about Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins;

4 As it is written in the book of the words of Esaias the prophet, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

5 Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways shall be made smooth;

6 And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

7 Then said he to the multitude that came forth to be baptized of him, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?

8 Bring forth therefore fruits worthy of repentance, and begin not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to our father: for I say unto you, That God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham.

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

10 And the people asked him, saying, What shall we do then?

11 He answereth and saith unto them, He that hath two coats, let him impart to him that hath none; and he that hath meat, let him do likewise.

12 Then came also publicans to be baptized, and said unto him, Master, what shall we do?

13 And he said unto them, Exact no more than that which is appointed you.

14 And the soldiers likewise demanded of him, saying, And what shall we do? And he said unto them, Do violence to no man, neither accuse any falsely; and be content with your wages.

15 And as the people were in expectation, and all men mused in their hearts of John, whether he were the Christ, or not;

16 John answered, saying unto them all, I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire:

17 Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and will gather the wheat into his garner; but the chaff he will burn with fire unquenchable.

18 And many other things in his exhortation preached he unto the people.

19 But Herod the tetrarch, being reproved by him for Herodias his brother Philip's wife, and for all the evils which Herod had done,

20 added also this to all [things]: that he locked up John in the prison.
 21 Now it happened, when all the people were baptized, and after Jesus was baptized and while [he] was praying, the sky was opened,
 22 and the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove upon him, and a voice came out of heaven, saying, "You are my Son, the Beloved, in you I am well pleased."
 23 And Jesus himself was about thirty years [old] while [he] was beginning [his ministry], being, as it was being held, [the] son of Joseph, the [son] of Heli,
 24 the [son] of Matthat, the [son] of Levi, the [son] of Melchi, the [son] of Janna, the [son] of Joseph,
 25 the [son] of Mattathiah, the [son] of Amos, the [son] of Nahum, the [son] of Esli, the [son] of Naggai,
 26 the [son] of Maath, the [son] of Mattathiah, the [son] of Semei, the [son] of Joseph, the [son] of Judah,
 27 the [son] of Joanna, the [son] of Rhesa, the [son] of Zerubabel, the [son] of Shealtiel, the [son] of Neri,
 28 the [son] of Melchi, the [son] of Addi, the [son] of Cosam, the [son] of Elmodam, the [son] of Er,
 29 the [son] of Jose, the [son] of Eliezer, the [son] of Jorim, the [son] of Matthat, the [son] of Levi,
 30 the [son] of Simeon, the [son] of Judah, the [son] of Joseph, the [son] of Jonan, the [son] of Eliakim,
 31 the [son] of Melea, the [son] of Menan, the [son] of Mattathiah, the [son] of Nathan, the [son] of David,
 32 the [son] of Jesse, the [son] of Obed, the [son] of Boaz, the [son] of Salmon, the [son] of Nahshon,
 33 the [son] of Amminadab, the [son] of Aram, the [son] of Hezron, the [son] of Perez, the [son] of Judah,
 34 the [son] of Jacob, the [son] of Isaac, the [son] of Abraham, the [son] of Terah, the [son] of Nahor,
 35 the [son] of Serug, the [son] of Reu, the [son] of Peleg, the [son] of Eber, the [son] of Shelah,
 36 the [son] of Cainan, the [son] of Arphaxad, the [son] of Shem, the [son] of Noah, the [son] of Lamech,
 37 the [son] of Methuselah, the [son] of Enoch, the [son] of Jared, the [son] of Mahalaleel, the [son] of Cainan,
 38 the [son] of Enos, the [son] of Seth, the [son] of Adam, the [son] of God.

20 Added yet this above all, that he shut up John in prison.
 21 Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened,
 22 And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased.
 23 And Jesus himself began to be about thirty years of age, being (as was supposed) the son of Joseph, which was *the son* of Heli,
 24 Which was *the son* of Matthat, which was *the son* of Levi, which was *the son* of Melchi, which was *the son* of Janna, which was *the son* of Joseph,
 25 Which was *the son* of Mattathias, which was *the son* of Amos, which was *the son* of Naum, which was *the son* of Esli, which was *the son* of Nagge,
 26 Which was *the son* of Maath, which was *the son* of Mattathias, which was *the son* of Semei, which was *the son* of Joseph, which was *the son* of Juda,
 27 Which was *the son* of Joanna, which was *the son* of Rhesa, which was *the son* of Zorobabel, which was *the son* of Salathiel, which was *the son* of Neri,
 28 Which was *the son* of Melchi, which was *the son* of Addi, which was *the son* of Cosam, which was *the son* of Elmodam, which was *the son* of Er,
 29 Which was *the son* of Jose, which was *the son* of Eliezer, which was *the son* of Jorim, which was *the son* of Matthat, which was *the son* of Levi,
 30 Which was *the son* of Simeon, which was *the son* of Juda, which was *the son* of Joseph, which was *the son* of Jonan, which was *the son* of Eliakim,
 31 Which was *the son* of Melea, which was *the son* of Menan, which was *the son* of Mattatha, which was *the son* of Nathan, which was *the son* of David,
 32 Which was *the son* of Jesse, which was *the son* of Obed, which was *the son* of Booz, which was *the son* of Salmon, which was *the son* of Naasson,
 33 Which was *the son* of Aminadab, which was *the son* of Aram, which was *the son* of Esrom, which was *the son* of Phares, which was *the son* of Juda,
 34 Which was *the son* of Jacob, which was *the son* of Isaac, which was *the son* of Abraham, which was *the son* of Thara, which was *the son* of Nachor,
 35 Which was *the son* of Saruch, which was *the son* of Ragau, which was *the son* of Phalec, which was *the son* of Heber, which was *the son* of Sala,
 36 Which was *the son* of Cainan, which was *the son* of Arphaxad, which was *the son* of Sem, which was *the son* of Noe, which was *the son* of Lamech,
 37 Which was *the son* of Mathusala, which was *the son* of Enoch, which was *the son* of Jared, which was *the son* of Maleleel, which was *the son* of Cainan,
 38 Which was *the son* of Enos, which was *the son* of Seth, which was *the son* of Adam, which was *the son* of God.

CHAPTER 4

1 Now Jesus, full of [the] Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan, and he was being led by the Spirit into the wilderness,
 2 for forty days being tempted by the devil, and he did not eat anything in those days. And when they came to an end, then he was hungry.
 3 And the devil said to him, "If you are [the] Son of God, speak to this stone that it should become bread."
 4 And Jesus answered to him, saying, "It is written, 'Not on bread alone will man live, but on every word of God.'"
 5 And the devil, after leading him up to a high mountain, showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time.
 6 And the devil said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it is handed over to me, and to whomever I wish I give it.
 7 "You therefore, if you worship before me, all will be yours."
 8 And answering him, Jesus said, "Get behind me, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship [the] Lord your God, and him only shall you serve.'"

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1 And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness,
 2 Being forty days tempted of the devil. And in those days he did eat nothing; and when they were ended, he afterward hungered.
 3 And the devil said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread.
 4 And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.
 5 And the devil, taking him up into a high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time.
 6 And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it.
 7 If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine.
 8 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Get thee behind me, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

9 And he led him to Jerusalem, and set him on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here,

10 "for it is written, 'To his angels he will give orders concerning you, in order to protect you,'

11 "and, 'In [their] hands they will take you up, in order that you may not strike your foot against a stone.'"

12 And answering, Jesus said to him, "It is said, 'You shall not tempt [the] Lord your God.'"

13 And after finishing every temptation, the devil withdrew from him until a time.

14 And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report went forth throughout the whole surrounding [region] concerning him.

15 And he was teaching in their synagogues, with the result that [he] was being glorified by all.

16 And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and came, according to his custom, on the day of the Sabbath into the synagogue, and he stood up to read.

17 And [the] scroll of Isaiah the prophet was handed over to him, and after unrolling the scroll, he found the place where it was written,

18 "[The] Spirit of [the] Lord [is] upon me, because he anointed me to proclaim the gospel to [the] poor; he has sent me to heal those who have been broken in heart, to proclaim release to captives and recovery of sight to [the] blind, to send forth [the] oppressed by release,

19 "to proclaim [the] acceptable year of [the] Lord."

20 And after rolling up the scroll, he gave [it] back to the assistant [and] sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were staring at him.

21 Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your ears."

22 And all were bearing witness to him, and they began marveling at the words of grace which were coming out of his mouth, and they were saying, "This is the son of Joseph, is it not?"

23 And he said to them, "Certainly you will say to me this proverb, 'Physician, heal yourself. As many [things] as we heard [which] had happened in Capernaum, do also here in your hometown.'"

24 And he said, "Truly I say to you, that no prophet is accepted in his hometown.

25 "But in accordance with truth I say to you: many widows were, in the days of Elijah, in Israel, when the sky was shut for three years and six months, when a great famine came over all the land,

26 "and to none of them was Elijah sent, except to Zarephath of Sidon, to a widow woman.

27 "And many lepers were, in the time of Elisha the prophet, in Israel, and none of them was cleansed, except Naaman the Syrian."

28 And all were filled with rage in the synagogue while [they] were hearing these [things].

29 And [they] rose up [and] drove him out of the city, and they led him as far as the brow of the hill on which their city was built, in order to throw him down from the cliff.

30 But he, after passing through [the] midst of them, was going away.

31 And he came down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee. And he was teaching them on the Sabbath.

32 And they were continually astonished at his teaching, because his word was with authority.

33 And in the synagogue there was a man having a spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice,

34 saying, "Leave [us] alone! What [is] to us and to you, Jesus [the] Nazarene?! Did you come to destroy us?! I know you, who you are – the Holy [One] of God!"

35 And Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silenced, and come out of him!" And the demon, after throwing him down into the midst, came out from him, injuring him not at all.

36 And amazement came upon all, and they began discussing with one another, saying, "What [is] this word, that with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and they come out?"

9 And he brought him to Jerusalem, and set him on a pinnacle of the temple, and said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down from hence:

10 For it is written, He shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee:

11 And in *their* hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone.

12 And Jesus answering said unto him, It is said, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.

13 And when the devil had ended all the temptation, he departed from him for a season.

14 And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about.

15 And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all.

16 And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read.

17 And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written,

18 The Spirit of the Lord *is* upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,

19 To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

20 And he closed the book, and he gave *it* again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him.

21 And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

22 And all bare him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?

23 And he said unto them, Ye will surely say unto me this proverb, Physician, heal thyself: whatsoever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in thy country.

24 And he said, Verily I say unto you, No prophet is accepted in his own country.

25 But I tell you of a truth, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elias, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout all the land;

26 But unto none of them was Elias sent, save unto Sarepta, a city of Sidon, unto a woman *that was* a widow.

27 And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Eliseus the prophet; and none of them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian.

28 And all they in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath,

29 And rose up, and thrust him out of the city, and led him unto the brow of the hill whereon their city was built, that they might cast him down headlong.

30 But he passing through the midst of them went his way,

31 And came down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and taught them on the sabbath days.

32 And they were astonished at his doctrine: for his word was with power.

33 And in the synagogue there was a man, which had a spirit of an unclean devil, and cried out with a loud voice,

34 Saying, Let *us* alone; what have we to do with thee, *thou* Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art; the Holy One of God.

35 And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him. And when the devil had thrown him in the midst, he came out of him, and hurt him not.

36 And they were all amazed, and spake among themselves, saying, What a word *is* this! for with authority and power he commandeth the unclean spirits, and they come out.

37 And a report was going out concerning him into every place of the surrounding [region].

38 And after rising up out of the synagogue, he came into the house of Simon. Now the mother-in-law of Simon was being seized with a high fever, and they requested of him concerning her.

39 And [he] stood near over her [and] rebuked the fever, and it left her. And immediately [she] rose up [and] began ministering to them.

40 Now while the sun was setting, all as many as were having ones who were sick with manifold diseases brought them to him, and he laid [his] hands on each one of them [and] healed them.

41 And also demons were coming out from many, crying out and saying, "You are the Christ, the Son of God!" And rebuking [them], he was not allowing them to speak, because they knew that he was the Christ.

42 And when day came, [he] came out [and] went into a deserted place, and the crowds were seeking him, and they came up to him and were trying to restrain him in order that [he] might not go from them.

43 But he said to them, "It is necessary for me to proclaim the gospel of the kingdom of God also to other cities; because for this I have been sent."

44 And he was proclaiming in the synagogues of Galilee.

CHAPTER 5

1 And it happened, while the crowd was pressing upon him in order to hear the word of God, that he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret,

2 and he saw two boats standing by the lake, but the fishers got off from them [and] washed [their] nets.

3 And after stepping into one of the boats, which belonged to Simon, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And after sitting down, he began teaching the crowds from the boat.

4 And when he ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch."

5 And answering, Simon said to him, "Master, through the whole night, after toiling, we took nothing. But at your word I will let down the net."

6 And after [they] did this, they enclosed a great multitude of fish, and their net began tearing.

7 And they signaled to [their] partners who [were] in the other boat in order to come [and] to help them. And they came and filled both the boats, with the result that they began sinking.

8 And when [he] saw [this], Simon Peter fell down at the knees of Jesus, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, Lord."

9 For amazement seized him and all who [were] with him, at the catch of the fish which they had caught,

10 and likewise also James and John, [the] sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid. From now on you will be catching men alive."

11 And after bringing down the boats upon the land, they left all [things and] followed him.

12 And it happened, while he was in one of the cities, that behold, a man full of leprosy, and when [he] saw Jesus, [he] fell on [his] face [and] supplicated him, saying, "Lord, if you are willing, you are able to cleanse me."

13 And [he] stretched out [his] hand [and] touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." And immediately the leprosy departed from him.

14 And he commanded him to speak to no one, "But depart [and] show yourself to the priest, and offer for your purification, just as Moses commanded, for a testimony to them."

15 But the word was going abroad [the] more concerning him, and great multitudes began coming together to hear [him] and to be healed by him from their sicknesses.

16 But he himself was going away into the wildernesses and praying.

17 And it happened on one of the days, that he was teaching, and Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting, who had come out of every village of Galilee and Judea and Jerusalem, and [the] power of [the] Lord was present for the purpose of healing them.

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37 And the fame of him went out into every place of the country round about.

38 And he arose out of the synagogue, and entered into Simon's house. And Simon's wife's mother was taken with a great fever; and they besought him for her.

39 And he stood over her, and rebuked the fever; and it left her: and immediately she arose and ministered unto them.

40 Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them unto him; and he laid his hands on every one of them, and healed them.

41 And devils also came out of many, crying out, and saying, Thou art Christ the Son of God. And he rebuking *them* suffered them not to speak: for they knew that he was Christ.

42 And when it was day, he departed and went into a desert place: and the people sought him, and came unto him, and stayed him, that he should not depart from them.

43 And he said unto them, I must preach the kingdom of God to other cities also: for therefore am I sent.

44 And he preached in the synagogues of Galilee.

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1 And it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesaret,

2 and saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing *their* nets.

3 And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship.

4 Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught.

5 And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net.

6 And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake.

7 And they beckoned unto *their* partners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink.

8 When Simon Peter saw *it*, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord.

9 For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken:

10 And so *was* also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon, Fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men.

11 And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.

12 And it came to pass, when he was in a certain city, behold a man full of leprosy: who seeing Jesus fell on *his* face, and besought him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

13 And he put forth *his* hand, and touched him, saying, I will be thou clean. And immediately the leprosy departed from him.

14 And he charged him to tell no man: but go, and shew thyself to the priest, and offer for thy cleansing, according as Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.

15 But so much the more went there a fame abroad of him: and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities.

16 And he withdrew himself into the wilderness, and prayed.

17 And it came to pass on a certain day, as he was teaching, that there were Pharisees and doctors of the law sitting by, which were come out of every town of Galilee, and Judaea, and Jerusalem: and the power of the Lord was *present* to heal them.

18 And behold, men carrying on a bed a man who was paralyzed, and they were seeking to bring him in and to set [him] before him.

19 And after not finding through what [way] they could bring him in because of the crowd, [they] went up to the roof [and] let him down with the bed through the roof tiles into the midst before Jesus.

20 And when [he] saw their faith, he said to him, "Man, your sins are forgiven you."

21 And the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, "Who is this who speaks blasphemies? Who is able to forgive sins except God alone?"

22 But Jesus, when [he] perceived their reasonings, answering, said to them, "Why are you reasoning in your hearts?"

23 "Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Rise up and walk'?"

24 "But in order that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on the earth to forgive sins" – he said to the man who was paralyzed, "To you I say, rise up, and take up your bed [and] go to your house."

25 And immediately [he] rose up before them [and] took up [the bed] on which he had been lying [and] departed to his house, glorifying God.

26 And astonishment took hold of all, and they began glorifying God and were filled with fear, saying, "We have seen strange [things] today."

27 And after these [things], he went out and beheld a tax-collector, by [the] name Levi, sitting at the tax office, and he said to him, "Follow me."

28 And [he] left behind all [things and] rose up [and] followed him.

29 And Levi made a great banquet for him in his house, and there was a great crowd of tax-collectors, and others who were reclining with them.

30 And their scribes and the Pharisees began murmuring at his disciples, saying, "Why are you eating and drinking with tax-collectors and sinners?"

31 And answering, Jesus said to them, "Those who are healthy have no need of a physician, but those who are sick."

32 "I have not come to call righteous [ones], but sinners to repentance."

33 Then they said to him, "Why do the disciples of John fast frequently and make prayers for themselves, likewise also the [disciples] of the Pharisees, but yours eat and drink?"

34 And he said to them, "You are not able to make the sons of the bridal chamber fast, while the bridegroom is with them, are you?"

35 "But days will come, that when the bridegroom is taken away from them, then they will fast in those days."

36 And he began speaking also a parable to them, "No one puts a patch of a new garment on an old garment, otherwise, both the new tears, and [the] patch which [was] from the new does not match with the old."

37 "And no one puts new wine into old wineskins, otherwise, the new wine will burst the wineskins, and it will be spilled out, and the wineskins will be ruined."

38 "But new wine must be put into new wineskins, and both are preserved."

39 "And no one, after drinking old [wine], immediately wants new [wine], for he says, 'The old is better.'"

CHAPTER 6

1 And it happened on [the] second Sabbath after the first: he was going through the grainfields, and his disciples were plucking the ears of grain and were eating [them], rubbing [them] in [their] hands.

2 But some of the Pharisees said to them, "Why are you doing what is not permitted to do on the Sabbath?"

3 And answering, Jesus said to them, "Did you not even read this, what David did when he was hungry, he and those who were with him,

4 "how he went into the house of God, and took the loaves of presentation and ate [them], and gave [them] also to those who [were] with him, which it is not permitted except only for the priests to eat?"

18 And, behold, men brought in a bed a man which was taken with a palsy: and they sought *means* to bring him in, and to lay *him* before him.

19 And when they could not find by what *way* they might bring him in because of the multitude, they went upon the housetop, and let him down through the tiling with *his* couch into the midst before Jesus.

20 And when he saw their faith, he said unto him, Man, thy sins are forgiven thee.

21 And the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, Who is this which speaketh blasphemies? Who can forgive sins, but God alone?

22 But when Jesus perceived their thoughts, he answering said unto them, What reason ye in your hearts?

23 Whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Rise up and walk?

24 But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power upon earth to forgive sins, (he said unto the sick of the palsy,) I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch, and go into thine house.

25 And immediately he rose up before them, and took up that whereon he lay, and departed to his own house, glorifying God.

26 And they were all amazed, and they glorified God, and were filled with fear, saying, We have seen strange things to day.

27 And after these things he went forth, and saw a publican, named Levi, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he said unto him, Follow me.

28 And he left all, rose up, and followed him.

29 And Levi made him a great feast in his own house: and there was a great company of publicans and of others that sat down with them.

30 But their scribes and Pharisees murmured against his disciples, saying, Why do ye eat and drink with publicans and sinners?

31 And Jesus answering said unto them, They that are whole need not a physician; but they that are sick.

32 I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

33 And they said unto him, Why do the disciples of John fast often, and make prayers, and likewise *the disciples* of the Pharisees; but thine eat and drink?

34 And he said unto them, Can ye make the children of the bridechamber fast, while the bridegroom is with them?

35 But the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them, and then shall they fast in those days.

36 And he spake also a parable unto them; No man putteth a piece of a new garment upon an old; if otherwise, then both the new maketh a rent, and the piece that was *taken* out of the new agreeth not with the old.

37 And no man putteth new wine into old bottles; else the new wine will burst the bottles, and be spilled, and the bottles shall perish.

38 But new wine must be put into new bottles; and both are preserved.

39 No man also having drunk old *wine* straightway desireth new: for he saith, The old is better.

CHAPTER 6

1 And it came to pass on the second sabbath after the first, that he went through the corn fields; and his disciples plucked the ears of corn, and did eat, rubbing *them* in *their* hands.

2 And certain of the Pharisees said unto them, Why do ye that which is not lawful to do on the sabbath days?

3 And Jesus answering them said, Have ye not read so much as this, what David did, when himself was an hungred, and they which were with him;

4 How he went into the house of God, and did take and eat the shewbread, and gave also to them that were with him; which it is not lawful to eat but for the priests alone?

5 And he said to them, "The Son of Man is Lord also of the Sabbath."

6 And it happened also on another Sabbath: he came into the synagogue and was teaching. And there was a man there, and his right hand was withered.

7 And the scribes and the Pharisees were watching him closely whether he would heal on the Sabbath, in order that they might find an accusation of him.

8 But he himself knew their thoughts, and he said to the man who had the hand [which was] withered, "Rise up, and stand in the midst." And he rose up [and] stood.

9 Then Jesus said to them, "I will ask you something: Is it permitted on the Sabbath to do good or to do evil? To save life or to destroy [it]?"

10 And after looking around at them all, he said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." And he did so. And his hand was restored healthy as the other.

11 And they were filled with fury, and began discussing with one another what they might do to Jesus.

12 And it happened in these days: he went out to the mountain to pray, and was spending the whole night in the prayer of God.

13 And when day came, he called to his disciples, and after choosing twelve from them, whom he also named apostles:

14 Simon, whom he also named Peter, and Andrew his brother, James and John, Philip and Bartholomew,

15 Matthew and Thomas, James the [son] of Alphaeus, and Simon, who was called Zealot,

16 Judas [the son] of James, and Judas Iscariot, who also became a traitor;

17 and after coming down with them, he stood on a level place, and a crowd of his disciples, and a great multitude of the people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and the seacoast [region] of Tyre and Sidon, who had come to hear him and to be healed from their diseases,

18 and those who were being tormented by unclean spirits. And they were being healed.

19 And all the crowd were seeking to touch him, because power was coming out from him, and it was healing all.

20 And he, when [he] lifted up his eyes to his disciples, began saying, "Blessed [are] the poor, because yours is the kingdom of God.

21 "Blessed [are] those who hunger now, because you will be filled. Blessed [are] those who weep now, because you will laugh.

22 "Blessed are you, whenever men hate you, and whenever they excommunicate you and reproach [you], and cast out your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man.

23 "Rejoice in that day and leap, for behold, your reward [will be] great in heaven, for according to these [things] their fathers were doing to the prophets.

24 "But woe to you who are rich! Because you are receiving your comfort in full.

25 "Woe to you, you who are filled! Because you will hunger. Woe to you, you who laugh now! Because you will mourn and will weep.

26 "Woe to you, whenever all men speak well of you! For according to these [things] their fathers were doing to the false prophets.

27 "But I say to you who hear: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you.

28 "Bless those who curse you, and pray for those who treat you despicably.

29 "To him who strikes you on the cheek, offer also the other; and from him who takes away your garment, do not withhold your tunic also.

30 "And give to every [one] who asks you, and from him who takes away your [things], do not demand [them] back.

31 "And just as you wish that men should do to you, you, do also to them likewise.

32 "And if you love those who love you, what credit is [that] to you? For even the sinners love those who love them.

33 "And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is [that] to you? For even the sinners do the same [thing].

5 And he said unto them, That the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.

6 And it came to pass also on another sabbath, that he entered into the synagogue and taught: and there was a man whose right hand was withered.

7 And the scribes and Pharisees watched him, whether he would heal on the sabbath day; that they might find an accusation against him.

8 But he knew their thoughts, and said to the man which had the withered hand, Rise up, and stand forth in the midst. And he arose and stood forth.

9 Then said Jesus unto them, I will ask you one thing; Is it lawful on the sabbath days to do good, or to do evil? to save life, or to destroy *it*?

10 And looking round about upon them all, he said unto the man, Stretch forth thy hand. And he did so: and his hand was restored whole as the other.

11 And they were filled with madness; and communed one with another what they might do to Jesus.

12 And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God.

13 And when it was day, he called *unto him* his disciples: and of them he chose twelve, whom also he named apostles;

14 Simon, (whom he also named Peter,) and Andrew his brother, James and John, Philip and Bartholomew,

15 Matthew and Thomas, James the *son* of Alphaeus, and Simon called Zelotes,

16 And Judas *the brother* of James, and Judas Iscariot, which also was the traitor.

17 And he came down with them, and stood in the plain, and the company of his disciples, and a great multitude of people out of all Judaea and Jerusalem, and from the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon, which came to hear him, and to be healed of their diseases;

18 And they that were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed.

19 And the whole multitude sought to touch him: for there went virtue out of him, and healed *them* all.

20 And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said, Blessed *be* ye poor: for yours is the kingdom of God.

21 Blessed *are* ye that hunger now: for ye shall be filled. Blessed *are* ye that weep now: for ye shall laugh.

22 Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you *from their company*, and shall reproach *you*, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake.

23 Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold, your reward *is* great in heaven: for in the like manner did their fathers unto the prophets.

24 But woe unto you that are rich! for ye have received your consolation.

25 Woe unto you that are full! for ye shall hunger. Woe unto you that laugh now! for ye shall mourn and weep.

26 Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets.

27 But I say unto you which hear, Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you,

28 Bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you.

29 And unto him that smiteth thee on the *one* cheek offer also the other; and him that taketh away thy cloke forbid not *to take thy* coat also.

30 Give to every man that asketh of thee; and of him that taketh away thy goods ask *them* not again.

31 And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise.

32 For if ye love them which love you, what thank have ye? for sinners also love those that love them.

33 And if ye do good to them which do good to you, what thank have ye? for sinners also do even the same.

34 "And if you lend [to those] from whom you hope to get back, what credit is [that] to you? For even the sinners lend to sinners, in order that they may get back the same [amount].

35 "But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing back, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and evil.

36 "Therefore be merciful, just as your Father is also merciful.

37 "Do not judge, and you will certainly not be judged; do not condemn, and you will certainly not be condemned; pardon, and you will be pardoned.

38 "Give, and it will be given to you; good measure, having been pressed and shaken and being poured out over, will they give into your bosom. For according to the same measure with which you measure, it will be measured to you in return."

39 And he began to speak a parable to them, "A blind [man] is surely not able to lead a blind [man], is he? Both will fall into a pit, will they not so?"

40 "A disciple is not above his teacher, but every [one] having been fully trained will be like his teacher.

41 "And why do you see the speck of wood which [is] in the eye of your brother, but the beam of wood which [is] in your own eye you do not notice?"

42 "Or how are you able to say to your brother, 'Brother, let me take out the speck of wood which [is] in your eye,' when [you] yourself do not see the beam of wood which [is] in your eye? Hypocrite! First take the beam of wood out of your eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck of wood which [is] in the eye of your brother.

43 "For there is no good tree producing rotten fruit, nor a rotten tree producing good fruit.

44 "For each tree is known by its own fruit. For not from thorn plants do they gather figs, nor from a thorn bush do they harvest a grape cluster.

45 "The good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth the good, and the evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth the evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

46 "And why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do [the things] which I say?"

47 "Every one who comes to me and hears my words and does them, I will show you who he is like:

48 "He is like a man building a house, who dug and went deep, and laid a foundation upon the rock. And when a flood came, the river broke in force against that house, and it was not able to shake it, for it was founded upon the rock.

49 "But he who heard and did not do [them] is like a man after building a house upon the ground without a foundation, against which the river broke in force, and immediately it fell, and the breaking of that house was great."

CHAPTER 7

1 Now after he finished all his sayings in the ears of the people, he came into Capernaum.

2 And a servant of a certain centurion, being sick, was about to die, who was precious to him.

3 And when [he] heard about Jesus, he sent to him elders of the Jews, for the purpose of requesting of him that [he] should come [and] save his servant.

4 And they, when [they] came to Jesus, began entreating him earnestly, saying, "He is worthy to whom he will make this happen.

5 "For he loves our nation, and the synagogue he himself built for us."

6 Then Jesus began going with them. But now while he was not far away from the house, the centurion sent to him friends, saying to him, "Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not fit that you should come in under my roof.

7 "Therefore I did not even consider myself worthy to come to you. But say in a word, and my servant will be healed.

8 "For I myself am also a man being set under authority, having under myself soldiers, and I say to this [one], 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does [it]."

CHAPTER 6

34 And if ye lend to *them* of whom ye hope to receive, what thank have ye? for sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again.

35 But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be to the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil.

36 Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.

37 Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven:

38 Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.

39 And he spake a parable unto them, Can the blind lead the blind? shall they not both fall into the ditch?

40 The disciple is not above his master: but every one that is perfect shall be as his master.

41 And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye?

42 Either how canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, cast out first the beam out of thine own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to pull out the mote that is in thy brother's eye.

43 For a good tree bringeth not forth corrupt fruit; neither doth a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

44 For every tree is known by his own fruit. For of thorns men do not gather figs, nor of a bramble bush gather they grapes.

45 A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh.

46 And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?

47 Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like:

48 He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.

49 But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great.

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1 Now when he had ended all his sayings in the audience of the people, he entered into Capernaum.

2 And a certain centurion's servant, who was dear unto him, was sick, and ready to die.

3 And when he heard of Jesus, he sent unto him the elders of the Jews, beseeching him that he would come and heal his servant.

4 And when they came to Jesus, they besought him instantly, saying, That he was worthy for whom he should do this:

5 For he loveth our nation, and he hath built us a synagogue.

6 Then Jesus went with them. And when he was now far from the house, the centurion sent friends to him, saying unto him, Lord, trouble not thyself: for I am not worthy that thou shouldst enter under my roof:

7 Wherefore neither thought I myself worthy to come unto thee: but say in a word, and my servant shall be healed.

8 For I also am a man set under authority, having under me soldiers, and I say unto one, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it.

9 And when [he] heard these [things], Jesus marveled at him, and when [he] turned to the crowd which was following him, he said, "I say to you, not even in Israel have I found so great a faith."

10 And those who had been sent, when [they] returned to the house, found the servant who was sick being healthy.

11 And it happened on the next [day]: he was going to a city called Nain, and many of his disciples were going with him, and a large crowd.

12 And when he came near to the gate of the city, that behold, a dead [man] was being carried out, [the] only-begotten son belonging to his mother, and this [woman] was a widow, and a large crowd of the city was with her.

13 And when [he] saw her, the Lord had compassion on her, and said to her, "Do not weep."

14 And [he] came [and] touched the coffin, and those who were bearing [it] stood still. And he said, "Young man, to you I say, arise."

15 And the dead [man] sat up and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother.

16 And fear took hold of all, and they began glorifying God, saying, "A great prophet is raised up among us," and, "God has visited his people."

17 And this word went out in all Judea concerning him, and in all the surrounding [region].

18 And his disciples reported to John concerning all these [things].

19 And after summoning a certain two of his disciples, John sent [them] to Jesus, saying, "Are you the one who comes, or should we wait for another?"

20 And when [they] came to him, the men said, "John the Baptist has sent us to you, saying, 'Are you the one who comes, or should we wait for another?'"

21 And in the same hour he healed many from diseases and torments and evil spirits, and to many blind [ones] he graciously gave sight.

22 And answering, Jesus said to them, "Go [and] report back to John [the things] which you saw and heard, namely, that blind [ones] gain sight, crippled [ones] walk, leprosy [ones] are cleansed, deaf [ones] hear, dead [ones] are raised up, poor [ones] are evangelized.

23 "And blessed is he whoever is not brought to a downfall on account of me."

24 And after the messengers of John went away, he began to speak to the crowds about John, "What have you gone out into the wilderness to behold? A reed being shaken by [the] wind?"

25 "But what have you gone out to see? A man having been clothed in soft garments? Behold, those who are in glorious clothing and luxury are in the royal [palaces].

26 "But what have you gone out to see? A prophet? Yes, I say to you, and much more than a prophet.

27 "This is he concerning whom it is written, 'Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way ahead of you.'

28 "For I say to you, among [those] born of women no one is a greater prophet than John the Baptist, yet he who is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he.

29 "And all the people, when [they] heard [him], and the tax-collectors, justified God, by being baptized [with] the baptism of John.

30 "But the Pharisees and the lawyers rejected the resolution of God for themselves, by not being baptized by him."

31 And the Lord said, "To what, then, will I compare the men of this generation? And what are they like?"

32 "They are like children who are sitting in a marketplace and calling to one another, and saying, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang lament songs for you, and you did not weep.'

33 "For John the Baptist has come neither eating bread nor drinking wine, and you say, 'He has a demon.'

34 "The Son of Man has come eating and drinking, and you say, 'Behold, a man, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!'

35 "But wisdom is justified by all her children."

9 When Jesus heard these things, he marvelled at him, and turned him about, and said unto the people that followed him, I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.

10 And they that were sent, returning to the house, found the servant whole that had been sick.

11 And it came to pass the day after, that he went into a city called Nain; and many of his disciples went with him, and much people.

12 Now when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow: and much people of the city was with her.

13 And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep not.

14 And he came and touched the bier: and they that bare *him* stood still. And he said, Young man, I say unto thee, Arise.

15 And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother.

16 And there came a fear on all: and they glorified God, saying, That a great prophet is risen up among us; and, That God hath visited his people.

17 And this rumour of him went forth throughout all Judaea, and throughout all the region round about.

18 And the disciples of John shewed him of all these things.

19 And John calling *unto him* two of his disciples sent *them* to Jesus, saying, Art thou he that should come? or look we for another?

20 When the men were come unto him, they said, John Baptist hath sent us unto thee, saying, Art thou he that should come? or look we for another?

21 And in that same hour he cured many of *their* infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; and unto many *that were* blind he gave sight.

22 Then Jesus answering said unto them, Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached.

23 And blessed is *he*, whosoever shall not be offended in me.

24 And when the messengers of John were departed, he began to speak unto the people concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness for to see? A reed shaken with the wind?

25 But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they which are gorgeously apparelled, and live delicately, are in kings' courts.

26 But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and much more than a prophet.

27 This is *he*, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

28 For I say unto you, Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist: but he that is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he.

29 And all the people that heard *him*, and the publicans, justified God, being baptized with the baptism of John.

30 But the Pharisees and lawyers rejected the counsel of God against themselves, being not baptized of him.

31 And the Lord said, Whereunto then shall I liken the men of this generation? and to what are they like?

32 They are like unto children sitting in the marketplace, and calling one to another, and saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned to you, and ye have not wept.

33 For John the Baptist came neither eating bread nor drinking wine; and ye say, He hath a devil.

34 The Son of man is come eating and drinking; and ye say, Behold a gluttonous man, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners!

35 But wisdom is justified of all her children.

36 Now a certain [one] of the Pharisees was requesting of him that he should eat with him. And [he] went into the house of the Pharisee [and] reclined.

37 And behold, a woman in the city, who was a sinner, after perceiving that he was reclining in the house of the Pharisee, after bringing an alabaster vase of perfume,

38 and when [she] stood at his feet behind [him] weeping, she began to wet his feet with [her] tears, and with the hairs of her head she was wiping [them] dry, and she was kissing his feet and anointing [them] with the perfume.

39 Now the Pharisee who had called him, when [he] saw [this], spoke within himself, saying, "This [man], if he were a prophet, would know who and what sort of woman [this is] who is touching him, that she is a sinner."

40 And Jesus, answering, said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." And he says, "Teacher, speak."

41 "Two debtors were to a certain creditor: one was owing five hundred denarii, and the other fifty.

42 "But when they did not have [anything] to give back, he pardoned both. Therefore tell [me], which of them will love him more?"

43 And Simon, answering, said, "I suppose that [the one] whom he pardoned the greater [sum]." And he said to him, "You have judged correctly."

44 And when [he] turned to the woman, he began to say to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I came into your house, you did not give water for my feet, but this [woman] has wet my feet with [her] tears, and with the hairs of her head she has wiped [them] dry.

45 "You did not give me a kiss, but this [woman], from [the time] when I came in, has not stopped kissing my feet.

46 "You did not anoint my head with oil, but this [woman] has anointed my feet with perfume.

47 "For this reason I say to you: Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; because she loved much, but [he] who is forgiven little, loves little."

48 And he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."

49 And those who were reclining with [him] began to say within themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?"

50 And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you. Go in peace."

CHAPTER 8

1 And it happened on the next [occasion], that he was going through each city and village, preaching and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom of God, and the twelve [were] with him,

2 and certain women, who had been healed from evil spirits and sicknesses: Mary, who was called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out,

3 and Joanna, [the] wife of Chuza, [the] steward of Herod, and Susanna, and many other [women], who were ministering to him from their possessions.

4 Now while a great multitude were coming together, and while [those] from each city were coming to him, he began to speak through a parable:

5 "The sower went out to sow his seed. And while he was sowing, some [seed] fell by the road, and it was trampled under-foot, and the birds of the sky devoured it.

6 "And other [seed] fell upon the rock, and when [it] grew up, it dried up, because [it] did not have moisture.

7 "And other [seed] fell in [the] midst of the thorns, and the thorns, when [they] grew up with [it], choked it.

8 "And other [seed] fell on the good ground, and when [it] grew up, it produced fruit a hundredfold." While [he] was saying these [things], he called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

9 And his disciples began asking him, saying, "What might this parable be?"

10 And he said, "To you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest in parables, in order that while seeing they may not see, and while hearing they may not understand.

11 "Now this is the parable: The seed is the word of God.

12 "And those by the road are those who hear, then the devil comes and takes away the word from their heart, in order that [they] may not believe [and] be saved.

CHAPTER 8

36 And one of the Pharisees desired him that he would eat with him. And he went into the Pharisee's house, and sat down to meat.

37 And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that *Jesus* sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment,

38 And stood at his feet behind *him* weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe *them* with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed *them* with the ointment.

39 Now when the Pharisee which had bidden him saw *it*, he spake within himself, saying, This man, if he were a prophet, would have known who and what manner of woman *this is* that toucheth him: for she is a sinner.

40 And Jesus answering said unto him, Simon, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And he saith, Master, say on.

41 There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed five hundred pence, and the other fifty.

42 And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Tell me therefore, which of them will love him most?

43 Simon answered and said, I suppose that *he*, to whom he forgave most. And he said unto him, Thou hast rightly judged.

44 And he turned to the woman, and said unto Simon, Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath washed my feet with tears, and wiped *them* with the hairs of her head.

45 Thou gavest me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss my feet.

46 My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment.

47 Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, *the same* loveth little.

48 And he said unto her, Thy sins are forgiven.

49 And they that sat at meat with him began to say within themselves, Who is this that forgiveth sins also?

50 And he said to the woman, Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.

CHAPTER 8

1 And it came to pass afterward, that he went throughout every city and village, preaching and shewing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God: and the twelve *were* with him,

2 And certain women, which had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities, Mary called Magdalene, out of whom went seven devils,

3 And Joanna the wife of Chuza Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others, which ministered unto him of their substance.

4 And when much people were gathered together, and were come to him out of every city, he spake by a parable:

5 A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it.

6 And some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture.

7 And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it.

8 And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

9 And his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be?

10 And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand.

11 Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

12 Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved.

13 "And those upon the rock [are those] who, when they hear, receive the word with joy, and these do not have root, who for a time believe, and in time of trial fall away.

14 "And that which fell among the thorns, these are those who heard, and while [they] are going forth, they are choked by anxieties and wealth and pleasures of life, and do not bring fruit to maturity.

15 "But that on the good ground, these are [those] who, with a noble and good heart, when [they] hear the word, hold [it] fast and bear fruit with perseverance.

16 "And no one, after lighting a lamp, covers it with a vessel, or puts [it] under a bed, but sets [it] on a lampstand, in order that those who come in may see the light.

17 "For there is no secret [thing] which will not become manifest, nor [anything] hidden which will not be known and come to light.

18 "See therefore how you hear, for whoever has, it will be given to him, and whoever does not have, even [that] which he thinks to have will be taken away from him."

19 Now [his] mother and his brothers came to him, and they were not able to meet with him because of the crowd.

20 And it was reported to him, saying, "Your mother and your brothers are standing outside, wishing to see you."

21 But he, answering, said to them, "My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and do it."

22 And it happened on one of the days, that he stepped into a boat, and his disciples, and he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side of the lake." And they put out to sea.

23 And while they were sailing, he fell asleep. And a fierce gust of wind came down on the lake, and they were being filled with [water], and were in danger.

24 And [they] came to [him and] woke him up, saying, "Master, master, we are perishing!" And he rose up [and] rebuked the wind and the wave of the water, and they ceased, and there was a calm.

25 And he said to them, "Where is your faith?" And [they] were afraid [and] marveled, saying to one another, "Who then is this, that even the winds he commands, and the water, and they obey him?"

26 And they sailed down into the region of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee.

27 And after he came out upon the land, a certain man from the city came to meet him, who had demons for a long time, and he was not dressing himself [with] a garment, and was not staying in a house, but in the tombs.

28 And when [he] saw Jesus, and after crying out, he fell down before him, and said with a loud voice, "What [is] to me and to you, Jesus, Son of the Most High God?! I implore you, do not torment me."

29 For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out from the man. For many times it had seized him, and he had been bound with chains and shackles, being guarded, but breaking the bonds he would be driven by the demon into the wildernesses.

30 And Jesus asked him, saying, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," because many demons had gone into him.

31 And they began imploring him that he would not command them to depart into the abyss.

32 Now there was there a herd of many swine feeding on the mountain, and they were entreating him that he would permit them to go into those [swine]. And he permitted them.

33 Then the demons, after coming out from the man, went into the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep slope into the lake, and drowned.

34 And the herders, when [they] saw that which had happened, fled, and [they] departed [and] reported [it] in the city and in the fields.

35 And they came out to see that which had happened. And they came to Jesus, and found the man, from whom the demons had gone out, having been clothed and being of sound mind, sitting at the feet of Jesus, and they were afraid.

36 And also those who had seen [it] reported to them how he who had been demon-possessed had been saved.

13 They on the rock *are they*, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away.

14 And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of *this* life, and bring no fruit to perfection.

15 But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep *it*, and bring forth fruit with patience.

16 No man, when he hath lighted a candle, covereth it with a vessel, or putteth *it* under a bed; but setteth *it* on a candlestick, that they which enter in may see the light.

17 For nothing is secret, that shall not be made manifest; neither *any thing* hid, that shall not be known and come abroad.

18 Take heed therefore how ye hear: for whosoever hath, to him shall be given; and whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he seemeth to have.

19 Then came to him *his* mother and his brethren, and could not come at him for the press.

20 And it was told him *by certain* which said, Thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to see thee.

21 And he answered and said unto them, My mother and my brethren are these which hear the word of God, and do it.

22 Now it came to pass on a certain day, that he went into a ship with his disciples: and he said unto them, Let us go over unto the other side of the lake. And they launched forth.

23 But as they sailed he fell asleep: and there came down a storm of wind on the lake; and they were filled *with water*, and were in jeopardy.

24 And they came to him, and awoke him, saying, Master, master, we perish. Then he arose, and rebuked the wind and the raging of the water: and they ceased, and there was a calm.

25 And he said unto them, Where is your faith? And they being afraid wondered, saying one to another, What manner of man is this! for he commandeth even the winds and water, and they obey him.

26 And they arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, which is over against Galilee.

27 And when he went forth to land, there met him out of the city a certain man, which had devils long time, and ware no clothes, neither abode in *any* house, but in the tombs.

28 When he saw Jesus, he cried out, and fell down before him, and with a loud voice said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, *thou* Son of God most high? I beseech thee, torment me not.

29 (For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For oftentimes it had caught him: and he was kept bound with chains and in fetters; and he brake the bands, and was driven of the devil into the wilderness.)

30 And Jesus asked him, saying, What is thy name? And he said, Legion: because many devils were entered into him.

31 And they besought him that he would not command them to go out into the deep.

32 And there was there an herd of many swine feeding on the mountain: and they besought him that he would suffer them to enter into them. And he suffered them.

33 Then went the devils out of the man, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the lake, and were choked.

34 When they that fed *them* saw what was done, they fled, and went and told *it* in the city and in the country.

35 Then they went out to see what was done; and came to Jesus, and found the man, out of whom the devils were departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid.

36 They also which saw *it* told them by what means he that was possessed of the devils was healed.

37 And all the multitude of the surrounding [region] of Gadarenes asked him to depart from them, because they were being seized with great fear. And he, after stepping into the boat, returned.

38 Now the man from whom the demons had gone out was requesting of him to be with him. But Jesus sent him away, saying,

39 "Return to your house, and tell as many [things] as God has done to you." And he departed, proclaiming throughout the whole city as many [things] as Jesus had done to him.

40 And it happened when Jesus returned, the crowd welcomed him, for they were all waiting for him.

41 And behold, a man whose name [was] Jairus came, and he was a ruler of the synagogue, and [he] fell at the feet of Jesus [and] began imploring him to come into his house,

42 because he had an only-begotten daughter, about twelve years [old], and this [girl] was dying. And while he was going, the crowds were pressing upon him.

43 And a woman, being in a flow of blood for twelve years, who, after lavishly spending [her] whole living on physicians, was not able to be healed by anyone,

44 when [she] came from behind, touched the edge of his garment, and immediately the flow of her blood stopped.

45 And Jesus said, "Who [was] the one who touched me?" And while all were denying [it], Peter and those with him said, "Master, the multitudes are crowding you and pressing upon [you], and you say, 'Who [was] the one who touched me?'"

46 But Jesus said, "Someone touched me, for I perceived [that] power had gone out from me."

47 And the woman, when [she] saw that she had not escaped notice, came trembling, and when [she] fell down before him, she declared to him before all the people for what reason she had touched him, and how she had been healed immediately.

48 And he said to her, "Be encouraged, daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace."

49 While he is still speaking, someone comes from [the house of] the ruler of the synagogue, saying to him, "Your daughter has died; do not trouble the teacher."

50 But Jesus, when [he] heard [this], answered him, saying, "Do not be afraid; only believe, and she will be saved."

51 And when [he] came to the house, he did not allow anyone to go in, except Peter and James and John, and the father of the child and the mother.

52 And all were weeping and bewailing her. But he said, "Stop weeping. She did not die, but is sleeping."

53 And they began laughing at him, because [they] knew that she had died.

54 And he, after putting all outside, and when [he] took hold of her hand, called out, saying, "Child, arise."

55 And her spirit returned, and she rose up immediately. And he commanded [that something] should be given to her to eat.

56 And her parents were amazed, but he commanded them to tell no one that which had happened.

CHAPTER 9

1 Now after summoning his twelve disciples, he gave them power and authority over all the demons, and to cure diseases.

2 And he sent them to proclaim the kingdom of God, and to heal those who were sick.

3 And he said to them, "Take nothing for the journey, neither staves, nor a leather pouch, nor bread, nor silver, nor to have two tunics each.

4 "And into whatever house you go, there remain, and from there go out.

5 "And as many as whoever does not receive you, while going out from that city, shake off even the dust from your feet for a testimony against them."

6 And while [they] were going out, they began passing through the villages, proclaiming the gospel and healing everywhere.

7 Now Herod the tetrarch heard of all the things which were being done by him, and he was greatly perplexed, because [it] was being said by some that John had been raised from among [the] dead.

8 And by some that Elijah had appeared. And by others that a prophet, one of the ancient [ones], had risen.

37 Then the whole multitude of the country of the Gadarenes round about besought him to depart from them; for they were taken with great fear: and he went up into the ship, and returned back again.

38 Now the man out of whom the devils were departed besought him that he might be with him: but Jesus sent him away, saying,

39 Return to thine own house, and shew how great things God hath done unto thee. And he went his way, and published throughout the whole city how great things Jesus had done unto him.

40 And it came to pass, that, when Jesus was returned, the people *gladly* received him: for they were all waiting for him.

41 And, behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue: and he fell down at Jesus' feet, and besought him that he would come into his house:

42 For he had one only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she lay a dying. But as he went the people thronged him.

43 And a woman having an issue of blood twelve years, which had spent all her living upon physicians, neither could be healed of any,

44 Came behind *him*, and touched the border of his garment: and immediately her issue of blood stanch'd.

45 And Jesus said, Who touched me? When all denied, Peter and they that were with him said, Master, the multitude throng thee and press *thee*, and sayest thou, Who touched me?

46 And Jesus said, Somebody hath touched me: for I perceive that virtue is gone out of me.

47 And when the woman saw that she was not hid, she came trembling, and falling down before him, she declared unto him before all the people for what cause she had touched him, and how she was healed immediately.

48 And he said unto her, Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace.

49 While he yet spake, there cometh one from the ruler of the synagogue's *house*, saying to him, Thy daughter is dead; trouble not the Master.

50 But when Jesus heard *it*, he answered him, saying, Fear not: believe only, and she shall be made whole.

51 And when he came into the house, he suffered no man to go in, save Peter, and James, and John, and the father and the mother of the maiden.

52 And all wept, and bewailed her: but he said, Weep not; she is not dead, but sleepeth.

53 And they laughed him to scorn, knowing that she was dead.

54 And he put them all out, and took her by the hand, and called, saying, Maid, arise.

55 And her spirit came again, and she arose straightway: and he commanded to give her meat.

56 And her parents were astonished: but he charged them that they should tell no man what was done.

CHAPTER 9

1 Then he called his twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases.

2 And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick.

3 And he said unto them, Take nothing for *your* journey, neither staves, nor scrip, neither bread, neither money; neither have two coats apiece.

4 And whatsoever house ye enter into, there abide, and thence depart.

5 And whosoever will not receive you, when ye go out of that city, shake off the very dust from your feet for a testimony against them.

6 And they departed, and went through the towns, preaching the gospel, and healing every where.

7 Now Herod the tetrarch heard of all that was done by him: and he was perplexed, because that it was said of some, that John was risen from the dead;

8 And of some, that Elias had appeared; and of others, that one of the old prophets was risen again.

9 And Herod said, "John I myself beheaded, but who is this concerning whom I am hearing such [things]?" And he was seeking to see him.

10 And the apostles, when [they] returned, told him as many [things] as they had done. And after taking them along, he went off by himself into a deserted place belonging to a city called Bethsaida.

11 And the crowds, when [they] perceived [this], began to follow him, and after receiving them, he began speaking to them about the kingdom of God, and those who had need of healing he was healing.

12 Now the day began to decline, and the twelve came [and] said to him, "Send the multitude away, in order that [they] may go into the villages around and the farms [and] may find lodging and find provisions, because here we are in a deserted place."

13 But he said to them, "You, give them [something] to eat." And they said, "We do not have more than five loaves and two fish, unless indeed we should go [and] buy food for all this people."

14 For there were about five thousand men. And he said to his disciples, "Make them recline in groups, fifty each."

15 And they did so, and caused all to recline.

16 And after taking the five loaves and the two fish, [he] looked up to the sky [and] blessed them, and he broke [them] in pieces, and began giving [them] to the disciples in order to set [them] before the multitude.

17 And they ate, and were all filled. And that which was left over to them was taken up, twelve baskets of fragments.

18 And it happened while he was praying alone, the disciples were with him, and he asked them, saying, "Whom do the multitudes say that I am?"

19 And they, answering, said, "John the Baptist, but others, Elijah, and others, that a prophet, one of the ancient [ones], has risen."

20 And he said to them, "But you, whom do you say that I am?" And Peter, answering, said, "The Christ of God."

21 And he warned them [and] commanded [them] to tell this to no one,

22 saying, "It is necessary for the Son of Man to suffer many [things], and to be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and to be killed, and on the third day to be raised up."

23 And he began saying to all, "If any [one] wishes to come after me, let him deny himself, and let him take up his cross each day, and let him follow me.

24 "For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake, this [one] will save it.

25 "For what is a man benefited if [he] gains the whole world, but loses or forfeits himself?

26 "For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words, of this [one] will the Son of Man be ashamed when he comes in the glory of himself and of the Father and of the holy angels.

27 "But I say to you truly, there are some of those who are standing here, who will certainly not taste death until they see the kingdom of God."

28 And it happened about eight days after these words, that [he] took along Peter and John and James [and] went up to the mountain to pray.

29 And it happened while he was praying, the appearance of his face [became] different, and his clothing [became] white, flashing like lightning.

30 And behold, two men began speaking with him, who were Moses and Elijah,

31 who appeared in glory [and] were speaking of his departure which he was about to fulfill in Jerusalem.

32 Now Peter and those with him were being weighed down with sleep. But when [they] were fully awake, they saw his glory, and the two men who stood with him.

33 And it happened, while they were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, for us to be here is good. And let us make three tents: one for you, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah," not knowing what he was saying.

34 And while he was saying these [things], a cloud came and overshadowed them. And they were afraid when they came into the cloud.

9 And Herod said, John have I beheaded: but who is this, of whom I hear such things? And he desired to see him.

10 And the apostles, when they were returned, told him all that they had done. And he took them, and went aside privately into a desert place belonging to the city called Bethsaida.

11 And the people, when they knew *it*, followed him: and he received them, and spake unto them of the kingdom of God, and healed them that had need of healing.

12 And when the day began to wear away, then came the twelve, and said unto him, Send the multitude away, that they may go into the towns and country round about, and lodge, and get victuals: for we are here in a desert place.

13 But he said unto them, Give ye them to eat. And they said, We have no more but five loaves and two fishes; except we should go and buy meat for all this people.

14 For they were about five thousand men. And he said to his disciples, Make them sit down by fifties in a company.

15 And they did so, and made them all sit down.

16 Then he took the five loaves and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed them, and brake, and gave to the disciples to set before the multitude.

17 And they did eat, and were all filled: and there was taken up of fragments that remained to them twelve baskets.

18 And it came to pass, as he was alone praying, his disciples were with him: and he asked them, saying, Whom say the people that I am?

19 They answering said, John the Baptist; but some say, Elias; and others say, that one of the old prophets is risen again.

20 He said unto them, But whom say ye that I am? Peter answering said, The Christ of God.

21 And he straightly charged them, and commanded *them* to tell no man that thing;

22 Saying, The Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be slain, and be raised the third day.

23 And he said to *them* all, If any *man* will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.

24 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for my sake, the same shall save it.

25 For what is a man advantaged, if he gain the whole world, and lose himself, or be cast away?

26 For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and *in his Father's*, and of the holy angels.

27 But I tell you of a truth, there be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the kingdom of God.

28 And it came to pass about an eight days after these sayings, he took Peter and John and James, and went up into a mountain to pray.

29 And as he prayed, the fashion of his countenance was altered, and his raiment *was white and* glistening.

30 And, behold, there talked with him two men, which were Moses and Elias:

31 Who appeared in glory, and spake of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem.

32 But Peter and they that were with him were heavy with sleep: and when they were awake, they saw his glory, and the two men that stood with him.

33 And it came to pass, as they departed from him, Peter said unto Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias: not knowing what he said.

34 While he thus spake, there came a cloud, and overshadowed them: and they feared as they entered into the cloud.

35 And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him!"

36 And when the voice came, Jesus was found alone. And they themselves kept silent, and told no one in those days anything [of those things] which they had seen.

37 And it happened on the next day, after they came down from the mountain, a large crowd met him.

38 And behold, a man from the crowd cried out, saying, "Teacher, I implore you! Look upon my son, because he is my only-begotten.

39 "And behold, a spirit takes him, and suddenly he cries out, and it shakes him back and forth with foam, and it hardly departs from him, with the result that [it] beats him severely.

40 "And I implored your disciples that they would cast it out, but they were not able."

41 And Jesus, answering, said, "O faithless and perverted generation, how long will I be with you, and put up with you? Bring your son here."

42 But while he was still coming, the demon threw him down and convulsed [him]. Then Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the child, and gave him back to his father.

43 And all were astonished at the majesty of God. And while all were marveling at all [things] which Jesus had done, he said to his disciples,

44 "You, put into your ears these words: For the Son of Man is about to be handed over into [the] hands of men."

45 But they did not understand this saying, and it was concealed from them, with the result that [they] should not understand it, and they were afraid to ask him about this saying.

46 Now a dispute came in among them as to which of them might be [the] greatest.

47 And Jesus, when [he] saw the reasoning of their heart, took hold of a child [and] set him beside himself,

48 and said to them, "Whoever receives this child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. For he who is least among you all, this [one] will be [the] greatest."

49 And John, answering, said, "Master, we saw someone casting out the demons in your name, and we tried to forbid him, because he does not follow with us."

50 And Jesus said to him, "Do not forbid [him], for [he] who is not against us is for us."

51 And it happened while the days of his ascension were approaching, that he steadfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem,

52 and sent messengers before his face. And they went [and] came into a village of Samaritans, in order to prepare for him.

53 But they did not receive him, because his face was going to Jerusalem.

54 And his disciples James and John, when [they] saw [this], said, "Lord, do you wish [that] we should command fire to come down from heaven and to consume them, even as Elijah did?"

55 But he, when [he] turned, rebuked them, and said, "You do not know of what sort of spirit you yourselves are.

56 "For the Son of Man did not come to destroy [the] lives of men, but to save [them]." And they went to another village.

57 And it happened while they were going on the way, a certain [man] said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go, Lord."

58 And Jesus said to him, "The foxes have holes, and the birds of the sky nests, but the Son of Man does not have where he could lay [his] head."

59 And he said to another, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, permit me first to go [and] bury my father."

60 But Jesus said to him, "Allow the dead to bury their dead, but you, go [and] proclaim the kingdom of God."

61 And another also said, "I will follow you, Lord. But first permit me to say farewell to those who [are] in my house."

62 But Jesus said to him, "No one, after putting his hand on a plow and while looking to the [things] behind, is fit for the kingdom of God."

35 And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.

36 And when the voice was past, Jesus was found alone. And they kept *it* close, and told no man in those days any of those things which they had seen.

37 And it came to pass, that on the next day, when they were come down from the hill, much people met him.

38 And, behold, a man of the company cried out, saying, Master, I beseech thee, look upon my son: for he is mine only child.

39 And, lo, a spirit taketh him, and he suddenly crieth out; and it teareth him that he foameth again, and bruising him hardly departeth from him.

40 And I besought thy disciples to cast him out; and they could not.

41 And Jesus answering said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you, and suffer you? Bring thy son hither.

42 And as he was yet a coming, the devil threw him down, and tare *him*. And Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the child, and delivered him again to his father.

43 And they were all amazed at the mighty power of God. But while they wondered every one at all things which Jesus did, he said unto his disciples,

44 Let these sayings sink down into your ears: for the Son of man shall be delivered into the hands of men.

45 But they understood not this saying, and it was hid from them, that they perceived it not: and they feared to ask him of that saying.

46 Then there arose a reasoning among them, which of them should be greatest.

47 And Jesus, perceiving the thought of their heart, took a child, and set him by him,

48 And said unto them, Whosoever shall receive this child in my name receiveth me: and whosoever shall receive me receiveth him that sent me: for he that is least among you all, the same shall be great.

49 And John answered and said, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name; and we forbad him, because he followeth not with us.

50 And Jesus said unto him, Forbid *him* not: for he that is not against us is for us.

51 And it came to pass, when the time was come that he should be received up, he stedfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem,

52 And sent messengers before his face: and they went, and entered into a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for him.

53 And they did not receive him, because his face was as though he would go to Jerusalem.

54 And when his disciples James and John saw *this*, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as Elias did?

55 But he turned, and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of.

56 For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save *them*. And they went to another village.

57 And it came to pass, that, as they went in the way, a certain *man* said unto him, Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.

58 And Jesus said unto him, Foxes have holes, and birds of the air *have* nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay *his* head.

59 And he said unto another, Follow me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father.

60 Jesus said unto him, Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the kingdom of God.

61 And another also said, Lord, I will follow thee; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house.

62 And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

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2 Then he began saying to them, "Indeed the harvest [is] plentiful, but the workers [are] few. Therefore supplicate the Lord of the harvest, that he would put out workers into his harvest.

3 "Go, behold, I am sending you out as lambs in [the] midst of wolves.

4 "Do not carry a money bag, not a leather pouch, not even sandals, and greet no one along the way.

5 "And into whatever house you go, first say, 'Peace to this house.'

6 "And if indeed the son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if indeed not, it will return to you.

7 "And remain in the same house, eating and drinking the [things] from them, for the worker is worthy of his pay. Do not move from house to house.

8 "And into whatever city you go, and they receive you, eat those [things] which are set before you,

9 "and heal the sick who are in it, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

10 "But into whatever city you go, and they do not receive you, go out into its wide streets [and] say,

11 "Even the dust which was attached to us from your city do we wipe off ourselves against you. Nevertheless know this, namely, that the kingdom of God has come near to you.'

12 "But I say to you, that in that day it will be more endurable for Sodom than for that city.

13 "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! Because if the powerful deeds which were done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have long ago repented, sitting in sackcloth and ashes.

14 "Nevertheless it will be more endurable for Tyre and Sidon in the judgment than for you.

15 "And you, Capernaum, who were exalted as far as heaven, will be brought down as far as Hades.

16 "He who hears you hears me, and he who rejects you rejects me, and he who rejects me rejects him who sent me."

17 And the seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name."

18 And he said to them, "I was beholding Satan as lighting when [he] fell from heaven.

19 "Behold, I am giving you the authority to walk over snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will in any way injure you.

20 "Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, namely, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice rather that your names were written in heaven."

21 In the same hour Jesus exulted in spirit, and said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you hid these [things] from wise and intelligent [ones], and revealed them to children. Yes, Father, because so it was good pleasure before you.

22 "All [things] were handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, and who the Father is except the Son, and [he] to whomever the Son wishes to reveal [him]."

23 And [he] turned to the disciples [and] said by himself, "Blessed [are] the eyes which see [the things] which you are seeing.

24 "For I say to you that many prophets and kings wished to see [the things] which you yourselves are seeing, but did not see [them], and to hear [the things] which you are hearing, but did not hear [them]."

25 And behold, a certain lawyer rose up for the purpose of testing him, and saying, "Teacher, by doing what will I inherit eternal life?"

26 And he said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read [it]?"

27 And he, answering, said, "You shall love [the] Lord your God from all your heart and from all your soul and from all your strength and from all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself."

28 And he said to him, "You have answered correctly. Do this, and you will live."

29 But he, because [he] was wishing to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

2 Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly *is* great, but the labourers *are* few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest.

3 Go your ways: behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves.

4 Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes: and salute no man by the way.

5 And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say, Peace *be* to this house.

6 And if the son of peace *be* there, your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn to you again.

7 And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: for the labourer is worthy of his hire. Go not from house to house.

8 And into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you:

9 And heal the very sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.

10 But into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you not, go your ways out into the streets of the same, and say,

11 Even the very dust of your city, which cleaveth on us, we do wipe off against you: notwithstanding *be* ye sure of this, that the kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.

12 But I say unto you, that it shall be more tolerable in that day for Sodom, than for that city.

13 Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works had been done in Tyre and Sidon, which have been done in you, they had a great while ago repented, sitting in sackcloth and ashes.

14 But it shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the judgment, than for you.

15 And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted to heaven, shalt be thrust down to hell.

16 He that heareth you heareth me; and he that despiseth you despiseth me; and he that despiseth me despiseth him that sent me.

17 And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.

18 And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.

19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

20 Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.

21 In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight.

22 All things are delivered to me of my Father: and no man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and *he* to whom the Son will reveal *him*.

23 And he turned him unto *his* disciples, and said privately, Blessed *are* the eyes which see the things that ye see:

24 For I tell you, that many prophets and kings have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen *them*; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard *them*.

25 And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?

26 He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou?

27 And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself.

28 And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live.

29 But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbour?

30 And Jesus, taking up [the question], said, "A certain man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among bandits, who, both after stripping him and after laying blows upon [him], departed, leaving [him] for half-dead, as [it] turns out.

31 "And by chance a certain priest was going down on that way, and when [he] saw him, he passed by on the opposite side.

32 "And likewise also a Levite, when [he] came up to the place, when [he] came and saw [him], passed by on the opposite side.

33 "But a certain Samaritan, while traveling, came up to him, and when [he] saw him, he had compassion,

34 "and he came [and] bound up his wounds by pouring on oil and wine, and [he] put him on his own animal [and] led him into an inn, and took care of him.

35 "And on the next [day] after going out, [he] took out two denarii [and] gave [them] to the inn-keeper, and said to him, 'Take care of him, and whatsoever you spend in addition, I, when I come back, will pay you back.'

36 "Therefore which of these three does it seem to you to be a neighbor of him who fell among the bandits?"

37 And he said, "He who did the mercy with him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go, and you, do likewise."

38 Now it happened while they were going, that he came into a certain village, and a certain woman by [the] name Martha welcomed him into her house.

39 And the [woman] also had a sister called Mary, who also, after sitting down at the feet of Jesus, was listening to his word.

40 But Martha was continually distracted about much service, and [she] stood near [and] said, "Lord, that my sister left me alone to serve is a concern to you, is it not? Therefore tell her that she should help me."

41 And answering, Jesus said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many [things].

42 "But there is a need of one [thing], and Mary chose for herself the better portion, which will not be taken away from her."

CHAPTER 11

1 And it happened while he was in a certain place praying, when he ceased, a certain [one] of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John also taught his disciples."

2 And he said to them, "Whenever you pray, say: 'Our Father, who [is] in heaven, let your name be sanctified. Let your kingdom come. Let your will be done, as in heaven, also on the earth.

3 'Give us each day our bread that is necessary for existence.

4 'And forgive us our sins; for we ourselves also forgive every [one] indebted to us. And do not bring us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil [one].'"

5 And he said to them, "Which of you will have a friend, and will go to him at midnight, and should say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves,

6 "because my friend came to me from a journey, and I do not have [that] which I should set before him";

7 "And that [one] from within, answering, should say, 'Stop causing troubles for me. The door is already shut, and my children are with me in the bed. I am not able to rise up [and] to give [them] to you'?

8 "I say to you, even if [he] will not rise up [and] give [them] to him because [he] is his friend, yet because of his shamelessness [he] will rise [and] give him as many as he needs.

9 "And I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.

10 "For every one who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.

11 "And which of you who [is] a father will the son ask for bread – he will not hand a stone over to him, will he? If also a fish, he will not, in place of a fish, hand a snake over to him, will he?

12 "Or if he also asks for an egg, he will not hand over to him a scorpion, will he?

13 "Therefore if you, being evil, know [how] to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father who [is] from heaven give [the] Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"

14 And he was casting out a demon, and it was mute. And it happened, after the demon went out, the mute [man] began to speak, and the crowds marveled.

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30 And Jesus answering said, A certain *man* went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded *him*, and departed, leaving *him* half dead.

31 And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

32 And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked *on him*, and passed by on the other side.

33 But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion *on him*,

34 And went to *him*, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

35 And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave *them* to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.

36 Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves?

37 And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

38 Now it came to pass, as they went, that he entered into a certain village: and a certain woman named Martha received him into her house.

39 And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word.

40 But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me.

41 And Jesus answered and said unto her, Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things:

42 But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.

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1 And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.

2 And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.

3 Give us day by day our daily bread.

4 And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

5 And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves;

6 For a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him?

7 And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee.

8 I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth.

9 And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

10 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

11 If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if *he ask* a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent?

12 Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion?

13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall *your* heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

14 And he was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondered.

15 But some of them said, "By Beelzebul, [the] ruler of the demons, does he cast out the demons?"

16 And other [people], for the purpose of testing [him], were seeking from him a sign from heaven.

17 But he, because [he] knew their thoughts, said to them, "Every kingdom, when [it] is divided against itself, is laid waste, and a house against a house falls.

18 "And if Satan was also divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? Because you say [that] by Beelzebul I cast out the demons.

19 "And if I by Beelzebul cast out the demons, by whom do your sons cast [them] out? Because of this they themselves will be your judges.

20 "But if by [the] finger of God I cast out the demons, then the kingdom of God has come to you.

21 "When the strong [man], having fully armed himself, guards his palace, his possessions are in peace.

22 "But when the one who is stronger than he comes upon [him and] overcomes him, he takes away his full armor in which he trusted, and divides his spoils.

23 "He who is not with me is against me, and he who does not gather with me scatters.

24 "When the unclean spirit goes out from the man, it goes through waterless places for the purpose of seeking a resting-place. And because [it] does not find [any], it says, 'I will return to my house from where I came out.'

25 "And when [it] comes, it finds [it] having been swept and having been made tidy.

26 "Then it goes and takes along seven other spirits more evil than itself, and after [they] come in, they dwell there, and the last [state] of that man becomes worse than the first."

27 Now it happened while he was saying these [things], a certain woman from the crowd lifted up [her] voice [and] said to him, "Blessed [is] the womb which bore you, and [the] breasts which you sucked."

28 But he said, "On the contrary, blessed [are] those who hear the word of God and keep it."

29 And while the crowds were gathering together even more, he began to say, "This generation is evil; a sign it seeks after, and a sign will not be given to it, except the sign of Jonah the prophet.

30 "For just as Jonah became a sign to the Ninevites, so will the Son of Man also be to this generation.

31 "[The] queen of [the] south will rise up in the judgment with the men of this generation and will condemn them, because she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon, and behold, [something] greater than Solomon [is] here.

32 "[The] men of Nineveh will rise up in the judgment with this generation and will condemn it, because they repented at the proclamation of Jonah, and behold, [something] greater than Jonah [is] here.

33 "And no one, after lighting a lamp, puts [it] in a hidden [place], nor under the peck measure, but on the lampstand, in order that those who come in may see the light.

34 "The lamp of the body is the eye. Therefore when your eye is single, your whole body is also bright; but when it is evil, your body [is] also dark.

35 "Therefore pay careful attention to whether the light which [is] in you is not darkness.

36 "Therefore if your whole body [is] bright, not having any part dark, [the] whole will be bright, as when the lamp enlightens you with [its] light."

37 And as [he] spoke, a certain Pharisee began asking him that he would dine with him. And [he] went in [and] reclined.

38 And the Pharisee, when [he] saw [this], marvelled that he had not first allowed himself to be washed before the meal.

39 And the Lord said to him, "Now you, Pharisees, cleanse the outside of the cup and of the dish, but your inside is full of greediness and wickedness.

40 "Fools! He who made the outside also made the inside, did he not?"

41 "But give those things which are within [as] alms, and behold, all [things] are clean to you.

15 But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebub the chief of the devils.

16 And others, tempting *him*, sought of him a sign from heaven.

17 But he, knowing their thoughts, said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house *divided* against a house falleth.

18 If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because ye say that I cast out devils through Beelzebub.

19 And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast *them* out? therefore shall they be your judges.

20 But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you.

21 When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace:

22 But when a stronger than he shall come upon him, and overcome him, he taketh from him all his armour wherein he trusted, and divideth his spoils.

23 He that is not with me is against me: and he that gathereth not with me scattereth.

24 When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out.

25 And when he cometh, he findeth *it* swept and garnished.

26 Then goeth he, and taketh *to him* seven other spirits more wicked than himself; and they enter in, and dwell there: and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first.

27 And it came to pass, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lifted up her voice, and said unto him, Blessed *is* the womb that bare thee, and the paps which thou hast sucked.

28 But he said, Yea rather, blessed *are* they that hear the word of God, and keep it.

29 And when the people were gathered thick together, he began to say, This is an evil generation: they seek a sign; and there shall no sign be given it, but the sign of Jonas the prophet.

30 For as Jonas was a sign unto the Ninevites, so shall also the Son of man be to this generation.

31 The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with the men of this generation, and condemn them: for she came from the utmost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon *is* here.

32 The men of Nineve shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas *is* here.

33 No man, when he hath lighted a candle, putteth *it* in a secret place, neither under a bushel, but on a candlestick, that they which come in may see the light.

34 The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of light; but when *thine* eye is evil, thy body also *is* full of darkness.

35 Take heed therefore that the light which is in thee be not darkness.

36 If thy whole body therefore *be* full of light, having no part dark, the whole shall be full of light, as when the bright shining of a candle doth give thee light.

37 And as he spake, a certain Pharisee besought him to dine with him: and he went in, and sat down to meat.

38 And when the Pharisee saw *it*, he marvelled that he had not first washed before dinner.

39 And the Lord said unto him, Now do ye Pharisees make clean the outside of the cup and the platter; but your inward part is full of ravening and wickedness.

40 Ye fools, did not he that made that which is without make that which is within also?

41 But rather give alms of such things as ye have; and, behold, all things are clean unto you.

42 "But woe to you, the Pharisees! Because you tithe the mint and the rue and every vegetable, and pass by the justice and the love of God. These [things] it was necessary to do, and not to neglect those [things].

43 "Woe to you, the Pharisees! Because you love the most prominent seat in the synagogues and the greetings in the marketplaces.

44 "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! Because you are like the tombs which are unseen, and the men who walk over [them] do not know [it]."

45 Then a certain [one] of the lawyers, answering, says to him, "Teacher, by saying these [things] you are also insulting us."

46 But he said, "Also to you, the lawyers, woe! Because you burden men [with] burdens hard to bear, and you yourselves do not touch the burdens with one of your fingers.

47 "Woe to you! Because you build the tombs of the prophets, and your fathers killed them.

48 "As a result you bear witness and consent to the works of your fathers, because they themselves indeed killed them, and you yourselves build their tombs.

49 "Because of this the wisdom of God also said, 'I will send prophets and apostles to them, and [some] of them will they kill and persecute severely.'

50 "so that the blood of all the prophets which was shed from [the] foundation of [the] world should be sought out from this generation,

51 "from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zechariah who perished between the altar and the house. Yes, I say to you, it will be sought out from this generation.

52 "Woe to you, the lawyers! Because you took away the key of knowledge; you yourselves did not go in, and those who tried going in you hindered."

53 And while he was saying these [things] to them, the scribes and the Pharisees began to be terribly hostile, and to interrogate him about many [things].

54 for the purpose of lying in wait for him and seeking to catch something out of his mouth, in order that they might accuse him.

CHAPTER 12

1 In the meantime, when the myriads of the multitude were gathered together, with the result that [they] were trampling one another underfoot, he began to say to his disciples first, "Beware for yourselves of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy.

2 "And nothing is concealed which will not be revealed, and hidden which will not be known.

3 "Therefore as many [things] as you said in the dark will be heard in the light, and [that] which you spoke to the ear in the inner rooms will be proclaimed on the housetops.

4 "And I say to you, my friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body, and after these [things] do not have anything more to do.

5 "But I will show you whom you should fear: Fear him who, after [he] kills, has authority to throw into Gehenna. Yes, I say to you, fear this [one]!

6 "Five sparrows are sold for two assaria, are they not so? And one of them is not forgotten in the sight of God.

7 "But even the hairs of your head are all counted. Therefore do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

8 "And I say to you, every [one] whoever confesses me before men, the Son of Man will also confess him before the angels of God;

9 "but he who denies me before men will be denied before the angels of God.

10 "And every [one] who will speak a word against the Son of Man, it will be forgiven him; but him who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven.

11 "And whenever they bring you to the synagogues and the rulers and the authorities, do not be worried how or what you should speak in your own defense, or what you should say,

12 "for the Holy Spirit will teach you in the same hour [the things] which it is necessary to say."

13 Then someone from the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."

14 But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?"

42 But woe unto you, Pharisees! for ye tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs, and pass over judgment and the love of God: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.

43 Woe unto you, Pharisees! for ye love the uppermost seats in the synagogues, and greetings in the markets.

44 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are as graves which appear not, and the men that walk over *them* are not aware of *them*.

45 Then answered one of the lawyers, and said unto him, Master, thus saying thou reproachest us also.

46 And he said, Woe unto you also, ye lawyers! for ye lade men with burdens grievous to be borne, and ye yourselves touch not the burdens with one of your fingers.

47 Woe unto you! for ye build the sepulchres of the prophets, and your fathers killed them.

48 Truly ye bear witness that ye allow the deeds of your fathers: for they indeed killed them, and ye build their sepulchres.

49 Therefore also said the wisdom of God, I will send them prophets and apostles, and *some* of them they shall slay and persecute:

50 That the blood of all the prophets, which was shed from the foundation of the world, may be required of this generation;

51 From the blood of Abel unto the blood of Zacharias, which perished between the altar and the temple: verily I say unto you, It shall be required of this generation.

52 Woe unto you, lawyers! for ye have taken away the key of knowledge: ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered.

53 And as he said these things unto them, the scribes and the Pharisees began to urge *him* vehemently, and to provoke him to speak of many things:

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2 For there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; neither hid, that shall not be known.

3 Therefore whatsoever ye have spoken in darkness shall be heard in the light; and that which ye have spoken in the ear in closets shall be proclaimed upon the housetops.

4 And I say unto you my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do.

5 But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him.

6 Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God?

7 But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows.

8 Also I say unto you, Whosoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man also confess before the angels of God:

9 But he that denieth me before men shall be denied before the angels of God.

10 And whosoever shall speak a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Ghost it shall not be forgiven.

11 And when they bring you unto the synagogues, and unto magistrates, and powers, take ye no thought how or what thing ye shall answer, or what ye shall say:

12 For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say.

13 And one of the company said unto him, Master, speak to my brother, that he divide the inheritance with me.

14 And he said unto him, Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?

15 And he said to them, "Watch out and guard yourselves from covetousness, because not when it abounds to a man does his life consist of his possessions."

16 And he spoke a parable to them, saying, "The land of a certain rich man yielded well,

17 "and he was pondering within himself, saying, 'What should I do, because I do not have where I could gather together my fruits?'

18 "And he said, 'This will I do: I will tear down my barns, and I will build larger [ones], and I will gather together there all my products and my good [things].

19 "And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many good [things] laid up for many years; rest, eat, drink, be glad."

20 "But God said to him, 'Fool! In this night they are demanding your soul from you. And [the things] which you prepared, to whom will they be?'

21 "In this manner [is] he who stores up for himself and is not rich toward God."

22 And he said to his disciples, "Because of this, to you I say, do not be worried for your life what you should eat, nor for the body what you should put on.

23 "The life is more than food, and the body than clothing.

24 "Consider the ravens, that they do not sow nor do they reap, which do not have a storeroom nor a barn, and God feeds them. How much more are you worth more than the birds?

25 "And which of you by worrying is able to add upon his stature one cubit?

26 "Therefore if you are not even able [to do] a very little [thing], why do you worry about the rest?

27 "Consider the lilies how they grow: they do not toil nor do they spin. But I say to you, not even Solomon in all his glory clothed himself as one of these.

28 "And if God so clothes the grass, being in the field today and next [day] being thrown into a furnace, how much more you, [you] of little faith?

29 "And you, do not seek what you should eat or what you should drink, and do not be worried.

30 "For these [things] all the nations of the world seek after, and your Father knows that you have need of these [things].

31 "But seek the kingdom of God, and all these [things] will be added to you.

32 "Do not be afraid, little flock, because your Father is well pleased to give you the kingdom.

33 "Sell your possessions and give alms. Make for yourselves money bags [which] do not become old, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where a thief does not come near nor does a moth destroy.

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

35 "Let your waists be girded about and the lamps burning.

36 "And you [are] like men waiting for their lord when he will return from the wedding celebration, in order that, when [he] comes and knocks, immediately they may open to him.

37 "Blessed [are] those servants whom the lord, when [he] comes, will find staying awake. Truly I say to you, that he will gird himself and will cause them to recline, and will come by [and] serve them.

38 "And if he comes in the second watch, or comes in the third watch, and finds [them] so, blessed are those servants.

39 "And know this, namely, that if the housemaster had known at what time the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed his house to be broken into.

40 "You also therefore, be ready, because the Son of Man comes at an hour which you do not think."

41 Then Peter said to him, "Lord, to us are you speaking this parable, or also to all?"

42 And the Lord said, "Who then is the faithful and wise steward, whom the lord will appoint over his servant, in order to give the food allowance in time?

43 "Blessed [is] that servant whom his lord, when [he] comes, will find doing so.

44 "Truly I say to you, that over all his possessions he will appoint him.

45 "But if that servant says in his heart, 'My lord is delaying to come,' and begins to beat the male slaves and the female slaves, and to eat and to drink and to become drunk,

15 And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.

16 And he spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully:

17 And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits?

18 And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods.

19 And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry.

20 But God said unto him, *Thou* fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?

21 So *is* he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.

22 And he said unto his disciples, Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on.

23 The life is more than meat, and the body *is more* than raiment.

24 Consider the ravens: for they neither sow nor reap; which neither have storehouse nor barn; and God feedeth them: how much more are ye better than the fowls?

25 And which of you with taking thought can add to his stature one cubit?

26 If ye then be not able to do that thing which is least, why take ye thought for the rest?

27 Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

28 If then God so clothe the grass, which is to day in the field, and to morrow is cast into the oven; how much more *will he clothe* you, O ye of little faith?

29 And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of doubtful mind.

30 For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: and your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things.

31 But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you.

32 Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

33 Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth.

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

35 Let your loins be girded about, and *your* lights burning;

36 And ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately.

37 Blessed *are* those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.

38 And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find *them* so, blessed are those servants.

39 And this know, that if the goodman of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken through.

40 Be ye therefore ready also: for the Son of man cometh at an hour when ye think not.

41 Then Peter said unto him, Lord, speakest thou this parable unto us, or even to all?

42 And the Lord said, Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom *his* lord shall make ruler over his household, to give *them* *their* portion of meat in due season?

43 Blessed *is* that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

44 Of a truth I say unto you, that he will make him ruler over all that he hath.

45 But and if that servant say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; and shall begin to beat the menservants and maidens, and to eat and drink, and to be drunken;

46 "the lord of that servant will come on a day on which he does not expect, and at an hour which he does not know, and will cut him in two, and will put his portion with the unfaithful.
 47 "And that servant who knew the will of his lord, and did not prepare nor do in accordance with his will, will be beaten with many [strokes].
 48 "But he who did not know, but did [things] worthy of strokes, will be beaten with few [strokes]. And every [one] to whom much was given, much will be sought from him, and to whom they entrusted much, much more will they request of him.
 49 "I came to cast fire on the earth, and what do I wish, if it was already kindled?
 50 "But I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how distressed I am until it is accomplished!
 51 "Do you think that I came to give peace on the earth? Not so, I say to you, but rather division.
 52 "For from now on five in one house will be divided: three against two and two against three.
 53 "Father will be divided against son and son against father; mother against daughter and daughter against mother; mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law."
 54 And he also began saying to the crowds, "Whenever you see the cloud rising up from [the] west, immediately you say, 'A rainstorm is coming,' and it happens so.
 55 "And whenever [you see] a south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be burning heat,' and it happens.
 56 "Hypocrites! The face of the sky and of the land you know [how] to examine, but how [is it] you do not examine this time?
 57 "And why do you not judge even from yourselves the righteous [thing]?
 58 "For while you are going with your accuser to a ruler, on the way give work to be acquitted from him, in order that he may not drag you away by force to the judge, and the judge hand you over to the court officer, and the court officer throw you into prison.
 59 "I say to you, you will certainly not come out from there until you pay back even the last lepton."

CHAPTER 13

1 Now some were present at the same time, reporting to him about the Galileans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.
 2 And Jesus, answering, said to them, "Do you think that these Galileans were sinners above all the Galileans, because they have suffered such [things]?
 3 "Not so, I say to you, rather if you do not repent, you will all perish in the same way.
 4 "Or those eighteen, on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them, do you think that these were debtors above all men who dwelled in Jerusalem?
 5 "Not so, I say to you, rather if you do not repent, you will all perish likewise."
 6 And he began saying this parable: "A certain [man] had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came for the purpose of seeking fruit on it, and did not find [any].
 7 "Then he said to the vinedresser, 'Behold, for three years I have been coming for the purpose of seeking fruit on this fig tree, and have not found [any]. Cut it down! Why does it waste even the ground?'
 8 "And he, answering, says to him, 'Sir, leave it also for this year, until I dig around it and put a manure pile [on it].
 9 "And if indeed it should yield fruit, [well], but if indeed not, you shall cut it down in the coming [year]."
 10 Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath.
 11 And behold, there was a woman having a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years, and she was bent over and not able to straighten herself completely.
 12 And Jesus, when [he] saw her, called [her], and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity."
 13 And he laid [his] hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and she began glorifying God.

46 The lord of that servant will come in a day when he looketh not for *him*, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in sunder, and will appoint him his portion with the unbelievers.
 47 And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not *himself*, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many *stripes*.
 48 But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few *stripes*. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.
 49 I am come to send fire on the earth; and what will I, if it be already kindled?
 50 But I have a baptism to be baptized with; and how am I straitened till it be accomplished!
 51 Suppose ye that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, Nay; but rather division:
 52 For from henceforth there shall be five in one house divided, three against two, and two against three.
 53 The father shall be divided against the son, and the son against the father; the mother against the daughter, and the daughter against the mother; the mother in law against her daughter in law, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.
 54 And he said also to the people, When ye see a cloud rise out of the west, straightway ye say, There cometh a shower; and so it is.
 55 And when ye see the south wind blow, ye say, There will be heat; and it cometh to pass.
 56 Ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky and of the earth; but how is it that ye do not discern this time?
 57 Yea, and why even of yourselves judge ye not what is right?
 58 When thou goest with thine adversary to the magistrate, as *thou art* in the way, give diligence that thou mayest be delivered from him; lest he hale thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and the officer cast thee into prison.
 59 I tell thee, thou shalt not depart thence, till thou hast paid the very last mite.

CHAPTER 13

1 There were present at that season some that told him of the Galilaeans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.
 2 And Jesus answering said unto them, Suppose ye that these Galilaeans were sinners above all the Galilaeans, because they suffered such things?
 3 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.
 4 Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem?
 5 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.
 6 He spake also this parable; A certain *man* had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none.
 7 Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down; why cumbereth it the ground?
 8 And he answering said unto him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung *it*:
 9 And if it bear fruit, *well*: and if not, *then* after that thou shalt cut it down.
 10 And he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath.
 11 And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up *herself*.
 12 And when Jesus saw her, he called *her to him*, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity.
 13 And he laid *his hands on her*: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God.

14 But the ruler of the synagogue, because [he] was indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, answering, began saying to the crowd, "There are six days in which it is necessary to work. Therefore on these [days] come [and] be healed, and not on the day of the Sabbath!"

15 And the Lord answered him and said, "Hypocrite! Each [one] of you on the Sabbath looses his ox or [his] donkey from the manger, and after [he] leads [it] away, he waters [it], does he not?"

16 "And for this [woman], being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan had bound, behold, for eighteen years, it was necessary to be loosed from this bond on the day of the Sabbath, was it not?"

17 And while he was saying these [things], all who were opposed to him were being put to shame, and all the crowd were rejoicing at all the glorious [things] which were being done by him.

18 Then he began saying, "What is the kingdom of God like? And to what will I compare it?"

19 "It is like a seed of a mustard plant, which a man took [and] threw into his garden, and it grew and became a large tree, and the birds of the sky nested in its branches."

20 And again he said, "To what will I compare the kingdom of God?"

21 "It is like leaven, which a woman took [and] hid in three thirteen-liter measures of wheat flour, until [the] whole was leavened."

22 And he was going through various cities and villages, teaching and making a journey to Jerusalem.

23 Now someone said to him, "Lord, are those who are saved few?" And he said to them,

24 "Strive with agony to enter through the narrow gate, because many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able."

25 "From [the time] that whenever the housemaster is risen up and shuts the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us,' and he, answering, will say to you, 'I do not know you, where you are from.'"

26 "Then you will begin to say, 'We ate before you, and drank, and in our wide streets did you teach.'"

27 "But he will say, 'I say to you, I do not know you, where you are from. Depart from me, all [you] workers of unrighteousness!'"

28 "In that place there will be weeping and the gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, but yourselves being thrown outside."

29 "And they will come from [the] east and [the] west, and from [the] north and [the] south, and will be made to recline in the kingdom of God."

30 "And behold, there are last which will be first, and there are first which will be last."

31 In the same day, some Pharisees came, saying to him, "Get out and go from here, because Herod wants to kill you."

32 And he said to them, "Go [and] say to this fox: 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform healings today and tomorrow, and on the third [day] I am made perfect.'"

33 "Nevertheless, it is necessary for me today and tomorrow and on the following [day] to go, because it is not acceptable that a prophet should perish outside of Jerusalem."

34 "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, she who kills the prophets and stone those who are sent to her, how many times I wanted to gather your children together, in a way which a hen [gathers] her brood under [her] wings, and you did not want [it]!"

35 "Behold, your house is left to you desolate, and truly I say to you, that you will certainly not see me until it comes when you say, 'Blessed [is] he who comes in [the] name of [the] Lord.'"

CHAPTER 14

1 And it happened when he came into [the] house of a certain [one] of the rulers of the Pharisees on a Sabbath to eat bread, that they were watching him closely.

2 And behold, a certain man was dropsical before him.

3 And Jesus, answering, spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it permitted on the Sabbath to heal?"

4 But they remained silent. Then [he] took hold of [him and] healed him, and sent him away.

14 And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the sabbath day, and said unto the people, There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the sabbath day.

15 The Lord then answered him, and said, *Thou* hypocrite, doth not each one of you on the sabbath loose his ox or *his* ass from the stall, and lead *him* away to watering?

16 And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?

17 And when he had said these things, all his adversaries were ashamed: and all the people rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by him.

18 Then said he, Unto what is the kingdom of God like? and whereunto shall I resemble it?

19 It is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and cast into his garden; and it grew, and waxed a great tree; and the fowls of the air lodged in the branches of it.

20 And again he said, Whereunto shall I liken the kingdom of God?

21 It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

22 And he went through the cities and villages, teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem.

23 Then said one unto him, Lord, are there few that be saved? And he said unto them,

24 Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.

25 When once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto us; and he shall answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are:

26 Then shall ye begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streets.

27 But he shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence ye are; depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity.

28 There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you *yourselves* thrust out.

29 And they shall come from the east, and *from* the west, and from the north, and *from* the south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God.

30 And, behold, there are last which shall be first, and there are first which shall be last.

31 The same day there came certain of the Pharisees, saying unto him, Get thee out, and depart hence: for Herod will kill thee.

32 And he said unto them, Go ye, and tell that fox, Behold, I cast out devils, and I do cures to day and to morrow, and the third *day* I shall be perfected.

33 Nevertheless I must walk to day, and to morrow, and the *day* following: for it cannot be that a prophet perish out of Jerusalem.

34 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen *doth gather* her brood under *her* wings, and ye would not!

35 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate: and verily I say unto you, Ye shall not see me, until *the time* come when ye shall say, Blessed *is* he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

CHAPTER 14

1 And it came to pass, as he went into the house of one of the chief Pharisees to eat bread on the sabbath day, that they watched him.

2 And, behold, there was a certain man before him which had the dropsy.

3 And Jesus answering spake unto the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath day?

4 And they held their peace. And he took *him*, and healed him, and let him go;

5 And he, answering, said to them, "Whose donkey or ox of yours will fall into a well, and he does not immediately pull it up on the day of the Sabbath?"

6 And they were not able to answer him in return to these [things].

7 And he began speaking a parable to those who were called, when [he] noticed how they had chosen for themselves the places of honor, saying to them,

8 "Whenever you are called by someone to a wedding celebration, do not recline in the place of honor, in order that a more honorable [man] than you may not be called by him,

9 "and he who called you and him will come [and] say to you, 'Give this [man] a place,' and then you will begin with shame to take the last place.

10 "But whenever you are called, go [and] recline in the last place, in order that, when he who called you comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher,' then you will have glory before those who are reclining with you.

11 "Because every man who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

12 Then he began saying also to him who had called him, "Whenever you make a meal or a feast, do not call your friends, neither your brothers, nor your relatives, nor rich neighbors, in order that they themselves also may not invite you in return, and a repayment be made to you.

13 "But whenever you make a banquet, call poor [ones], crippled [ones], lame [ones], blind [ones].

14 "And you will be blessed, because they do not have [anything] to pay you back, for it will be paid back to you at the resurrection of the righteous."

15 Now a certain [one] of those who was reclining with [him], when [he] heard these [things], said to him, "Blessed [is he] who will eat bread in the kingdom of God."

16 And he said to him, "A certain man made a great feast, and called many,

17 "and he sent his servant at the hour of the feast to say to those who were called, 'Come, because all [things] are now ready.'

18 "But they all began with one [voice] to excuse themselves. The first said to him, 'I just bought a field, and I have a necessity to go out and to see it; I request of you, have me excused.'

19 "And another said, 'I just bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to examine them; I request of you, have me excused.'

20 "And another said, 'I just married a wife, and because of this I am not able to come.'

21 "And that servant came [and] reported to his lord these [things]. Then the housemaster became angry [and] said to his servant, 'Go out quickly into the wide streets and narrow streets of the city, and bring in here the poor and crippled and lame and blind.'

22 "And the servant said, 'Lord, it is done as you commanded, and there is still room.'

23 "And the lord said to the servant, 'Go out into the roads and fences, and compel [them] to come in, in order that my house may be filled.

24 "For I say to you, that none of those men who were called will taste my feast."

25 Now great crowds were going with him, and [he] turned around [and] said to them,

26 "If anyone comes to me, and does not hate his father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, and furthermore even his life, he is not able to be my disciple.

27 "And whoever does not bear his cross and come after me is not able to be my disciple.

28 "For which of you, wishing to build a tower, does not so first sit down [and] count up the cost whether he has the [resources] for [its] completion,

29 "in order that, after he lays a foundation and is not able to finish [it], all who behold [it] may not begin to ridicule him,

30 "saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish'?"

31 "Or what king, while [he] goes to fight with another king in war, does not so sit down first [and] deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who with twenty thousand is coming against him?"

5 And answered them, saying, Which of you shall have an ass or an ox fallen into a pit, and will not straightway pull him out on the sabbath day?

6 And they could not answer him again to these things.

7 And he put forth a parable to those which were bidden, when he marked how they chose out the chief rooms; saying unto them,

8 When thou art bidden of any *man* to a wedding, sit not down in the highest room; lest a more honourable man than thou be bidden of him;

9 And he that bade thee and him come and say to thee, Give this man place; and thou begin with shame to take the lowest room.

10 But when thou art bidden, go and sit down in the lowest room; that when he that bade thee cometh, he may say unto thee, Friend, go up higher: then shalt thou have worship in the presence of them that sit at meat with thee.

11 For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

12 Then said he also to him that bade him, When thou makest a dinner or a supper, call not thy friends, nor thy brethren, neither thy kinsmen, nor *thy* rich neighbours; lest they also bid thee again, and a recompence be made thee.

13 But when thou makest a feast, call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind:

14 And thou shalt be blessed; for they cannot recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just.

15 And when one of them that sat at meat with him heard these things, he said unto him, Blessed *is* he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God.

16 Then said he unto him, A certain man made a great supper, and bade many:

17 And sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready.

18 And they all with one *consent* began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused.

19 And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused.

20 And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.

21 So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind.

22 And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room.

23 And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel *them* to come in, that my house may be filled.

24 For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper.

25 And there went great multitudes with him: and he turned, and said unto them,

26 If any *man* come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.

27 And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple.

28 For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have *sufficient* to finish *it*?

29 Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish *it*, all that behold *it* begin to mock him,

30 Saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish.

31 Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand?

32 "But if indeed not, while he is still far away, [he] sends ambassadors [and] asks the [things] for peace.
 33 "In this manner, therefore, every [one] of you who does not give up all his possessions is not able to be my disciple.
 34 "Salt [is] good, but if the salt becomes tasteless, with what will it be seasoned?
 35 "Neither for land nor for a dung pile is it fit; they throw it out. He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

CHAPTER 15

1 Now all the tax-collectors and the sinners were drawing near to him in order to hear him.
 2 And the Pharisees and the scribes began grumbling aloud, saying, "This [man] welcomes sinners and eats with them!"
 3 Then he spoke to them this parable, saying,
 4 "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, and if [he] loses one of them, does not leave behind the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after that which is lost, until he finds it?
 5 "And when [he] finds [it], he puts [it] on his shoulders, rejoicing.
 6 "And when [he] comes into the house, he calls together [his] friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, because I found my sheep that was lost.'
 7 "I say to you, that in this manner there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner repenting than over ninety-nine righteous [ones] who have no need of repentance.
 8 "Or what woman, having ten drachmas, if she loses one drachma, does not so light a lamp and sweep the house and seek carefully until she finds [it]?
 9 "And when [she] finds [it], she calls together [her] women friends and women neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, because I found the drachma which I had lost.'
 10 "In this manner, I say to you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner repenting."
 11 And he said, "A certain man had two sons.
 12 "And the younger of them said to [his] father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that falls to [me].' And so he divided [his] living between them.
 13 "And not many days after, the younger son gathered all [things] together [and] went on a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property by living wastefully.
 14 "And after he spent all [things], a severe famine came throughout that country, and he began to be in need.
 15 "And [he] went [and] joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.
 16 "And he was longing to fill his stomach with the carob pods which the swine were eating, and no one was giving [anything] to him.
 17 "And when [he] came to himself, he said, 'How many hired men of my father have an abundance of loaves, but I myself am perishing with hunger!
 18 "[I] will rise up [and] go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I sinned against heaven and before you,
 19 ""and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me as one of your hired men."
 20 "And so [he] rose up [and] went to his father. But while he was still far away, his father saw him, and had compassion, and [he] ran [and] fell on his neck, and kissed him.
 21 "And the son said to him, 'Father, I sinned against heaven and before you, and I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'
 22 "But the father said to his servants, 'Bring out the best long robe and put [it] on him, and give a ring for his hand and sandals for [his] feet,
 23 "and bring the fattened calf [and] slaughter [it], and let [us] eat and be glad,
 24 "because this my son was dead, and became alive again; and he was lost, and was found.' And they began to be glad.
 25 "Now his older son was in a field, and when [he] came [and] drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing.
 26 "And [he] called one of the servants [and] began inquiring what these [things] might be.
 27 "And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father slaughtered the fattened calf, because he got him back being in good health.'

CHAPTER 14

32 Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and desireth conditions of peace.
 33 So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple.
 34 Salt *is* good: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be seasoned?
 35 It is neither fit for the land, nor yet for the dunghill; *but* men cast it out. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

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1 Then drew near unto him all the publicans and sinners for to hear him.
 2 And the Pharisees and scribes murmured, saying, This man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them.
 3 And he spake this parable unto them, saying,
 4 What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it?
 5 And when he hath found *it*, he layeth *it* on his shoulders, rejoicing.
 6 And when he cometh home, he calleth together *his* friends and neighbours, saying unto them, Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost.
 7 I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.
 8 Either what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find *it*?
 9 And when she hath found *it*, she calleth *her* friends and *her* neighbours together, saying, Rejoice with me; for I have found the piece which I had lost.
 10 Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.
 11 And he said, A certain man had two sons:
 12 And the younger of them said to *his* father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth *to me*. And he divided unto them *his* living.
 13 And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living.
 14 And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want.
 15 And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.
 16 And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him.
 17 And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!
 18 I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,
 19 And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.
 20 And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.
 21 And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.
 22 But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put *it* on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on *his* feet:
 23 And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill *it*; and let us eat, and be merry:
 24 For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.
 25 Now his elder son was in the field: and as he came and drew nigh to the house, he heard musick and dancing.
 26 And he called one of the servants, and asked what these things meant.
 27 And he said unto him, Thy brother is come; and thy father hath killed the fatted calf, because he hath received him safe and sound.

28 "But he became angry, and did not want to go in. Therefore his father came out [and] began entreating him.
 29 "And he, answering, said to [his] father, 'Behold, for so many years have I been slaving for you, and never did I pass by your commandment, yet never did you give me a young goat, in order that I might be glad with my friends.
 30 "But when this your son came, who had devoured your living with prostitutes, you slaughtered for him the fattened calf!"
 31 "And he said to him, 'Child, you are always with me, and all my [things] are yours.
 32 "But to be glad and to rejoice were necessary, because this your brother was dead, and became alive again; and he was lost, and was found."

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28 And he was angry, and would not go in: therefore came his father out, and intreated him.
 29 And he answering said to his father, Lo, these many years do I serve thee, neither transgressed I at any time thy commandment: and yet thou never gavest me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends:
 30 But as soon as this thy son was come, which hath devoured thy living with harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted calf.
 31 And he said unto him, Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine.
 32 It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found.

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1 And he began saying also to his disciples, "A certain man was rich, who had a manager, and this [one] was accused to him as one who was wasting his possessions.
 2 "And [he] called him [and] said to him, 'What [is] this I am hearing about you? Give the account of your management, for you will not be able to manage any longer.'
 3 "Then the manager said within himself, 'What should I do, because my lord is taking the management away from me? To dig I am not strong enough; to beg I am ashamed.
 4 "I know what I will do, in order that, when I am removed from the management, they may receive me into their houses.'
 5 "And [he] summoned each one of the debtors of his lord [and] said to the first, 'How much do you owe my lord?'
 6 "And he said, 'A hundred baths of olive oil.' And he said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly [and] write fifty.'
 7 "Then he said to another, 'And you, how much do you owe?' And he said, 'A hundred cors of wheat.' And he says to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.'
 8 "And the lord praised the manager of unrighteousness because he had done prudently, because the sons of this age are more prudent than the sons of light in their generation.
 9 "I also say to you, make for yourselves friends by means of the mammon of unrighteousness, in order that, when you fail, they may receive you into eternal dwellings.
 10 "He who is faithful in a very little [thing] is also faithful in much, and he who is unjust in a very little [thing] is also unjust in much.
 11 "Therefore if you were not faithful in the unjust mammon, who will entrust the true to you?
 12 "And if you were not faithful in that which belongs to another, who will give that which is yours to you?
 13 "No slave is able to serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will hold fast to one and despise the other. You are not able to serve God and mammon."
 14 Now also the Pharisees, being lovers of money, were hearing all these [things], and they began sneering at him.
 15 And he said to them, "You are those who justify themselves before men, but God knows your hearts, because that which is exalted among men is an abomination before God.
 16 "The law and the prophets [were] until John; from then the gospel of the kingdom of God is being proclaimed, and every [man] is forcing himself into it.
 17 "And it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away, then for one projection of the law to fall.
 18 "Every man who puts away his wife and marries another [woman] commits adultery; and every man who marries a woman who is put away from [her] husband commits adultery.
 19 "Now a certain man was rich, and he dressed himself in purple cloth and fine linen, enjoying himself splendidly each day.
 20 "And there was a certain poor [man] by [the] name Lazarus, who had been placed at his gate, being inflicted with ulcers,
 21 "and longing to be filled from the crumbs which fell from the table of the rich [man]; but also the dogs were coming [and] were licking his ulcers.
 22 "And it happened, that the poor [man] died, and that he was carried away by the angels into the bosom of Abraham. And the rich [man] also died, and was buried.
 23 "And in Hades, when [he] lifts up his eyes, being in torments, he sees Abraham from far away, and Lazarus in his bosom.

1 And he said also unto his disciples, There was a certain rich man, which had a steward; and the same was accused unto him that he had wasted his goods.
 2 And he called him, and said unto him, How is it that I hear this of thee? give an account of thy stewardship; for thou mayest be no longer steward.
 3 Then the steward said within himself, What shall I do? for my lord taketh away from me the stewardship: I cannot dig; to beg I am ashamed.
 4 I am resolved what to do, that, when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses.
 5 So he called every one of his lord's debtors unto him, and said unto the first, How much owest thou unto my lord?
 6 And he said, An hundred measures of oil. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and sit down quickly, and write fifty.
 7 Then said he to another, And how much owest thou? And he said, An hundred measures of wheat. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and write fourscore.
 8 And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light.
 9 And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness; that, when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations.
 10 He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much.
 11 If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?
 12 And if ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own?
 13 No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.
 14 And the Pharisees also, who were covetous, heard all these things: and they derided him.
 15 And he said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.
 16 The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it.
 17 And it is easier for heaven and earth to pass, than one tittle of the law to fail.
 18 Whosoever putteth away his wife, and marrieth another, committeth adultery: and whosoever marrieth her that is put away from her husband committeth adultery.
 19 There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day:
 20 And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores,
 21 And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores.
 22 And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried;
 23 And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.

24 "And he, crying out, said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus in order that he may dip the tip of his finger in his water and cool off my tongue, because I am suffering pain in this flame!'

25 "But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that you received your good [things] in your life, and Lazarus likewise the bad [things]. But now this [man] is being comforted, and you are suffering pain.'

26 "And in addition to all these [things], between us and you a great chasm is firmly fixed, in order that those who wish to go through from here to you may not be able, nor those from there to us may cross over.'

27 "Then he said, 'Therefore I request of you, father, that you would send him into the house of my father,

28 "for I have five brothers, in order that he may solemnly warn them, in order that they themselves also may not come into this place of torment.'

29 "Abraham says to him, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.'

30 "And he said, 'Not so, father Abraham, rather if someone from among [the] dead should go to them, they will repent.'

31 "But he said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, not even if someone should rise up from among [the] dead will they be persuaded.'"

CHAPTER 17

1 And he said to the disciples, "It is impossible that the temptations to sin would not come, but woe [to him] through whom it comes!

2 "It is better for him if a donkey millstone is placed around his neck and he has been thrown into the sea, than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin.

3 "Beware for yourselves! And if your brother sins against you, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him.

4 "And if seven times during the day he sins against you, and seven times during the day he turns back to you, saying, 'I repent,' you shall forgive him."

5 And the apostles said to the Lord, "Add to us faith."

6 And the Lord said, "If you had faith like a seed of a mustard plant, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and be planted in the sea,' and it would have obeyed you.

7 "And who [is there] among you, having a servant plowing or shepherding, who, when [he] comes in from the field, will say [to him] immediately, 'Come [and] recline'?"

8 "Rather he will say to him, 'Prepare what I should eat, and gird yourself [and] serve me while I eat and drink, and after these [things] you shall eat and drink,' will he not so?"

9 "He does not have thanks for that servant because he did those things which had been commanded him, does he? I think not.

10 "In this manner you also, whenever you do all the things which were commanded you, say, 'We are unworthy servants, because what we ought to do, we have done.'"

11 And it happened while he was going to Jerusalem, that he was passing through [the] midst of Samaria and Galilee.

12 And while he was coming into a certain village, ten leprous men, who stood from a distance, met him.

13 And they lifted up [their] voice, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!"

14 And when [he] saw [them], he said to them, "Go [and] show yourselves to the priests." And it happened while they were going, they were cleansed.

15 And one of them, when [he] saw that he had been healed, turned back, glorifying God with a loud voice.

16 And he fell on [his] face at his feet, for the purpose of giving thanks to him. And he was a Samaritan.

17 And Jesus, answering, said, "The ten were cleansed, were they not so? But where [are] the nine?"

18 "They were not found to return [and] to give glory to God, except this foreigner."

19 And he said to him, 'Rise up [and] go. Your faith has saved you.'

20 Now when [he] was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God was coming, he answered them and said, "The kingdom of God does not come with observation,

24 And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.

25 But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented.

26 And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that *would come* from thence.

27 Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house:

28 For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment.

29 Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.

30 And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent.

31 And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

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1 Then said he unto the disciples, It is impossible but that offences will come: but woe *unto him*, through whom they come!

2 It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he cast into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones.

3 Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him.

4 And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him.

5 And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith.

6 And the Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea; and it should obey you.

7 But which of you, having a servant plowing or feeding cattle, will say unto him by and by, when he is come from the field, Go and sit down to meat?

8 And will not rather say unto him, Make ready wherewith I may sup, and gird thyself, and serve me, till I have eaten and drunken; and afterward thou shalt eat and drink?

9 Doth he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded him? I trow not.

10 So likewise ye, when ye shall have done all those things which are commanded you, say, We are unprofitable servants: we have done that which was our duty to do.

11 And it came to pass, as he went to Jerusalem, that he passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee.

12 And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off:

13 And they lifted up *their* voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.

14 And when he saw *them*, he said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed.

15 And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God,

16 And fell down on *his* face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan.

17 And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where *are* the nine?

18 There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger.

19 And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.

20 And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation:

21 "nor will they say, 'Look here!' or 'Look there!' For behold, the kingdom of God is within you."
 22 And he said to the disciples, "Days will come, when you will desire to see one of the days of the Son of Man, and will not see [it]."
 23 "And they will say to you, 'Look here!' or 'Look there!' Do not go, nor run after [them]."
 24 "For as the lightning, which flashes from the [one part] under [the] sky, shines to the [other part] under [the] sky, in this manner will the Son of Man also be in his day.
 25 "But first it is necessary for him to suffer many [things] and to be rejected by this generation.
 26 "And just as it happened in the days of Noah, in this manner will it be also in the days of the Son of Man.
 27 "They were eating, they were drinking, they were marrying, they were being given in marriage, until [the] day on which Noah went into the ark, and the flood came and destroyed all.
 28 "Likewise also as it happened in the days of Lot: they were eating, they were drinking, they were buying, they were selling, they were planting, they were building;
 29 "but on [the] day on which Lot went out from Sodom, fire and sulfur rained from heaven and destroyed all.
 30 "According to these [things] will it be on [the] day on which the Son of Man is revealed.
 31 "On that day, [he] who will be on the housetop and his things in the house, let him not go down to take them away, and he who [is] in the field, likewise let him not turn back to the [things] behind.
 32 "Remember the wife of Lot.
 33 "Whoever seeks to save his life will lose it, and whoever loses it will preserve it alive.
 34 "I say to you, in this night there will be two [men] on one bed: the one will be taken and the other will be left.
 35 "Two [women] will be grinding in the same [place]: the one will be taken and the other will be left.
 36 "Two [men] will be in the field: the one will be taken and the other will be left."
 37 And they, answering, say to him, "Where, Lord?" And he said to them, "Where the body [is], there the vultures will be gathered together."

CHAPTER 18

1 And he also began speaking a parable to them, with reference to the necessity to always pray and not to lose heart,
 2 saying, "A certain judge was in a certain city, [who] did not fear God and did not have regard for man.
 3 "And a widow was in that city, and she kept coming to him, saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.'
 4 "And he did not want to for a time, but after these [things] he said within himself, 'Even if I do not fear God and have no regard for man,
 5 "yet because this widow is causing me trouble, I will grant her justice, in order that [she] may not, in [the] end, come [and] give me a black eye."
 6 And the Lord said, "Hear what the judge of unrighteousness says.
 7 "And God will certainly execute the giving of justice for his chosen who cry out to him day and night, and although [he] bears patiently over them, will he not?
 8 "I say to you, that he will execute the giving of justice for them with haste. Nevertheless, the Son of Man, when [he] comes, will he, then, find faith on the earth?"
 9 And he spoke, also to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and were disdainful of the rest, this parable,
 10 "Two men went up to the temple to pray: the one [was] a Pharisee and the other [was] a tax collector.
 11 "The Pharisee stood [and] began praying these [things] to himself, 'God, I give thanks to you that I am not like the rest of men: swindlers, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.
 12 "I fast twice during the week, I tithe all as many [things] as I acquire.'
 13 "And the tax collector, standing from far away, was not willing to lift up even [his] eyes to heaven, but was beating on his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, the sinner!'

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21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.
 22 And he said unto the disciples, The days will come, when ye shall desire to see one of the days of the Son of man, and ye shall not see it.
 23 And they shall say to you, See here; or, see there: go not after them, nor follow them.
 24 For as the lightning, that lighteneth out of the one part under heaven, shineth unto the other part under heaven; so shall also the Son of man be in his day.
 25 But first must he suffer many things, and be rejected of this generation.
 26 And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man.
 27 They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all.
 28 Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded;
 29 But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all.
 30 Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.
 31 In that day, he which shall be upon the housetop, and his stuff in the house, let him not come down to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back.
 32 Remember Lot's wife.
 33 Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it.
 34 I tell you, in that night there shall be two men in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left.
 35 Two women shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other left.
 36 Two men shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.
 37 And they answered and said unto him, Where, Lord? And he said unto them, Wheresoever the body is, thither will the eagles be gathered together.

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1 And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint;
 2 Saying, There was in a city a judge, which feared not God, neither regarded man:
 3 And there was a widow in that city; and she came unto him, saying, Avenge me of mine adversary.
 4 And he would not for a while: but afterward he said within himself, Though I fear not God, nor regard man;
 5 Yet because this widow troubleth me, I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me.
 6 And the Lord said, Hear what the unjust judge saith.
 7 And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them?
 8 I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?
 9 And he spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others:
 10 Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican.
 11 The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican.
 12 I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.
 13 And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner.

14 "I say to you, this [man] went down to his house justified rather than that [man], because every man who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."

15 And they were also bringing to him [their] babies, in order that he might touch them. But the disciples, when [they] saw [this], began to rebuke them.

16 But Jesus called for them [and] said, "Allow the little children to come to me, and stop forbidding them, for of such is the kingdom of God.

17 "Truly I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will certainly not come into it."

18 And a certain ruler asked him, saying, "Good teacher, by doing what will I inherit eternal life?"

19 And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one [is] good, except one: God.

20 "You know the commandments: Do not commit adultery, do not kill, do not steal, do not give false testimony, honor your father and your mother."

21 And he said, "All these [things] I kept from my youth."

22 And Jesus, when [he] heard these [things], said to him, "Yet one [thing] is lacking in you: sell all as many [things] as you have and distribute [them] to poor [ones], and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me."

23 And he, when [he] heard these [things], became deeply grieved, for he was extremely rich.

24 And Jesus, when [he] saw him becoming deeply grieved, said, "How with difficulty will those who have wealth come into the kingdom of God.

25 "For it is easier for a camel to come in through [the] eye of a needle, than for a rich [man] to come into the kingdom of God."

26 And those who heard [this] said, "Then who is able to be saved?"

27 But he said, "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God."

28 And Peter said, "Behold, we left all [things] and followed you."

29 And he said to them, "Truly I say to you, that there is no one who left house or parents or brothers or wife or children, for the sake of the kingdom of God,

30 "who will certainly not receive manifold in this time, and in the age which is coming eternal life."

31 And after taking along the twelve, he said to them, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and all the things which are written through the prophets concerning the Son of Man will be accomplished.

32 "For he will be handed over to the Gentiles, and he will be mocked, and he will be mistreated, and he will be spit upon,

33 "and [they] will scourge [him and] will kill him, and on the third day he will rise up."

34 But they themselves understood none of these [things], and this saying was hidden from them, and they did not know those things which were being spoken.

35 And it happened while he was drawing near to Jericho, a certain blind [man] was sitting alongside the road begging.

36 And when [he] heard a crowd passing through, he began inquiring what this might be.

37 And they told him, "Jesus the Nazorean is passing by."

38 And he cried out, saying, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

39 And those who were going before began rebuking him that he should be silent, but he himself kept crying out much more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

40 Then Jesus stood still [and] commanded that he should be brought to him. And when he drew near, he asked him,

41 saying, "What do you wish [that] I should do for you?" And he said, "Lord, that I may gain sight."

42 And Jesus said to him, "Gain sight. Your faith has saved you."

43 And immediately he gained sight, and he began following him, glorifying God. And all the people, when [they] saw [this], began to give praise to God.

CHAPTER 19

1 And [he] came in [and] was passing through Jericho.

14 I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

15 And they brought unto him also infants, that he would touch them: but when *his* disciples saw *it*, they rebuked them.

16 But Jesus called them *unto him*, and said, Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.

17 Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child shall in no wise enter therein.

18 And a certain ruler asked him, saying, Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?

19 And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? none is good, save one, *that is*, God.

20 Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother.

21 And he said, All these have I kept from my youth up.

22 Now when Jesus heard these things, he said unto him, Yet lackest thou one thing: sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me.

23 And when he heard this, he was very sorrowful: for he was very rich.

24 And when Jesus saw that he was very sorrowful, he said, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!

25 For it is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

26 And they that heard *it* said, Who then can be saved?

27 And he said, The things which are impossible with men are possible with God.

28 Then Peter said, Lo, we have left all, and followed thee.

29 And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children, for the kingdom of God's sake,

30 Who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come life everlasting.

31 Then he took *unto him* the twelve, and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of man shall be accomplished.

32 For he shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on:

33 And they shall scourge *him*, and put him to death: and the third day he shall rise again.

34 And they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken.

35 And it came to pass, that as he was come nigh unto Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the way side begging:

36 And hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant.

37 And they told him, that Jesus of Nazareth passeth by.

38 And he cried, saying, Jesus, *thou* Son of David, have mercy on me.

39 And they which went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace: but he cried so much the more, *Thou* Son of David, have mercy on me.

40 And Jesus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto him: and when he was come near, he asked him,

41 Saying, What wilt thou that I shall do unto thee? And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight.

42 And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight: thy faith hath saved thee.

43 And immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw *it*, gave praise unto God.

CHAPTER 19

1 And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho.

2 And behold, [there was] a man called by [the] name Zacchaeus, and he was [the] chief tax collector, and this [man] was rich.

3 And he was seeking to see Jesus who he was, but he was unable on account of the crowd, because he was short in bodily stature.

4 And [he] ran ahead [and] went up into a sycamore tree in order that he might see him, because he was about to pass through that [way].

5 And when he came to the place, Jesus looked up [and] saw him, and he said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste [and] come down, for today it is necessary for me to stay in your house."

6 And [he] made haste [and] came down, and welcomed him, rejoicing.

7 And all, when [they] saw [this], began grumbling aloud, saying, "He went in to rest with a sinful man!"

8 And Zacchaeus, standing, said to the Lord, "Behold, the half of my possessions, Lord, I give to the poor, and if I extorted anything from anyone, I give back fourfold."

9 And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham."

10 "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save that which was lost."

11 And while they were hearing these [things], again he spoke a parable, because he was near Jerusalem and they were thinking that immediately the kingdom of God was about to appear.

12 Therefore he said, "A certain nobleman went into a far away country to receive for himself a kingdom, and then to return."

13 "And after calling his ten servants, he gave them ten minas and said to them, 'Do business until I come.'

14 "But his citizens hated him, and they sent ambassadors after him, for the purpose of saying, 'We do not want this [man] to reign over us.'

15 "And it happened when he returned after receiving the kingdom, that he commanded that these servants, to whom he had given the money, should be called to him, in order that he might know who gained what by trading."

16 "And the first came, saying, 'Lord, your mina made ten minas more.'

17 "And he said to him, 'Well done, good servant! Because you were faithful in a very little, have authority over ten cities.'

18 "And the second came, saying, 'Lord, your mina made five minas.'

19 "And he said also to this [one], 'And you, be over five cities.'

20 "And another came, saying, 'Lord, behold, your mina, which I was keeping laid away in a facecloth,

21 "for I was afraid of you, because you are a strict man: you take up what you did not lay down and you reap what you did not sow.'

22 "Then he says to him, 'From your mouth will I judge you, [you] wicked servant! You knew that I was a strict man, because [I] take up what I did not lay down and reap what I did not sow,

23 "and why did you not put my money on the bank table? Then I, when [I] came, could have collected it with interest.'

24 "And he said to those who stood by, 'Take away from him the mina, and give [it] to him who has the ten minas.'

25 "And they said to him, 'Lord, he has ten minas!'

26 "For I say to you, that to every one who has, it will be given; and from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him."

27 "But those my enemies, who did not want me to reign over them, bring here and slaughter [them] before me."

28 And after saying these [things], he began going ahead for the purpose of going up to Jerusalem.

29 And it happened when he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, to the mountain which was called Olive Grove, he sent two of his disciples,

30 saying, "Go into the village which is opposite [you], in which, while [you] are going in, you will find a colt having been tied, on which no one of men sat at any time – loose it [and] bring [it]."

31 "And if anyone should ask you, 'Why are you loosing [it]?' thus you shall say to him, 'The Lord has need of it.'"

2 And, behold, *there was* a man named Zacchaeus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich.

3 And he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature.

4 And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him: for he was to pass that way.

5 And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house.

6 And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully.

7 And when they saw *it*, they all murmured, saying, That he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner.

8 And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore *him* fourfold.

9 And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham.

10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

11 And as they heard these things, he added and spake a parable, because he was nigh to Jerusalem, and because they thought that the kingdom of God should immediately appear.

12 He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return.

13 And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come.

14 But his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, We will not have this *man* to reign over us.

15 And it came to pass, that when he was returned, having received the kingdom, then he commanded these servants to be called unto him, to whom he had given the money, that he might know how much every man had gained by trading.

16 Then came the first, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained ten pounds.

17 And he said unto him, Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities.

18 And the second came, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained five pounds.

19 And he said likewise to him, Be thou also over five cities.

20 And another came, saying, Lord, behold, *here is* thy pound, which I have kept laid up in a napkin:

21 For I feared thee, because thou art an austere man: thou takest up that thou laydest not down, and reapest that thou didst not sow.

22 And he saith unto him, Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee, *thou* wicked servant. Thou knewest that I was an austere man, taking up that I laid not down, and reaping that I did not sow:

23 Wherefore then gavest not thou my money into the bank, that at my coming I might have required mine own with usury?

24 And he said unto them that stood by, Take from him the pound, and give *it* to him that hath ten pounds.

25 (And they said unto him, Lord, he hath ten pounds.)

26 For I say unto you, That unto every one which hath shall be given; and from him that hath not, even that he hath shall be taken away from him.

27 But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay *them* before me.

28 And when he had thus spoken, he went before, ascending up to Jerusalem.

29 And it came to pass, when he was come nigh to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount called *the mount of Olives*, he sent two of his disciples,

30 Saying, Go ye into the village over against *you*; in the which at your entering ye shall find a colt tied, whereon yet never man sat: loose him, and bring *him* hither.

31 And if any man ask you, Why do ye loose *him*? thus shall ye say unto him, Because the Lord hath need of him.

32 And those who had been sent went [and] found [it] just as he had said to them.

33 And while they were loosing colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you loosing the colt?"

34 And they said, "The Lord has need of it."

35 And they led it to Jesus, and after [they] threw their garments on the colt, they put Jesus on [it].

36 And while he was going, they were spreading out their garments underneath [him] on the road.

37 And while he was drawing near, already at the descent of the Mount of Olives, all the multitude of the disciples began to rejoice [and] to praise God with a loud voice for all [the] powerful works which they had seen,

38 saying, "Blessed [is] the King who comes in [the] name of [the] Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in [the] highest!"

39 Now some of the Pharisees from the multitude said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples."

40 And answering, he said to them, "I say to you, that if these become silent, the stones will cry out."

41 And when he drew near, [he] saw the city [and] began to weep over it,

42 saying, "If you had known, even you, at least on this your day, the things which belong to your peace! But now they have been hidden from your eyes,

43 "because days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a palisade around you, and will surround you, and will press you in from all directions,

44 "and will tear you down to the ground and your children within you, and will not leave in you a stone upon a stone, because you did not know the time of your visitation."

45 And after coming into the temple, he began to drive out those who were selling in it and buying,

46 saying to them, "It is written, 'My house is a house of prayer, but you made it a den of robbers.'"

47 And he was teaching each day in the temple, but the chief priests and the scribes were seeking to destroy him, also the leading [men] of the people.

48 But they did not find as to what they should do, for all the people were hanging on for the purpose of hearing him.

CHAPTER 20

1 And it happened on one of those days, while he was teaching the people in the temple and proclaiming the gospel, the chief priests and the scribes stood near with the elders,

2 and they spoke to him, saying, "Tell us, by whose authority are you doing these [things], or who is the one who gave you this authority?"

3 And answering, he said to them, "I will also ask you one question, and tell me:

4 "Was the baptism of John from heaven or from men?"

5 And they began to reason among themselves, saying, "If we should say, 'From heaven,' he will say, 'Why then did you not believe him?'

6 "But if we should say, 'From men,' all the people will stone us to death, for they are convinced that John was a prophet."

7 And so they answered that [they] did not know where [it was] from.

8 And Jesus said to them, "Nor do I tell you by whose authority I am doing these [things]."

9 Then he began to speak to the people this parable, "A certain man planted a vineyard, and he let it out for hire to vinedressers, and went on a journey for a long time.

10 "And in season he sent to the vinedressers a servant, in order that they might give [some] of the fruit of the vineyard to him, but the vinedressers beat him [and] sent [him] away empty-handed.

11 "And again he sent another servant, and they beat that [one] also and dishonored [him and] sent [him] away empty-handed.

12 "And again he sent a third [one], and they also wounded this [one and] threw [him] out.

13 "Then the owner of the vineyard said, 'What should I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps, when [they] see this [one], they will respect [him].'

32 And they that were sent went their way, and found even as he had said unto them.

33 And as they were loosing the colt, the owners thereof said unto them, Why loose ye the colt?

34 And they said, The Lord hath need of him.

35 And they brought him to Jesus: and they cast their garments upon the colt, and they set Jesus thereon.

36 And as he went, they spread their clothes in the way.

37 And when he was come nigh, even now at the descent of the mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen;

38 Saying, Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest.

39 And some of the Pharisees from among the multitude said unto him, Master, rebuke thy disciples.

40 And he answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out.

41 And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it,

42 Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes.

43 For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side,

44 And shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation.

45 And he went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold therein, and them that bought;

46 Saying unto them, It is written, My house is the house of prayer: but ye have made it a den of thieves.

47 And he taught daily in the temple. But the chief priests and the scribes and the chief of the people sought to destroy him,

48 And could not find what they might do: for all the people were very attentive to hear him.

CHAPTER 20

1 And it came to pass, that on one of those days, as he taught the people in the temple, and preached the gospel, the chief priests and the scribes came upon him with the elders,

2 And spake unto him, saying, Tell us, by what authority doest thou these things? or who is he that gave thee this authority?

3 And he answered and said unto them, I will also ask you one thing; and answer me:

4 The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or of men?

5 And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say, Why then believed ye him not?

6 But and if we say, Of men; all the people will stone us: for they be persuaded that John was a prophet.

7 And they answered, that they could not tell whence it was.

8 And Jesus said unto them, Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things.

9 Then began he to speak to the people this parable; A certain man planted a vineyard, and let it forth to husbandmen, and went into a far country for a long time.

10 And at the season he sent a servant to the husbandmen, that they should give him of the fruit of the vineyard: but the husbandmen beat him, and sent him away empty.

11 And again he sent another servant: and they beat him also, and entreated him shamefully, and sent him away empty.

12 And again he sent a third: and they wounded him also, and cast him out.

13 Then said the lord of the vineyard, What shall I do? I will send my beloved son: it may be they will reverence him when they see him.

14 "And the vinedressers, when [they] saw him, began discussing among themselves, saying, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him, in order that the inheritance may be ours.'

15 "And so [they] threw him out of the vineyard [and] killed [him]. What, then, will the owner of the vineyard do to them?

16 "He will come and will destroy these vinedressers, and will give the vineyard to others." Now when [they] heard [this], they said, "May it never be!"

17 And he, when [he] looked at them, said, "What, then, is this that is written, '[The] stone which the builders rejected, this became [the] head of [the] corner'?"

18 "Every one who falls on that stone will be dashed to pieces, but on whomever it falls, it will crush him."

19 And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking to lay [their] hands on him in the same hour, but they feared the people, for they knew that he had spoken this parable with reference to them.

20 And as [they] watched [him] closely, they sent spies, feigning themselves to be righteous [men], in order that they might take hold of his word, so as to hand him over to the rule and the authority of the governor.

21 And they asked him, saying, "Teacher, we know that you speak and teach rightly, and you do not show partiality, but teach the way of God in accordance with truth.

22 "Is it lawful for us to give tax to Caesar, or not?"

23 But he, because [he] noticed their craftiness, said to them, "Why are you tempting me?"

24 "Show me a denarius. Whose image and inscription does it have?" And answering, they said, "Caesar's."

25 And he said to them, "Well then, give back the [things] of Caesar to Caesar, and the [things] of God to God."

26 And they were not able to take hold of his word before the people, and [they] marveled at his answer [and] kept silent.

27 Now some of the Sadducees, who were denying that there was a resurrection, came [and] asked him,

28 saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote to us, if a brother of any [man] dies while [he] has a wife, and this [one] dies childless, that his brother should take the wife and raise up seed for his brother.

29 "Therefore there were seven brothers, and the first took a wife [and] died childless.

30 "And the second took the wife, and this [one] died childless.

31 "And the third took her. And in the same way also the seven – they both did not leave a child behind and died.

32 "Last of all the woman also died.

33 "Therefore at the resurrection, whose wife of them does she become? For the seven had her [as] a wife."

34 And Jesus, answering, said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage,

35 "but those who are considered worthy to experience that age and the resurrection that [is] from among [the] dead neither marry nor are given in marriage,

36 "for nor are they able to die anymore, for they are equal to angels, and are sons of God, because [they] are sons of the resurrection.

37 "And that the dead are raised, even Moses made known at the bush, when he calls [the] Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.

38 "Now he is not God of [the] dead but of [the] living, for all live to him."

39 Then some of the scribes, answering, said, "Teacher, you have spoken well."

40 And they were no longer daring to ask him anything.

41 And he said to them, "How [is it] they say that the Christ is [the] son of David?"

42 "Even David himself says in [the] book of Psalms, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right

43 "until I make your enemies [into] a footstool for your feet.'"

44 "Therefore David calls him Lord, and so how is he his son?"

45 And while all the people were listening, he said to his disciples,

14 But when the husbandmen saw him, they reasoned among themselves, saying, This is the heir: come, let us kill him, that the inheritance may be ours.

15 So they cast him out of the vineyard, and killed *him*. What therefore shall the lord of the vineyard do unto them?

16 He shall come and destroy these husbandmen, and shall give the vineyard to others. And when they heard *it*, they said, God forbid.

17 And he beheld them, and said, What is this then that is written, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner?

18 Whosoever shall fall upon that stone shall be broken; but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.

19 And the chief priests and the scribes the same hour sought to lay hands on him; and they feared the people: for they perceived that he had spoken this parable against them.

20 And they watched *him*, and sent forth spies, which should feign themselves just men, that they might take hold of his words, that so they might deliver him unto the power and authority of the governor.

21 And they asked him, saying, Master, we know that thou sayest and teachest rightly, neither acceptest thou the person of *any*, but teachest the way of God truly:

22 Is it lawful for us to give tribute unto Caesar, or no?

23 But he perceived their craftiness, and said unto them, Why tempt ye me?

24 Shew me a penny. Whose image and superscription hath it? They answered and said, Caesar's.

25 And he said unto them, Render therefore unto Caesar the things which be Caesar's, and unto God the things which be God's.

26 And they could not take hold of his words before the people: and they marvelled at his answer, and held their peace.

27 Then came to *him* certain of the Sadducees, which deny that there is any resurrection; and they asked him,

28 Saying, Master, Moses wrote unto us, If any man's brother die, having a wife, and he die without children, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.

29 There were therefore seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and died without children.

30 And the second took her to wife, and he died childless.

31 And the third took her; and in like manner the seven also: and they left no children, and died.

32 Last of all the woman died also.

33 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife of them is she? for seven had her to wife.

34 And Jesus answering said unto them, The children of this world marry, and are given in marriage:

35 But they which shall be accounted worthy to obtain that world, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage:

36 Neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the angels; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection.

37 Now that the dead are raised, even Moses shewed at the bush, when he calleth the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.

38 For he is not a God of the dead, but of the living: for all live unto him.

39 Then certain of the scribes answering said, Master, thou hast well said.

40 And after that they durst not ask him any *question at all*.

41 And he said unto them, How say they that Christ is David's son?

42 And David himself saith in the book of Psalms, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,

43 Till I make thine enemies thy footstool.

44 David therefore calleth him Lord, how is he then his son?

45 Then in the audience of all the people he said unto his disciples,

46 "Beware of the scribes, who wish to walk about in long robes and love greetings in the marketplaces and seats of honor in the synagogues and places of honor at the feasts,
 47 "who devour the houses of widows, and for a pretext make long prayers. These will receive a more severe judgment."

CHAPTER 20

46 Beware of the scribes, which desire to walk in long robes, and love greetings in the markets, and the highest seats in the synagogues, and the chief rooms at feasts;
 47 Which devour widows' houses, and for a shew make long prayers: the same shall receive greater damnation.

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1 And [he] looked up [and] saw the rich [people] who were putting their gifts into the treasury,
 2 and he saw also a certain needy widow putting there two lepta.
 3 And he said, "Truly I say to you, that this poor widow put more than all;
 4 "for all these out of their abundance put into the gifts of God, but this [woman] out of her poverty put all the living which she had."
 5 Now while some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and votive offerings, he said,
 6 "These [things] which you are looking at, days will come on which a stone will not be left upon a stone, that will not be thrown down."
 7 And they asked him, saying, "Teacher, when then will these [things] be, and what [will be] the sign when these [things] are about to happen?"
 8 And he said, "Watch out lest you should be deceived, for many will come in my name, saying, 'I am,' and, 'The time is near.' Therefore do not go after them.
 9 "And whenever you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for it is necessary for these [things] to happen first, but the end [is] not immediately."
 10 Then he began saying to them, "Nation will rise up against nation, and kingdom against kingdom,
 11 "and great earthquakes will be throughout places, and famines and pestilences, and fearful sights and signs from heaven will be great.
 12 "But before all these [things], they will lay their hands on you and will persecute [you] by handing [you] over to synagogues and prisons, with the result that [you] will be led to kings and governors on account of my name.
 13 "And for you it will lead to a testimony.
 14 "Therefore set in your hearts not to prepare beforehand to speak in your own defense,
 15 "for I will give you utterance and wisdom, which all who are opposed to you will not be able to speak against nor to set themselves against.
 16 "And you will be handed over even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and they will put [some] of you to death.
 17 "And you will be hated by all on account of my name.
 18 "But a hair from your head will certainly not be lost.
 19 "In your endurance acquire your souls.
 20 "And when you see Jerusalem surrounded by legions, then know that its desolation is near.
 21 "Then let those who [are] in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who [are] in [the] midst of it depart, and let those who [are] in the fields not come into it,
 22 "because these are days of vengeance, so that all the things which are written should be fulfilled.
 23 "But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who nurse in those days! For there will be great distress upon the land and wrath on this people.
 24 "And they will fall by [the] edge of [the] sword and will be taken captive into all the nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled by [the] Gentiles until [the] times of [the] Gentiles are fulfilled.
 25 "And there will be signs in [the] sun and moon and stars, and upon the earth anguish of nations in perplexity, while [the] sea and surges are roaring,
 26 "while men breath their last from fear and expectation of those things which are coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.
 27 "And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.
 28 "And when these [things] begin to happen, straighten yourself up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

1 And he looked up, and saw the rich men casting their gifts into the treasury.
 2 And he saw also a certain poor widow casting in thither two mites.
 3 And he said, Of a truth I say unto you, that this poor widow hath cast in more than they all:
 4 For all these have of their abundance cast in unto the offerings of God: but she of her penury hath cast in all the living that she had.
 5 And as some spake of the temple, how it was adorned with goodly stones and gifts, he said,
 6 As for these things which ye behold, the days will come, in the which there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.
 7 And they asked him, saying, Master, but when shall these things be? and what sign will there be when these things shall come to pass?
 8 And he said, Take heed that ye be not deceived: for many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and the time draweth near: go ye not therefore after them.
 9 But when ye shall hear of wars and commotions, be not terrified: for these things must first come to pass; but the end is not by and by.
 10 Then said he unto them, Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom:
 11 And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.
 12 But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake.
 13 And it shall turn to you for a testimony.
 14 Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer:
 15 For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist.
 16 And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and some of you shall they cause to be put to death.
 17 And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake.
 18 But there shall not an hair of your head perish.
 19 In your patience possess ye your souls.
 20 And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.
 21 Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.
 22 For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.
 23 But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.
 24 And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.
 25 And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;
 26 Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.
 27 And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.
 28 And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.

29 And he spoke a parable to them, "Look at the fig tree and all the trees;
 30 "when they have already sprouted, [you] see of yourselves [and] know that summer is already near.
 31 "In the same manner also you, when you see these [things] happening, know that the kingdom of God is near.
 32 "Truly I say to you, that this generation will certainly not pass away, until all [things] happen.
 33 "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will certainly not pass away.
 34 "And beware for yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and worries pertaining to daily life, and that day come upon you suddenly.
 35 "For as a trap it will come upon all who dwell on [the] face of all the earth.
 36 "Therefore be alert at every time, by praying that you would be considered worthy to escape all these things which are about to happen, and to stand before the Son of Man."
 37 And during the days he would be teaching in the temple, and during the nights [he] would go out [and] would spend the night on the mount that was called Olive Grove.
 38 And all the people would get up very early in the morning [to come] to him in the temple in order to hear him.

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1 Now the Festival of Unleavened [Bread], which was called [the] Passover, was drawing near.
 2 And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking as to how they might execute him, for they feared the people.
 3 Then Satan came into Judas who was called Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve.
 4 And [he] went away [and] discussed with the chief priests and the captains as to how he might hand him over to them.
 5 And they were glad, and agreed to give him silver money.
 6 And he consented, and began seeking a favorable opportunity to hand him over to them in the absence of a crowd.
 7 Then the day of Unleavened [Bread] came, on which it was necessary for [the] Passover lamb to be sacrificed.
 8 And he sent Peter and John, saying, "Go [and] prepare the Passover meal for us, in order that we may eat."
 9 And they said to him, "Where do you wish that we should prepare?"
 10 And he said to them, "Behold, when you go into the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him into the house where he goes in.
 11 "And you shall say to the housemaster of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, "Where is the guest room where I may eat the Passover lamb with my disciples?"'
 12 "Then that [man] will show you a large upper room furnished; there make ready."
 13 And [they] went [and] found [it] just as he had said to them, and they prepared the Passover meal.
 14 And when the hour came, he reclined, and the twelve apostles with him.
 15 And he said to them, "With desire I desired to eat this Passover lamb with you before I suffer.
 16 "For I say to you, that I will certainly not any longer eat from it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God."
 17 And [he] took a cup, [and] gave thanks [and] said, "Take this, and divide [it] among yourselves.
 18 "For I say to you, that I will certainly not drink from the fruit of the grapevine until [the time] when the kingdom of God comes."
 19 And [he] took bread, [and] gave thanks, [and] broke [it], and gave [it] to them, saying, "This is my body which is given up on your behalf. Do this in remembrance of me."
 20 In the same way also the cup after [they] dined, saying, "This cup which is poured out on your behalf [is] the new covenant in my blood.
 21 "But behold, the hand of him who hands me over [is] with me on the table.
 22 "And indeed the Son of Man goes according to that which is determined, but woe to that man through whom he is handed over!"

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29 And he spake to them a parable; Behold the fig tree, and all the trees;
 30 When they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand.
 31 So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand.
 32 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled.
 33 Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.
 34 And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares.
 35 For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.
 36 Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.
 37 And in the day time he was teaching in the temple; and at night he went out, and abode in the mount that is called *the mount of Olives*.
 38 And all the people came early in the morning to him in the temple, for to hear him.

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1 Now the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the Passover.
 2 And the chief priests and scribes sought how they might kill him; for they feared the people.
 3 Then entered Satan into Judas surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve.
 4 And he went his way, and communed with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray him unto them.
 5 And they were glad, and covenanted to give him money.
 6 And he promised, and sought opportunity to betray him unto them in the absence of the multitude.
 7 Then came the day of unleavened bread, when the passover must be killed.
 8 And he sent Peter and John, saying, Go and prepare us the passover, that we may eat.
 9 And they said unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare?
 10 And he said unto them, Behold, when ye are entered into the city, there shall a man meet you, bearing a pitcher of water; follow him into the house where he entereth in.
 11 And ye shall say unto the goodman of the house, The Master saith unto thee, Where is the guestchamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples?
 12 And he shall shew you a large upper room furnished: there make ready.
 13 And they went, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover.
 14 And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him.
 15 And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer:
 16 For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God.
 17 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, Take this, and divide *it* among yourselves:
 18 For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come.
 19 And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake *it*, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me.
 20 Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup *is* the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.
 21 But, behold, the hand of him that betrayeth me *is* with me on the table.
 22 And truly the Son of man goeth, as it was determined: but woe unto that man by whom he is betrayed!

23 And they began to dispute among themselves as to which of them then it might be who was about to do this.

24 Then there came also a dispute among them as to which of them thought [he] was [the] greatest.

25 And he said to them, "The kings of the nations exercise lordship over them, and those who have the authority over them are called benefactors.

26 "But you [are] not so; rather the greatest among you, let him be as the youngest, and he who leads as he who serves.

27 "For who [is] greater, he who reclines or he who serves? He who reclines, is he not so? But I am among you as he who serves.

28 "But you are those who continually remain with me in my temptations.

29 "I, in turn, confer on you, just as my Father conferred on me, royal rule,

30 "so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and may sit on thrones for the purpose of judging the twelve tribes of Israel."

31 And the Lord said, "Simon, Simon, behold, Satan asked for you in order to sift [you] as wheat,

32 "but I prayed concerning you, that your faith might not fail. And you, when [you] return, strengthen your brothers."

33 And he said to him, "Lord, with you I am ready to go both to prison and to death."

34 And he said, "I say to you, Peter, a rooster will certainly not crow today, before you deny three times that [you] know me."

35 And he said to them, "When I sent you without a money bag and a leather pouch and sandals, you did not lack anything, did you?" And they said, "Nothing."

36 Then he said to them, "But now, he who has a money bag, let him take [it], likewise also a leather pouch. And he who does not have, let him sell his garment and let him buy a sword.

37 "For I say to you, that it is still necessary for this that is written to be accomplished in me, namely, 'And he was reckoned with lawless [ones]'; for even the [things] concerning me have an end."

38 And they said, "Lord, look, here [are] two swords." And he said to them, "It is sufficient."

39 And [he] came out [and] went, according to [his] custom, to the Mount of Olives, and his disciples also followed him.

40 And when [he] was at the place, he said to them, "Pray that you do not come into temptation."

41 And he withdrew from them about a throw of a stone, and when [he] set down [his] knees, he began praying,

42 saying, "Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me. Nevertheless not my will, but let yours, come to pass."

43 Then an angel from heaven appeared to him for the purpose of strengthening him.

44 And because [he] was in agony, he began praying more earnestly. And his sweat became like drops of blood falling down on the ground.

45 And after [he] rose up from the prayer, [he] came to his disciples [and] found them sleeping from sorrow.

46 And he said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Rise up [and] pray, in order that you may not come into temptation."

47 And while he was still speaking, behold, a crowd, and he who was called Judas, one of the twelve, was going before them, and he drew near to Jesus to kiss him.

48 And Jesus said to him, "Judas, are you handing over the Son of Man with a kiss?"

49 And those around him, when [they] saw that which was going to happen, said to him, "Lord, shall we strike with [the] sword?"

50 Then a certain one of them struck the servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear.

51 But Jesus, answering, said, "Permit [them] even to this point!" And [he] touched his ear [and] healed him.

52 Then Jesus said to the chief priests and captains of the temple and elders who had come to him, "As against a bandit have you come out with swords and clubs?

53 "Each day while I was with you in the temple, you did not stretch out [your] hands upon me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness."

23 And they began to enquire among themselves, which of them it was that should do this thing.

24 And there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest.

25 And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors.

26 But ye *shall* not *be* so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve.

27 For whether *is* greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? *is* not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth.

28 Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations.

29 And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me;

30 That ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

31 And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to *have* you, that he may sift *you* as wheat:

32 But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.

33 And he said unto him, Lord, I am ready to go with thee, both into prison, and to death.

34 And he said, I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest me.

35 And he said unto them, When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they said, Nothing.

36 Then said he unto them, But now, he that hath a purse, let him take *it*, and likewise *his* scrip: and he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one.

37 For I say unto you, that this that is written must yet be accomplished in me, And he was reckoned among the transgressors: for the things concerning me have an end.

38 And they said, Lord, behold, here *are* two swords. And he said unto them, It is enough.

39 And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives; and his disciples also followed him.

40 And when he was at the place, he said unto them, Pray that ye enter not into temptation.

41 And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed,

42 Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.

43 And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him.

44 And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

45 And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to his disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow,

46 And said unto them, Why sleep ye? rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation.

47 And while he yet spake, behold a multitude, and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them, and drew near unto Jesus to kiss him.

48 But Jesus said unto him, Judas, betrayest thou the Son of man with a kiss?

49 When they which were about him saw what would follow, they said unto him, Lord, shall we smite with the sword?

50 And one of them smote the servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear.

51 And Jesus answered and said, Suffer ye thus far. And he touched his ear, and healed him.

52 Then Jesus said unto the chief priests, and captains of the temple, and the elders, which were come to him, Be ye come out, as against a thief, with swords and staves?

53 When I was daily with you in the temple, ye stretched forth no hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness.

54 Then [they] seized him [and] led [him] away, and brought him into the house of the high priest. And Peter was following from a distance.

55 And after they kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat down among them.

56 And a certain female slave, when [she] saw him sitting near the light and stared at him, said, "This [man] also was with him."

57 But he denied him, saying, "Woman, I do not know him."

58 And after a little [while], another [man] saw him [and] said, "You also are of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not."

59 And when about one hour passed, another certain [man] began maintaining firmly, saying, "By a truth this [man] also was with him, for he, too, is a Galilean."

60 But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are saying." And immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed.

61 Then the Lord turned around [and] looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before a rooster crows, you will deny me three times."

62 And Peter went out [and] wept bitterly.

63 Now the men who were holding Jesus were mocking him while beating [him].

64 And after [they] blindfolded him, they began striking his face, and kept asking him, saying, "Prophesy! Who is the one who struck you?"

65 And many other [things] they were saying against him, blaspheming.

66 And when day came, the council of elders of the people gathered together, both chief priests and scribes, and they brought him up into their council meeting room, saying,

67 "If you are the Christ, tell us." And he said to them, "If I tell you, you will certainly not believe.

68 "And if I also ask a question, you will certainly not answer me or let [me] go.

69 "From now on, the Son of Man will be sitting at [the] right of the power of God."

70 And all said, "Are you, then, the Son of God?" And he said to them, "You say that I am."

71 And they said, "What further need have we of testimony? For we ourselves have heard [it] from his mouth."

CHAPTER 23

1 Then all the multitude of them rose up [and] brought him before Pilate.

2 And they began to accuse him, saying, "We found this [man] misleading the nation and forbidding to pay taxes to Caesar, saying that he himself is Christ, a king."

3 And Pilate asked him, saying, "Are you the king of the Jews?" And he, answering him, said, "You say [it]."

4 Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the multitudes, "I find no basis for a charge in this man."

5 But they began growing fierce, saying, "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee to here."

6 And Pilate, when [he] heard of Galilee, asked whether the man was a Galilean.

7 And when [he] found out that he was from the jurisdiction of Herod, he sent him to Herod, [who] himself was also in Jerusalem in these days.

8 And Herod, when [he] saw Jesus, was exceedingly glad, for he had been wanting for a long [time] to see him because [he] had been hearing many [things] about him. And he was hoping to see some miracle performed by him.

9 And he began questioning him with many words, but he himself answered him nothing.

10 And the chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him.

11 And after Herod with his troops treated him with contempt and mocked [him], [he] put on him shining clothing [and] sent him back to Pilate.

12 Now both Pilate and Herod became friends with one another on that same day, for before they were at enmity among themselves.

13 And Pilate, after calling together the chief priests and the rulers and the people,

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54 Then took they him, and led *him*, and brought him into the high priest's house. And Peter followed afar off.

55 And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together, Peter sat down among them.

56 But a certain maid beheld him as he sat by the fire, and earnestly looked upon him, and said, This man was also with him.

57 And he denied him, saying, Woman, I know him not.

58 And after a little while another saw him, and said, Thou art also of them. And Peter said, Man, I am not.

59 And about the space of one hour after another confidently affirmed, saying, Of a truth this *fellow* also was with him: for he is a Galilaean.

60 And Peter said, Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew.

61 And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice.

62 And Peter went out, and wept bitterly.

63 And the men that held Jesus mocked him, and smote *him*.

64 And when they had blindfolded him, they struck him on the face, and asked him, saying, Prophesy, who is it that smote thee?

65 And many other things blasphemously spake they against him.

66 And as soon as it was day, the elders of the people and the chief priests and the scribes came together, and led him into their council, saying,

67 Art thou the Christ? tell us. And he said unto them, If I tell you, ye will not believe:

68 And if I also ask *you*, ye will not answer me, nor let *me* go.

69 Hereafter shall the Son of man sit on the right hand of the power of God.

70 Then said they all, Art thou then the Son of God? And he said unto them, Ye say that I am.

71 And they said, What need we any further witness? for we ourselves have heard of his own mouth.

1 And the whole multitude of them arose, and led him unto Pilate.

2 And they began to accuse him, saying, We found this *fellow* perverting the nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Caesar, saying that he himself is Christ a King.

3 And Pilate asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answered him and said, Thou sayest *it*.

4 Then said Pilate to the chief priests and to the people, I find no fault in this man.

5 And they were the more fierce, saying, He stirreth up the people, teaching throughout all Jewry, beginning from Galilee to this place.

6 When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked whether the man were a Galilaean.

7 And as soon as he knew that he belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem at that time.

8 And when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceeding glad: for he was desirous to see him of a long *season*, because he had heard many things of him; and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by him.

9 Then he questioned with him in many words; but he answered him nothing.

10 And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused him.

11 And Herod with his men of war set him at nought, and mocked *him*, and arrayed him in a gorgeous robe, and sent him again to Pilate.

12 And the same day Pilate and Herod were made friends together: for before they were at enmity between themselves.

13 And Pilate, when he had called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people,

14 said to them, "You brought me this man as one who is misleading the people, and behold, I, after conducting an examination before you, found in this man no basis for a charge concerning [those things] of which you are accusing him;

15 "nor Herod either, for I sent you to him, and behold, nothing worthy of death has been done by him.

16 "Therefore I will discipline him [and] release [him]."

17 Now he had a necessity to release to them at each festival one [prisoner].

18 But they began to cry out all together, saying, "Take this [man] away, and release to us Barabbas!"

19 who, because of a certain insurrection taking place in the city and murder, had been thrown into prison.

20 Then again Pilate called out [to them] because [he] was wanting to release Jesus.

21 But they began crying out loudly, saying, "Crucify, crucify him!"

22 And he said to them for [the] third [time], "Why, what evil did this [man] do? I found no ground for death in him. Therefore I will discipline him [and] release [him]."

23 But they kept being urgent about with loud voices, demanding that he should be crucified. And the voices of them and of the chief priests began prevailing.

24 So Pilate decided that their demand should be granted.

25 And he released to them him who, because of insurrection and murder, had been thrown into prison, whom they had been demanding, and handed Jesus over to their will.

26 And after they led him away, [they] took hold of a certain Simon, a Cyrenian, who was coming from [the] country, [and] laid the cross on him in order to carry [it] behind Jesus.

27 And a great multitude of people were following him, and of women who were both bewailing and lamenting him.

28 And Jesus turned to them [and] said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but rather weep for yourselves and for your children.

29 "For behold, days are coming on which they will say, 'Blessed [are] the infertile, and wombs which did not give birth and breasts which did not nurse.'

30 "Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us!' and to the hills, 'Cover us!'

31 "For if they do these [things] to the moist tree, what should happen to the dry?"

32 And also two others, criminals, were being led with him to be executed.

33 And when they came to the place which was called Skull, there they crucified him and the criminals, this [one] on the right, that [one] on the left.

34 Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And [they] divided his garments among themselves [and] cast lots.

35 And the people stood watching. And also the rulers with them were sneering, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if this is the Christ, the chosen [one] of God."

36 And also the soldiers were mocking him by coming and offering sour wine to him,

37 and saying, "If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself."

38 And there was also an inscription written over him in Greek and Latin and Aramaic letters, "THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS."

39 And one of the hanged criminals was reviling him, saying, "If you are the Christ, save yourself and us!"

40 But the other, answering, began rebuking him, saying, "Do you not even fear God, since you are in the same judgment?"

41 "And we indeed justly, for we are receiving [things] worthy of [those things] which we did, but this [man] did nothing wrong."

42 And he said to Jesus, "Remember me, Lord, when you come into your kingdom."

43 And Jesus said to him, "Truly I say to you today you will be with me in Paradise."

44 Now it was about [the] sixth hour, and darkness came over the whole land until [the] ninth hour.

45 And the sun was darkened, and the curtain of the temple was torn in [the] middle.

14 Said unto them, Ye have brought this man unto me, as one that perverteth the people: and, behold, I, having examined *him* before you, have found no fault in this man touching those things whereof ye accuse him:

15 No, nor yet Herod: for I sent you to him; and, lo, nothing worthy of death is done unto him.

16 I will therefore chastise him, and release *him*.

17 (For of necessity he must release one unto them at the feast.)

18 And they cried out all at once, saying, Away with this *man*, and release unto us Barabbas:

19 (Who for a certain sedition made in the city, and for murder, was cast into prison.)

20 Pilate therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them.

21 But they cried, saying, Crucify *him*, crucify him.

22 And he said unto them the third time, Why, what evil hath he done? I have found no cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him, and let *him* go.

23 And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified. And the voices of them and of the chief priests prevailed.

24 And Pilate gave sentence that it should be as they required.

25 And he released unto them him that for sedition and murder was cast into prison, whom they had desired; but he delivered Jesus to their will.

26 And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear *it* after Jesus.

27 And there followed him a great company of people, and of women, which also bewailed and lamented him.

28 But Jesus turning unto them said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children.

29 For, behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed *are* the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck.

30 Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us.

31 For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry?

32 And there were also two other, malefactors, led with him to be put to death.

33 And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left.

34 Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.

35 And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them derided *him*, saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God.

36 And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar,

37 And saying, If thou be the king of the Jews, save thyself.

38 And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

39 And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us.

40 But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation?

41 And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss.

42 And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.

43 And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with me in paradise.

44 And it was about the sixth hour, and there was a darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour.

45 And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst.

46 And Jesus, crying out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I will entrust my spirit!" And after saying these [things], he breathed his last.

47 Now the centurion, when [he] saw that which had happened, glorified God, saying, "Certainly this man was righteous."

48 And all the multitudes which had come together for this spectacle, when [they] saw those things which had happened, began returning, beating their breasts.

49 And all his acquaintances stood from a distance, and women who had followed with him from Galilee for the purpose of watching these [things].

50 And behold, a man by [the] name Joseph, being a councillor, a good and righteous man

51 (This [man] had not consented to their resolution and action), from Arimathea, a city of the Jews, who also was waiting for, even himself, the kingdom of God.

52 This [man] went to Pilate [and] asked for the body of Jesus.

53 Then [he] took it down [and] wrapped it up in a linen cloth, and he laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been lying.

54 And it was [the] day of Preparation, and [the] Sabbath was dawning.

55 And also women, who had come together with him from Galilee, followed [and] saw the tomb, and how his body was laid.

56 Then [they] returned [and] prepared fragrant spices and perfumes. And indeed throughout the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

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1 But on the first [day] of the week, very early in the morning, they went to the tomb, bringing fragrant spices which they had prepared; and certain [women were] with them.

2 And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb.

3 But after going in, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

4 And it happened while they were greatly perplexed about this, that behold, two men stood near them in flashing clothes.

5 And as they became afraid and were bowing [their] faces to the ground, they said to them, "Why are you seeking the living [one] among the dead?"

6 "He is not here, but has risen. Remember that he spoke to you while [he] was still in Galilee,

7 "saying that it was necessary for the Son of Man to be handed over into the hands of sinful men, and to be crucified, and on the third day to rise?"

8 And they remembered his words,

9 and returned from the tomb [and] reported all these [things] to the eleven and to all the rest.

10 Now it was Mary Magdalene, and Joanna, and Mary [the mother] of James, and the other [women] with them, who had been telling these [things] to the apostles.

11 But their words appeared to them as nonsense, and they disbelieved them.

12 But Peter rose up [and] ran to the tomb, and [he] bends over to look [and] sees the linen cloths lying alone. Then he departed to his [home], marveling at that which had happened.

13 And behold, two of them were going on that same day to a village, being sixty stades away from Jerusalem, of which [the] name [was] Emmaus.

14 And they were talking to one another about all these things which had happened.

15 And it happened while they were talking and discussing, that Jesus himself drew near [and] began going with them.

16 But their eyes were held back with the result that [they] did not recognize him.

17 And he said to them, "What [are] these words which you are exchanging with one another as [you] are walking, and are sad?"

18 And the one, whose name [was] Cleopas, answering, said to him, "Are you [the] only [one] living as a stranger in Jerusalem and yet you do not know those things which took place in it in these days?"

46 And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.

47 Now when the centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying, Certainly this was a righteous man.

48 And all the people that came together to that sight, beholding the things which were done, smote their breasts, and returned.

49 And all his acquaintance, and the women that followed him from Galilee, stood afar off, beholding these things.

50 And, behold, there was a man named Joseph, a counsellor; and he was a good man, and a just:

51 (The same had not consented to the counsel and deed of them;) he was of Arimathea, a city of the Jews: who also himself waited for the kingdom of God.

52 This man went unto Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus.

53 And he took it down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a sepulchre that was hewn in stone, wherein never man before was laid.

54 And that day was the preparation, and the sabbath drew on.

55 And the women also, which came with him from Galilee, followed after, and beheld the sepulchre, and how his body was laid.

56 And they returned, and prepared spices and ointments; and rested the sabbath day according to the commandment.

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1 Now upon the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain others with them.

2 And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre.

3 And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus.

4 And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood by them in shining garments:

5 And as they were afraid, and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye the living among the dead?

6 He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee,

7 Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.

8 And they remembered his words,

9 And returned from the sepulchre, and told all these things unto the eleven, and to all the rest.

10 It was Mary Magdalene, and Joanna, and Mary the mother of James, and other women that were with them, which told these things unto the apostles.

11 And their words seemed to them as idle tales, and they believed them not.

12 Then arose Peter, and ran unto the sepulchre; and stooping down, he beheld the linen clothes laid by themselves, and departed, wondering in himself at that which was come to pass.

13 And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs.

14 And they talked together of all these things which had happened.

15 And it came to pass, that, while they communed together and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them.

16 But their eyes were holden that they should not know him.

17 And he said unto them, What manner of communications are these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad?

18 And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days?

19 And he said to them, "What [things]?" And they said to him, "The [things] concerning Jesus the Nazorean, who was a man, a prophet powerful in deed and word in the sight of God and all the people,

20 "how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a judgment of death and crucified him.

21 "But we ourselves were hoping that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. Indeed, in addition to all these [things], today brings this [to be the] third day from [the time] in which these [things] happened.

22 "But also some women from among us amazed us: [they] went early in the morning to the tomb

23 "and did not find his body, [and] they came for the purpose of saying that [they] had also seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive.

24 "And some of those with us went to the tomb and found [it] in this manner, just as also the women had said, but him they did not see."

25 And he said to them, "O fools, and slow in heart to believe all [the things] which the prophets spoke!

26 "It was necessary for the Christ to suffer these [things] and to come into his glory, was it not so?"

27 And beginning with Moses and with all the prophets, he began explaining to them in all the scriptures the [things] concerning himself.

28 And they drew near to the village where they were going, and he began acting as though [he] were going further.

29 But they strongly urged him, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening, and the day has declined." So he went in to stay with them.

30 And it happened when he reclined with them, [he] took the bread [and] blessed [it], and [he] broke [it and] began giving [it] to them.

31 Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he disappeared from them.

32 And they said to one another, "Our hearts were burning within us while he was speaking to us on the way, and while he was opening up the scriptures to us, were they not so?"

33 And [they] rose up in that same hour [and] returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven gathered together, and those with them,

34 saying, "The Lord has certainly risen, and has appeared to Simon!"

35 And they began reporting those [things which had happened] on the way, and how he had become known to them by the breaking of the bread.

36 And while they were saying these [things], Jesus himself stood in their midst, and says to them, "Peace [be] to you."

37 But [they] became terrified and afraid, [and] were thinking that [they] were seeing a spirit.

38 And he said to them, "Why are you troubled? And why are doubts arising in your hearts?"

39 "Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself; handle me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones, as you see that I have."

40 And after saying this, he showed them [his] hands and [his] feet.

41 And while they were still disbelieving for joy and were marvelling, he said to them, "Do you have anything eatable here?"

42 Then they gave him a piece of broiled fish and of a honeycomb.

43 And [he] took [them and] ate in their presence.

44 And he said to them, "These [are] the words which I spoke to you while [I] was still with you, namely, that it is necessary for all the things which are written in the Law of Moses and [the] Prophets and [the] Psalms concerning me to be fulfilled."

45 Then he opened their minds in order that [they] might understand the Scriptures.

46 And he said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from among [the] dead on the third day,

47 "and for repentance and [the] forgiveness of sins to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

48 "And you are witnesses of these [things].

19 And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people:

20 And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him.

21 But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, to day is the third day since these things were done.

22 Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre;

23 And when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive.

24 And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found *it* even so as the women had said: but him they saw not.

25 Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken:

26 Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?

27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

28 And they drew nigh unto the village, whither they went: and he made as though he would have gone further.

29 But they constrained him, saying, Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them.

30 And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed *it*, and brake, and gave to them.

31 And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight.

32 And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?

33 And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them,

34 Saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon.

35 And they told what things *were done* in the way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread.

36 And as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace *be* unto you.

37 But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit.

38 And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts?

39 Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.

40 And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them *his* hands and *his* feet.

41 And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have ye here any meat?

42 And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honeycomb.

43 And he took *it*, and did eat before them.

44 And he said unto them, These *are* the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and *in* the prophets, and *in* the psalms, concerning me.

45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,

46 And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:

47 And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

48 And ye are witnesses of these things.

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49 "And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you; but you, stay in the city of Jerusalem until [the time] when you are clothed with power from on high."

50 Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and [he] lifted up his hands [and] blessed them.

51 And it happened while he was blessing them, he began to part from them and was being taken up into heaven.

52 And they worshipped him, [and] returned to Jerusalem with great joy,

53 and were continually in the temple praising and blessing God. Amen.

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49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

50 And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them.

51 And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.

52 And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy:

53 And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen.