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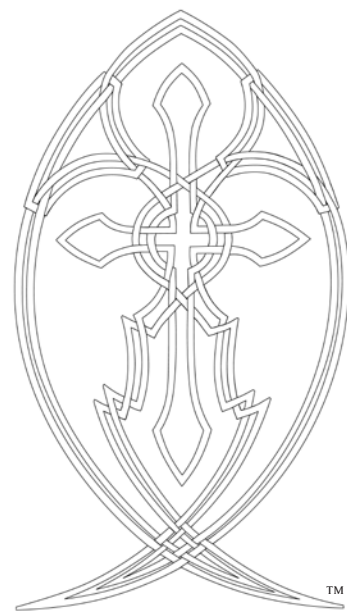
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## **Just Jesus**

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# Preface

## HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

Let me tell you a story about how Jesus' words impacted someone's life in a very powerful way.

My friend Sara has a sister, Alina, was going through a terrible time. Her husband moved her with their three children to a new city, and then abandoned them, refusing to pay child support. Alina had been out of the workplace for years; now she was in a strange new place, a single mother with no home and facing the streets.

Sara, herself a mother of four forced to count every penny in a depressed economy, gave Alina a copy of *Just Jesus*.

"It was the only hope I could share with my sister. What else could I give her?" reflected Sara, with longing compassion in her voice.

Having a dialogue with Jesus through this text had deeply touched Sara, spiritually strengthening her, and helping her navigate some challenging personal and family issues. Sara knew that connecting with someone who understands helps you realize you're not alone. She wanted the same thing for her hurting sister.

As we focus on His words, they begin to settle in our hearts. Things that settle sometimes seem hidden, but are still present. They may be tucked away, but God brings them to light when we need them most.

Alina is not out of the woods yet, but she has God's peace in her heart. She sees how He provides daily for her and watches out for her children. She experiences His presence and protection in very harsh circumstances.

## Strong and Simple

Jesus' words change lives. His perspective, His thoughts, and His ideas found in the Bible have greater impact than any other words ever expressed. They are so strong yet so simple. His words have compelled generations of people to devote their lives to serving Him by serving others. His words have taught and brought true happiness, spreading like wildfire to countless others who have changed the world forever. My friend Nadia was touched by the simple, direct precepts Jesus offered and now implements them in her life. When her mom, Karuna, developed breast cancer and her dad, Dhir, faced open-heart surgery during the same year, all she could do was pray and offer them Jesus' words. Just Jesus carried her parents through one of the most difficult places they'd ever been in their forty-year marriage. "Why hasn't anyone thought of this sooner?" Dhir asked, holding his book.

After surviving a twenty-year battle with alcoholism, he now prepared for his life-or-death cardiac operation by reading Jesus' words. These life-giving words were the lifeline that brought both Dhir and Karuna into a place of peace, healing, and well-being. Jesus spoke the greatest words ever to bring redemption and hope into our lives.

## God Is Speaking

Imagine Jesus is your companion on your journey along the rugged road of life. How would his words have influenced you if you were a follower walking, running, sometimes trudging down the path as the disciples did with Jesus? As we walk with His words, it will have the same enriching effect on us as it did with His followers. His words have as deep an impact on us today as they did His disciples when Jesus lived among them. He is speaking to you right now as He spoke to each person who listened and considered what He said. His concepts

will change your life now as radically as they did back in the day!  
His principles are still the same.

A young man I know named Miguel loves reading *Just Jesus*. “It’s so simple,” he said. “What Jesus said is all we need to follow. Simply dwelling on what He says shows us what He wants of us. He makes it so clear. It’s not history. It’s just Him.”

*Just Jesus* so deeply impacted Miguel that he shared it with his friend Jason. Jason was having a hard time being motivated. Miguel knew that if Jason would spend time in what Jesus said, reading what he taught, this would bring clarity to some of the issues in his life. Jesus is magnetic and His words motivate us to seek and even to crave a relationship with Him.

Because, after all, this is God speaking, and these are words to live by.

Jesus came to earth and spoke about His experience. He wanted people to see Him. His words stimulate our ability to see Him, to feel Him, and to know Him. We need His words to live as our bodies need air to breathe. What Jesus said motivates, encourages, and strengthens. Remember: We develop relationships through conversation, and you talk most with those you love and enjoy. Talk with Jesus and listen to what He has to say. He is always speaking, wanting to draw you to Him. When Jesus speaks, lives change.

### **What Is He Saying to You?**

Jesus lightens the load of life. Each evening before retiring for the night, my dad picks up *Just Jesus* which he keeps next to his bed. For ten minutes, just before he falls asleep, he reads what Jesus is saying to him. This practice has changed his life.

“These are the most precious words ever spoken,” he reflects with a reverential love in his heart. Jesus is cultivating that love in my dad’s heart.

I am so excited about *Just Jesus* and the power it has for making lasting change. Developing a deeper relationship with Jesus by focusing on what He said has been one of the single-most significant meaningful experiences in my life. I feel as though I am sitting at His feet listening to what He is personally telling me. I never thought I could have a conversational relationship with Jesus, yet this is what *Just Jesus* offers.

I have seen lives changed. Jesus is the centerpiece of our faith and there is a very special power in His words. What better way to get to know Jesus than to read what He said? As you open this book, what do you think He will be saying to you?

Li is another who has been deeply impacted by reading *Just Jesus*. It offers an interactive relationship and a conversational growth model for him. He talks with Jesus and Jesus talks with him. It has deepened his connectedness with his Savior in a way that has changed his life forever. He wants to share this with others.

When Li’s friend Sangam faced divorce, the unthinkable happened. A horrific car accident almost claimed the life of Sangam’s teenage son. He suffered third-degree burns over most of his body. It has been an incredibly painful, rough, rugged road for the entire family. The only thing Li could do was pray. Then he gave his friend a copy of *Just Jesus* because he understood and had experienced the healing power contained in Jesus’ words.

Jesus touched everyone He ever met with healing, life, deliverance, validation, forgiveness, and freedom. His words are central to the therapeutic strategy for this family as they face marriage issues along with each new surgery needed for healing their son. His words show them how to walk with God in each new fiery trial.

### **Before You Begin**

*Just Jesus* builds a relationship with Jesus. It creates connectedness with others. This book is about talking with Jesus. If you take this book in bite-size pieces, you’ll enhance your relationship with Him.

Before you begin reading, pray and ask God to show you what He wants you to see in His words. Then read a portion of *Just Jesus*. Take what you read as words spoken directly to you from Jesus. Let Him disciple you through what He is saying to you. What would you say back to Him? How is your relationship with Him enhanced by your time with Him? He is waiting right now to enjoy time with you. May you get to know Jesus better and love Him more deeply through reading the most hopeful and redemptive words ever spoken.

It will change your life forever. You are never alone. Jesus is always with you.

– Lindsey Clifford

THE GOOD NEWS ACCORDING TO *Matthew*

MATTHEW 3

“**Allow it**  
now,  
for this is the fitting way  
for us to fulfill all righteousness.” 3:15

MATTHEW 4

“**It is written,**  
‘Man shall not live by bread alone,  
but by every word  
that proceeds out of the mouth of God.’” 4:4

“Again, it is written,  
‘You shall not test  
the Lord,  
your God.’” 4:7

“Get behind me, Satan!  
For it is written,  
‘You shall worship  
the Lord  
your God,  
and you shall serve him only.’” 4:10

“Repent!  
For the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.” 4:17

“Come  
after me,  
and I will  
make you  
fishers for men.” 4:19

**“Blessed are the poor in spirit,**

for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn,  
for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the gentle,  
for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness,  
for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful,  
for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart,  
for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they shall be called children of God.

Blessed are those who have been persecuted for righteousness’ sake,  
for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

5:3-10

“Blessed are you when people reproach you,  
persecute you, and  
say all kinds of evil against you falsely,  
for my sake.

Rejoice, and be exceedingly glad,  
for great is your reward in heaven.

For that is how  
they persecuted the prophets  
who were before you.

5:11-12

“You are the salt of the earth,  
but if the salt has lost its flavor,  
with what will it be salted?  
It is then good for nothing,  
but to be cast out and trodden under the feet of men.  
You are the light of the world.  
A city located on a hill can’t be hidden.  
Neither do you light a lamp,  
and put it under a measuring basket,  
but on a stand;

and it shines  
to all who are in the house.  
Even so,  
let your light shine before men;  
that they may see your good works,  
and glorify your Father who is in heaven.

5:13-16

“Don’t think that I came to destroy  
the law or the Prophets.  
I didn’t come to destroy,  
but to fulfill.  
For most certainly,  
I tell you,  
until heaven and earth pass away,  
not even one smallest letter  
or one tiny pen stroke  
shall in any way pass away from the law,  
until all things are accomplished.

Whoever,  
therefore,  
shall break one  
of these least  
commandments,  
and teach others to do so,  
shall be called least  
in the Kingdom of Heaven;  
but whoever  
shall do  
and teach them  
shall be called great  
in the Kingdom of Heaven.  
For I tell you  
that unless your righteousness  
exceeds  
that of the scribes and Pharisees,  
there is no way  
you will enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

5:17-20



“You have heard that it was said to the ancient ones,  
‘You shall not murder’  
and ‘Whoever shall murder shall be in danger of the judgment.’  
But I tell you,  
that everyone who is angry with his brother  
without a cause  
shall be in danger of the judgment;  
and whoever shall say to his brother,  
‘Raca!’ [You good-for-nothing]  
shall be in danger of the council;  
and whoever shall say,  
‘You fool!’  
shall be in danger of the fire of Gehenna.

5:21-23

“If therefore you are offering your gift at the altar,  
and there remember  
that your brother has anything against you,  
leave your gift there before the altar,  
and go your way.  
First be reconciled to your brother,  
and then come and offer your gift.  
Agree with your adversary quickly,  
while you are with him on the way;  
lest perhaps the prosecutor deliver you to the judge,  
and the judge deliver you to the officer,  
and you be cast into prison.  
Most certainly I tell you,  
you shall by no means get out of there,  
until you have paid  
the last penny.

5:23-26

“You have heard that it was said,  
‘You shall not commit adultery’,  
but I tell you  
that everyone who gazes at a woman  
to lust after her  
has committed adultery with her already  
in his heart.  
If your right eye

causes you to stumble,  
pluck it out  
and throw it away from you.  
For it is more profitable for you  
that one of your members should perish,  
than for your whole body  
to be cast into Gehenna.  
If your right hand  
causes you to stumble,  
cut it off,  
and throw it away from you.  
For it is more profitable for you  
that one of your members should perish,  
than for your whole body  
to be cast into Gehenna.

5:27-30

“It was also said,  
‘Whoever shall put away his wife,  
let him give her a writing of divorce’  
but I tell you  
that whoever puts away his wife,  
except for the cause of sexual immorality,  
makes her an adulteress;  
and whoever marries her  
when she is put away  
commits adultery.

5:31-32

“Again  
you have heard  
that it was said  
to them of old time,  
‘You shall not make false vows,  
but shall perform to the Lord your vows,’  
but I tell you,  
don’t swear at all:  
neither by heaven,  
for it is the throne of God;  
nor by the earth,  
for it is the footstool of his feet;





nor by Jerusalem,  
for it is the city of the great King.  
Neither shall you swear by your head,  
for you can't make one hair white or black.  
But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes'  
and your 'No' be 'No.'  
Whatever  
is more than these  
is of the evil one.

5:33-37

"You have heard that it was said,  
'An eye for an eye, and  
a tooth for a tooth.'  
But I tell you,  
don't resist him  
who is evil;  
but whoever strikes you on your right cheek,  
turn to him the other also.  
If anyone sues you  
to take away your coat,  
let him have your cloak also.  
Whoever compels you to go one mile,  
go with him two.  
Give  
to him  
who asks you,  
and don't turn away  
him who  
desires to borrow  
from you.

5:38-42

"You have heard that it was said,  
'You shall love your neighbor  
and hate your enemy.'  
But I tell you,  
love your enemies,  
bless those who curse you,  
do good to those who hate you,  
and pray for those

who mistreat you and persecute you,  
that you may be  
children of your Father  
who is in heaven.  
For he makes his sun to rise  
on the evil  
and the good,  
and sends rain  
on the just  
and the unjust.  
For if you love those who love you,  
what reward do you have?  
Don't even the tax collectors do the same?  
If you only greet  
your friends,  
what more do you do than others?  
Don't even the tax collectors do the same?  
Therefore you shall be perfect,  
just as  
your  
Father in heaven  
is  
perfect.

5:43-48

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MATTHEW 6

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**"Be careful**  
that you don't do your charitable giving  
before men,  
to be seen by them,  
or else  
you have no reward  
from your Father who is in heaven.  
Therefore  
when you do merciful deeds,  
don't sound a trumpet before yourself,  
as the hypocrites do in the synagogues  
and in the streets,  
that they may get glory



from men.  
Most certainly  
I tell you,  
they have received their reward.  
But when you do merciful deeds,  
don't let your left hand know  
what your right hand does,  
so that your merciful deeds  
may be in secret,  
then your Father  
who sees  
in secret  
will reward you openly.

6:1-4

“When you pray,  
you shall not be as the hypocrites,  
for they love to stand  
and pray in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets,  
that they may be seen by men.  
Most certainly,  
I tell you,  
they have received their reward.  
But you,  
when you pray,  
enter into your inner room,  
and having shut your door,  
pray to your Father  
who is in secret,  
and your Father who sees  
in secret  
will reward you openly.  
In praying,  
don't use vain repetitions,  
as the Gentiles do;  
for they think that they will be heard  
for their much speaking.  
Therefore don't be like them,  
for your Father knows what things you need,  
before you ask him.

Pray like this:  
'Our Father in heaven,  
may your name be kept holy.  
Let your Kingdom come.  
Let your will be done,  
as in heaven, so on earth.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our debts,  
as we also forgive our debtors.  
Bring us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from the evil one.  
For yours is the Kingdom,  
the power,  
and the glory forever. Amen.'

6:5-13

“For if you forgive men  
their trespasses,  
your heavenly Father will also forgive you.  
But if you don't forgive men their trespasses,  
neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

6:14-15

“Moreover when you fast,  
don't be like the hypocrites,  
with sad faces.  
For they disfigure their faces,  
that they may be seen by men to be fasting.  
Most certainly  
I tell you,  
they have received their reward.  
But you,  
when you fast,  
anoint your head, and wash your face;  
so that you are not seen by men to be fasting,  
but by your Father  
who is in secret,  
and your Father,  
who sees  
in secret,  
will reward you.

6:16-18



“Don’t lay up treasures for yourselves on the earth,  
where moth and rust consume,  
and where thieves break through and steal;  
but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven,  
where neither moth nor rust consume,  
and where thieves don’t break through and steal;  
for where your treasure is,  
there your heart will be also.

6:19-21

“The lamp of the body  
is the eye.  
If therefore your eye is sound,  
your whole body will be full of light.  
But if your eye is evil,  
your whole body will be full of darkness.  
If therefore the light that is in you is darkness,  
how great is the darkness!

6:22-23

“No one can serve two masters,  
for either he will hate the one  
and love the other;  
or else he will be devoted to one  
and despise the other.  
You can’t serve both God and Mammon.  
Therefore, I tell you,  
don’t be anxious for your life:  
what you will eat,  
or what you will drink;  
nor yet for your body,  
what you will wear.  
Isn’t life more than food,  
and the body  
more than clothing?  
See the birds of the sky,  
that they don’t sow,  
neither do they reap,  
nor gather into barns.  
Your heavenly Father feeds them.  
Aren’t you of much more value than they?

6:24-26

“Which of you,  
by being anxious,  
can add one moment to his lifespan?  
Why are you anxious about clothing?  
Consider the lilies of the field,  
how they grow.  
They don’t toil,  
neither do they spin,  
yet I tell you  
that even Solomon in all his glory  
was not dressed like one of these.  
But if God so clothes the grass of the field,  
which today exists,  
and tomorrow is thrown into the oven,  
won’t he much more clothe you,  
you of little faith?

6:27-30

“Therefore don’t be anxious,  
saying, ‘What will we eat?’,  
‘What will we drink?’ or,  
‘With what will we be clothed?’  
For the Gentiles seek after all these things;  
for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.  
But seek first God’s Kingdom,  
and his righteousness;  
and all these things will be given to you as well.  
Therefore don’t be anxious  
for tomorrow,  
for tomorrow  
will be anxious for itself.  
Each day’s own evil is sufficient.

6:31-34

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MATTHEW 7

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“**Don’t judge,**  
so that you won’t be judged.  
For with whatever judgment  
you judge,  
you will be judged;

and with whatever measure  
you measure,  
it will be measured to you.  
Why do you see  
the speck  
that is in your brother's eye,  
but don't consider  
the beam  
that is in your own eye?  
Or how will you tell your brother,  
'Let me remove the speck from your eye;'  
and behold, the beam is in your own eye?  
You hypocrite!  
First remove the beam out of your own eye,  
and then  
you can see clearly  
to remove the speck out of your brother's eye.

7:1-5

"Don't give that which is holy to the dogs,  
neither throw your pearls before the pigs,  
lest perhaps they trample them under their feet,  
and turn and tear you to pieces.

7:6

"Ask,  
and it will be given you.  
Seek,  
and you will find.  
Knock,  
and it will be opened for you.  
For everyone who asks  
receives.  
He who seeks  
finds.  
To him who knocks  
it will be opened.  
Or who is there among you, who,  
if his son asks him for bread,  
will give him a stone?  
Or if he asks for a fish,  
who will give him a serpent?

If you then,  
being evil,  
know how to give good gifts to your children,  
how much more  
will your Father who is in heaven  
give good things  
to those who ask him!  
Therefore whatever you desire  
for men to do to you,  
you shall also do to them;  
for this is the law and the Prophets.

7:7-12

"Enter in  
by the narrow gate;  
for wide is the gate  
and broad is the way  
that leads to destruction,  
and many are those who enter in by it.  
How narrow is the gate,  
and restricted is the way  
that leads to life!  
Few are those  
who find it.

7:13-14

"Beware of false prophets,  
who come to you in sheep's clothing,  
but inwardly are ravening wolves.  
By their fruits  
you will know them.  
Do you gather grapes from thorns,  
or figs from thistles?  
Even so, every good tree  
produces good fruit;  
but the corrupt tree  
produces evil fruit.  
A good tree  
can't produce evil fruit,  
neither can a corrupt tree  
produce good fruit.



Every tree that doesn't grow good fruit  
is cut down, and thrown into the fire.  
Therefore,  
by their fruits  
you will know them.  
Not everyone who says to me,  
'Lord, Lord,'  
will enter into the Kingdom of Heaven;  
but he who does the will  
of my Father who is in heaven.  
Many will tell me  
in that day,  
'Lord, Lord,  
didn't we prophesy in your name,  
in your name  
cast out demons,  
and in your name  
do many mighty works?'  
Then I will tell them,  
'I never knew you.  
Depart from me,  
you who work iniquity.'

7:15-23

"Everyone therefore who hears these words of mine,  
and does them,  
I will liken him to a wise man,  
who built his house on a rock.  
The rain came down, the floods came,  
and the winds blew,  
and beat on that house;  
and it didn't fall,  
for it was founded on the rock.  
Everyone who hears these words of mine,  
and doesn't do them  
will be like a foolish man,  
who built his house on the sand.  
The rain came down,  
the floods came,  
and the winds blew,

and beat on that house;  
and it fell  
– and great was its fall."

7:24-27

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MATTHEW 8

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**"I want to.**  
Be made clean."

8:3

"See that you tell nobody,  
but go,  
show yourself to the priest,  
and offer the gift that Moses commanded,  
as a testimony to them."

8:4

"I will come and heal him."

8:7

"Most certainly  
I tell you,  
I haven't found  
so great a faith,  
not even in Israel.  
I tell you  
that many will come from the east and the west,  
and will sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob  
in the Kingdom of Heaven,  
but the children of the Kingdom  
will be thrown out  
into the outer darkness.  
There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

8:10-12

"Go your way.  
Let it be done for you  
as you have believed."

8:13

"The foxes have holes,  
and the birds of the sky have nests,  
but the Son of Man  
has nowhere  
to lay his head."

8:20

“Follow me,  
and leave the dead  
to bury their own dead.” 8:22

“Why are you fearful,  
O you of little faith?” 8:26

“Go!” 8:32

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MATTHEW 9

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“**Son,**  
cheer up!  
Your sins are forgiven you.” 9:2

“Why do you think evil in your hearts?  
For which is easier,  
to say,  
'Your sins are forgiven;'  
or to say,  
'Get up, and walk?'" 9:4-5

But that you may know that  
the Son of Man has  
authority  
on earth to forgive sins..."

“Get up,  
and take up your mat,  
and go  
up to your house.” 9:6

“Follow me.” 9:9

“Those who are healthy have no need for a physician,  
but those who are sick do.  
But you go and learn what this means:  
'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice,'  
for I came not to call the righteous,  
but sinners to repentance.” 9:12-13

“Can the friends of the bridegroom mourn,  
as long as the bridegroom is with them?  
But the days will come  
when the bridegroom will be taken away from them,  
and then they will fast.  
No one puts a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment;  
for the patch would tear away from the garment,  
and a worse hole is made.  
Neither do people put new wine into old wineskins,  
or else the skins would burst,  
and the wine be spilled,  
and the skins ruined.  
No, they put new wine  
into fresh wineskins,  
and both are preserved.” 9:15-17

“Daughter,  
cheer up!  
Your faith has made you well.” 9:22

“Make room,  
because the girl isn't dead,  
but sleeping.” 9:24

“Do you believe that I am able to do this?” 9:28

“According to your faith  
be it done to you.”  
“See that no one knows about this.” 9:29-30

“The harvest indeed is plentiful,  
but the laborers are few.

Pray therefore  
that the Lord of the harvest  
will send out laborers into his harvest.” 9:37-38

**“Don’t go among the Gentiles,**

and don’t enter into any city of the Samaritans.  
 Rather, go to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.  
 As you go, preach, saying,  
 ‘The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand!’  
 Heal the sick,  
 cleanse the lepers,  
 and cast out demons.  
 Freely you received,  
 so freely give.  
 Don’t take any gold, nor silver,  
 nor brass in your money belts.  
 Take no bag for your journey,  
 neither two coats, nor shoes, nor staff:  
 for the laborer is worthy of his food.  
 Into whatever city or village you enter,  
 find out who in it is worthy;  
 and stay there until you go on.  
 As you enter into the household,  
 greet it.  
 If the household is worthy,  
 let your peace come on it,  
 but if it isn’t worthy,  
 let your peace return to you.  
 Whoever doesn’t receive you,  
 nor hear your words,  
 as you go out of that house or that city,  
 shake off the dust from your feet.  
 Most certainly  
 I tell you,  
 it will be more tolerable  
 for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah  
 in the day of judgment  
 than for that city.

10:5-15

“Behold,  
 I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves.

Therefore be wise as serpents,  
 and harmless as doves.  
 But beware of men:  
 for they will deliver you up to councils,  
 and in their synagogues they will scourge you.  
 Yes, and you will be brought before governors and kings  
 for my sake,  
 for a testimony to them and to the nations.  
 But when they deliver you up,  
 don’t be anxious  
 how or what you will say,  
 for it will be given you  
 in that hour what you will say.  
 For it is not you who speak,  
 but the Spirit of your Father  
 who speaks in you.

10:16-20

“Brother will deliver up brother to death,  
 and the father his child.  
 Children will rise up against parents,  
 and cause them to be put to death.  
 You will be hated by all men  
 for my name’s sake,  
 but he who endures to the end will be saved.  
 But when they persecute you in this city,  
 flee into the next,  
 for most certainly  
 I tell you,  
 you will not have gone through the cities of Israel,  
 until the Son of Man has come.

10:21-23

“A disciple is not above his teacher,  
 nor a servant above his lord.  
 It is enough for the disciple that he be like his teacher,  
 and the servant like his lord.  
 If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul,  
 how much more those of his household!  
 Therefore don’t be afraid of them,  
 for there is nothing covered

that will not be revealed;  
and hidden  
that will not be known.  
What I tell you in the darkness,  
speak in the light;  
and what you hear whispered in the ear,  
proclaim on the housetops.  
Don't be afraid of those who kill the body,  
but are not able to kill the soul.  
Rather, fear him  
who is able to destroy  
both soul and body in Gehenna.

10:24-28

“Aren't two sparrows sold for an assarion coin?  
Not one of them falls on the ground  
apart from your Father's will,  
but the very hairs of your head are all numbered.  
Therefore don't be afraid.  
You are of more value than many sparrows.  
Everyone therefore who confesses me before men,  
him I will also confess before my Father who is in heaven.  
But whoever denies me before men,  
him I will also deny before my Father who is in heaven.

10:29-33

“Don't think that I came to send peace on the earth.  
I didn't come to send peace,  
but a sword.  
For I came to set  
a man at odds against his father,  
and a daughter against her mother,  
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law.  
A man's foes will be those of his own household.  
He who loves father or mother  
more than me  
is not worthy of me;  
and he who loves son or daughter  
more than me  
isn't worthy of me.  
He who doesn't take his cross

and follow after me,  
isn't worthy of me.  
He who seeks his life  
will lose it;  
and he who loses his life  
for my sake  
will find it.  
He who receives you  
receives me,  
and he who receives me  
receives him who sent me.  
He who receives a prophet  
in the name of a prophet  
will receive a prophet's reward.  
He who receives a righteous man  
in the name of a righteous man  
will receive a righteous man's reward.  
Whoever gives one of these little ones  
just a cup of cold water  
to drink in the name of a disciple,  
most certainly  
I tell you  
he will in no way lose his reward.”

10:34-42

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MATTHEW 11

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**“Go**  
and tell John  
the things which you hear and see:  
the blind receive their sight,  
the lame walk,  
the lepers are cleansed,  
the deaf hear,  
the dead are raised up,  
and the poor have good news preached to them.  
Blessed is he who finds no occasion  
for stumbling in me.”

11:4-6



“What did you go out into the wilderness to see?  
A reed shaken by the wind?  
But what did you go out to see?  
A man in soft clothing?  
Behold,  
those who wear soft clothing are in king’s houses.  
But why did you go out?  
To see a prophet?  
Yes, I tell you, and much more than a prophet.  
For this is he, of whom it is written,  
‘Behold,  
I send my messenger before your face,  
who will prepare your way before you.’  
Most certainly  
I tell you,  
among those who are born of women  
there has not arisen anyone greater than  
John the Baptizer;  
yet he who is least in the Kingdom of Heaven  
is greater than he.  
From the days of John the Baptizer until now,  
the Kingdom of Heaven suffers violence,  
and the violent take it by force.  
For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John.  
If you are willing  
to receive it,  
this is Elijah,  
who is to come.  
He who has ears to hear,  
let him hear.

11:7-15

“But to what shall I compare this generation?  
It is like children  
sitting in the marketplaces,  
who call to their companions  
and say, ‘We played the flute for you, and you didn’t dance.  
We mourned for you, and you didn’t lament.’  
For John came neither eating nor drinking,  
and they say, ‘He has a demon.’

The Son of Man came eating and drinking,  
and they say, ‘Behold, a gluttonous man and a drunkard,  
a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’  
But wisdom is justified by her children.”

11:16-19

“Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida!  
For if the mighty works had been done in Tyre and Sidon  
which were done in you,  
they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.  
But I tell you,  
it will be  
more tolerable  
for Tyre and Sidon  
on the day of judgment  
than for you.  
You, Capernaum, who are exalted to heaven,  
you will go down to Hades.  
For if the mighty works had been done in Sodom  
which were done in you,  
it would have remained until this day.  
But I tell you  
that it will be  
more tolerable  
for the land of Sodom,  
on the day of judgment,  
than for you.”

11:21-24

“I thank you,  
Father,  
Lord of heaven and earth,  
that you hid these things  
from the wise and understanding,  
and revealed them to infants.  
Yes,  
Father,  
for so it was well-pleasing in your sight.  
All things have been delivered to me  
by my Father.  
No one knows the Son,

except the Father;  
neither does anyone know the Father,  
except the Son,  
and he  
to whom the Son desires to reveal him.

11:25-27

“Come to me,  
all you who labor  
and are heavily burdened,  
and I will give you rest.  
Take my yoke upon you,  
and learn from me,  
for I am gentle  
and lowly in heart;  
and you will find rest for your souls.  
For my yoke is easy,  
and my burden is light.”

11:28-29

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MATTHEW 12

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**“Haven’t you read**

what David did,  
when he was hungry,  
and those who were with him;  
how he entered into God’s house,  
and ate the show bread,  
which was not lawful for him to eat,  
neither for those who were with him,  
but only for the priests?  
Or have you not read in the law,  
that on the Sabbath day,  
the priests in the temple profane the Sabbath,  
and are guiltless?  
But I tell you  
that one greater than the temple is here.  
But if you had known  
what this means,  
‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice,’

you would not have condemned the guiltless.  
For the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath.”

12:3-8

“What man is there among you,  
who has one sheep,  
and if this one falls into a pit on the Sabbath day,  
won’t he grab on to it, and lift it out?  
Of how much more value then is a man than a sheep!  
Therefore it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath day.”  
“Stretch out your hand.”

12:11-13

“Every kingdom divided against itself  
is brought to desolation,  
and every city or house divided against itself  
will not stand.  
If Satan casts out Satan,  
he is divided against himself.  
How then will his kingdom stand?  
If I by Beelzebul cast out demons,  
by whom do your children cast them out?  
Therefore they will be your judges.  
But if I by the Spirit of God cast out demons,  
then the Kingdom of God has come upon you.  
Or how can one enter into the house of the strong man,  
and plunder his goods,  
unless he first bind the strong man?  
Then he will plunder his house.

12:25-29

“He who is not with me  
is against me,  
and he who doesn’t gather with me,  
scatters.  
Therefore I tell you,  
every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men,  
but the blasphemy against the Spirit  
will not be forgiven men.  
Whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man,  
it will be forgiven him;  
but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit,

it will not be forgiven him,  
neither in this age,  
nor in that which is to come.

12:30-32

“Either make the tree good, and its fruit good,  
or make the tree corrupt, and its fruit corrupt;  
for the tree is known by its fruit.  
You offspring of vipers,  
how can you, being evil, speak good things?  
For out of the abundance of the heart,  
the mouth speaks.  
The good man out of his good treasure  
brings out good things,  
and the evil man out of his evil treasure  
brings out evil things.  
I tell you  
that every idle word  
that men speak,  
they will give account of it  
in the day of judgment.  
For by your words  
you will be justified,  
and by your words  
you will be condemned.”

12:33-37

“An evil and adulterous generation  
seeks after a sign,  
but no sign will be given it  
but the sign of Jonah the prophet.  
For as Jonah was three days and three nights  
in the belly of the whale,  
so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights  
in the heart of the earth.  
The men of Nineveh will stand up in the judgment  
with this generation, and will condemn it,  
for they repented at the preaching of Jonah;  
and behold,  
someone greater than Jonah is here.  
The queen of the south will rise up in the judgment

with this generation, and will condemn it,  
for she came from the ends of the earth  
to hear the wisdom of Solomon;  
and behold,  
someone greater than Solomon is here.  
But the unclean spirit,  
when he is gone out of the man,  
passes through waterless places,  
seeking rest,  
and doesn't find it.  
Then he says,  
'I will return into my house from which I came out,'  
and when he has come back,  
he finds it empty,  
swept,  
and put in order.  
Then he goes,  
and takes with himself seven other spirits more evil than he is,  
and they enter in and dwell there.  
The last state  
of that man  
becomes worse than the first.  
Even so will it be  
also to this evil generation.”

12:39-45

“Who is my mother?  
Who are my brothers?”

12:48

“Behold,  
my mother and my brothers!  
For whoever does the will of my Father  
who is in heaven,  
he is my brother,  
and sister,  
and mother.”

12:49-50



**“Behold,**

a farmer went out to sow.  
 As he sowed,  
 some seeds fell by the roadside,  
 and the birds came and devoured them.  
 Others fell on rocky ground,  
 where they didn’t have much soil,  
 and immediately they sprang up,  
 because they had no depth of earth.  
 When the sun had risen,  
 they were scorched.  
 Because they had no root,  
 they withered away.  
 Others fell among thorns.  
 The thorns grew up and choked them.  
 Others fell on good soil,  
 and yielded fruit:  
 some one hundred times as much,  
 some sixty,  
 and some thirty.  
 He who has ears to hear,  
 let him hear.”

13:3-9

“To you it is given  
 to know the mysteries  
 of the Kingdom of Heaven,  
 but it is not given to them.  
 For whoever has,  
 to him will be given,  
 and he will have abundance,  
 but whoever doesn’t have,  
 from him will be taken away even that which he has.  
 Therefore I speak to them in parables,  
 because seeing  
 they don’t see,  
 and hearing,  
 they don’t hear,

neither do they understand.  
 In them the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled, which says,  
 ‘By hearing you will hear,  
 and will in no way understand;  
 Seeing you will see,  
 and will in no way perceive:  
 for this people’s heart has grown callous,  
 their ears are dull of hearing,  
 they have closed their eyes;  
 or else perhaps they might perceive with their eyes,  
 hear with their ears,  
 understand with their heart,  
 and should turn again;  
 and I would heal them.’

13:11-15

“But blessed are your eyes,  
 for they see;  
 and your ears,  
 for they hear.  
 For most certainly  
 I tell you  
 that many prophets and righteous men  
 desired to see the things which you see,  
 and didn’t see them;  
 and to hear the things which you hear,  
 and didn’t hear them.

13:16-17

“Hear, then,  
 the parable of the farmer.  
 When anyone hears the word of the Kingdom,  
 and doesn’t understand it,  
 the evil one comes,  
 and snatches away that which has been sown in his heart.  
 This is what was sown by the roadside.  
 What was sown on the rocky places,  
 this is he who hears the word,  
 and immediately with joy receives it;  
 yet he has no root in himself,  
 but endures for a while.



When oppression or persecution arises  
because of the word,  
immediately he stumbles.

What was sown among the thorns,  
this is he who hears the word,  
but the cares of this age  
and the deceitfulness of riches  
choke the word,  
and he becomes unfruitful.  
What was sown on the good ground,  
this is he who hears the word,  
and understands it,  
who most certainly bears fruit,  
and brings forth,  
some one hundred times as much,  
some sixty,  
and some thirty.”

13:18-23

“The Kingdom of Heaven is like a man  
who sowed good seed in his field,  
but while people slept,  
his enemy came and  
sowed darnel weeds also among the wheat,  
and went away.

But when the blade sprang up  
and brought forth fruit,  
then the darnel weeds appeared also.  
The servants of the householder came and said to him,  
‘Sir, didn’t you sow good seed in your field?  
Where did this darnel come from?’

13:24-27

“He said to them, ‘An enemy has done this.’  
“The servants asked him,  
‘Do you want us to go and gather them up?’

13:28

“But he said, ‘No,  
lest perhaps while you gather up the darnel weeds,  
you root up the wheat with them.  
Let both grow together

until the harvest,  
and in the harvest time I will tell the reapers,  
“First, gather up the darnel weeds,  
and bind them in bundles to burn them;  
but gather the wheat into my barn.””

13:29-30

“The Kingdom of Heaven is like a grain of mustard seed,  
which a man took,  
and sowed in his field;  
which indeed is smaller than all seeds.  
But when it is grown,  
it is greater than the herbs,  
and becomes a tree,  
so that the birds of the air come  
and lodge in its branches.”

13:31-32

“The Kingdom of Heaven is like yeast,  
which a woman took,  
and hid in three measures of meal,  
until it was all leavened.”

13:33

“He who sows the good seed is the Son of Man,  
the field is the world;  
and the good seed,  
these are the children of the Kingdom;  
and the darnel weeds are the children of the evil one.  
The enemy who sowed them is the devil.  
The harvest is the end of the age,  
and the reapers are angels.  
As therefore the darnel weeds are gathered up  
and burned with fire;  
so will it be at the end of this age.  
The Son of Man will send out his angels,  
and they will gather out of his Kingdom  
all things that cause stumbling,  
and those who do iniquity,  
and will cast them into the furnace of fire.  
There will be weeping and the gnashing of teeth.  
Then the righteous will shine forth  
like the sun in the Kingdom of their Father.



He who has ears to hear,  
let him hear. 13:37-43

“Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like  
a treasure hidden in the field,  
which a man found,  
and hid.  
In his joy,  
he goes and sells all that he has,  
and buys that field. 13:44

“Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like  
a man who is a merchant seeking fine pearls,  
who having found  
one pearl of great price,  
he went and sold  
all that he had,  
and bought it. 13:45-46

“Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like  
a dragnet, that was cast into the sea,  
and gathered some fish of every kind,  
which, when it was filled,  
they drew up on the beach.  
They sat down,  
and gathered the good into containers,  
but the bad they threw away.  
So will it be in the end of the world.  
The angels will come forth,  
and separate the wicked from among the righteous,  
and will cast them into the furnace of fire.  
There will be the weeping and the gnashing of teeth.” 13:47-50

“Have you understood all these things?” 13:51

“Therefore, every scribe  
who has been made a disciple  
in the Kingdom of Heaven  
is like a man who is a householder,

who brings out of his treasure  
new and old things.” 13:52

“A prophet is not without honor,  
except in his own country,  
and in his own house.” 13:57

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MATTHEW 14

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“**They don’t need to go away.**  
You give them something to eat.” 14:16

“Bring them here to me.” 14:18

“Cheer up!  
It is I!  
Don’t be afraid.” 14:27

“Come!” 14:29

“You of little faith,  
why did you doubt?” 14:31

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MATTHEW 15

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“**Why do you also disobey the commandment of God**  
because of your tradition?  
For God commanded,  
‘Honor your father and your mother,’  
and, ‘He who speaks evil of father or mother,  
let him be put to death.’  
But you say,  
‘Whoever may tell his father or his mother,  
“Whatever help you might otherwise have gotten from me  
is a gift devoted to God,”  
he shall not honor his father or mother.’  
You have made the commandment of God void because of your tradition.  
You hypocrites!  
Well did Isaiah prophesy of you, saying,

“These people draw near to me with their mouth,  
and honor me with their lips;  
but their heart is far from me.  
And in vain do they worship me,  
teaching as doctrine rules made by men.” 15:3-9

“Hear, and understand.  
That which enters into the mouth  
doesn’t defile the man;  
but that which proceeds out of the mouth,  
this defiles the man.” 15:10-11

“Every plant which my heavenly Father didn’t plant  
will be uprooted.  
Leave them alone.  
They are blind guides of the blind.  
If the blind guide the blind,  
both will fall into a pit.” 15:13-14

“Do you also still not understand?  
Don’t you understand  
that whatever goes into the mouth  
passes into the belly,  
and then out of the body?  
But the things which proceed out of the mouth  
come out of the heart,  
and they defile the man.  
For out of the heart  
come forth evil thoughts, murders,  
adulteries, sexual sins, thefts,  
false testimony, and blasphemies.  
These are the things which defile the man;  
but to eat with unwashed hands  
doesn’t defile the man.” 15:16-20

“I wasn’t sent to anyone  
but the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” 15:24

“It is not appropriate to take the children’s bread  
and throw it to the dogs.” 15:26

“Woman, great is your faith!  
Be it done to you even as you desire.” 15:28

“I have compassion on the multitude,  
because they continue with me now three days  
and have nothing to eat.  
I don’t want to send them away fasting,  
or they might faint on the way.” 15:32

“How many loaves do you have?” 15:34

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MATTHEW 16

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**“When it is evening, you say,**  
‘It will be fair weather,  
for the sky is red.’  
In the morning,  
‘It will be foul weather today,  
for the sky is red and threatening.’  
Hypocrites!  
You know how to discern the appearance of the sky,  
but you can’t discern the signs of the times!  
An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign,  
and there will be no sign given to it,  
except the sign of the prophet Jonah.” 16:2-4

“Take heed  
and beware  
of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees.” 16:6

“Why do you reason among yourselves,  
you of little faith,  
‘because you have brought no bread?’  
Don’t you yet perceive,  
neither remember the five loaves for the five thousand,  
and how many baskets you took up?  
Nor the seven loaves for the four thousand,  
and how many baskets you took up?”

How is it that you don't perceive  
that I didn't speak to you concerning bread?  
But beware  
of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees." 16:8-11

"Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?" 16:13

"But who do you say that I am?" 16:15

"Blessed are you,  
Simon Bar Jonah,  
for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you,  
but my Father who is in heaven.  
I also tell you that you are Peter,  
and on this rock I will build my assembly,  
and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it.  
I will give to you the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven,  
and whatever you bind on earth  
will have been bound in heaven;  
and whatever you release on earth  
will have been released in heaven." 16:17-19

"Get behind me, Satan!  
You are a stumbling block to me,  
for you are not setting your mind on the things of God,  
but on the things of men." 16:23

"If anyone desires to come after me,  
let him deny himself,  
and take up his cross,  
and follow me.  
For whoever desires to save his life  
will lose it,  
and whoever will lose his life  
for my sake  
will find it.  
For what will it profit a man,  
if he gains the whole world,  
and forfeits his life?  
Or what will a man give in exchange for his life?"

For the Son of Man will come in the glory of his Father  
with his angels,  
and then he will render to everyone  
according to his deeds.  
Most certainly  
I tell you,  
there are some standing here  
who will in no way taste of death,  
until they see the Son of Man coming in his Kingdom." 16:24-28

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MATTHEW 17

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"Get up,  
and don't be afraid." 17:7

"Don't tell anyone what you saw,  
until the Son of Man  
has risen from the dead." 17:9

"Elijah indeed comes first, and will restore all things,  
but I tell you  
that Elijah has come already,  
and they didn't recognize him,  
but did to him  
whatever they wanted to.  
Even so  
the Son of Man will also suffer by them." 17:11-12

"Faithless and perverse generation!  
How long will I be with you?  
How long will I bear with you?  
Bring him here to me." 17:17

"Because of your unbelief.  
For most certainly  
I tell you,  
if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed,  
you will tell this mountain,



‘Move from here to there,’  
and it will move;  
and nothing will be impossible for you.  
But this kind doesn’t go out except by prayer and fasting.” 17:20-21

“The Son of Man is about to be delivered up  
into the hands of men,  
and they will kill him,  
and the third day  
he will be raised up.” 17:22-23

“What do you think, Simon?  
From whom do the kings of the earth receive toll or tribute?  
From their children, or from strangers?” 17:25

“Therefore the children are exempt.  
But, lest we cause them to stumble,  
go to the sea, cast a hook,  
and take up the first fish that comes up.  
When you have opened its mouth,  
you will find a stater coin.  
Take that, and give it to them for me and you.” 17:26-27

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MATTHEW 18

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**“Most certainly**  
I tell you,  
unless you turn,  
and become as little children,  
you will in no way enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.  
Whoever  
therefore humbles himself  
as this little child,  
the same is the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven.  
Whoever  
receives one such little child  
in my name  
receives me,  
but whoever

causes one of these little ones who believe in me  
to stumble,  
it would be better for him  
that a huge millstone should be hung around his neck,  
and that he should be sunk in the depths of the sea. 18:3-6

“Woe to the world  
because of occasions of stumbling!  
For it must be that the occasions come,  
but woe to that person  
through whom the occasion comes!  
If your hand or your foot causes you to stumble,  
cut it off,  
and cast it from you.  
It is better for you to enter into life maimed or crippled,  
rather than having two hands or two feet  
to be cast into the eternal fire.  
If your eye causes you to stumble,  
pluck it out,  
and cast it from you.  
It is better for you to enter into life with one eye,  
rather than having two eyes  
to be cast into the Gehenna of fire.  
See that you don’t despise one of these little ones,  
for I tell you  
that in heaven their angels always see  
the face of my Father who is in heaven.  
For the Son of Man  
came to save  
that which was lost. 18:7-11

“What do you think?  
If a man has one hundred sheep,  
and one of them goes astray,  
doesn’t he leave the ninety-nine,  
go to the mountains,  
and seek that which has gone astray?  
If he finds it,  
most certainly

I tell you,  
he rejoices over it  
more than over the ninety-nine which have not gone astray.  
Even so  
it is not the will of your Father who is in heaven  
that one  
of these little ones should perish.

18:12-14

“If your brother sins against you,  
go,  
show him his fault  
between you and him alone.  
If he listens to you,  
you have gained back your brother.  
But if he doesn’t listen,  
take one or two more with you,  
that at the mouth of two or three witnesses  
every word may be established.  
If he refuses to listen to them,  
tell it to the assembly.  
If he refuses to hear the assembly also,  
let him be to you as a Gentile or a tax collector.  
Most certainly  
I tell you,  
whatever things you bind on earth  
will have been bound in heaven,  
and whatever things you release on earth  
will have been released in heaven.  
Again,  
assuredly  
I tell you,  
that if two of you will agree on earth  
concerning anything that they will ask,  
it will be done for them  
by my Father who is in heaven.  
For where two or three are gathered together  
in my name,  
there I am  
in their midst.”

18:15-20

“I don’t tell you until seven times,  
but, until seventy times seven.  
Therefore the Kingdom of Heaven  
is like a certain king, who wanted to reconcile accounts with his servants.  
When he had begun to reconcile,  
one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents.  
But because he couldn’t pay,  
his lord commanded him to be sold,  
with his wife, his children, and all that he had,  
and payment to be made.  
The servant therefore fell down and kneeled before him, saying,  
‘Lord, have patience with me,  
and I will repay you all!’  
The lord of that servant, being moved with compassion,  
released him, and forgave him the debt.

18:22-27

“But that servant went out,  
and found one of his fellow servants,  
who owed him one hundred denarii,  
and he grabbed him,  
and took him by the throat, saying,  
‘Pay me what you owe!’

18:28

“So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying,  
‘Have patience with me,  
and I will repay you!’  
He would not,  
but went and cast him into prison,  
until he should pay back that which was due.  
So when his fellow servants saw what was done,  
they were exceedingly sorry,  
and came and told to their lord all that was done.  
Then his lord called him in, and said to him,  
‘You wicked servant!  
I forgave you all that debt,  
because you begged me.  
Shouldn’t you also have had mercy on your fellow servant,  
even as I had mercy on you?’  
His lord was angry,



and delivered him to the tormentors,  
until he should pay all that was due to him.  
So my heavenly Father will also do to you,  
if you don't each forgive your brother from your hearts  
for his misdeeds." 18:29-35

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MATTHEW 19

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**“Haven't you read**  
that he who made them  
from the beginning  
made them male and female,  
and said,  
'For this cause a man shall leave his father and mother,  
and shall join to his wife;  
and the two shall become one flesh?'  
So that they are no more two,  
but one flesh.  
What therefore God has joined together,  
don't let man tear apart.” 19:4-6

“Moses, because of the hardness of your hearts,  
allowed you to divorce your wives,  
but from the beginning  
it has not been so.  
I tell you  
that whoever divorces his wife,  
except for sexual immorality,  
and marries another,  
commits adultery;  
and he who marries her  
when she is divorced  
commits adultery.” 19:8-9

“Not all men can receive this saying,  
but those to whom it is given.  
For there are eunuchs who were born that way from their mother's womb,  
and there are eunuchs who were made eunuchs by men;  
and there are eunuchs who made themselves eunuchs

for the Kingdom of Heaven's sake.  
He who is able to receive it,  
let him receive it.” 19:11-12

“Allow the little children,  
and don't forbid them to come to me;  
for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to ones like these.” 19:14

“Why do you call me good?  
No one is good but one,  
that is, God.  
But if you want to enter into life,  
keep the commandments.” 19:17

“‘You shall not murder.’  
‘You shall not commit adultery.’  
‘You shall not steal.’  
‘You shall not offer false testimony.’  
‘Honor your father and mother.’  
And, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’” 19:18-19

“If you want to be perfect,  
go,  
sell what you have,  
and give to the poor,  
and you will have treasure in heaven;  
and come,  
follow me.” 19:21

“Most certainly  
I say to you,  
a rich man will enter into the Kingdom of Heaven  
with difficulty.  
Again  
I tell you,  
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.” 19:23-24

“With men this is impossible,  
but with God  
all things are possible.”

19:26

“Most certainly  
I tell you  
that you who have followed me,  
in the regeneration  
when the Son of Man will sit on the throne of his glory,  
you also will sit on twelve thrones,  
judging the twelve tribes of Israel.  
Everyone who has left  
houses,  
or brothers,  
or sisters,  
or father,  
or mother,  
or wife,  
or children,  
or lands,  
for my name’s sake,  
will receive one hundred times,  
and will inherit eternal life.  
But many will be last who are first;  
and first who are last.

19:28-30

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MATTHEW 20

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**“For the Kingdom of Heaven is like a man**  
who was the master of a household,  
who went out early in the morning  
to hire laborers for his vineyard.  
When he had agreed with the laborers for a denarius a day,  
he sent them into his vineyard.  
He went out about the third hour,  
and saw others standing idle in the marketplace.  
To them he said,  
‘You also go into the vineyard,

and whatever is right I will give you.’  
So they went their way.  
Again he went out about the sixth and the ninth hour,  
and did likewise.  
About the eleventh hour  
he went out, and found others standing idle.  
He said to them,  
‘Why do you stand here all day idle?’

20:1-6

“They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’  
“He said to them,  
‘You also go into the vineyard,  
and you will receive whatever is right.’  
When evening had come,  
the lord of the vineyard said to his manager,  
‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages,  
beginning from the last to the first.’

20:7-8

“When those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came,  
they each received a denarius.  
When the first came,  
they supposed that they would receive more;  
and they likewise each received a denarius.  
When they received it,  
they murmured against the master of the household,  
saying, ‘These last have spent one hour,  
and you have made them equal to us,  
who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat!’

20:9-12

“But he answered  
one of them,  
‘Friend,  
I am doing you no wrong.  
Didn’t you agree with me for a denarius?  
Take that which is yours,  
and go your way.  
It is my desire to give to this last  
just as much as to you.  
Isn’t it lawful for me

to do what I want to  
with what I own?  
Or is your eye evil,  
because I am good?’  
So the last will be first,  
and the first last.  
For many are called,  
but few are chosen.”

20:13-16

“Behold,  
we are going up to Jerusalem,  
and the Son of Man will be delivered  
to the chief priests and scribes,  
and they will condemn him to death,  
and will hand him over to the Gentiles  
to mock, to scourge, and to crucify;  
and the third day he will be raised up.”

20:18-19

“What do you want?”

20:21

“You don’t know what you are asking.  
Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink,  
and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?”

20:22

“You will indeed drink my cup,  
and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with,  
but to sit on my right hand and on my left hand  
is not mine to give;  
but it is for whom  
it has been prepared by my Father.”

20:23

“You know that the rulers of the nations  
lord it over them,  
and their great ones exercise authority over them.  
It shall not be so among you,  
but whoever desires to become great  
among you  
shall be your servant.  
Whoever desires to be first

among you  
shall be your bondservant,  
even as the Son of Man  
came not to be served,  
but to serve,  
and to give his life  
as a ransom for many.”

20:25-28

“What do you want me to do for you?”

20:32

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MATTHEW 21

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**“Go into the village that is opposite you,  
and immediately  
you will find a donkey tied,  
and a colt with her.  
Untie them, and bring them to me.  
If anyone says anything to you,  
you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’  
and immediately  
he will send them.”**

21:1-3

“It is written,  
‘My house shall be called a house of prayer,  
but you have made it a den of robbers!’”

21:13

“Yes.  
Did you never read,  
‘Out of the mouth of babes and nursing babies  
you have perfected praise?’”

21:16

“Let there be no fruit from you forever!”

21:19

“Most certainly  
I tell you,  
if you have faith,  
and don’t doubt,  
you will not only do what was done to the fig tree,

but even if you told this mountain,  
'Be taken up and cast into the sea,'  
it would be done.  
All things,  
whatever you ask in prayer,  
believing,  
you will receive."

21:21-22

"I also will ask you  
one question,  
which if you tell me,  
I likewise will tell you  
by what authority  
I do these things.  
The baptism of John,  
where was it from?  
From heaven  
or from men?"

21:24-25

"Neither will I tell you  
by what authority  
I do these things.  
But what do you think?  
A man had two sons,  
and he came to the first, and said,  
'Son, go work today in my vineyard.'  
He answered, 'I will not,'  
but afterward he changed his mind,  
and went.  
He came to the second,  
and said the same thing.  
He answered, 'I go, sir,'  
but he didn't go.  
Which of the two did the will of his father?"

21:27-31

"Most certainly  
I tell you  
that the tax collectors  
and the prostitutes

are entering into the Kingdom of God  
before you.  
For John came to you in the way of righteousness,  
and you didn't believe him,  
but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him.  
When you saw it,  
you didn't even repent afterward,  
that you might believe him.

21:31-32

"Hear another parable.  
There was a man who was a master of a household,  
who planted a vineyard,  
set a hedge about it,  
dug a winepress in it,  
built a tower,  
leased it out to farmers,  
and went into another country.  
When the season for the fruit drew near,  
he sent his servants to the farmers,  
to receive his fruit.  
The farmers took his servants,  
beat one,  
killed another,  
and stoned another.  
Again, he sent other servants more than the first:  
and they treated them the same way.  
But afterward he sent to them his son, saying,  
'They will respect my son.'  
But the farmers, when they saw the son,  
said among themselves,  
'This is the heir.  
Come, let's kill him,  
and seize his inheritance.'  
So they took him,  
and threw him out of the vineyard,  
and killed him.  
When therefore the lord of the vineyard comes,  
what will he do to those farmers?"

21:33-40



“Did you never read in the Scriptures,  
‘The stone which the builders rejected,  
the same was made the head of the corner.  
This was from the Lord.  
It is marvelous in our eyes?’

“Therefore I tell you,  
the Kingdom of God will be taken away from you,  
and will be given to a nation  
bringing forth its fruit.  
He who falls on this stone  
will be broken to pieces,  
but on whomever it will fall,  
it will scatter him as dust.”

21:42-44

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MATTHEW 22

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**“The Kingdom of Heaven**  
is like a certain king,  
who made a marriage feast for his son,  
and sent out his servants to call those  
who were invited to the marriage feast,  
but they would not come.  
Again he sent out other servants, saying,  
‘Tell those who are invited,  
“Behold, I have prepared my dinner.  
My cattle and my fatlings are killed,  
and all things are ready.  
Come to the marriage feast!”’  
But they made light of it,  
and went their ways,  
one to his own farm,  
another to his merchandise,  
and the rest grabbed his servants,  
and treated them shamefully,  
and killed them.  
When the king heard that, he was angry,  
and sent his armies, destroyed those murderers,  
and burned their city.

22:1-7

“Then he said to his servants,  
‘The wedding is ready,  
but those who were invited weren’t worthy.  
Go therefore to the intersections of the highways,  
and as many as you may find,  
invite to the marriage feast.’  
Those servants went out into the highways,  
and gathered together as many as they found,  
both bad and good.  
The wedding was filled with guests.  
But when the king came in to see the guests,  
he saw there a man who didn’t have on wedding clothing,  
and he said to him,  
‘Friend,  
how did you come in here not wearing wedding clothing?’  
He was speechless.  
Then the king said to the servants,  
‘Bind him hand and foot,  
take him away,  
and throw him into the outer darkness;  
there is where the weeping and grinding of teeth will be.’  
For many are called,  
but few chosen.”

22:8-14

“Why do you test me,  
you hypocrites?  
Show me the tax money.”

22:18-19

“Whose is this image and inscription?”

22:20

“Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s,  
and to God the things that are God’s.”

22:21

“You are mistaken,  
not knowing the Scriptures,  
nor the power of God.  
For in the resurrection they neither marry,  
nor are given in marriage,  
but are like God’s angels in heaven.

But concerning the resurrection of the dead,  
haven't you read that which was spoken to you by God, saying,  
'I am  
the God  
of Abraham,  
and the God of Isaac,  
and the God of Jacob?'  
God is not the God of the dead,  
but of the living."

22:29-32

"'You shall love  
the Lord  
your God  
with all your heart,  
with all your soul,  
and with all your mind.'  
This is the first  
and great commandment.  
A second likewise is this,  
'You shall love  
your neighbor  
as yourself.'  
The whole law and the prophets  
depend  
on these two commandments."

22:37-40

"What do you think of the Christ?  
Whose son is he?"

22:42

"How then does David  
in the Spirit  
call him Lord, saying,  
'The Lord said to my Lord,  
sit on my right hand,  
until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet?'  
"If then David calls him Lord,  
how is he his son?"

22:43-45

**"The scribes and the Pharisees sat on Moses' seat.**

All things therefore whatever they tell you to observe, observe and do,  
but don't do their works;  
for they say,  
and don't do.  
For they bind heavy burdens  
that are grievous to be borne,  
and lay them on men's shoulders;  
but they themselves  
will not lift a finger to help them.  
But all their works  
they do to be seen by men.  
They make their phylacteries broad,  
enlarge the fringes of their garments,  
and love the place of honor at feasts,  
the best seats in the synagogues,  
the salutations in the marketplaces,  
and to be called 'Rabbi, Rabbi' by men.  
But don't you be called 'Rabbi,'  
for one is your teacher, the Christ,  
and all of you are brothers.  
Call no man on the earth  
your father,  
for one is your Father,  
he who is in heaven.  
Neither be called masters,  
for one is your master,  
the Christ.  
But he who is greatest among you  
will be your servant.  
Whoever exalts himself  
will be humbled,  
and whoever humbles himself  
will be exalted.

23:2-12





“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees,  
Hypocrites!  
For you devour widows’ houses,  
And as a pretense you make long prayers.  
Therefore you will receive greater condemnation. 23:13

“But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees,  
hypocrites!  
Because you shut up the Kingdom of Heaven against men;  
for you don’t enter in yourselves,  
neither do you allow those who are entering in  
to enter.  
Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees,  
hypocrites!  
For you travel around by sea and land  
to make one proselyte;  
and when he becomes one,  
you make him twice as much  
of a son of Gehenna as yourselves. 23:14-15

“Woe to you, you blind guides,  
who say,  
‘Whoever swears by the temple,  
it is nothing;  
but whoever swears by the gold of the temple,  
he is obligated.’  
You blind fools!  
For which is greater,  
the gold,  
or the temple that sanctifies the gold?  
‘Whoever swears by the altar, it is nothing;  
but whoever swears by the gift that is on it,  
he is obligated?’  
You blind fools!  
For which is greater,  
the gift,  
or the altar that sanctifies the gift?  
He therefore who swears by the altar,  
swears by it, and by everything on it.

He who swears by the temple,  
swears by it, and by him who was living in it.  
He who swears by heaven,  
swears by the throne of God, and by him who sits on it. 23:16-22

“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees,  
hypocrites!  
For you tithe  
mint, dill, and cumin,  
and have left undone  
the weightier matters of the law:  
justice, mercy, and faith.  
But you ought to have done these,  
and not to have left the other undone.  
You blind guides,  
who strain out a gnat, and swallow a camel! 23:23-24

“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees,  
hypocrites!  
For you clean the outside of the cup and of the platter,  
but within  
they are full of extortion and unrighteousness.  
You blind Pharisee,  
first clean the inside of the cup and of the platter,  
that its outside may become clean also. 23:25-26

“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees,  
hypocrites!  
For you are like whitened tombs,  
which outwardly appear beautiful,  
but inwardly are full of dead men’s bones,  
and of all uncleanness.  
Even so  
you also outwardly appear righteous to men,  
but inwardly  
you are full of hypocrisy and iniquity. 23:27-28

“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees,  
hypocrites!



For you build the tombs of the prophets,  
and decorate the tombs of the righteous,  
and say,  
'If we had lived in the days of our fathers,  
we wouldn't have been partakers with them  
in the blood of the prophets.'  
Therefore you testify to yourselves  
that you are children of those  
who killed the prophets.  
Fill up, then,  
the measure of your fathers.  
You serpents,  
you offspring of vipers,  
how will you escape the judgment of Gehenna?  
Therefore,  
behold,  
I send to you prophets,  
wise men,  
and scribes.  
Some of them you will kill and crucify;  
and some of them you will scourge in your synagogues,  
and persecute from city to city;  
that on you may come  
all the righteous blood shed on the earth,  
from the blood of righteous Abel  
to the blood of Zachariah son of Barachiah,  
whom you killed  
between the sanctuary and the altar.  
Most certainly  
I tell you,  
all these things  
will come  
upon this generation.

23:29-36

"Jerusalem,  
Jerusalem,  
who kills the prophets,  
and stones those who are sent to her!  
How often I would have gathered your children together,

even as a hen gathers her chicks  
under her wings,  
and you would not!  
Behold,  
your house is left to you desolate.  
For I tell you,  
you will not see me from now on,  
until you say,  
'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'"

23:37-39

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MATTHEW 24

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**"You see all of these things, don't you?"**

Most certainly  
I tell you,  
there will not be left here one stone  
on another,  
that will not be thrown down."

24:2

"Be careful  
that no one leads you astray.  
For many will come  
in my name,  
saying, 'I am the Christ,'  
and will lead many astray.  
You will hear of wars  
and rumors of wars.  
See that you aren't troubled,  
for all this must happen,  
but the end is not yet.  
For nation will rise against nation,  
and kingdom against kingdom;  
and there will be famines, plagues,  
and earthquakes in various places.  
But all these things are the beginning of birth pains.  
Then they will deliver you up  
to oppression,  
and will kill you.

You will be hated  
by all of the nations  
for my name's sake.  
Then many will stumble,  
and will deliver up one another,  
and will hate one another.  
Many false prophets  
will arise,  
and will lead many astray.  
Because iniquity will be multiplied,  
the love of many will grow cold.  
But he  
who endures  
to the end,  
the same  
will  
be saved.  
This Good News of the Kingdom  
will be preached  
in the whole world  
for a testimony to all the nations,  
and then  
the end  
will come.

24:4-14

“When, therefore,  
you see the abomination of desolation,  
which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet,  
standing in the holy place  
(let the reader understand),  
then let those  
who are in Judea  
flee to the mountains.  
Let him  
who is on the housetop  
not go down  
to take out things  
that are in his house.  
Let him

who is in the field  
not return back  
to get his clothes.  
But woe to those  
who are with child  
and to nursing mothers  
in those days!  
Pray  
that your flight  
will not be  
in the winter,  
nor on a Sabbath,  
for then there will be  
great oppression,  
such as has not been  
from the beginning of the world  
until now,  
no,  
nor ever will be.  
Unless those days  
had been shortened,  
no flesh  
would have been saved.  
But for the sake of the chosen ones,  
those days will be shortened.

24:15-22

“Then  
if any man  
tells you,  
'Behold,  
here is the Christ,'  
or,  
'There,'  
don't  
believe  
it.  
For there will arise  
false christs,  
and false prophets,



and they will show  
great signs  
and wonders,  
so as to lead astray,  
if possible,  
even the chosen ones.

24:23-24

“Behold,  
I have told you  
beforehand.  
If therefore they tell you,  
‘Behold,  
he is in the wilderness,’  
don’t  
go  
out;  
‘Behold,  
he is in the inner rooms,’  
don’t  
believe  
it.  
For as the lightning flashes from the east,  
and is seen even to the west,  
so will be  
the coming of the Son of Man.  
For wherever the carcass is,  
there is where the vultures gather together.  
But immediately  
after the oppression of those days,  
the sun will be darkened,  
the moon will not give its light,  
the stars will fall from the sky,  
and the powers of the heavens will be shaken;  
and then the sign of the Son of Man  
will appear in the sky.  
Then all the tribes of the earth will mourn,  
and they will see the Son of Man  
coming on the clouds of the sky  
with power and great glory.

He will send out his angels  
with a great sound of a trumpet,  
and they will gather together his chosen ones  
from the four winds,  
from one end of the sky to the other.

24:25-31

“Now from the fig tree learn this parable.  
When its branch has now become tender, and puts forth its leaves,  
you know that the summer is near.  
Even so you also, when you see all these things,  
know that it is near,  
even at the doors.  
Most certainly  
I tell you,  
this generation will not pass away,  
until all these things are accomplished.  
Heaven and earth will pass away,  
but my words  
will not  
pass away.  
But no one knows  
of that day and hour,  
not even the angels of heaven,  
but my Father only.

24:32-36

“As the days of Noah were,  
so will be the coming of the Son of Man.  
For as in those days which were before the flood  
they were eating and drinking,  
marrying and giving in marriage,  
until the day that Noah entered into the ship,  
and they didn’t know until the flood came,  
and took them all away,  
so will be the coming of the Son of Man.  
Then two men will be in the field:  
one will be taken and one will be left;  
two women grinding at the mill,  
one will be taken and one will be left.  
Watch therefore,



for you don't know  
in what hour  
your Lord comes.  
But know this,  
that if the master of the house had known  
in what watch of the night  
the thief was coming,  
he would have watched,  
and would not have allowed his house to be broken into.  
Therefore also be ready,  
for in an hour  
that you don't expect,  
the Son of Man will come.

24:37-44

“Who then is the faithful and wise servant,  
whom his lord has set over his household,  
to give them their food in due season?  
Blessed is that servant  
whom his lord finds doing so  
when he comes.  
Most certainly  
I tell you  
that he will set him  
over all that he has.  
But if that evil servant  
should say in his heart,  
‘My lord is delaying his coming,’  
and begins to beat his fellow servants,  
and eat and drink with the drunkards,  
the lord of that servant will come in a day  
when he doesn't expect it,  
and in an hour when he doesn't know it,  
and will cut him in pieces,  
and appoint his portion  
with the hypocrites.  
There is where the weeping and grinding of teeth will be.

24:45-51

**“Then the Kingdom of Heaven**

will be like ten virgins, who took their lamps,  
and went out to meet the bridegroom.  
Five of them were foolish,  
and five were wise.  
Those who were foolish,  
when they took their lamps,  
took no oil with them,  
but the wise  
took oil in their vessels with their lamps.  
Now while the bridegroom delayed,  
they all slumbered and slept.  
But at midnight there was a cry,  
‘Behold!  
The bridegroom is coming!  
Come out to meet him!’  
Then all those virgins arose,  
and trimmed their lamps.  
The foolish said to the wise,  
‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’  
But the wise answered, saying,  
‘What if there isn't enough for us and you?  
You go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.’  
While they went away to buy,  
the bridegroom came,  
and those who were ready  
went in with him to the marriage feast,  
and the door was shut.  
Afterward the other virgins also came,  
saying, ‘Lord, Lord,  
open to us.’  
But he answered,  
‘Most certainly  
I tell you,  
I don't know you.’  
Watch therefore,  
for you don't know



the day nor the hour  
in which the Son of Man is coming.

25:1-13

“For it is like a man, going into another country,  
who called his own servants,  
and entrusted his goods to them.

To one he gave five talents,  
to another two,  
to another one;  
to each according to his own ability.  
Then he went on his journey.

Immediately  
he who received the five talents  
went and traded with them,  
and made another five talents.

In the same way,  
he also who got the two  
gained another two.  
But he who received the one  
went away  
and dug in the earth,  
and hid his lord’s money.

25:14-18

“Now after a long time  
the lord of those servants came,  
and reconciled accounts with them.

He who received the five talents came and brought another five talents,  
saying, ‘Lord, you delivered to me five talents.  
Behold, I have gained another five talents besides them.’

25:19-20

“His lord said to him,  
‘Well done, good and faithful servant.  
You have been faithful over a few things,  
I will set you over many things.  
Enter into the joy of your lord.’

25:21

“He also who got the two talents came and said,  
‘Lord, you delivered to me two talents.  
Behold, I have gained another two talents besides them.’

25:22

“His lord said to him,  
‘Well done, good and faithful servant.  
You have been faithful over a few things,  
I will set you over many things.  
Enter into the joy of your lord.’

25:23

“He also who had received the one talent came and said,  
‘Lord, I knew you that you are a hard man,  
reaping where you did not sow,  
and gathering where you did not scatter.  
I was afraid,  
and went away and hid your talent in the earth.  
Behold, you have what is yours.’

25:24-25

“But his lord answered him,  
‘You wicked and slothful servant.  
You knew that I reap where I didn’t sow,  
and gather where I didn’t scatter.  
You ought therefore to have deposited  
my money with the bankers,  
and at my coming  
I should have received back my own with interest.  
Take away therefore the talent from him,  
and give it to him who has the ten talents.  
For to everyone who has will be given,  
and he will have abundance,  
but from him who doesn’t have,  
even that which he has will be taken away.  
Throw out the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness,  
where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

25:26-30

“But when the Son of Man comes in his glory,  
and all the holy angels with him,  
then he will sit on the throne of his glory.  
Before him all the nations will be gathered,  
and he will separate them  
one from another,  
as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.  
He will set the sheep on his right hand,



but the goats on the left.  
Then the King will tell those on his right hand,  
'Come, blessed of my Father,  
inherit the Kingdom  
prepared for you from the foundation of the world;  
for I was hungry,  
and you gave me food to eat.  
I was thirsty,  
and you gave me drink.  
I was a stranger,  
and you took me in.  
I was naked,  
and you clothed me.  
I was sick,  
and you visited me.  
I was in prison,  
and you came to me.'

25:31-36

"Then the righteous will answer him, saying,  
'Lord,  
when did we see you hungry, and feed you;  
or thirsty, and give you a drink?  
When did we see you as a stranger,  
and take you in; or naked, and clothe you?  
When did we see you sick, or in prison, and come to you?'

25:37-39

"The King will answer them,  
'Most certainly  
I tell you,  
inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers,  
you did it to me.'  
Then he will say also to those on the left hand,  
'Depart from me,  
you cursed,  
into the eternal fire which is  
prepared for the devil and his angels;  
for I was hungry,  
and you didn't give me food to eat;  
I was thirsty,

and you gave me no drink;  
I was a stranger,  
and you didn't take me in;  
naked,  
and you didn't clothe me;  
sick, and in prison,  
and you didn't visit me.'

25:40-43

"Then they will also answer, saying,  
'Lord,  
when did we see you hungry,  
or thirsty,  
or a stranger,  
or naked,  
or sick,  
or in prison,  
and didn't help you?'

25:44

"Then he will answer them, saying,  
'Most certainly  
I tell you,  
inasmuch as you didn't do it  
to one of the least of these,  
you didn't do it to me.'  
These will go away into eternal punishment,  
but the righteous into eternal life."

25:44-46

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MATTHEW 26

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**"You know that after two days**  
the Passover is coming,  
and the Son of Man  
will be delivered up to be crucified."

26:2

"Why do you trouble the woman?  
Because she has done a good work for me.  
For you always have the poor with you;  
but you don't always have me.

For in pouring this ointment on my body,  
she did it to prepare me for burial.  
Most certainly  
I tell you,  
wherever this Good News is preached in the whole world,  
what this woman has done  
will also be spoken of  
as a memorial of her.” 26:10-13

“Go into the city to a certain person,  
and tell him, ‘The Teacher says,  
“My time is at hand.  
I will keep the Passover  
at your house  
with my disciples.”’” 26:18

“Most certainly  
I tell you  
that one of you will betray me.” 26:21

“He who dipped his hand with me in the dish,  
the same will betray me.  
The Son of Man goes,  
even as it is written of him,  
but woe to that man through whom the Son of Man is betrayed!  
It would be better for that man if he had not been born.” 26:23-24

“You said it.” 26:25

“Take,  
eat;  
this is my body.”  
“All of you  
drink it,  
for this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is poured out for many  
for the remission of sins.  
But I tell you that  
I will not drink of this fruit of the vine

from now on,  
until that day  
when I drink it anew with you in my Father’s Kingdom.” 26:26-29

“All of you will be made to stumble  
because of me tonight,  
for it is written,  
‘I will strike the shepherd,  
and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.’  
But after I am raised up,  
I will go before you into Galilee.” 26:31-32

“Most certainly  
I tell you  
that tonight,  
before the rooster crows,  
you will deny me three times.” 26:34

“Sit here,  
while I go there and pray.” 26:36

“My soul is exceedingly sorrowful,  
even to death.  
Stay here,  
and watch with me.” 26:38

“My Father,  
if it is possible,  
let this cup pass away from me;  
nevertheless,  
not what I desire,  
but what you desire.” 26:39

“What, couldn’t you watch with me for one hour?  
Watch and pray,  
that you don’t enter into temptation.  
The spirit indeed is willing,  
but the flesh is weak.” 26:40-41





“My Father,  
if this cup can’t pass away from me  
unless I drink it,  
your desire be done.” 26:42

“Sleep on now, and take your rest.  
Behold,  
the hour is at hand,  
and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.  
Arise,  
let’s be going.  
Behold,  
he who betrays me is at hand.” 26:45-46

“Friend,  
why are you here?” 26:50

“Put your sword back into its place,  
for all those who take the sword  
will die by the sword.  
Or do you think that I couldn’t ask my Father,  
and he would  
even now  
send me  
more than twelve legions of angels?  
How then would the Scriptures be fulfilled  
that it must be so?” 26:52-54

“Have you come out as against a robber  
with swords and clubs to seize me?  
I sat daily in the temple teaching,  
and you didn’t arrest me.  
But all this has happened,  
that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled.” 26:55-56

“You have said it.  
Nevertheless,  
I tell you,  
after this

you will see the Son of Man  
sitting at the right hand of Power,  
and coming on the clouds of the sky.” 26:64

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MATTHEW 27

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“So you say.” 27:11

“Eli,  
Eli,  
lima sabachthani?”  
“My God,  
my God,  
why have you forsaken me?” 27:46

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MATTHEW 28

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“Rejoice!” 28:9

“Don’t be afraid.  
Go  
tell my brothers that they should go into Galilee,  
and there they will see me.” 28:10

“All authority has been given to me  
in heaven  
and on earth.  
Go,  
and make disciples  
of all nations,  
baptizing them  
in the name of the Father  
and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit,  
teaching them  
to observe  
all things  
that I commanded you.

Behold,  
I am with you always,  
even to the end of the age.”

28:18-20

THE GOOD NEWS ACCORDING TO *Mark*

CHAPTER 1

“**The time is fulfilled,**  
and the Kingdom of God is at hand!  
Repent, and believe in the Good News.” 1:15

“Come  
after me,  
and I will make you into fishers for men.” 1:17

“Be quiet,  
and come out of him!” 1:25

“Let’s go elsewhere  
into the next towns,  
that I may preach there also,  
because I came out for this reason.” 1:38

“I want to.  
Be made clean.” 1:41

“See you say nothing to anybody,  
but go  
show yourself to the priest,  
and offer for your cleansing  
the things which Moses commanded,  
for a testimony to them.” 1:44

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MARK 2  
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“**Son,**  
your sins are forgiven you.” 2:5

“Why do you reason these things in your hearts?  
Which is easier,  
to tell the paralytic,



‘Your sins are forgiven;’  
or to say, ‘Arise,  
and take up your bed, and walk?’  
But that you may know  
that the Son of Man  
has authority on earth  
to forgive sins”

2:8-10

“I tell you,  
arise,  
take up your mat, and  
go to your house.”

2:11

“Follow me.”

2:14

“Those who are healthy have no need for a physician,  
but those who are sick.  
I came not to call the righteous,  
but sinners to repentance.”

2:17

“Can the groomsmen fast while the bridegroom is with them?  
As long as they have the bridegroom with them, they can’t fast.  
But the days will come  
when the bridegroom will be taken away from them,  
and then will they fast in that day.  
No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment,  
or else the patch shrinks and the new tears away from the old,  
and a worse hole is made.  
No one puts new wine  
into old wineskins,  
or else the new wine will burst the skins,  
and the wine pours out,  
and the skins will be destroyed;  
but they put  
new wine  
into fresh wineskins.”

2:19-22

“Did you never read  
what David did,  
when he had need, and was hungry

– he, and those who were with him?  
How he entered into God’s house  
when Abiathar was high priest,  
and ate the show bread,  
which is not lawful to eat except for the priests,  
and gave also to those who were with him?”

2:25-26

“The Sabbath was made for man,  
not man for the Sabbath.  
Therefore the  
Son of Man  
is lord  
even of the Sabbath.”

2:27-28

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MARK 3

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“Stand up.”

3:3

“Is it lawful on the Sabbath day  
to do good, or to do harm?  
To save a life, or to kill?”

3:4

“Stretch out your hand.”

3:5

“How can Satan cast out Satan?  
If a kingdom is divided against itself,  
that kingdom cannot stand.  
If a house is divided against itself,  
that house cannot stand.  
If Satan has risen up against himself,  
and is divided,  
he can’t stand,  
but has an end.  
But no one can enter into the house of the strong man to plunder,  
unless he first binds the strong man;  
and then he will plunder his house.  
Most certainly  
I tell you,  
all sins of the descendants of man

will be forgiven,  
including their blasphemies with which they may blaspheme;  
but  
whoever  
may blaspheme  
against the Holy Spirit  
never has forgiveness,  
but is guilty  
of an eternal sin”

3:23-29

“Who are my mother and my brothers?”

3:33

“Behold, my mother and my brothers!  
For whoever does the will of God,  
the same is my brother, and my sister, and mother.”

3:34-35

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MARK 4

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**“Listen!**  
Behold,  
the farmer went out to sow,  
and it happened, as he sowed,  
some seed fell by the road,  
and the birds came and devoured it.  
Others fell on the rocky ground,  
where it had little soil,  
and immediately it sprang up,  
because it had no depth of soil.  
When the sun had risen,  
it was scorched;  
and because it had no root,  
it withered away.  
Others fell among the thorns,  
and the thorns grew up,  
and choked it,  
and it yielded no fruit.  
Others fell into the good ground,  
and yielded fruit,  
growing up and increasing.

Some brought forth thirty times,  
some sixty times,  
and some one hundred times as much.”  
“Whoever has ears to hear, let him hear.”

4:3-8, 9

“To you is given  
the mystery  
of the Kingdom of God,  
but to those who are outside,  
all things are done in parables,  
that ‘seeing they may see,  
and not perceive;  
and hearing they may hear,  
and not understand;  
lest perhaps they should turn again,  
and their sins should be forgiven them.’”

4:11-12

“Don’t you understand this parable?  
How will you understand all of the parables?  
The farmer sows the word.  
The ones by the road are the ones  
where the word is sown;  
and when they have heard,  
immediately Satan comes,  
and takes away the word  
which has been sown in them.  
These in the same way are those who are sown on the rocky places,  
who, when they have heard the word,  
immediately receive it with joy.  
They have no root in themselves,  
but are short-lived.  
When oppression or persecution arises  
because of the word,  
immediately they stumble.  
Others are those who are sown among the thorns.  
These are those who have heard the word,  
and the cares of this age,  
and the deceitfulness of riches,  
and the lusts of other things entering in  
choke the word,

and it becomes unfruitful.  
Those which were sown on the good ground  
are those who hear the word,  
and accept it,  
and bear fruit,  
some thirty times,  
some sixty times,  
and some one hundred times.” 4:13-20

“Is the lamp brought to be put under a basket or under a bed?  
Isn’t it put on a stand?  
For there is nothing hidden,  
except that it should be made known;  
neither was anything made secret,  
but that it should come to light.  
If any man has ears to hear, let him hear.” 4:21-23

“Take heed what you hear.  
With whatever measure you measure,  
it will be measured to you,  
and more will be given to you who hear.  
For whoever has,  
to him will more be given,  
and he who doesn’t have,  
even that which he has  
will be taken away from him.” 4:24-25

“The Kingdom of God is as if  
a man should cast seed on the earth,  
and should sleep and rise night and day,  
and the seed should spring up and grow,  
he doesn’t know how.  
For the earth bears fruit:  
first the blade,  
then the ear,  
then the full grain in the ear.  
But when the fruit is ripe,  
immediately he puts forth the sickle,  
because the harvest has come.” 4:26-27



“How will we liken the Kingdom of God?  
Or with what parable will we illustrate it?  
It’s like a grain of mustard seed,  
which, when it is sown in the earth,  
though it is less than  
all the seeds that are on the earth,  
yet when it is sown,  
grows up,  
and becomes greater than all the herbs,  
and puts out great branches,  
so that the birds of the sky can lodge under its shadow.” 4:30-32

“Let’s go over to the other side.” 4:35

“Peace!  
Be still!” 4:39

“Why are you so afraid?  
How is it that you have no faith?” 4:40

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MARK 5  
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“**Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!**” 5:8

“What is your name?” 5:9

“Go  
to your house,  
to your friends,  
and tell them  
what great things  
the Lord has done for you,  
and how he had mercy on you.” 5:19

“Who touched my clothes?” 5:30

“Daughter,  
your faith has made you well.”



Go in peace,  
and be cured  
of your disease.” 5:34

“Don’t be afraid,  
only believe.  
“Why do you make an uproar and weep?  
The child is not dead, but is asleep.” 5:36,39

“Talitha cumi!”  
“Girl,  
I tell you,  
get up!” 5:41

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MARK 6

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“**A prophet is not without honor,**  
except in his own country,  
and among his own relatives,  
and in his own house.” 6:4

“Wherever you enter into a house,  
stay there  
until you depart from there.  
Whoever will not receive you  
nor hear you,  
as you depart from there,  
shake off the dust that is under your feet  
for a testimony against them.  
Assuredly,  
I tell you,  
it will be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrah  
in the day of judgment than for that city!” 6:10-11

“You come apart  
into a deserted place,  
and rest awhile.” 6:31

“You give them something to eat.” 6:37

“How many loaves do you have?  
Go see.” 6:38

“Cheer up!  
It is I!  
Don’t be afraid.” 6:50

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MARK 7

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“**Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written,**  
‘This people honors me with their lips,  
but their heart is far from me.  
But in vain do they worship me,  
teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’ 7:6-7

“For you set aside the commandment of God,  
and hold tightly to the tradition of men –  
the washing of pitchers and cups,  
and you do many other such things.”  
“Full well do you reject the commandment of God,  
that you may keep your tradition.  
For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother;’  
and, ‘He who speaks evil of father or mother,  
let him be put to death.’  
But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother,  
“Whatever profit you might have received from me is Corban,  
that is to say, given to God;”  
then you no longer allow him to do anything  
for his father or his mother,  
making void the word of God  
by your tradition,  
which you have handed down.  
You do many things like this.” 7:8, 9-13

“Hear me,  
all of you,  
and understand.  
There is nothing from outside of the man,  
that going into him

can defile him;  
but the things which proceed out of the man  
are those that defile the man.  
If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear!" 7:14-16

"Are you thus without understanding also?  
Don't you perceive  
that whatever goes into the man from outside  
can't defile him,  
because it doesn't go into his heart,  
but into his stomach,  
then into the latrine, thus purifying all foods?" 7:18-19

"That which proceeds out of the man,  
that defiles the man.  
For from within,  
out of the hearts of men,  
proceed evil thoughts,  
adulteries, sexual sins,  
murders, thefts,  
covetings, wickedness,  
deceit, lustful desires,  
an evil eye,  
blasphemy,  
pride, and foolishness.  
All these evil things come from within,  
and defile the man." 7:20-23

"Let the children be filled first,  
for it is not appropriate to take the children's bread  
and throw it to the dogs." 7:27

"For this saying,  
go your way.  
The demon has gone out of your daughter." 7:29

"Ephphatha!"  
"Be opened!" 7:34

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MARK 8

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**"I have compassion**  
on the multitude,  
because they have stayed with me now three days,  
and have nothing to eat.  
If I send them away fasting to their home,  
they will faint on the way,  
for some of them have come a long way." 8:2-3

"How many loaves do you have?" 8:5

"Why does this generation seek a sign?  
Most certainly  
I tell you,  
no sign will be given to this generation." 8:12

"Take heed:  
beware  
of the yeast of the Pharisees and the yeast of Herod." 8:15

"Why do you reason that it's because you have no bread?  
Don't you perceive yet, neither understand?  
Is your heart still hardened?  
Having eyes,  
don't you see?  
Having ears,  
don't you hear?  
Don't you remember?  
When I broke the five loaves among the five thousand,  
how many baskets full of broken pieces did you take up?" 8:17-19

"When the seven loaves fed the four thousand,  
how many baskets full of broken pieces did you take up?" 8:20

"Don't you understand, yet?" 8:21

"Don't enter into the village,  
nor tell anyone in the village." 8:26



“Who do men say that I am?” 8:27

“But who do you say that I am?” 8:29

“Get behind me, Satan!  
For you have in mind not the things of God,  
but the things of men.” 8:33

“Whoever wants to come after me,  
let him deny himself,  
and take up his cross,  
and follow me.  
For whoever  
wants to save his life  
will lose it;  
and whoever  
will lose his life  
for my sake  
and the sake of the Good News  
will save it.  
For what does it profit a man,  
to gain the whole world,  
and forfeit his life?  
For what will a man give  
in exchange for his life?  
For whoever will be ashamed of me  
and of my words  
in this adulterous and sinful generation,  
the Son of Man also will be ashamed of him,  
when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.” 8:34-38

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MARK 9

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“**Most certainly**  
I tell you,  
there are some standing here who will in no way taste death  
until they see the Kingdom of God come with power.” 9:1

“Elijah indeed comes first, and restores all things.  
How is it written  
about the Son of Man,  
that he should suffer many things  
and be despised?  
But I tell you  
that Elijah has come,  
and they have also done to him whatever they wanted to,  
even as it is written about him.” 9:12-13

“What are you asking them?” 9:16

“Unbelieving generation,  
how long shall I be with you?  
How long shall I bear with you?  
Bring him to me.” 9:19

“How long  
has it been  
since this has come to him?” 9:21

“If you can believe,  
all things are possible to him who believes.” 9:23

“You mute and deaf spirit,  
I command you,  
come out of him,  
and never enter him again!” 9:25

“This kind can come out by nothing,  
except by prayer and fasting.” 9:29

“The Son of Man  
is being handed over to the hands of men,  
and they will kill him;  
and when he is killed,  
on the third day  
he will rise again.” 9:31



“What were you arguing among yourselves on the way?” 9:33

“If any man wants to be first,  
he shall be last of all,  
and servant of all.” 9:35

“Whoever receives one such little child in my name,  
receives me,  
and whoever receives me,  
doesn’t receive me,  
but him who sent me.” 9:37

“Don’t forbid him,  
for there is no one who will do a mighty work in my name,  
and be able quickly to speak evil of me.  
For whoever is not against us is on our side.  
For whoever will give you a cup of water to drink in my name,  
because you are Christ’s,  
most certainly  
I tell you,  
he will in no way lose his reward.  
Whoever  
will cause one of these little ones who believe in me to stumble,  
it would be better for him if he were thrown into the sea  
with a millstone hung around his neck.  
If your hand causes you to stumble,  
cut it off.  
It is better for you to enter into life maimed,  
rather than having your two hands to go into Gehenna,  
into the unquenchable fire,  
‘where their worm doesn’t die, and the fire is not quenched.’  
If your foot causes you to stumble,  
cut it off.  
It is better for you to enter into life lame,  
rather than having your two feet to be cast into Gehenna,  
into the fire that will never be quenched—  
‘where their worm doesn’t die, and the fire is not quenched.’  
If your eye causes you to stumble,  
cast it out.

It is better for you to enter into the Kingdom of God with one eye,  
rather than having two eyes to be cast into the Gehenna of fire,  
‘where their worm doesn’t die, and the fire is not quenched.’  
For everyone will be salted with fire,  
and every sacrifice will be seasoned with salt.  
Salt is good,  
but if the salt has lost its saltiness,  
with what will you season it?  
Have salt in yourselves,  
and be at peace with one another.” 9:39-50

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MARK 10

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**“What did Moses command you?”** 10:3

“For your hardness of heart,  
he wrote you this commandment.  
But from the beginning of the creation,  
God made them male and female.  
For this cause  
a man will leave his father and mother,  
and will join to his wife,  
and the two will become one flesh,  
so that they are no longer two,  
but one flesh.  
What therefore God has joined together,  
let no man separate.” 10:5-9

“Whoever divorces his wife,  
and marries another,  
commits adultery against her.  
If a woman herself divorces her husband,  
and marries another,  
she commits adultery.” 10:11-12

“Allow the little children to come to me!  
Don’t forbid them,  
for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

Most certainly  
I tell you,  
whoever will not receive the Kingdom of God  
like a little child,  
he will in no way enter into it.” 10:14-15

“Why do you call me good?  
No one is good  
except one – God.  
You know the commandments:  
‘Do not murder,’  
‘Do not commit adultery,’  
‘Do not steal,’  
‘Do not give false testimony,’  
‘Do not defraud,’  
‘Honor your father and mother.’” 10:18-19

“One thing you lack.  
Go,  
sell whatever you have,  
and give to the poor,  
and you will have treasure in heaven;  
and come,  
follow me,  
taking up the cross.” 10:21

“How difficult it is for those who have riches  
to enter into the Kingdom of God!” 10:23

“Children,  
how hard is it for those who trust in riches  
to enter into the Kingdom of God!  
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.” 10:24-25

“With men it is impossible,  
but not with God,  
for all things are possible with God.” 10:27

“Most certainly  
I tell you,  
there is no one who has left house,  
or brothers, or sisters,  
or father, or mother,  
or wife, or children,  
or land,  
for my sake, and for the sake of the Good News,  
but he will receive one hundred times more  
now in this time,  
houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children, and land,  
with persecutions;  
and in the age to come eternal life.  
But many who are first will be last;  
and the last first.” 10:29-31

“Behold,  
we are going up to Jerusalem.  
The Son of Man  
will be delivered  
to the chief priests and the scribes.  
They will condemn him to death,  
and will deliver him to the Gentiles.  
They will mock him,  
spit on him,  
scourge him, and kill him.  
On the third day he will rise again.” 10:33-34

“What do you want me to do for you?” 10:36

“You don’t know what you are asking.  
Are you able to drink the cup that I drink,  
and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” 10:38

“You shall indeed drink the cup that I drink,  
and you shall be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with;  
but to sit at my right hand and at my left hand  
is not mine to give,  
but for whom it has been prepared.” 10:39-40



“You know  
that they who are recognized as rulers over the nations  
lord it over them,  
and their great ones exercise authority over them.  
But it shall not be so among you,  
but whoever  
wants  
to become great among you  
shall be your servant.  
Whoever of you  
wants  
to become first among you,  
shall be bondservant of all.  
For the Son of Man  
also came not to be served,  
but to serve,  
and to give his life  
as a ransom for many.” 10:42-45

“Call him.” 10:49

“What do you want me to do for you?” 10:51

“Go your way.  
Your faith has made you well.” 10:52

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MARK 11

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**“Go your way into the village that is opposite you.**  
Immediately as you enter into it,  
you will find a young donkey tied,  
on which no one has sat.  
Untie him, and bring him.  
If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you doing this?’  
say, ‘The Lord needs him;’  
and immediately he will send him back here.” 11:2-3

“May no one ever eat fruit from you again!” 11:14

“Isn’t it written,  
‘My house will be called a house of prayer for all the nations?’  
But you have made it a den of robbers!” 11:17

“Have faith in God.  
For most certainly  
I tell you,  
whoever may tell this mountain,  
‘Be taken up and cast into the sea,’  
and doesn’t doubt in his heart,  
but believes  
that what he says is happening;  
he shall have whatever he says.  
Therefore I tell you,  
all things whatever you pray and ask for,  
believe  
that you have received them,  
and you shall have them.  
Whenever you stand praying,  
forgive,  
if you have anything against anyone;  
so that your Father, who is in heaven,  
may also forgive you your transgressions.  
But if you do not forgive,  
neither will your Father in heaven  
forgive your transgressions.” 11:22-26

“I will ask you one question.  
Answer me,  
and I will tell you  
by what authority  
I do these things.  
The baptism of John –  
was it from heaven,  
or from men?  
Answer me.” 11:29-30

“Neither do I tell you  
by what authority  
I do these things.” 11:33

**“A man planted a vineyard,**

put a hedge around it,  
dug a pit for the winepress,  
built a tower,  
rented it out to a farmer,  
and went into another country.

When it was time,  
he sent a servant to the farmer  
to get from the farmer his share  
of the fruit of the vineyard.  
They took him,  
beat him,  
and sent him away empty.

Again, he sent another servant to them;  
and they threw stones at him,  
wounded him in the head,  
and sent him away shamefully treated.

Again he sent another;  
and they killed him;

and many others,  
beating some,  
and killing some.

Therefore still having one,  
his beloved son,  
he sent him last to them, saying,

‘They will respect my son.’

But those farmers said among themselves,

‘This is the heir.

Come, let’s kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.’

They took him, killed him,  
and cast him out of the vineyard.

What therefore will the lord of the vineyard do?

He will come

and destroy the farmers, and will give the vineyard to others.

Haven’t you even read this Scripture:

‘The stone which the builders rejected,  
the same was made the head of the corner.

This was from the Lord,  
it is marvelous in our eyes?’”

12:1-11

“Why do you test me?

Bring me a denarius, that I may see it.”

12:15

“Whose is this image and inscription?”

12:16

“Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s,  
and to God the things that are God’s.”

12:17

“Isn’t this because you are mistaken,  
not knowing the Scriptures,  
nor the power of God?  
For when they will rise from the dead,  
they neither marry, nor are given in marriage,  
but are like angels in heaven.

But about the dead, that they are raised;  
haven’t you read in the book of Moses,  
about the Bush,

how God spoke to him, saying,

‘I am

the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob’\*?

He is not the God of the dead, but of the living.

You are therefore badly mistaken.”

12:24-27

“The greatest is,

‘Hear, Israel,

the Lord our God,

the Lord is one:

you shall love the Lord your God

with all your heart,

and with all your soul,

and with all your mind,

and with all your strength.’

This is the first commandment.

The second is like this,

‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’

There is no other commandment greater than these.”

12:29-31



“You are not far from the Kingdom of God.” 12:34

“How is it that the scribes say  
that the Christ is the son of David?  
For David himself said in the Holy Spirit,  
‘The Lord said to my Lord,  
‘Sit at my right hand,  
until I make your enemies the footstool of your feet.’”  
Therefore David himself calls him Lord,  
so how can he be his son?” 12:35-37

“Beware of the scribes,  
who like to walk in long robes,  
and to get greetings in the marketplaces,  
and the best seats in the synagogues,  
and the best places at feasts:  
those who devour widows’ houses,  
and for a pretense make long prayers.  
These will receive greater condemnation.” 12:38-40

“Most certainly  
I tell you,  
this poor widow  
gave more than all those who are giving into the treasury,  
for they all gave out of their abundance,  
but she,  
out of her poverty,  
gave all that she had to live on.” 12:43-44

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MARK 13

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“**Do you see these great buildings?**  
There will not be left here one stone on another,  
which will not be thrown down.” 13:2

“Be careful  
that no one leads you astray.  
For many will come

in my name,  
saying,  
‘I am he!’  
and will lead many astray. 13:5-6

“When you hear of wars and rumors of wars,  
don’t be troubled.  
For those must happen,  
but the end is not yet.  
For nation will rise against nation,  
and kingdom against kingdom.  
There will be earthquakes in various places.  
There will be famines and troubles.  
These things are the beginning of birth pains.  
But watch yourselves,  
for they will deliver you up to councils.  
You will be beaten in synagogues.  
You will stand before rulers and kings  
for my sake,  
for a testimony to them.  
The Good News must first be preached to all the nations.  
When they lead you away and deliver you up,  
don’t be anxious beforehand,  
or premeditate what you will say,  
but say whatever will be given you in that hour.  
For it is not you who speak,  
but the Holy Spirit. 13:7-11

“Brother will deliver up brother to death,  
and the father his child.  
Children will rise up against parents,  
and cause them to be put to death.  
You will be hated by all men for my name’s sake,  
but he who endures to the end, the same will be saved.  
But when you see the abomination of desolation,  
spoken of by Daniel the prophet,  
standing where it ought not  
(let the reader understand),  
then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains,

and let him who is on the housetop not go down,  
nor enter in, to take anything out of his house.  
Let him who is in the field not return back to take his cloak.  
But woe to those who are with child  
and to those who nurse babies in those days!  
Pray  
that your flight won't be in the winter.  
For in those days there will be oppression,  
such as there has not been the like from the beginning  
of the creation which God created  
until now,  
and never will be.  
Unless the Lord had shortened the days,  
no flesh would have been saved;  
but for the sake of the chosen ones, whom he picked out,  
he shortened the days.  
Then if anyone tells you,  
'Look,  
here is the Christ!'  
or,  
'Look,  
there!'  
don't  
believe it.  
For there will arise false christs and false prophets,  
and will show signs and wonders,  
that they may lead astray,  
if possible,  
even the chosen ones.  
But you watch.

13:12-23

"Behold, I have told you all things beforehand.  
But in those days, after that oppression,  
the sun will be darkened, the moon will not give its light,  
the stars will be falling from the sky,  
and the powers that are in the heavens will be shaken.  
Then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds  
with great power and glory.  
Then he will send out his angels,

and will gather together his chosen ones  
from the four winds, from the ends of the earth  
to the ends of the sky.

13:23-27

"Now from the fig tree, learn this parable.  
When the branch has now become tender, and puts forth its leaves,  
you know that the summer is near;  
even so you also, when you see these things coming to pass,  
know that it is near, at the doors.  
Most certainly  
I say to you,  
this generation will not pass away  
until all these things happen.  
Heaven and earth will pass away,  
but my words will not pass away.  
But of that day or that hour no one knows,  
not even the angels in heaven,  
nor the Son,  
but only the Father.  
Watch,  
keep alert, and  
pray;  
for you don't know when the time is.

13:28-33

"It is like a man, traveling to another country,  
having left his house, and given authority to his servants,  
and to each one his work,  
and also commanded the doorkeeper to keep watch.  
Watch therefore,  
for you don't know  
when the lord of the house is coming,  
whether at evening, or at midnight,  
or when the rooster crows, or in the morning;  
lest coming suddenly he might find you sleeping.  
What I tell you,  
I tell all:  
Watch."

13:34-37

**“Leave her alone.**

Why do you trouble her?  
 She has done a good work for me.  
 For you always have the poor with you,  
 and whenever you want to, you can do them good;  
 but you will not always have me.  
 She has done what she could.  
 She has anointed my body beforehand for the burying.  
 Most certainly  
 I tell you,  
 wherever this Good News may be preached  
 throughout the whole world,  
 that which this woman has done  
 will also be spoken of for a memorial of her.”

14:6-9

“Go into the city,  
 and there you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water.  
 Follow him, and wherever he enters in, tell the master of the house,  
 ‘The Teacher says,  
 “Where is the guest room,  
 where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?”’  
 He will himself show you a large upper room furnished and ready.  
 Get ready for us there.”

14:13-15

“Most certainly  
 I tell you,  
 one of you will betray me—  
 he who eats with me.”

14:18

“It is one of the twelve,  
 he who dips with me in the dish.  
 For the Son of Man goes, even as it is written about him,  
 but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed!  
 It would be better for that man if he had not been born.”

14:20-21

“Take, eat. This is my body.”

14:22

“This is my blood of the new covenant,  
 which is poured out for many.  
 Most certainly  
 I tell you,  
 I will no more drink of the fruit of the vine,  
 until that day when I drink it anew in the Kingdom of God.”

14:24-25

“All of you will be made to stumble because of me tonight,  
 for it is written,  
 ‘I will strike the shepherd,  
 and the sheep will be scattered.’  
 However, after I am raised up,  
 I will go before you into Galilee.”

14:27-28

“Most certainly  
 I tell you,  
 that you today, even this night,  
 before the rooster crows twice,  
 you will deny me three times.”

14:30

“Sit here, while I pray.”

14:32

“My soul is exceedingly sorrowful,  
 even to death.  
 Stay here, and watch.”

14:34

“Abba, Father,  
 all things are possible to you.  
 Please remove this cup from me.  
 However, not what I desire,  
 but what you desire.”

14:36

“Simon,  
 are you sleeping?  
 Couldn’t you watch one hour?  
 Watch  
 and pray,  
 that you may not enter into temptation.  
 The spirit indeed is willing,  
 but the flesh is weak.”

14:37-38



“Sleep on now, and take your rest.

It is enough.

The hour has come.

Behold,  
the Son of Man is betrayed  
into the hands of sinners.

Arise,  
let us be going.

Behold,  
he who betrays me is at hand.”

14:41-42

“Have you come out, as against a robber,  
with swords and clubs to seize me?

I was daily with you  
in the temple teaching, and you didn’t arrest me.  
But this is so that the Scriptures might be fulfilled.”

14:48-49

“I am.

You will see the Son of Man  
sitting at the right hand of Power,  
and coming with the clouds of the sky.”

14:62

“Before the rooster crows twice,  
you will deny me  
three times.”

14:72

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MARK 15

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“So you say.”

15:2

“Eloi,  
Eloi,  
lama sabachthani?”

“My God,  
my God,  
why have you forsaken me?”

15:34

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MARK 16

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“Go into all the world,

and preach the Good News to the whole creation.

He who believes and is baptized will be saved;  
but he who disbelieves will be condemned.

These signs will accompany those who believe:

in my name they will cast out demons;

they will speak with new languages;

they will take up serpents;

and if they drink any deadly thing,

it will in no way hurt them;

they will lay hands on the sick,

and they will recover.”

16:15-18





## CHAPTER 2

**“Why were you looking for me?”**

Didn't you know that  
I must be in my Father's house?" 2:49

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 LUKE 4
 

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**“It is written,**

‘Man shall not live by bread alone,  
but by every word of God.’” 4:4

“Get behind me Satan!

For it is written,  
‘You shall worship the Lord your God,  
and you shall serve him only.’” 4:8

“It has been said,  
‘You shall not tempt the Lord your God.’” 4:12

“The Spirit of the Lord is on me,  
because he has anointed me  
to preach good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to heal the brokenhearted,  
to proclaim release to the captives,  
recovering of sight to the blind,  
to deliver those who are crushed,  
and to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.” 4:18-19

“Today, this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” 4:21

“Doubtless you will tell me this parable,  
‘Physician, heal yourself!  
Whatever we have heard done at Capernaum,  
do also here in your hometown.’” 4:23

“Most certainly  
I tell you,  
no prophet is acceptable in his hometown.  
But truly  
I tell you,  
there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah,  
when the sky was shut up three years and six months,  
when a great famine came over all the land.  
Elijah was sent to none of them,  
except to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon,  
to a woman who was a widow.  
There were many lepers in Israel  
in the time of Elisha the prophet,  
yet not one of them was cleansed,  
except Naaman, the Syrian.” 4:24-27

“Be silent,  
and come out of him!” 4:35

“I must preach the good news of the Kingdom of God  
to the other cities also.  
For this reason I have been sent.” 4:43

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 LUKE 5
 

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**“Put out into the deep,**  
and let down your nets for a catch.” 5:4

“Don't be afraid.  
From now on you will be catching people alive.” 5:10

“I want to.  
Be made clean.” 5:13

“But go your way,  
and show yourself to the priest,  
and offer for your cleansing according to what Moses commanded,  
for a testimony to them.” 5:14



“Man,  
your sins are forgiven you.” 5:20

“Why are you reasoning so in your hearts?  
Which is easier to say,  
‘Your sins are forgiven you;’  
or to say, ‘Arise and walk?’  
But that you may know that  
the Son of Man  
has authority on earth  
to forgive sins”...  
“I tell you,  
arise,  
and take up your cot,  
and go to your house.” 5:22-24

“Follow me!” 5:27

“Those who are healthy have no need for a physician,  
but those who are sick do.  
I have not come to call the righteous,  
but sinners to repentance.” 5:31-32

“Can you make the friends of the bridegroom fast,  
while the bridegroom is with them?  
But the days will come  
when the bridegroom will be taken away from them.  
Then they will fast in those days.” 5:34-35

“No one puts a piece from a new garment  
on an old garment,  
or else he will tear the new,  
and also the piece from the new will not match the old.  
No one puts new wine into old wineskins,  
or else the new wine will burst the skins,  
and it will be spilled, and the skins will be destroyed.  
But new wine must be put into fresh wineskins,  
and both are preserved.

No man having drunk old wine immediately desires new,  
for he says, ‘The old is better.’” 5:36-39

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LUKE 6

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“**Haven’t you read what David did**  
when he was hungry, he, and those who were with him;  
how he entered into God’s house,  
and took and ate the show bread,  
and gave also to those who were with him,  
which is not lawful to eat except for the priests alone?”  
“The Son of Man is lord of the Sabbath.” 6:3-4,5

“Rise up, and stand in the middle.” 6:8

“I will ask you something: Is it lawful on the Sabbath  
to do good, or to do harm?  
To save a life, or to kill?” 6:9

“Stretch out your hand.” 6:10

“Blessed are you who are poor,  
for yours is the Kingdom of God.  
Blessed are you who hunger now,  
for you will be filled.  
Blessed are you who weep now,  
for you will laugh.  
Blessed are you when men shall hate you,  
and when they shall exclude and mock you,  
and throw out your name as evil,  
for the Son of Man’s sake.  
Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy,  
for behold,  
your reward is great in heaven,  
for their fathers did the same thing to the prophets.  
“But woe to you who are rich!  
For you have received your consolation.  
Woe to you, you who are full now,  
for you will be hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now,  
for you will mourn and weep.  
Woe when men speak well of you,  
for their fathers did the same thing to the false prophets. 6:20-26

“But I tell you who hear:  
love your enemies,  
do good to those who hate you,  
bless those who curse you,  
and pray for those who mistreat you.  
To him who strikes you on the cheek,  
offer also the other;  
and from him who takes away your cloak,  
don’t withhold your coat also.  
Give to everyone who asks you,  
and don’t ask him who takes away your goods  
to give them back again. 6:27-30

“As you would like people to do to you, do exactly so to them.  
If you love those who love you,  
what credit is that to you?  
For even sinners love those who love them.  
If you do good to those who do good to you,  
what credit is that to you?  
For even sinners do the same.  
If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive,  
what credit is that to you?  
Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive back as much.  
But love your enemies,  
and do good, and lend,  
expecting nothing back;  
and your reward will be great,  
and you will be children of the Most High;  
for he is kind toward the unthankful and evil. 6:31-35

“Therefore be merciful,  
even as your Father is also merciful.  
Don’t judge,  
and you won’t be judged.

Don’t condemn,  
and you won’t be condemned.  
Set free,  
and you will be set free. 6:36-37

“Give,  
and it will be given to you:  
good measure,  
pressed down,  
shaken together,  
and running over,  
will be given to you.  
For with the same measure you measure  
it will be measured back to you.” 6:38

“Can the blind guide the blind?  
Won’t they both fall into a pit?  
A disciple is not above his teacher,  
but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher.  
Why do you see the speck of chaff that is in your brother’s eye,  
but don’t consider the beam that is in your own eye?  
Or how can you tell your brother,  
‘Brother, let me remove the speck of chaff that is in your eye,’  
when you yourself don’t see the beam that is in your own eye?  
You hypocrite!  
First remove the beam from your own eye,  
and then you can see clearly  
to remove the speck of chaff that is in your brother’s eye.  
For there is no good tree that brings forth rotten fruit;  
nor again a rotten tree that brings forth good fruit.  
For each tree is known by its own fruit.  
For people don’t gather figs from thorns,  
nor do they gather grapes from a bramble bush.  
The good man out of the good treasure of his heart  
brings out that which is good,  
and the evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart  
brings out that which is evil,  
for out of the abundance of the heart,  
his mouth speaks. 6:39-45



“Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and don’t do the things which I say?  
Everyone who comes to me, and hears my words, and does them,  
I will show you who he is like.  
He is like a man building a house, who dug and went deep,  
and laid a foundation on the rock.  
When a flood arose, the stream broke against that house,  
and could not shake it, because it was founded on the rock.  
But he who hears, and doesn’t do,  
is like a man who built a house on the earth without a foundation,  
against which the stream broke,  
and immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great.” 6:46-49

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LUKE 7

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“I tell you,  
I have not found such great faith, no, not in Israel.” 7:9

“Don’t cry.” 7:13

“Young man,  
I tell you,  
arise!” 7:14

“Go  
and tell John  
the things  
which you have seen and heard:  
that the blind receive their sight,  
the lame walk,  
the lepers are cleansed,  
the deaf hear,  
the dead are raised up,  
and the poor have good news preached to them.  
Blessed is he  
who finds no occasion for stumbling  
in me.” 7:22-23

“What did you go out into the wilderness to see?  
A reed shaken by the wind?

But what did you go out to see?  
A man clothed in soft clothing?  
Behold, those who are gorgeously dressed,  
and live delicately, are in kings’ courts.  
But what did you go out to see?  
A prophet?  
Yes, I tell you,  
and much more than a prophet.  
This is he of whom it is written,  
‘Behold, I send my messenger before your face,  
who will prepare your way before you.’

“For I tell you,  
among those who are born of women  
there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptizer,  
yet he who is least in the Kingdom of God  
is greater than he.” 7:24-28

“To what then will I liken the people of this generation?

What are they like?  
They are like children  
who sit in the marketplace,  
and call one to another, saying,  
‘We piped to you,  
and you didn’t dance.

We mourned,  
and you didn’t weep.’  
For John the Baptizer came  
neither eating bread nor drinking wine,  
and you say, ‘He has a demon.’

The Son of Man has come  
eating and drinking,  
and you say,  
‘Behold, a gluttonous man, and a drunkard;  
a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’  
Wisdom is justified by all her children.” 7:31-35

“Simon,  
I have something to tell you.” 7:40

“A certain lender had two debtors.  
The one owed five hundred denarii,  
and the other fifty.  
When they couldn’t pay,  
he forgave them both.  
Which of them therefore will love him most?”

7:41-42

“You have judged correctly.”

7:43

“Do you see this woman?  
I entered into your house,  
and you gave me no water for my feet,  
but she has wet my feet with her tears,  
and wiped them with the hair of her head.  
You gave me no kiss,  
but she,  
since the time I came in, has not ceased to kiss my feet.  
You didn’t anoint my head with oil,  
but she has anointed my feet with ointment.  
Therefore I tell you,  
her sins, which are many, are forgiven,  
for she loved much.  
But to whom little is forgiven,  
the same loves little.”

7:44-47

“Your sins are forgiven.”

7:48

“Your faith has saved you.  
Go in peace.”

7:50

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LUKE 8

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**“The farmer went out to sow his seed.**

As he sowed, some fell along the road,  
and it was trampled under foot,  
and the birds of the sky devoured it.  
Other seed fell on the rock,  
and as soon as it grew,  
it withered away,

because it had no moisture.  
Other fell amid the thorns,  
and the thorns grew with it,  
and choked it.  
Other fell into the good ground,  
and grew, and brought forth fruit  
one hundred times...  
He who has ears to hear, let him hear!”

8:5-8

“To you it is given  
to know the mysteries  
of the Kingdom of God,  
but to the rest in parables;  
that ‘seeing  
they may not see,  
and hearing  
they may not understand.’  
Now the parable is this:  
The seed is the word of God.  
Those along the road  
are those who hear,  
then the devil comes,  
and takes away the word from their heart,  
that they may not believe and be saved.  
Those on the rock  
are they who,  
when they hear,  
receive the word with joy;  
but these have no root,  
who believe for a while,  
then fall away in time of temptation.  
That which fell among the thorns,  
these are those who have heard,  
and as they go on their way  
they are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life,  
bring no fruit to maturity.  
That in the good ground,  
these are such as in an honest and good heart,  
having heard the word,  
hold it tightly,

and bring forth fruit with patience. 8:10-15

“No one, when he has lit a lamp,  
covers it with a container,  
or puts it under a bed;  
but puts it on a stand,  
that those who enter in may see the light.  
For nothing is hidden, that will not be revealed;  
nor anything secret, that will not be known and come to light.  
Be careful therefore how you hear.  
For whoever has, to him will be given;  
and whoever doesn't have, from him will be taken away  
even that which he thinks he has.” 8:16-18

“My mother and my brothers  
are these  
who hear the word of God,  
and do it.” 8:21

“Let's go over to the other side  
of the lake.” 8:22

“Where is your faith?” 8:25

“What is your name?” 8:30

“Return to your house,  
and declare what great things God has done for you.” 8:39

“Who touched me?”...  
'Who touched me?'" 8:45

“Someone did touch me,  
for I perceived that power has gone out of me.” 8:46

“Daughter,  
cheer up.  
Your faith has made you well.  
Go in peace.” 8:48

“Don't be afraid.

Only believe,  
and she will be healed.” 8:50

“Don't weep.  
She isn't dead,  
but sleeping.” 8:52

“Child,  
arise!” 8:54

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LUKE 9

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“**Take nothing for your journey** –  
neither staffs, nor wallet, nor bread, nor money;  
neither have two coats apiece.  
Into whatever house you enter,  
stay there, and depart from there.  
As many as don't receive you,  
when you depart from that city,  
shake off even the dust from your feet  
for a testimony against them.” 9:3-5

“You give them something to eat.” 9:13

“Make them sit down in groups of about fifty each.” 9:14

“Who do the multitudes say that I am?” 9:18

“But who do you say that I am?” 9:20

“The Son of Man  
must suffer many things, and  
be rejected by the elders, chief priests, and scribes, and  
be killed,  
and the third day  
be raised up.” 9:22

“If anyone desires to come after me,  
let him deny himself,  
take up his cross,  
and follow me.  
For whoever  
desires to save his life  
will lose it,  
but whoever will lose his life  
for my sake,  
the same will save it.  
For what does it profit a man  
if he gains the whole world,  
and loses or forfeits his own self?  
For whoever will be ashamed of me  
and of my words,  
of him will the Son of Man be ashamed,  
when he comes in his glory,  
and the glory of the Father,  
and of the holy angels.  
But I tell you the truth:  
There are some of those who stand here,  
who will in no way taste of death,  
until they see the Kingdom of God.”

9:23-27

“Faithless and perverse generation,  
how long shall I be with you and bear with you?  
Bring your son here.”

9:41

“Let these words  
sink into your ears,  
for the Son of Man  
will be delivered up into the hands of men.”

9:44

“Whoever receives this little child in my name  
receives me.  
Whoever receives me  
receives him who sent me.  
For whoever is least among you all,  
this one will be great.”

9:48

“Don’t forbid him,  
for he who is not against us  
is for us.”

9:50

“You don’t know of what kind of spirit you are.  
For the Son of Man didn’t come to destroy men’s lives,  
but to save them.”

9:55-56

“The foxes have holes,  
and the birds of the sky have nests,  
but the Son of Man  
has no place to lay his head.”

9:58

“Follow me!”

9:59

“Leave the dead to bury their own dead,  
but you go  
and announce the Kingdom of God.”

9:60

“No one,  
having put his hand to the plow,  
and looking back,  
is fit for the Kingdom of God.”

9:62

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LUKE 10

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**“The harvest is indeed plentiful,**  
but the laborers are few.  
Pray therefore to the Lord of the harvest,  
that he may send out laborers into his harvest.  
Go your ways.  
Behold,  
I send you out as lambs among wolves.  
Carry no purse, nor wallet, nor sandals.  
Greet no one on the way.  
Into whatever house you enter,  
first say, ‘Peace be to this house.’  
If a son of peace is there,  
your peace will rest on him;



but if not, it will return to you.  
Remain in that same house,  
eating and drinking the things they give,  
for the laborer is worthy of his wages.  
Don't go from house to house.  
Into whatever city you enter, and they receive you,  
eat the things that are set before you.  
Heal the sick who are therein,  
and tell them, 'The Kingdom of God has come near to you.'  
But into whatever city you enter, and they don't receive you,  
go out into its streets and say,  
'Even the dust from your city that clings to us,  
we wipe off against you.  
Nevertheless know this,  
that the Kingdom of God  
has come near to you.'  
I tell you,  
it will be more tolerable in that day for Sodom  
than for that city.

10:2-12

"Woe to you, Chorazin!  
Woe to you, Bethsaida!  
For if the mighty works had been done in Tyre and Sidon  
which were done in you,  
they would have repented long ago,  
sitting in sackcloth and ashes.  
But it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon  
in the judgment than for you.  
You, Capernaum,  
who are exalted to heaven,  
will be brought down to Hades.  
Whoever listens to you  
listens to me,  
and whoever rejects you  
rejects me.  
Whoever rejects me  
rejects him who sent me."

10:13-16

"I saw Satan having fallen like lightning from heaven.

Behold,  
I give you authority  
to tread on serpents and scorpions,  
and over all the power of the enemy.  
Nothing will in any way hurt you.  
Nevertheless,  
don't rejoice in this,  
that the spirits are subject to you,  
but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

10:18-20

"I thank you, O Father,  
Lord of heaven and earth,  
that you have hidden these things  
from the wise and understanding,  
and revealed them to little children.  
Yes,  
Father,  
for so it was well-pleasing in your sight."

10:21

"All things  
have been delivered to me by my Father.  
No one knows who the Son is,  
except the Father,  
and who the Father is,  
except the Son,  
and he  
to whomever the Son desires to reveal him."

10:22

"Blessed are the eyes which see  
the things that you see,  
for I tell you  
that many prophets and kings  
desired to see the things which you see,  
and didn't see them,  
and to hear the things which you hear,  
and didn't hear them."

10:23-24

"What is written in the law?  
How do you read it?"

10:26





“You have answered correctly.  
Do this,  
and you will live.”

10:28

“A certain man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho,  
and he fell among robbers,  
who both stripped him and beat him,  
and departed,  
leaving him half dead.  
By chance a certain priest was going down that way.  
When he saw him,  
he passed by on the other side.  
In the same way a Levite also, when he came to the place,  
and saw him,  
passed by on the other side.  
But a certain Samaritan, as he traveled, came where he was.  
When he saw him,  
he was moved with compassion,  
came to him,  
and bound up his wounds,  
pouring on oil and wine.  
He set him on his own animal,  
and brought him to an inn,  
and took care of him.  
On the next day, when he departed,  
he took out two denarii, and gave them to the host,  
and said to him, ‘Take care of him.  
Whatever you spend beyond that,  
I will repay you when I return.’  
Now which of these three do you think  
seemed to be a neighbor to him  
who fell among the robbers?”

10:30-36

“Go and do likewise.”

10:37

“Martha,  
Martha,  
you are anxious and troubled  
about many things,

but one thing is needed.  
Mary has chosen the good part,  
which will not be taken away from her.”

10:41-42

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LUKE 11

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**“When you pray, say,**

‘Our Father in heaven,  
may your name be kept holy.  
May your Kingdom come.  
May your will be done on earth,  
as it is in heaven.  
Give us day by day our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
for we ourselves also forgive everyone who is indebted to us.  
Bring us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from the evil one.’”

11:2-4

“Which of you, if you go to a friend  
at midnight, and tell him,  
‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread,  
for a friend of mine has come to me from a journey,  
and I have nothing to set before him,’  
and he from within will answer and say,  
‘Don’t bother me.  
The door is now shut,  
and my children are with me in bed.  
I can’t get up and give it to you?’  
I tell you,  
although he will not rise and give it to him  
because he is his friend,  
yet because of his persistence,  
he will get up  
and give him  
as many as he needs.

11:5-8

“I tell you,  
keep asking, and it will be given you.  
Keep seeking, and you will find.



Keep knocking, and it will be opened to you.  
For everyone who asks receives.  
He who seeks finds.  
To him who knocks it will be opened. 11:9-10

“Which of you fathers,  
if your son asks for bread,  
will give him a stone?  
Or if he asks for a fish,  
he won’t give him a snake instead of a fish, will he?  
Or if he asks for an egg,  
he won’t give him a scorpion, will he?  
If you then, being evil,  
know how to give good gifts to your children,  
how much more will your heavenly Father  
give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?” 11:11-13

“Every kingdom divided against itself is  
brought to desolation.  
A house divided against itself  
falls.  
If Satan also is divided against himself,  
how will his kingdom stand?  
For you say that I cast out demons by Beelzebul.  
But if I cast out demons by Beelzebul,  
by whom do your children cast them out?  
Therefore will they be your judges.  
But if I by the finger of God cast out demons,  
then the Kingdom of God has come to you. 11:17-20

“When the strong man,  
fully armed,  
guards his own dwelling, his goods are safe.  
But when someone stronger attacks him and overcomes him,  
he takes from him his whole armor  
in which he trusted,  
and divides his spoils. 11:21-22

“He that is not with me is against me.  
He who doesn’t gather with me scatters.

The unclean spirit, when he has gone out of the man,  
passes through dry places, seeking rest, and finding none,  
he says, ‘I will turn back to my house from which I came out.’  
When he returns,  
he finds it swept and put in order.  
Then he goes, and takes seven other spirits  
more evil than himself,  
and they enter in and dwell there.  
The last state of that man  
becomes worse than the first.” 11:23-26

“On the contrary,  
blessed are those  
who hear the word of God,  
and keep it.” 11:28

“This is an evil generation.  
It seeks after a sign.  
No sign will be given to it  
but the sign of Jonah, the prophet.  
For even as Jonah became a sign to the Ninevites,  
so will also  
the Son of Man be  
to this generation.  
The Queen of the South  
will rise up in the judgment  
with the men of this generation,  
and will condemn them:  
for she came from the ends of the earth  
to hear the wisdom of Solomon;  
and behold,  
one greater  
than Solomon is here.  
The men of Nineveh will stand up in the judgment with this generation,  
and will condemn it:  
for they repented at the preaching of Jonah,  
and behold,  
one greater  
than Jonah is here. 11:29-32



“No one, when he has lit a lamp,  
puts it in a cellar or under a basket,  
but on a stand,  
that those who come in may see the light.  
The lamp of the body is the eye.  
Therefore when your eye is good,  
your whole body is also full of light;  
but when it is evil,  
your body also is full of darkness.  
Therefore see  
whether the light that is in you isn’t darkness.  
If therefore your whole body is full of light,  
having no part dark,  
it will be wholly full of light,  
as when the lamp with its bright shining gives you light.” 11:33-36

“Now you Pharisees cleanse the outside of the cup and of the platter,  
but your inward part is full of extortion and wickedness.  
You foolish ones,  
didn’t he who made the outside make the inside also?  
But give for gifts to the needy those things which are within,  
and behold, all things will be clean to you.  
But woe to you Pharisees!  
For you tithe mint and rue and every herb,  
but you bypass justice and the love of God.  
You ought to have done these,  
and not to have left the other undone.  
Woe to you Pharisees!  
For you love the best seats in the synagogues,  
and the greetings in the marketplaces.  
Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!  
For you are like hidden graves,  
and the men who walk over them don’t know it.” 11:37-44

“Woe to you lawyers also!  
For you load men with burdens  
that are difficult to carry,  
and you yourselves won’t even lift one finger  
to help carry those burdens.  
Woe to you!

For you build the tombs of the prophets,  
and your fathers killed them.  
So you testify and consent to the works of your fathers.  
For they killed them, and you build their tombs.  
Therefore also the wisdom of God said,  
‘I will send to them prophets and apostles;  
and some of them they will kill and persecute,  
that the blood of all the prophets,  
which was shed from the foundation of the world,  
may be required of this generation;  
from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zachariah,  
who perished between the altar and the sanctuary.’  
Yes, I tell you, it will be required of this generation.  
Woe to you lawyers!  
For you took away the key of knowledge.  
You didn’t enter in yourselves,  
and those who were entering in, you hindered.” 11:46-52

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LUKE 12

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“**Beware of the yeast of the Pharisees,**  
which is hypocrisy.  
But there is nothing covered up,  
that will not be revealed,  
nor hidden,  
that will not be known.  
Therefore whatever you have said in the darkness  
will be heard in the light.  
What you have spoken in the ear in the inner rooms  
will be proclaimed on the housetops.” 12:1-3

“I tell you,  
my friends,  
don’t be afraid  
of those who kill the body,  
and after that have no more that they can do.  
But I will warn you whom you should fear.  
Fear him,  
who after he has killed,

has power to cast into Gehenna.

Yes,

I tell you,

fear him.

12:4-5

“Aren’t five sparrows sold for two assaria coins?  
Not one of them is forgotten by God.  
But the very hairs of your head are all numbered.  
Therefore don’t be afraid.  
You are of more value than many sparrows.

12:6-7

“I tell you,  
everyone who confesses me before men,  
him will the Son of Man  
also confess  
before the angels of God;  
but he who denies me in the presence of men  
will be denied  
in the presence of the angels of God.  
Everyone who speaks a word  
against the Son of Man  
will be forgiven,  
but those who blaspheme against the Holy Spirit  
will not be forgiven.  
When they bring you  
before the synagogues, the rulers, and the authorities,  
don’t be anxious  
how or what you will answer,  
or what you will say;  
for the Holy Spirit will teach you  
in that same hour  
what you must say.”

12:8-12

“Man, who made me a judge or an arbitrator over you?”

12:14

“Beware!  
Keep yourselves from covetousness,  
for a man’s life  
doesn’t consist  
of the abundance of the things which he possesses.”

12:15

“The ground of a certain rich man brought forth abundantly.

He reasoned within himself, saying,

‘What will I do,  
because I don’t have room to store my crops?’

He said,

‘This is what I will do.

I will pull down my barns,

and build bigger ones,

and there I will store all my grain and my goods.

I will tell my soul,

“Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years.

Take your ease,

eat, drink, be merry.”

12:16-19

“But God said to him,

‘You foolish one,

tonight

your soul is required of you.

The things which you have prepared—

whose will they be?’

So is he who lays up treasure for himself,

and is not rich toward God.”

12:20-21

“Therefore I tell you,  
don’t be anxious for your life,  
what you will eat,  
nor yet for your body,  
what you will wear.  
Life is more than food,  
and the body is more than clothing.  
Consider the ravens:  
they don’t sow, they don’t reap,  
they have no warehouse or barn,  
and God feeds them.  
How much more valuable are you than birds!  
Which of you  
by being anxious  
can add a cubit to his height?  
If then you aren’t able to do  
even the least things,



why are you anxious about the rest?  
Consider the lilies, how they grow.  
They don't toil, neither do they spin;  
yet I tell you,  
even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.  
But if this is how God clothes the grass in the field,  
which today exists,  
and tomorrow is cast into the oven,  
how much more will he clothe you,  
O you of little faith?  
Don't seek  
what you will eat or what you will drink;  
neither be anxious.  
For the nations of the world seek after all of these things,  
but your Father knows  
that you need these things.  
But seek God's Kingdom,  
and all these things  
will be added to you.  
Don't be afraid,  
little flock,  
for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom.  
Sell that which you have,  
and give gifts to the needy.  
Make for yourselves purses which don't grow old,  
a treasure in the heavens that doesn't fail,  
where no thief approaches,  
neither moth destroys.  
For where your treasure is,  
there will your heart be also.

12:22-34

"Let your waist be dressed  
and your lamps burning.  
Be like men watching for their lord,  
when he returns from the marriage feast;  
that, when he comes and knocks,  
they may immediately open to him.  
Blessed are those servants,  
whom the lord will find watching when he comes.

Most certainly  
I tell you,  
that he will dress himself,  
and make them recline,  
and will come and serve them.  
They will be blessed  
if he comes in the second or third watch,  
and finds them so.  
But know this,  
that if the master of the house had known  
in what hour the thief was coming,  
he would have watched,  
and not allowed his house to be broken into.  
Therefore be ready also,  
for the Son of Man  
is coming  
in an hour that you don't expect him."

12:35-40

"Who then is the faithful and wise steward,  
whom his lord will set over his household,  
to give them their portion of food at the right times?  
Blessed is that servant  
whom his lord will find doing so when he comes.  
Truly I tell you,  
that he will set him over all that he has.  
But if that servant says in his heart,  
'My lord delays his coming,'  
and begins to beat the menservants and the maidservants,  
and to eat and drink, and to be drunken,  
then the lord of that servant will come in a day  
when he isn't expecting him, and in an hour that he doesn't know,  
and will cut him in two,  
and place his portion with the unfaithful.  
That servant, who knew his lord's will,  
and didn't prepare,  
nor do what he wanted,  
will be beaten with many stripes,  
but he who didn't know,  
and did things worthy of stripes,



will be beaten with few stripes.  
To whomever much is given,  
of him will much be required;  
and to whom much was entrusted,  
of him more will be asked.

12:42-48

“I came to throw fire on the earth.  
I wish it were already kindled.  
But I have a baptism to be baptized with,  
and how distressed I am until it is accomplished!  
Do you think that I have come to give peace in the earth?  
I tell you, no,  
but rather division.  
For from now on,  
there will be five in one house divided,  
three against two,  
and two against three.  
They will be divided,  
father against son,  
and son against father;  
mother against daughter,  
and daughter against her mother;  
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law,  
and daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law.”

12:49-53

“When you see a cloud rising from the west,  
immediately you say, ‘A shower is coming,’ and so it happens.  
When a south wind blows, you say, ‘There will be a scorching heat,’  
and it happens.  
You hypocrites!  
You know how to interpret  
the appearance of the earth and the sky,  
but how is it that you don’t interpret this time?  
Why don’t you judge for yourselves what is right?  
For when you are going with your adversary before the magistrate,  
try diligently  
on the way to be released from him,  
lest perhaps he drag you to the judge,  
and the judge deliver you to the officer,

and the officer throw you into prison.  
I tell you,  
you will by no means get out of there,  
until you have paid the very last penny.”

12:54-59

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LUKE 13

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“**Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners**  
than all the other Galileans, because they suffered such things?  
I tell you, no,  
but unless you repent,  
you will all perish in the same way.  
Or those eighteen,  
on whom the tower in Siloam fell,  
and killed them;  
do you think that they were worse offenders  
than all the men who dwell in Jerusalem?  
I tell you, no,  
but, unless you repent, you will all perish in the same way.”

13:2-5

“A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard,  
and he came seeking fruit on it,  
and found none.  
He said to the vine dresser,  
‘Behold, these three years  
I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree,  
and found none.  
Cut it down.  
Why does it waste the soil?’  
He answered, ‘Lord, leave it alone this year also,  
until I dig around it, and fertilize it.  
If it bears fruit, fine;  
but if not, after that, you can cut it down.’”

13:6-9

“Woman, you are freed from your infirmity.”

13:12

“You hypocrites!  
Doesn’t each one of you free his ox or his donkey from the stall

on the Sabbath,  
and lead him away to water?  
Ought not this woman,  
being a daughter of Abraham,  
whom Satan had bound eighteen long years,  
be freed  
from this bondage on the Sabbath day?"

13:15-16

"What is the Kingdom of God like?  
To what shall I compare it?  
It is like a grain of mustard seed,  
which a man took, and put in his own garden.  
It grew, and became a large tree,  
and the birds of the sky lodged in its branches."

13:18-19

"To what shall I compare the Kingdom of God?  
It is like yeast,  
which a woman took and hid in three measures of flour,  
until it was all leavened."

13:20-21

"Strive to enter in by the narrow door,  
for many,  
I tell you,  
will seek to enter in,  
and will not be able.  
When once the master of the house has risen up, and has shut the door,  
and you begin to stand outside, and to knock at the door, saying,  
'Lord, Lord, open to us!'  
then he will answer and tell you,  
'I don't know you or where you come from.'  
Then you will begin to say,  
'We ate and drank in your presence,  
and you taught in our streets.'  
He will say, 'I tell you,  
I don't know where you come from.  
Depart from me, all you workers of iniquity.'  
There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth,  
when you see Abraham, Isaac, Jacob,  
and all the prophets, in the Kingdom of God,

and yourselves being thrown outside.  
They will come from the east, west, north, and south,  
and will sit down in the Kingdom of God.  
Behold,  
there are some who are last  
who will be first,  
and there are some who are first  
who will be last."

13:24-30

"Go and tell that fox,  
'Behold,  
I cast out demons  
and perform cures today  
and tomorrow,  
and the third day  
I complete my mission.  
Nevertheless  
I must go on my way  
today  
and tomorrow  
and the next day,  
for it can't be that a prophet perish outside of Jerusalem.'

13:32-33

"Jerusalem, Jerusalem,  
that kills the prophets, and stones those who are sent to her!  
How often  
I wanted  
to gather your children together,  
like a hen gathers her own brood under her wings,  
and you refused!  
Behold,  
your house is left to you desolate.  
I tell you,  
you will not see me,  
until you say,  
'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'"

13:34-35



**“Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?”**

14:3

“Which of you, if your son or an ox fell into a well, wouldn’t immediately pull him out on a Sabbath day?”

14:5

“When you are invited by anyone to a marriage feast, don’t sit in the best seat, since perhaps someone more honorable than you might be invited by him, and he who invited both of you would come and tell you, ‘Make room for this person.’ Then you would begin, with shame, to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when he who invited you comes, he may tell you, ‘Friend, move up higher.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.”

14:8-11

“When you make a dinner or a supper, don’t call your friends, nor your brothers, nor your kinsmen, nor rich neighbors, or perhaps they might also return the favor, and pay you back. But when you make a feast, ask the poor, the maimed, the lame, or the blind; and you will be blessed, because they don’t have the resources to repay you. For you will be repaid in the resurrection of the righteous.”

14:12-14

“A certain man made a great supper, and he invited many people. He sent out his servant at supper time

to tell those who were invited, ‘Come, for everything is ready now.’ They all as one began to make excuses.

“The first said to him, ‘I have bought a field, and I must go and see it. Please have me excused.’

14:16-18

“Another said, ‘I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I must go try them out. Please have me excused.’

14:19

“Another said, ‘I have married a wife, and therefore I can’t come.’

14:20

“That servant came, and told 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 the poor, maimed, blind, and lame.’

14:21

“The servant said, ‘Lord, it is done as you commanded, and there is still room.’

14:22

“The lord said to the servant, ‘Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I tell you that none of those men who were invited will taste of my supper.’”

14:23-24

“If anyone comes to me, and doesn’t disregard his own father, mother, wife, children, brothers, and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he can’t be my disciple.





Whoever doesn't bear his own cross,  
and come after me,  
can't be my disciple.  
For which of you, desiring to build a tower,  
doesn't first sit down  
and count the cost,  
to see if he has enough to complete it?  
Or perhaps, when he has laid a foundation,  
and is not able to finish,  
everyone who sees begins to mock him,  
saying, 'This man began to build, and wasn't able to finish.'  
Or what king, as he goes to encounter another king in war,  
will not sit down first  
and consider  
whether he is able with ten thousand  
to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand?  
Or else, while the other is yet a great way off,  
he sends an envoy, and asks for conditions of peace.  
So therefore  
whoever of you  
who doesn't renounce all that he has,  
he can't be my disciple.  
Salt is good,  
but if the salt becomes flat and tasteless, with what do you season it?  
It is fit neither for the soil nor for the manure pile.  
It is thrown out.  
He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

14:26-35

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LUKE 15

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**"Which of you men, if you had one hundred sheep,**  
and lost one of them,  
wouldn't leave the ninety-nine  
in the wilderness,  
and go after the one that was lost,  
until he found it?  
When he has found it,  
he carries it on his shoulders, rejoicing.  
When he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors,

saying to them,  
'Rejoice with me,  
for I have found my sheep which was lost!'  
I tell you  
that even so  
there will be more joy in heaven  
over one sinner  
who repents,  
than over ninety-nine righteous people  
who need no repentance.  
Or what woman, if she had ten drachma coins,  
if she lost one drachma coin,  
wouldn't light a lamp,  
sweep the house,  
and seek diligently  
until she found it?  
When she has found it,  
she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying,  
'Rejoice with me,  
for I have found the drachma which I had lost.'  
Even so,  
I tell you,  
there is joy in the presence of the angels of God  
over one sinner repenting."

15:4-10

"A certain man had two sons.  
The younger of them said to his father,  
'Father, give me my share of your property.'  
He divided his livelihood between them.  
Not many days after, the younger son gathered all of this together  
and traveled into a far country.  
There he wasted his property with riotous living.  
When he had spent all of it,  
there arose a severe famine in that country,  
and he began to be in need.  
He went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country,  
and he sent him into his fields to feed pigs.  
He wanted to fill his belly  
with the husks that the pigs ate,

but no one gave him any.  
But when he came to himself he said,  
'How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough to spare,  
and I'm dying with hunger!  
I will get up and go to my father, and will tell him,  
"Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in your sight.  
I am no more worthy to be called your son.  
Make me as one of your hired servants."'

15:11-19

"He arose, and came to his father.  
But while he was still far off,  
his father saw him, and was moved with compassion,  
and ran,  
and fell on his neck, and kissed him.  
The son said to him,  
'Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in your sight.  
I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'

15:20-21

"But the father said to his servants,  
'Bring out the best robe, and put it on him.  
Put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet.  
Bring the fattened calf, kill it,  
and let us eat, and celebrate;  
for this, my son, was dead,  
and is alive again.  
He was lost,  
and is found.'  
They began to celebrate.

15:22-24

"Now his elder son was in the field.  
As he came near to the house, he heard music and dancing.  
He called one of the servants to him, and asked what was going on.  
He said to him, 'Your brother has come,  
and your father has killed the fattened calf,  
because he has received him back  
safe and healthy.'  
But he was angry, and would not go in.  
Therefore his father came out, and begged him.  
But he answered his father,

'Behold, these many years I have served you,  
and I never disobeyed a commandment of yours,  
but you never gave me a goat,  
that I might celebrate with my friends.  
But when this, your son, came, who has devoured your living  
with prostitutes,  
you killed the fattened calf for him.'

15:25-30

"He said to him,  
'Son,  
you are always with me,  
and all that is mine is yours.  
But it was appropriate to celebrate and be glad,  
for this, your brother, was dead,  
and is alive again.  
He was lost,  
and is found.'"

15:31-32

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LUKE 16

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**"There was a certain rich man who had a manager.**  
An accusation was made to him that this man was wasting  
his possessions.  
He called him, and said to him,  
'What is this that I hear about you?  
Give an accounting of your management,  
for you can no longer be manager.'

16:1-2

"The manager said within himself,  
'What will I do,  
seeing that my lord is taking away the management position from me?  
I don't have strength to dig. I am ashamed to beg.  
I know what I will do, so that when I am removed from management,  
they may receive me into their houses.'  
Calling each one of his lord's debtors to him,  
he said to the first, 'How much do you owe to my lord?'  
He said, 'A hundred batos of oil.'  
He said to him, 'Take your bill,  
and sit down quickly and write fifty.'

Then he said to another, 'How much do you owe?'  
He said, 'A hundred cors of wheat.'  
He said to him,  
'Take your bill, and write eighty.'

16:3-7

"His lord commended the dishonest manager  
because he had done wisely,  
for the children of this world are, in their own generation,  
wiser than the children of the light.  
I tell you,  
make for yourselves friends by means of unrighteous mammon,  
so that when you fail,  
they may receive you into the eternal tents.  
He who is faithful in a very little  
is faithful also in much.  
He who is dishonest in a very little  
is also dishonest in much.  
If therefore you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon,  
who will commit to your trust the true riches?  
If you have not been faithful in that which is another's,  
who will give you that which is your own?  
No servant can serve two masters,  
for either he will hate the one,  
and love the other;  
or else he will hold to one,  
and despise the other.  
You aren't able to serve God and mammon."

16:8-13

"You are those who justify yourselves in the sight of men,  
but God knows your hearts.  
For that which is exalted among men  
is an abomination in the sight of God.  
The law and the prophets were until John.  
From that time the Good News of the Kingdom of God  
is preached,  
and everyone  
is forcing  
his way  
into it.

But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away,  
than for  
one  
tiny  
stroke of a pen in the law to fall.  
Everyone who divorces his wife,  
and marries another,  
commits adultery.  
He who marries one  
who is divorced from a husband  
commits adultery.

16:15-18

"Now there was a certain rich man,  
and he was clothed in purple and fine linen,  
living in luxury every day.  
A certain beggar, named Lazarus, was laid at his gate,  
full of sores,  
and desiring to be fed with the crumbs that fell from the  
rich man's table.  
Yes, even the dogs came and licked his sores.  
It happened that the beggar died,  
and that he was carried away by the angels to Abraham's bosom.  
The rich man also died, and was buried.  
In Hades, he lifted up his eyes, being in torment,  
and saw Abraham far off, and Lazarus at his bosom.  
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 in anguish  
in this flame.'

16:19-24

"But Abraham said,  
'Son, remember that you, in your lifetime, received your good things,  
and Lazarus, in the same way, bad things.  
But now here he is comforted and you are in anguish.



Besides all this,  
between us and you  
there is a great gulf fixed,  
that those  
who want to pass from here to you are not able,  
and that none may cross over  
from there to us.’

16:25-26

“He said,  
‘I ask you therefore, father,  
that you would send him to my father’s house;  
for I have five brothers,  
that he may testify to them,  
so they won’t also come into this place of torment.’

16:27-28

“But Abraham said to him,  
‘They have Moses and the prophets.  
Let them listen to them.’

16:29

“He said, ‘No, father Abraham,  
but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’

16:30

“He said to him, ‘If they don’t listen to Moses and the prophets,  
neither will they be persuaded  
if one rises from the dead.’”

16:31

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LUKE 17

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**“It is impossible that no occasions of stumbling should come,**  
but woe to him  
through whom they come!  
It would be better for him  
if a millstone were hung around his neck,  
and he were thrown into the sea,  
rather than that he should cause one of these little ones to stumble.  
Be careful.  
If your brother sins against you, rebuke him.  
If he repents,  
forgive him.

If he sins against you seven times in the day,  
and seven times returns,  
saying, ‘I repent,’  
you shall forgive him.”

17:1-4

“If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed,  
you would tell this sycamore tree,  
‘Be uprooted, and be planted in the sea,’  
and it would obey you.  
But who is there among you, having a servant plowing  
or keeping sheep,  
that will say, when he comes in from the field,  
‘Come immediately and sit down at the table,’  
and will not rather tell him,  
‘Prepare my supper, clothe yourself properly, and serve me,  
while I eat and drink.  
Afterward you shall eat and drink’?  
Does he thank that servant  
because he did the things that were commanded?  
I think not.  
Even so you also,  
when you have done all the things that are commanded you, say,  
‘We are unworthy servants.  
We have done our duty.’”

17:6-10

“Go and show yourselves to the priests.”

17:14

“Weren’t the ten cleansed?  
But where are the nine?  
Were there none found who returned to give glory to God,  
except this stranger?”

17:17-18

“Get up,  
and go your way.  
Your faith has healed you.”

17:19

“The Kingdom of God doesn’t come with observation;  
neither will they say,  
‘Look, here!’  
or, ‘Look, there!’

for behold,  
the Kingdom of God is within you.”

17:20-21

“The days will come,  
when you will desire to see one of the days  
of the Son of Man,  
and you will not see it.  
They will tell you,  
‘Look, here!’  
or ‘Look, there!’  
Don’t go away, nor follow after them,  
for as the lightning, when it flashes out of the one part under the sky,  
shines to the other part under the sky;  
so will the Son of Man be in his day.  
But first, he must suffer many things  
and be rejected by this generation.  
As it happened in the days of Noah,  
even so will it be also in the days  
of the Son of Man.  
They ate, they drank, they married, they were given in marriage,  
until the day that Noah entered into the ship,  
and the flood came, and destroyed them all.  
Likewise, even as it happened in the days of Lot:  
they ate, they drank, they bought, they sold,  
they planted, they built;  
but in the day that Lot went out from Sodom,  
it rained fire and sulfur from the sky,  
and destroyed them all.  
It will be the same way  
in the day  
that the Son of Man  
is revealed.  
In that day,  
he who will be on the housetop,  
and his goods in the house,  
let him not go down to take them away.  
Let him who is in the field likewise  
not turn back.  
Remember Lot’s wife!

Whoever seeks to save his life  
loses it,  
but whoever loses his life  
preserves it.  
I tell you,  
in that night  
there will be two people in one bed.  
The one will be taken,  
and the other will be left.  
There will be two grinding grain together.  
One will be taken,  
and the other will be left.”

17:22-36

“Where the body is,  
there will the vultures also be gathered together.”

17:37

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LUKE 18

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“**There was a judge in a certain city**  
who didn’t fear God, and didn’t respect man.  
A widow was in that city,  
and she often came to him, saying,  
‘Defend me from my adversary!’  
He wouldn’t for a while,  
but afterward he said to himself,  
‘Though I neither fear God, nor respect man,  
yet because this widow bothers me,  
I will defend her,  
or else she will wear me out by her continual coming.’”

18:2-5

“Listen to what the unrighteous judge says.  
Won’t God avenge  
his chosen ones,  
who are crying out to him day and night,  
and yet he exercises patience with them?  
I tell you  
that he will avenge them quickly.  
Nevertheless,

when the Son of Man comes,  
will he find faith on the earth?" 18:6-8

"Two men went up into the temple to pray;  
one was a Pharisee, and the other was a tax collector.  
The Pharisee stood and prayed to himself like this:  
'God, I thank you, that I am not like the rest of men,  
extortioners, unrighteous, adulterers,  
or even like this tax collector.  
I fast twice a week. I give tithes of all that I get.'  
But the tax collector, standing far away,  
wouldn't even lift up his eyes to heaven,  
but beat his breast, saying,  
'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!'  
I tell you,  
this man went down to his house justified  
rather than the other;  
for everyone who exalts himself  
will be humbled,  
but he who humbles himself  
will be exalted." 18:10-14

"Allow the little children to come to me,  
and don't hinder them,  
for the Kingdom of God  
belongs to such as these.  
Most certainly,  
I tell you,  
whoever doesn't receive the Kingdom of God  
like a little child,  
he will in no way enter into it." 18:16-17

"Why do you call me good?  
No one is good, except one –  
God.  
You know the commandments:  
'Don't commit adultery,'  
'Don't murder,'  
'Don't steal,'

'Don't give false testimony,'  
'Honor your father and your mother.'"  
18:19-20

"You still lack one thing.  
Sell all that you have,  
and distribute it to the poor.  
You will have treasure in heaven.  
Come,  
follow me." 18:22

"How hard it is for those who have riches  
to enter into the Kingdom of God!  
For it is easier for a camel to enter in through a needle's eye,  
than for a rich man to enter into the Kingdom of God." 18:24-25

"The things which are impossible with men  
are possible with God." 18:27

"Most certainly  
I tell you,  
there is no one who has left house, or wife,  
or brothers, or parents, or children,  
for the Kingdom of God's sake,  
who will not receive many times more in this time,  
and in the world to come, eternal life." 18:29-30

"Behold,  
we are going up to Jerusalem,  
and all the things that are written through the prophets  
concerning the Son of Man  
will be completed.  
For he will be delivered up to the Gentiles,  
will be mocked, treated shamefully, and spit on.  
They will scourge and kill him.  
On the third day, he will rise again." 18:31-33

"What do you want me to do?" 18:41

"Receive your sight.  
Your faith has healed you." 18:42



“Zacchaeus,  
 hurry  
 and come down,  
 for today I must stay at your house.” 19:5

“Today,  
 salvation has come to this house,  
 because he also is a son of Abraham.  
 For the Son of Man  
 came to seek and to save that which was lost.” 19:9-10

“A certain nobleman went into a far country  
 to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return.  
 He called ten servants of his, and gave them ten mina coins,  
 and told them, ‘Conduct business until I come.’  
 But his citizens hated him,  
 and sent an envoy after him, saying,  
 ‘We don’t want this man to reign over us.’ 19:12-14

“It happened when he had come back again,  
 having received the kingdom,  
 that he commanded these servants, to whom he had given the money,  
 to be called to him,  
 that he might know what they had gained by conducting business.  
 The first came before him, saying,  
 ‘Lord, your mina has made ten more minas.’ 19:15-16

“He said to him, ‘Well done, you good servant!  
 Because you were found faithful with very little,  
 you shall have authority over ten cities.’ 19:17

“The second came, saying,  
 ‘Your mina, Lord, has made five minas.’ 19:18

“So he said to him, ‘And you are to be over five cities.’  
 Another came, saying,  
 ‘Lord, behold, your mina, which I kept laid away in a handkerchief,

for I feared you, because you are an exacting man.  
 You take up that which you didn’t lay down,  
 and reap that which you didn’t sow.’ 19:19-21

“He said to him,  
 ‘Out of your own mouth will I judge you, you wicked servant!  
 You knew that  
 I am an exacting man,  
 taking up that which I didn’t lay down,  
 and reaping that which I didn’t sow.  
 Then why didn’t you deposit my money in the bank,  
 and at my coming,  
 I might have earned interest on it?’  
 He said to those who stood by,  
 ‘Take the mina away from him,  
 and give it to him who has the ten minas.’ 19:22-24

“They said to him, ‘Lord, he has ten minas!’  
 ‘For I tell you  
 that to everyone who has, will more be given;  
 but from him who doesn’t have,  
 even that which he has will be taken away from him.  
 But bring those enemies of mine  
 who didn’t want me to reign over them here,  
 and kill them before me.’” 19:25-27

“Go your way into the village on the other side,  
 in which, as you enter,  
 you will find a colt tied,  
 whereon no man ever yet sat.  
 Untie it, and bring it.  
 If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’  
 say to him: ‘The Lord needs it.’” 19:30-31

“I tell you  
 that if these were silent, the stones would cry out.” 19:40

“If you, even you,  
 had known today

the things which belong to your peace!  
But now, they are hidden from your eyes.  
For the days will come on you,  
when your enemies will throw up a barricade against you,  
surround you, hem you in on every side,  
and will dash you and your children within you  
to the ground.  
They will not leave in you one stone on another,  
because you didn't know the time of your visitation.” 19:41-44

“It is written,  
'My house is a house of prayer,'  
but you have made it a 'den of robbers!'" 19:46

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LUKE 20

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**“I also will ask you one question.**

Tell me:  
the baptism of John,  
was it from heaven,  
or from men?” 20:3-4

“Neither will I tell you  
by what authority  
I do these things.” 20:8

“A man planted a vineyard,  
and rented it out to some farmers,  
and went into another country for a long time.  
At the proper season,  
he sent a servant to the farmers  
to collect his share of the fruit of the vineyard.  
But the farmers beat him, and sent him away empty.  
He sent yet another servant,  
and they also beat him, and treated him shamefully,  
and sent him away empty.  
He sent yet a third,  
and they also wounded him, and threw him out.  
The lord of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do?

I will send my beloved son.  
It may be that seeing him, they will respect him.' 20:9-13

“But when the farmers saw him, they reasoned among themselves, saying,  
'This is the heir. Come, let's kill him,  
that the inheritance may be ours.'  
They threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him.  
What therefore will the lord of the vineyard do to them?  
He will come and destroy these farmers,  
and will give the vineyard to others.” 20:14-16

“Then what is this that is written,  
'The stone which the builders rejected,  
the same was made the chief cornerstone?'  
Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces,  
but it will crush whomever it falls on to dust.” 20:17-18

“Why do you test me?  
Show me a denarius.  
Whose image and inscription are on it?” 20:23-24

“Then give to Caesar the things that are Caesar's,  
and to God the things that are God's.” 20:25

“The children of this age marry, and are given in marriage.  
But those who are considered worthy  
to attain to that age and the resurrection from the dead,  
neither marry, nor are given in marriage.  
For they can't die any more,  
for they are like the angels,  
and are children of God,  
being children of the resurrection.  
But that the dead are raised,  
even Moses showed at the bush,  
when he called the Lord  
'The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.'  
Now he is not the God of the dead,  
but of the living,  
for all are alive to him.” 20:34-38





“Why do they say that the Christ is David’s son?  
David himself says in the book of Psalms,  
‘The Lord said to my Lord,  
“Sit at my right hand,  
until I make your enemies the footstool of your feet.”  
“David therefore calls him Lord, so how is he his son?”

20:41-44

“Beware of the scribes,  
who like to walk in long robes,  
and love greetings in the marketplaces,  
the best seats in the synagogues,  
and the best places at feasts;  
who devour widows’ houses,  
and for a pretense make long prayers:  
these will receive greater condemnation.”

20:46-47

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LUKE 21  
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“Truly I tell you,  
this poor widow put in  
more than all of them,  
for all these put in gifts for God from their abundance,  
but she,  
out of her poverty,  
put in all that she had to live on.”

21:3-4

“As for these things which you see,  
the days will come,  
in which there will not be left here one stone on another  
that will not be thrown down.”

21:6

“Watch out that you don’t get led astray,  
for many will come in my name,  
saying, ‘I am he,’  
and, ‘The time is at hand.’  
Therefore  
don’t  
follow

them.  
When you hear of wars and disturbances,  
don’t  
be  
terrified,  
for these things must happen first,  
but the end won’t come immediately.”

21:8-9

“Nation will rise against nation,  
and kingdom against kingdom.  
There will be great earthquakes, famines, and plagues  
in various places.  
There will be terrors and great signs from heaven.  
But before all these things,  
they will lay their hands on you and will persecute you,  
delivering you up to synagogues and prisons,  
bringing you before kings and governors for my name’s sake.  
It will turn out as a testimony for you.  
Settle it therefore in your hearts  
not to meditate beforehand how to answer,  
for I will give you a mouth and wisdom  
which all your adversaries  
will not be able to withstand or to contradict.  
You will be handed over even by parents,  
brothers, relatives, and friends.  
They will cause some of you to be put to death.  
You will be hated by all men  
for my name’s sake.  
And not a hair of your head will perish.

21:10-18

“By your endurance you will win your lives.”

21:19

“But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies,  
then know that its desolation is at hand.  
Then let those who are in Judea  
flee to the mountains.  
Let those who are in the midst of her  
depart.



Let those who are in the country  
not enter therein.  
For these are days of vengeance,  
that  
all things  
which are written  
may be  
fulfilled.

Woe to those who are pregnant  
and to those who nurse infants in those days!  
For there will be great distress in the land,  
and wrath to this people.

They will fall by the edge of the sword,  
and will be led captive into all the nations.  
Jerusalem will be trampled down by the Gentiles,  
until the times of the Gentiles  
are fulfilled.

There will be signs in the sun, moon, and stars;  
and on the earth anxiety of nations,  
in perplexity for the roaring of the sea and the waves;  
men fainting for fear,  
and for expectation of the things which are coming on the world:  
for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.  
Then they will see  
the Son of Man  
coming in a cloud with power and great glory.  
But when these things begin to happen,  
look up,  
and lift up your heads,  
because your redemption is near.”

21:20-28

“See the fig tree, and all the trees.  
When they are already budding,  
you see it and know by your own selves  
that the summer is already near.  
Even so you also, when you see these things happening,  
know that the Kingdom of God is near.  
Most certainly  
I tell you,

this generation will not pass away  
until all things are accomplished.  
Heaven and earth will pass away,  
but  
my  
words  
will  
by  
no  
means  
pass  
away.

21:29-33

“So be careful,  
or your hearts  
will be loaded down  
with carousing,  
drunkenness,  
and cares of this life,  
and that day will come on you suddenly.  
For it will come like a snare on all those  
who dwell on the surface of all the earth.  
Therefore be watchful all the time,  
praying  
that you may be counted worthy to escape  
all these things that will happen,  
and to stand before the Son of Man.”

21:34-36

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LUKE 22

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“Go and prepare the Passover for us,  
that we may eat.”

22:8

“Behold,  
when you have entered into the city,  
a man carrying a pitcher of water will meet you.  
Follow him into the house which he enters.  
Tell the master of the house,



“The Teacher says to you,  
“Where is the guest room,  
where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?”  
He will show you a large, furnished upper room.  
Make preparations there.”

22:10-12

“I have earnestly desired  
to eat this Passover with you  
before I suffer,  
for I tell you,  
I will no longer by any means eat of it  
until it is fulfilled in the Kingdom of God.”

22:15-16

“Take this,  
and share it among yourselves,  
for I tell you,  
I will not drink at all again from the fruit of the vine,  
until the Kingdom of God comes.”

22:17-18

“This is my body which is given for you.  
Do this in memory of me.”

22:19

“This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
which is poured out for you.  
But behold,  
the hand of him  
who betrays me  
is with me on the table.  
The Son of Man indeed goes,  
as it has been determined,  
but woe to that man through whom he is betrayed!”

22:20-22

“The kings of the nations lord it over them,  
and those who have authority over them  
are called ‘benefactors.’  
But not so with you.  
But one who is the greater among you,  
let him become as the younger,  
and one who is governing,

as one who serves.  
For who is greater,  
one who sits at the table,  
or one who serves?  
Isn’t it he who sits at the table?  
But I am in the midst of you as one who serves.  
But you are those  
who have continued with me  
in my trials.  
I confer on you a kingdom,  
even as my Father conferred on me,  
that you may eat and drink  
at my table in my Kingdom.  
You will sit on thrones,  
judging the twelve tribes of Israel.”

22:25-30

“Simon,  
Simon,  
behold,  
Satan asked to have you,  
that he might sift you as wheat,  
but I prayed for you,  
that your faith wouldn’t fail.  
You,  
when once you have turned again,  
establish your brothers.”

22:31-32

“I tell you,  
Peter,  
the rooster will by no means crow today  
until you deny that you know me three times.”

22:34

“When I sent you out without purse, and wallet, and shoes,  
did you lack anything?”

22:35

“But now,  
whoever has a purse,  
let him take it,  
and likewise a wallet.



Whoever has none,  
let him sell his cloak, and buy a sword.  
For I tell you  
that this which is written must still be fulfilled  
in me:  
'He was counted with transgressors.'  
For that which concerns me has an end." 22:36-37

"That is enough." 22:38

"Pray  
that you don't enter into temptation." 22:40

"Father,  
if you are willing,  
remove this cup from me.  
Nevertheless,  
not my will,  
but yours, be done." 22:42

"Why do you sleep?  
Rise  
and pray  
that you may not enter into temptation." 22:46

"Judas,  
do you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?" 22:48

"Let me at least do this" 22:51

"Have you come out as against a robber,  
with swords and clubs?  
When I was with you in the temple daily,  
you didn't stretch out your hands against me.  
But this is your hour,  
and the power of darkness." 22:52-53

"Before the rooster crows  
you will deny me three times." 22:61

"If I tell you,  
you won't believe,  
and if I ask,  
you will in no way answer me or let me go.  
From now on,  
the Son of Man  
will be seated at the right hand of the power of God." 22:67-69

"You say it, because  
I am." 22:70

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LUKE 23

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**"So you say."** 23:3

"Daughters of Jerusalem,  
don't weep for me,  
but weep for yourselves and for your children.  
For behold,  
the days are coming in which they will say,  
'Blessed are the barren,  
the wombs that never bore,  
and the breasts that never nursed.'  
Then they will begin to tell the mountains,  
'Fall on us!'  
and tell the hills,  
'Cover us.'  
For if they do these things in the green tree,  
what will be done in the dry?" 23:28-31

"Father,  
forgive them,  
for they don't know what they are doing." 23:34

"Assuredly I tell you,  
today  
you will be with me in Paradise." 23:43

“Father,  
into your hands I commit my spirit!” 23:46

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LUKE 24

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“What are you talking about as you walk,  
and are sad?” 24:17

“What things?” 24:19

“Foolish men,  
and slow of heart to believe  
in all that the prophets have spoken!  
Didn’t the Christ have to suffer these things  
and to enter into his glory?” 24:25-26

“Peace be to you.” 24:36

“Why are you troubled?  
Why do doubts arise in your hearts?  
See my hands  
and my feet,  
that it is truly me.  
Touch me and see,  
for a spirit doesn’t have flesh and bones,  
as you see that I have.” 24:38-39

“Do you have anything here to eat?” 24:41

“This is what I told you,  
while I was still with you,  
that all things which are written  
in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms,  
concerning me  
must be fulfilled.” 24:44

“Thus it is written,  
and thus it was necessary  
for the Christ to suffer

and to rise from the dead  
the third day,  
and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached  
in his name  
to all the nations,  
beginning at Jerusalem.  
You are witnesses of these things.  
Behold,  
I send forth the promise of my Father  
on you.  
But wait in the city of Jerusalem  
until you are clothed  
with power from on high.” 24:46-49



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“Most certainly, I tell you, unless one is born anew, he can't see the Kingdom of God.”	3:3
“Most certainly I tell you, unless one is born of water and spirit, he can't enter into the Kingdom of God! That which is born of the flesh is flesh. That which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Don't marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' The wind blows where it wants to, and you hear its sound,	

but don't know  
where it comes from  
and where it is going.  
So is  
everyone who is  
born of the Spirit."

3:5-8

"Are you the teacher of Israel,  
and don't understand these things?  
Most certainly I tell you,  
we speak that which we know,  
and testify of that which we have seen,  
and you don't receive our witness.  
If I told you earthly things  
and you don't believe,  
how will you believe  
if I tell you heavenly things?  
No one has ascended into heaven,  
but he  
who descended out of heaven,  
the Son of Man,  
who is in heaven.  
As Moses  
lifted up the serpent  
in the wilderness,  
even so must the Son of Man  
be lifted up,  
that whoever believes  
in him  
should not perish,  
but have eternal life.

3:10-15

"For God so loved the world,  
that he gave  
his one and only Son,  
that whoever believes  
in him  
should not perish,  
but have eternal life.

For God didn't send  
his Son  
into the world  
to judge the world,  
but that the world should be saved  
through him.

3:16-17

"He who  
believes  
in him  
is not judged.  
He who  
doesn't believe  
has been judged already,  
because he has not believed  
in the name  
of the one and only Son of God.  
This is the judgment,  
that the light  
has come  
into the world,  
and men loved the darkness  
rather than the light;  
for their works were evil.  
For everyone  
who does evil  
hates the light,  
and doesn't come  
to the light,  
lest his works  
would be exposed.  
But he who  
does the truth  
comes to the light,  
that his works may be revealed,  
that they have been done in God."

3:18-21



**“Give me a drink.”**

4:7

“If you knew the gift of God,  
and who it is  
who says to you, ‘Give me a drink,’  
you would have asked him,  
and he would have given you  
living water.”

4:10

“Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again,  
but whoever  
drinks of the water  
that I will give him  
will never thirst again;  
but the water that  
I will give him  
will become  
in him  
a well of water  
springing up  
to eternal life.”

4:13-14

“Go,  
call your husband,  
and come here.”

4:16

“You said well,  
‘I have no husband,’  
for you have had five husbands;  
and he whom you now have is not your husband.  
This you have said truly.”

4:17-18

“Woman,  
believe me,  
the hour comes,  
when neither in this mountain, nor in Jerusalem,  
will you worship the Father.

You worship that which you don’t know.  
We worship that which we know;  
for salvation is from the Jews.  
But the hour comes,  
and now is,  
when the true worshipers  
will worship the Father  
in spirit  
and truth,  
for the Father seeks  
such to be his worshipers.  
God  
is  
spirit,  
and those who worship him  
must worship  
in spirit  
and truth.”

4:21-24

“I am he,  
the one who speaks to you.”

4:26

“I have food to eat  
that you don’t know about.”

4:32

“My food  
is to do the will of him  
who sent me,  
and to accomplish his work.  
Don’t you say, ‘There are yet four months until the harvest?’  
Behold, I tell you,  
lift up your eyes,  
and look at the fields, that  
they are white for harvest already.  
He who reaps receives wages,  
and gathers fruit  
to eternal life;  
that both he who sows and he who reaps  
may rejoice together.





For in this the saying is true,  
'One sows, and another reaps.'  
I sent you to reap  
that for which you haven't labored.  
Others have labored,  
and you have entered into their labor." 4:34-38

"Unless you see signs and wonders,  
you will in no way believe." 4:48

"Go your way.  
Your son lives." 4:50

"Your son lives." 4:53

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JOHN 5

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**"Do you want to be made well?"** 5:6

"Arise,  
take up your mat, and walk." 5:8

" 'Take up your mat, and walk.' " 5:11

" 'Take up your mat, and walk' " 5:12

"Behold, you are made well.  
Sin no more,  
so that nothing worse happens to you." 5:14

"My Father is  
still working,  
so I am  
working, too." 5:17

"Most certainly,  
I tell you,  
the Son can do nothing of himself,

but what he sees the Father doing.  
For whatever things he does,  
these the Son also does likewise.  
For the Father has affection for the Son,  
and shows him all things that he himself does.  
He will show him greater works than these,  
that you may marvel.  
For as the Father raises the dead  
and gives them life,  
even so the Son also gives life  
to whom he desires.  
For the Father judges no one,  
but he has given all judgment  
to the Son,  
that all may honor the Son,  
even as they honor the Father.  
He who doesn't honor the Son  
doesn't honor the Father  
who sent him. 5:19-23

"Most certainly  
I tell you,  
he who hears my word,  
and believes him  
who sent me,  
has eternal life,  
and doesn't come into judgment,  
but has passed  
out of death into life.  
Most certainly,  
I tell you,  
the hour comes,  
and now is,  
when the dead will hear  
the Son of God's voice;  
and those who hear  
will live.  
For as the Father has life in himself,  
even so he gave to the Son also

to have life in himself.  
He also gave him authority  
to execute judgment,  
because he is a son of man.  
Don't marvel at this,  
for the hour comes,  
in which all that are in the tombs  
will hear his voice,  
and will come out;  
those who have done good,  
to the resurrection of life;  
and those who have done evil,  
to the resurrection of judgment.  
I can of myself do nothing.  
As I hear, I judge,  
and my judgment is righteous;  
because I don't seek  
my own will,  
but the will of my Father who sent me.

5:24-30

"If I testify about myself,  
my witness is not valid.  
It is another  
who testifies about me.  
I know  
that the testimony which he testifies about me is true.  
You have sent to John,  
and he has testified  
to the truth.  
But the testimony which I receive  
is not from man.  
However, I say these things  
that you may be saved.  
He was the burning  
and shining lamp,  
and you were willing  
to rejoice for a while in his light.  
But the testimony which I have is greater  
than that of John,

for the works which the Father gave me to accomplish,  
the very works that I do,  
testify about me,  
that the Father has sent me.  
The Father himself, who sent me, has testified about me.  
You have neither heard his voice at any time,  
nor seen his form.  
You don't have his word living in you;  
because you don't believe him whom he sent.

5:31-38

"You search the Scriptures,  
because you think that in them you have eternal life;  
and these are they which testify about me.  
Yet you will not come to me, that you may have life.  
I don't receive glory from men.  
But I know you,  
that you don't have God's love in yourselves.  
I have come in my Father's name,  
and you don't receive me.  
If another comes in his own name,  
you will receive him.  
How can you believe,  
who receive glory from one another,  
and you don't seek the glory  
that comes from the only God?

5:39-44

"Don't think that I will accuse you to the Father.  
There is one who accuses you, even Moses,  
on whom you have set your hope.  
For if you believed Moses,  
you would believe me;  
for he wrote about me.  
But if you don't believe his writings,  
how will you believe my words?"

5:45-47



**“Where**

are we to buy bread,  
that these may eat?” 6:5

“Have the people sit down.” 6:10

“Gather up the broken pieces  
which are left over,  
that nothing be lost.” 6:12

“It is I.  
Don’t be afraid.” 6:20

“Most certainly I tell you,  
you seek me,  
not because you saw signs,  
but because you ate of the loaves,  
and were filled.  
Don’t work for the food which perishes,  
but for the food which remains to eternal life,  
which the Son of Man will give to you.  
For God the Father has sealed him.” 6:26-27

“This is the work of God,  
that you believe  
in him  
whom he has sent.” 6:29

“Most certainly,  
I tell you,  
it wasn’t Moses  
who gave you the bread out of heaven,  
but my Father  
gives you the true bread out of heaven.  
For the bread of God  
is that which comes down out of heaven,  
and gives life to the world.” 6:32-33

“I am the bread of life.  
He who comes to me  
will not be hungry,  
and he who believes in me  
will never be thirsty.  
But I told you  
that you have seen me,  
and yet you don’t believe.  
All those whom the Father gives me  
will come to me.  
He who comes to me  
I will in no way throw out.  
For I have come down from heaven,  
not to do my own will,  
but the will of him who sent me.  
This is the will of my Father who sent me,  
that of all he has given to me  
I should lose nothing,  
but should raise him up at the last day.  
This is the will of the one who sent me,  
that everyone  
who sees the Son,  
and believes in him,  
should have eternal life;  
and I will raise him up  
at the last day.” 6:35-40

“I am the bread  
which came down out of heaven.” 6:41

‘I have come down out of heaven.’ ” 6:42

“Don’t murmur  
among yourselves.  
No one can come to me  
unless the Father who sent me  
draws him,  
and I will raise him up  
in the last day.”

It is written in the prophets,  
'They will all be taught by God.'  
Therefore everyone who hears from the Father,  
and has learned,  
comes to me.  
Not that anyone has seen the Father,  
except he  
who is from God.  
He has seen the Father.  
Most certainly,  
I tell you,  
he who believes in me  
has eternal life.  
I am the bread of life.  
Your fathers ate the manna  
in the wilderness,  
and they died.  
This is the bread  
which comes down out of heaven,  
that anyone may eat of it  
and not die.  
I am the living bread  
which came down out of heaven.  
If anyone eats of this bread,  
he will live forever.  
Yes,  
the bread which I will give  
for the life of the world  
is my flesh."

6:43-51

"Most certainly I tell you,  
unless you eat the flesh  
of the Son of Man  
and drink his blood,  
you don't have life in yourselves.  
He who eats my flesh  
and drinks my blood  
has eternal life,  
and I will raise him up

at the last day.  
For my flesh is food indeed,  
and my blood is drink indeed.  
He who eats my flesh  
and drinks my blood  
lives in me,  
and I in him.  
As the living Father sent me,  
and I live because of the Father;  
so he who feeds on me,  
he will also live because of me.  
This is the bread  
which came down out of heaven –  
not as our fathers ate the manna,  
and died.  
He who eats this bread  
will live forever."

6:53-58

"Does this cause you to stumble?  
Then what  
if you would see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before?  
It is the spirit who gives life.  
The flesh profits nothing.  
The words that I speak to you  
are spirit,  
and are life.  
But there are some of you  
who don't believe."

6:61-64

"For this cause have I said to you  
that no one can come to me,  
unless it is given to him by my Father."

6:65

"You don't also want to go away, do you?"

6:67

"Didn't I choose you,  
the twelve,  
and one of you is a devil?"

6:70



**“My time**

has not yet come,  
 but your time  
 is always ready.  
 The world can't hate you,  
 but it hates me,  
 because I testify about it,  
 that its works are evil.  
 You go up to the feast.  
 I am not yet going up to this feast,  
 because my time  
 is not yet fulfilled.”

7:6-8

“My teaching is not mine,  
 but his  
 who sent me.  
 If anyone desires to do his will,  
 he will know  
 about the teaching,  
 whether it is from God,  
 or if I am speaking from myself.  
 He who speaks from himself  
 seeks his own glory,  
 but he who seeks the glory of him who sent him  
 is true,  
 and no unrighteousness is in him.  
 Didn't Moses give you the law,  
 and yet none of you keeps the law?  
 Why do you seek to kill me?”

7:16-19

“I did one work,  
 and you all marvel because of it.  
 Moses has given you circumcision  
 (not that it is of Moses,  
 but of the fathers),  
 and on the Sabbath you circumcise a boy.  
 If a boy receives circumcision on the Sabbath,

that the law of Moses may not be broken,  
 are you angry with me,  
 because I made a man completely healthy on the Sabbath?  
 Don't judge according to appearance,  
 but judge righteous judgment.”

7:21-24

“You both know me,  
 and know where I am from.  
 I have not come of myself,  
 but he who sent me  
 is true,  
 whom you don't know.  
 I know him,  
 because I am from him,  
 and he sent me.”

7:28-29

“I will be with you  
 a little while longer,  
 then I go  
 to him who sent me.  
 You will seek me,  
 and won't find me;  
 and where I am,  
 you can't come.”

7:33-34

‘You will seek me,  
 and won't find me;  
 and where I am,  
 you can't come’

7:36

“If anyone is thirsty,  
 let him come to me  
 and drink!  
 He who believes in me,  
 as the Scripture has said,  
 from within him will flow  
 rivers of living water.”

7:37-38

**“He who is without sin**

among you,  
let him throw the first stone at her.” 8:7

“Woman,  
where are your accusers?  
Did no one condemn you?” 8:10

“Neither do I condemn you.  
Go your way.  
From now on,  
sin no more.” 8:11

“I am the light of the world.  
He who follows me  
will not walk in the darkness,  
but will have the light of life.” 8:12

“Even if I testify  
about myself,  
my testimony is true,  
for I know where I came from,  
and where I am going;  
but you don’t know  
where I came from,  
or where I am going.  
You judge according to the flesh.  
I judge no one.  
Even if I do judge,  
my judgment is true,  
for I am not alone,  
but I am with the Father  
who sent me.  
It’s also written in your law  
that the testimony of two people is valid.  
I am one  
who testifies about myself,

and the Father who sent me  
testifies about me.” 8:14-18

“You know neither me,  
nor my Father.  
If you knew me,  
you would know my Father also.” 8:19

“I am going away,  
and you will seek me,  
and you will die  
in your sins.  
Where I go,  
you can’t come.” 8:21

‘Where I am going,  
you can’t come’ 8:22

“You are from beneath.  
I am from above.  
You are of this world.  
I am not of this world.  
I said therefore to you that  
you will die in your sins;  
for unless you believe  
that I am he,  
you will die in your sins.” 8:23-24

“Just what I have been saying to you from the beginning.  
I have many things to speak and to judge concerning you.  
However he who sent me  
is true;  
and the things which I heard from him,  
these I say to the world.” 8:25-26

“When you have lifted up the Son of Man,  
then you will know  
that I am he,  
and I do nothing

of myself,  
but as my Father taught me,  
I say these things.  
He who sent me  
is with me.  
The Father hasn't left me alone,  
for I always do  
the things that are pleasing to him.”

8:28-29

“If you remain in my word,  
then you are truly my disciples.  
You will know the truth,  
and the truth will make you free.”

8:31-32

‘You will be made free’

8:33

“Most certainly  
I tell you,  
everyone who commits sin  
is the bondservant of sin.  
A bondservant doesn't live in the house forever.  
A son remains forever.  
If therefore the Son makes you free,  
you will be free indeed.  
I know  
that you are Abraham's seed,  
yet you seek to kill me,  
because my word  
finds no place in you.  
I say the things  
which I have seen  
with my Father;  
and you also do the things  
which you have seen  
with your father.”

8:34-38

“If you were Abraham's children,  
you would do the works of Abraham.  
But now you seek to kill me,

a man who has told you the truth,  
which I heard from God.  
Abraham didn't do this.  
You do the works  
of your father.”

8:39-41

“If God were your father,  
you would love me,  
for I came out  
and have come from God.  
For I haven't come of myself,  
but he sent me.  
Why don't you understand my speech?  
Because you can't hear  
my word.  
You are of your father,  
the devil,  
and you want to do  
the desires of your father.  
He was a murderer  
from the beginning,  
and doesn't stand in the truth,  
because there is no truth in him.  
When he speaks a lie,  
he speaks on his own;  
for he is a liar,  
and its father.  
But  
because I tell the truth,  
you don't believe me.  
Which of you convicts me of sin?  
If I tell the truth,  
why do you not believe me?  
He who is of God  
hears the words of God.  
For this cause you don't hear,  
because you are not of God.”

8:42-47



“I don’t have a demon,  
but I honor my Father,  
and you dishonor me.  
But I don’t seek my own glory.  
There is one who seeks  
and judges.  
Most certainly,  
I tell you,  
if a person keeps my word,  
he will never see death.”

8:49-51

‘If a man keeps my word,  
he will never taste of death.’

8:52

“If I glorify myself,  
my glory is nothing.  
It is my Father  
who glorifies me,  
of whom you say that he is our God.  
You have not known him,  
but I know him.  
If I said, ‘I don’t know him,’  
I would be like you, a liar.  
But I know him,  
and keep his word.  
Your father Abraham  
rejoiced  
to see my day.  
He saw it,  
and was glad.”

8:54-56

“Most certainly,  
I tell you,  
before Abraham came into existence,  
I AM.”

8:58

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JOHN 9

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“Neither did this man sin,  
nor his parents;  
but,  
that the works of God  
might be revealed  
in him.  
I must work the works  
of him who sent me,  
while it is day.  
The night is coming,  
when no one can work.  
While I am in the world,  
I am the light of the world.”

9:3-5

“Go,  
wash in the pool of Siloam”

9:7

‘Go  
to the pool of Siloam,  
and wash.’

9:11

“Do you believe  
in the Son of God?”

9:35

“You have  
both  
seen him,  
and it is he  
who speaks with you.”

9:37

“I came into this world for judgment,  
that those who don’t see  
may see;  
and that those who see  
may become blind.”

9:39

“If you were blind,  
you would have no sin;





but now you say,  
'We see.'  
Therefore your sin remains."

9:41

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JOHN 10

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**"Most certainly,**

I tell you,  
one who doesn't enter by the door into the sheep fold,  
but climbs up some other way,  
the same is a thief and a robber.  
But one who enters in by the door  
is the shepherd of the sheep.  
The gatekeeper opens the gate for him,  
and the sheep listen to his voice.  
He calls his own sheep by name,  
and leads them out.  
Whenever he brings out  
his own sheep,  
he goes before them,  
and the sheep follow him,  
for they know his voice.  
They will by no means  
follow a stranger,  
but will flee from him;  
for they don't know  
the voice of strangers."

10:1-5

**"Most certainly,**

I tell you,  
I am the sheep's door.  
All who came before me  
are thieves and robbers,  
but the sheep didn't listen to them.  
I am the door.  
If anyone enters in by me,  
he will be saved,  
and will go in and go out,  
and will find pasture.

The thief only comes  
to steal, kill, and destroy.  
I came  
that they may have life,  
and may have it abundantly.

10:7-10

"I am the good shepherd.  
The good shepherd  
lays down his life  
for the sheep.  
He who is a hired hand,  
and not a shepherd,  
who doesn't own the sheep,  
sees the wolf coming,  
leaves the sheep,  
and flees.  
The wolf snatches the sheep,  
and scatters them.  
The hired hand flees  
because he is a hired hand,  
and doesn't care for the sheep.

10:11-13

"I am  
the good shepherd.  
I know  
my own,  
and I'm known  
by my own;  
even as the Father knows me,  
and I know the Father.  
I lay down my life  
for the sheep.  
I have other sheep,  
which are not of this fold.  
I must bring them also,  
and they will  
hear my voice.  
They will become  
one flock



with one shepherd.  
Therefore the Father loves me,  
because I lay down my life,  
that I may take it again.  
No one takes it away from me,  
but I lay it down  
by myself.  
I have power  
to lay it down,  
and I have power  
to take it again.  
I received this commandment from my Father.”

10:14-18

“I told you,  
and you don’t believe.  
The works that I do  
in my Father’s name,  
these testify about me.  
But you don’t believe,  
because you are not of my sheep,  
as I told you.  
My sheep hear my voice,  
and I know them,  
and they follow me.  
I give eternal life to them.  
They will never perish,  
and no one will snatch them out of my hand.  
My Father,  
who has given them to me,  
is greater than all.  
No one is able to snatch them out of my Father’s hand.  
I and the Father  
are one.”

10:25-30

“I have shown you  
many good works  
from my Father.  
For which of those works do you stone me?”

10:31

“Isn’t it written in your law,  
‘I said, you are gods?’  
If he called them gods,  
to whom the word of God came  
(and the Scripture can’t be broken),  
do you say of him  
whom the Father sanctified  
and sent into the world,  
‘You blaspheme,’  
because I said,  
‘I am the Son of God’?  
If I don’t do the works of my Father,  
don’t believe me.  
But if I do them,  
though you don’t believe me,  
believe the works;  
that you may know  
and believe  
that the Father is in me,  
and I in the Father.”

10:34-38

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JOHN 11

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“**This sickness**  
is not to death,  
but for the glory of God,  
that God’s Son  
may be glorified by it.”

11:4

“Let’s go into Judea again.”

11:7

“Aren’t there twelve hours of daylight?  
If a man walks in the day,  
he doesn’t stumble,  
because he sees the light of this world.  
But if a man walks in the night,  
he stumbles,  
because the light isn’t in him.”

11:9-10



“Our friend,  
Lazarus,  
has fallen asleep,  
but I am going  
so that I may awake him out of sleep.” 11:11

“Lazarus is dead.  
I am glad for your sakes  
that I was not there,  
so that you may believe.  
Nevertheless,  
let’s go to him.” 11:14-15

“Your brother will rise again.” 11:23

“I am  
the resurrection  
and the life.  
He who believes in me  
will still live,  
even if he dies.  
Whoever lives  
and believes in me  
will never die.  
Do you believe this?” 11:25-26

“Where have you laid him?” 11:34

“Take away the stone.” 11:39

“Didn’t I tell you that  
if you believed,  
you would see God’s glory?” 11:40

“Father,  
I thank you  
that you listened to me.  
I know  
that you always listen to me,

but because of the multitude that stands around I said this,  
that they may believe that  
you sent me.” 11:41-42

“Lazarus,  
come out!” 11:43

“Free him,  
and let him go.” 11:44

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JOHN 12

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**“Leave her alone.**

She has kept this for the day of my burial.  
For you always have the poor with you,  
but you don’t always have me.” 12:7-8

“The time has come  
for the Son of Man  
to be glorified.  
Most certainly I tell you,  
unless a grain of wheat  
falls into the earth  
and dies,  
it remains  
by itself alone.  
But if it dies,  
it bears much fruit.  
He who loves his life  
will lose it.  
He who hates his life  
in this world  
will keep it  
to eternal life.  
If anyone serves me,  
let him follow me.  
Where I am,  
there will my servant also be.  
If anyone serves me,

the Father  
will honor him. 12:23-26

“Now my soul is troubled.  
What shall I say?  
‘Father,  
save me from this time?’  
But for this cause  
I came to this time.  
Father,  
glorify your name!” 12:27-28

“This voice  
hasn’t come for my sake,  
but for your sakes.  
Now  
is the judgment of this world.  
Now  
the prince of this world  
will be cast out.  
And I, if I am lifted up from the earth,  
will draw all people to myself.” 12:30-32

‘The Son of Man must be lifted up?’ 12:34

“Yet a little while  
the light is with you.  
Walk while you have the light,  
that darkness doesn’t overtake you.  
He who walks in the darkness  
doesn’t know where he is going.  
While you have the light,  
believe in the light,  
that you may become children of light.” 12:35-36

“Whoever believes in me,  
believes not in me,  
but in him who sent me.  
He who sees me

sees him who sent me.  
I have come as a light into the world,  
that whoever believes in me  
may not remain in the darkness.  
If anyone listens to my sayings,  
and doesn’t believe,  
I don’t judge him.  
For I came not to judge the world,  
but to save the world.  
He who rejects me,  
and doesn’t receive my sayings,  
has one who judges him.  
The word  
that I spoke,  
the same will judge him  
in the last day.  
For I spoke not from myself,  
but the Father who sent me,  
he gave me a commandment,  
what I should say,  
and what I should speak.  
I know  
that his commandment is  
eternal life.  
The things therefore which I speak,  
even as the Father has said to me,  
so I speak.” 12:44-50

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JOHN 13

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**“You don’t know what**  
I am doing now,  
but you will understand later.” 13:7

“If I don’t wash you,  
you have no part with me.” 13:8

“Someone who has bathed  
only needs to have his feet washed,

but is completely clean.  
You are clean,  
but not all of you.”

13:10

“You are not all clean.”

13:11

“Do you know  
what I have done  
to you?  
You call me, ‘Teacher’ and ‘Lord.’  
You say so correctly,  
for so I am.  
If I then,  
the Lord and the Teacher,  
have washed your feet,  
you also  
ought to wash one another’s feet.  
For I have given you an example,  
that you also should do  
as I have done to you.  
Most certainly I tell you,  
a servant is not greater than his lord,  
neither one who is sent greater than  
he who sent him.

13:12-16

If you know these things,  
blessed are you  
if you do them.  
“I don’t speak concerning all of you.  
I know whom  
I have chosen.  
But that the Scripture may be fulfilled,  
‘He who eats bread with me  
has lifted up his heel against me.’  
From now on,  
I tell you  
before it happens,  
that when it happens,  
you may believe that

I am he.  
Most certainly I tell you,  
he who receives whomever I send,  
receives me;  
and he who receives me,  
receives him who sent me.”

13:17-20

“Most certainly  
I tell you  
that one of you  
will betray me.”

13:21

“It is he  
to whom I will give  
this piece of bread  
when I have dipped it.”

13:26

“What you do,  
do quickly.”

13:27

“Now  
the Son of Man has been  
glorified,  
and God has been  
glorified  
in him.  
If God  
has been glorified  
in him,  
God will also glorify  
him  
in himself,  
and he will  
glorify  
him  
immediately.  
Little children,  
I will be with you  
a little while longer.



You will seek me,  
and as I said to the Jews,  
'Where I am going,  
you can't come,'  
so now I tell you.  
A new commandment I give to you,  
that you love one another,  
just like I have loved you;  
that you also love one another.  
By this  
everyone will know  
that you are my disciples,  
if you have  
love for one another."

13:31-35

"Where I am going,  
you can't follow  
now,  
but you will follow  
afterwards."

13:36

"Will you  
lay down your life  
for me?  
Most certainly I tell you,  
the rooster won't crow  
until you have denied me three times.

13:38

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JOHN 14

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**"Don't let your heart be troubled.**

Believe in God.  
Believe also in me.  
In my Father's house  
are many homes.  
If it weren't so,  
I would have told you.  
I am going  
to prepare a place for you.

If I go  
and prepare a place for you,  
I will come again,  
and will receive you to myself;  
that where I am,  
you may be there also.  
Where I go,  
you know,  
and you know the way."

14:1-4

"I am the way,  
the truth,  
and the life.  
No one  
comes to the Father,  
except through me.  
If you had known me,  
you would have known my Father also.  
From now on,  
you know him,  
and have seen him."

14:6-7

"Have I been with you  
such a long time,  
and do you not know me,  
Philip?  
He who has seen me  
has seen the Father.  
How do you say,  
'Show us the Father?'  
Don't you believe that  
I am in the Father,  
and the Father in me?  
The words that I tell you,  
I speak not from myself;  
but the Father  
who lives in me  
does his works.



Believe me  
that I am  
in the Father,  
and the Father in me;  
or else  
believe me  
for the very works' sake.  
Most certainly  
I tell you,  
he who believes in me,  
the works that I do,  
he will do also;  
and he will do  
greater works than these,  
because I am going to my Father.  
Whatever  
you will ask in my name,  
that will I do,  
that the Father may be glorified in the Son.  
If you will ask  
anything  
in my name,  
I will do it.

14:9-14

“If you love me,  
keep my commandments.  
I will pray to the Father,  
and he will give you  
another Counselor,  
that he may be with you forever,—  
the Spirit of truth,  
whom the world can't receive;  
for it doesn't see him,  
neither knows him.  
You know him,  
for he lives with you,  
and will be in you.  
I will not leave you orphans.  
I will come to you.

Yet a little while,  
and the world will see me no more;  
but you will see me.  
Because I live,  
you will live also.  
In that day  
you will know  
that I am in my Father,  
and you in me,  
and I in you.  
One who has my commandments,  
and keeps them,  
that person is one who loves me.  
One who loves me  
will be loved by my Father,  
and I will love him,  
and will reveal myself to him.”

14:15-21

“If a man loves me,  
he will keep my word.  
My Father will love him,  
and we will come to him,  
and make our home with him.  
He who doesn't love me  
doesn't keep my words.  
The word which you hear  
isn't mine,  
but the Father's  
who sent me.  
I have said these things to you,  
while still living with you.  
But the Counselor,  
the Holy Spirit,  
whom the Father will send  
in my name,  
he will teach you all things,  
and will remind you  
of all that I said to you.

14:23-26



“Peace I leave with you.  
My peace I give to you;  
not as the world gives,  
give I to you.  
Don’t let your heart be troubled, neither let it be fearful.  
You heard how I told you,  
‘I go away,  
and I come to you.’  
If you loved me,  
you would have rejoiced,  
because I said  
‘I am going to my Father;’  
for the Father is greater than I.  
Now I have told you  
before it happens  
so that, when it happens,  
you may believe.  
I will no more speak much with you,  
for the prince of the world comes,  
and he has nothing in me.  
But that the world may know  
that I love the Father,  
and as the Father commanded me, even so I do.  
Arise,  
let us go from here.

14:27-31

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JOHN 15

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**“I am the true vine,**  
and my Father is the farmer.  
Every branch in me  
that doesn’t bear fruit,  
he takes away.  
Every branch that bears fruit,  
he prunes,  
that it may bear more fruit.  
You are already pruned clean  
because of the word  
which I have spoken to you.

Remain in me,  
and I in you.  
As the branch can’t bear fruit by itself,  
unless it remains in the vine,  
so neither can you,  
unless you remain in me.

15:1-4

I am the vine.  
You are the branches.  
He who remains in me,  
and I in him,  
the same bears much fruit,  
for apart from me  
you can do nothing.  
If a man doesn’t remain in me,  
he is thrown out as a branch,  
and is withered;  
and they gather them,  
throw them into the fire,  
and they are burned.  
If you remain in me,  
and my words remain in you,  
you will ask whatever you desire,  
and it will be done for you.

15:5-7

“In this is my Father glorified,  
that you bear much fruit;  
and so you will be my disciples.  
Even as the Father has loved me,  
I also have loved you.  
Remain in my love.  
If you keep my commandments,  
you will remain in my love;  
even as I have kept my Father’s commandments,  
and remain in his love.  
I have spoken these things to you,  
that my joy may remain in you,  
and that your joy may be made full.

15:8-11





“This is my commandment,  
that you love one another,  
even as I have loved you.  
Greater love has no one than this,  
that someone lay down his life for his friends.  
You are my friends,  
if you do whatever I command you.  
No longer do I call you servants,  
for the servant doesn’t know what his lord does.  
But I have called you friends,  
for everything that I heard from my Father,  
I have made known to you.  
You didn’t choose me,  
but I chose you,  
and appointed you,  
that you should go and bear fruit,  
and that your fruit should remain;  
that whatever you will ask of the Father in my name,  
he may give it to you.

15:12-16

“I command these things to you,  
that you may love one another.  
If the world hates you,  
you know that it has hated me before it hated you.  
If you were of the world,  
the world would love its own.  
But because you are not of the world,  
since I chose you out of the world,  
therefore the world hates you.  
Remember the word  
that I said to you:  
‘A servant is not greater than his lord.’  
If they persecuted me,  
they will also persecute you.  
If they kept my word,  
they will keep yours also.  
But all these things will they do to you  
for my name’s sake,  
because they don’t know

him who sent me.  
If I had not come  
and spoken to them,  
they would not have had sin;  
but now  
they have no excuse for their sin.  
He who hates me,  
hates my Father also.  
If I hadn’t done among them  
the works which no one else did,  
they wouldn’t have had sin.  
But now  
have they seen  
and also hated both me and my Father.  
But this happened  
so that the word may be fulfilled  
which was written in their law,  
‘They hated me without a cause.’

15:17-25

“When the Counselor has come,  
whom I will send to you  
from the Father,  
the Spirit of truth,  
who proceeds from the Father,  
he will testify about me.  
You will also testify,  
because you have been with me from the beginning.”

15:26-27

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JOHN 16

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“**These things have I spoken to you,**  
so that you wouldn’t be caused to stumble.  
They will put you out of the synagogues.  
Yes,  
the time comes  
that whoever kills you  
will think that he offers service to God.  
They will do these things  
because they have not known the Father, nor me.

But I have told you these things,  
so that when the time comes,  
you may remember that I told you about them.  
I didn't tell you these things from the beginning,  
because I was with you.

16:1-4

But now I am going to him who sent me,  
and none of you asks me,  
'Where are you going?'  
But because I have told you these things,  
sorrow has filled your heart.  
Nevertheless I tell you the truth:  
It is to your advantage  
that I go away,  
for if I don't go away,  
the Counselor won't come to you.  
But if I go,  
I will send him to you.  
When he has come,  
he will convict the world  
about sin, about righteousness, and about judgment;  
about sin,  
because they don't believe in me;  
about righteousness,  
because I am going to my Father, and you won't see me any more;  
about judgment,  
because the prince of this world has been judged.

16:5-11

"I have yet many things to tell you,  
but you can't bear them now.  
However when he,  
the Spirit of truth,  
has come,  
he will guide you into  
all truth,  
for he will not speak from himself;  
but whatever he hears,  
he will speak.  
He will declare to you things that are coming.

He will glorify me,  
for he will take from what is mine,  
and will declare it to you.  
All things whatever the Father has  
are mine;  
therefore I said  
that he takes of mine,  
and will declare it to you.  
A little while,  
and you will not see me.  
Again a little while,  
and you will see me."

16:12-16

'A little while,  
and you won't see me,  
and again a little while,  
and you will see me;'  
'Because I go to the Father'"

16:17

'A little while'

16:18

"Do you inquire among yourselves  
concerning this, that I said,  
'A little while, and you won't see me,  
and again a little while, and you will see me?'  
Most certainly I tell you,  
that you will weep and lament,  
but the world will rejoice.  
You will be sorrowful,  
but your sorrow will be turned into joy.  
A woman, when she gives birth, has sorrow,  
because her time has come.  
But when she has delivered the child,  
she doesn't remember the anguish any more,  
for the joy that a human being is born into the world.  
Therefore you now have sorrow,  
but I will see you again,  
and your heart will rejoice,  
and no one  
will take your joy away from you.

16:19-22



“In that day  
you will ask me no questions.  
Most certainly  
I tell you,  
whatever you may ask of the Father in my name,  
he will give it to you.  
Until now,  
you have asked nothing in my name.  
Ask,  
and you will receive,  
that your joy may be made full.  
I have spoken these things to you  
in figures of speech.  
But the time is coming  
when I will no more speak to you in figures of speech,  
but will tell you plainly  
about the Father.  
In that day  
you will ask in my name;  
and I don’t say to you, that I will pray to the Father for you,  
for the Father himself  
loves you,  
because you have loved me,  
and have believed  
that I came forth from God.  
I came out from the Father,  
and have come into the world.  
Again, I leave the world, and go to the Father.”

16:23-28

“Do you now believe?  
Behold, the time is coming,  
yes,  
and has now come,  
that you will be scattered,  
everyone to his own place,  
and you will leave me alone.  
Yet I am not alone,  
because the Father is with me.  
I have told you these things,

that in me  
you may have peace.  
In the world you have oppression;  
but cheer up!  
I have overcome the world.”

16:31-33

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JOHN 17

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“**Father,**  
the time has come.  
Glorify your Son,  
that your Son may also glorify you;  
even as you gave him authority over all flesh,  
he will give eternal life to all whom you have given him.  
This is eternal life,  
that they should know you,  
the only true God,  
and him whom you sent,  
Jesus Christ.  
I glorified you on the earth.  
I have accomplished the work which you have given me to do.  
Now,  
Father,  
glorify me with your own self with the glory which I had with you  
before the world existed.

17:1-5

I revealed your name  
to the people whom you have given me out of the world.  
They were yours,  
and you have given them to me.  
They have kept your word.  
Now they have known  
that all things whatever you have given me  
are from you,  
for the words which you have given me  
I have given to them,  
and they received them,  
and knew for sure  
that I came forth from you,



and they have believed that you sent me.  
I pray for them.  
I don't pray for the world,  
but for those whom you have given me,  
for they are yours.  
All things that are mine are yours,  
and yours are mine,  
and I am glorified in them.  
I am no more in the world,  
but these are in the world,  
and I am coming to you.  
Holy Father,  
keep them  
through your name  
which you have given me,  
that they may be one,  
even as we are.  
While I was with them in the world,  
I kept them in your name.  
Those whom you have given me I have kept.  
None of them is lost,  
except the son of destruction,  
that the Scripture might be fulfilled.  
But now  
I come to you,  
and I say  
these things in the world,  
that they may have  
my joy made full in themselves.  
I have given them your word.  
The world hated them,  
because they are not of the world,  
even as I am not of the world.  
I pray  
not that you would take them from the world,  
but that you would keep them  
from the evil one.  
They are not of the world  
even as I am not of the world.

Sanctify them in your truth.  
Your word is truth.  
As you sent me into the world,  
even so I have sent them into the world.  
For their sakes I sanctify myself,  
that they themselves also may be sanctified in truth.

17:6-19

Not for these only do  
I pray,  
but for those also  
who believe in me  
through their word,  
that they may all be one; even as you,  
Father,  
are in me,  
and I in you,  
that they also may be one in us;  
that the world may believe  
that you sent me.  
The glory which you have given me,  
I have given to them;  
that they may be one,  
even as we are one;  
I in them,  
and  
you in me,  
that they may be perfected into one;  
that the world may know  
that you sent me,  
and loved them, even as you loved me.  
Father,  
I desire  
that they also whom you have given me  
be  
with me  
where I am,  
that they may see my glory,  
which you have given me,  
for you loved me



before the foundation of the world.  
Righteous Father,  
the world hasn't known you,  
but I knew you;  
and these knew  
that you sent me.  
I made known to them your name,  
and will make it known;  
that the love with which you loved me  
may be in them,  
and I in them.” 17:20-26

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JOHN 18

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**“Who are you looking for?”** 18:4

“I am he.” 18:5

“I am he,” 18:6

“Who are you looking for?” 18:7

“I told you  
that I am he.  
If therefore you seek me,  
let these go their way,” 18:8

“Of those whom you have given me,  
I have lost none.” 18:9

“Put the sword into its sheath.  
The cup which the Father has given me,  
shall I not surely drink it?” 18:11

“I spoke openly to the world.  
I always taught in synagogues, and in the temple,  
where the Jews always meet.  
I said nothing in secret.  
Why do you ask me?”

Ask those who have heard me  
what I said to them.  
Behold, these know the things which I said.” 18:20-21

“If I have spoken evil,  
testify of the evil;  
but if well,  
why do you beat me?” 18:23

“Do you say this by yourself,  
or did others tell you about me?” 18:34

“My Kingdom is not of this world.  
If my Kingdom were of this world,  
then my servants would fight, that I wouldn't be delivered to the Jews.  
But now my Kingdom is not from here.” 18:36

“You say that I am a king.  
For this reason  
I have been born,  
and for this reason I have come into the world,  
that I should testify to the truth.  
Everyone who is of the truth  
listens to my voice.” 18:37

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JOHN 19

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**“You would have no power at all against me,**  
unless it were given to you from above.  
Therefore he who delivered me to you  
has greater sin.” 19:11

“Woman, behold your son!” 19:26

“Behold, your mother!” 19:27

“I am thirsty.” 19:28

“It  
is  
finished.” 19:30

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JOHN 20

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“**Woman,**  
why are you weeping?  
Who are you looking for?” 20:15

“Mary.” 20:16

“Don’t hold me,  
for I haven’t yet ascended to my Father;  
but go to my brothers,  
and tell them,  
‘I am ascending  
to my Father and your Father,  
to my God and your God.’” 20:17

“Peace be to you.” 20:19

“Peace be to you.  
As the Father has sent me,  
even so I send you.” 20:21

“Receive the Holy Spirit!  
If you forgive anyone’s sins,  
they have been forgiven them.  
If you retain anyone’s sins,  
they have been retained.” 20:22-23

“Peace be to you.” 20:26

“Reach here your finger,  
and see my hands.  
Reach here your hand,

and put it into my side.  
Don’t be unbelieving,  
but believing.” 20:27

“Because you have seen me,  
you have believed.  
Blessed are those who have not seen,  
and have believed.” 20:29

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JOHN 21

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“**Children,**  
have you anything to eat?” 21:5

“Cast the net on the right side of the boat,  
and you will find some.” 21:6

“Bring some of the fish which you have just caught.” 21:10

“Come and eat breakfast.” 21:12

“Simon,  
son of Jonah,  
do you love me  
more than these?” 21:15  
“Feed my lambs.”

“Simon,  
son of Jonah,  
do you love me?” 21:16  
“Tend my sheep.”

“Simon,  
son of Jonah,  
do you have affection for me?”  
“Do you have affection for me?”  
“Feed my sheep.” 21:17

Most certainly  
I tell you,  
when you were young,  
you dressed yourself,  
and walked where you wanted to.  
But when you are old,  
you will stretch out your hands,  
and another will dress you,  
and carry you where you don't want to go.” 21:18

“Follow me.” 21:19

“If I desire that he stay until I come,  
what is that to you?  
You follow me.” 21:22

“If I desire that he stay until I come,  
what is that to you?” 21:23

# *The Acts* OF THE APOSTLES

## CHAPTER 1

“**Don't depart from Jerusalem,**  
but wait  
for the promise  
of the Father,  
which you heard from me.  
For John indeed baptized in water,  
but you will be baptized in the Holy Spirit  
not many days from now.” 1:4-5

“It isn't for you to know  
times or seasons  
which the Father has set  
within his own authority.  
But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you.  
You will be witnesses to me  
in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria,  
and to the uttermost parts of the earth.” 1:7-8

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## ACTS 9

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“**Saul,**  
Saul,  
why do you persecute me?” 9:4

“I am  
Jesus,  
whom you are persecuting.  
But rise up,  
and enter into the city,  
and you will be told  
what you must do.” 9:5-6

“Ananias!” 9:10

“Arise,  
and go  
to the street which is called Straight,  
and inquire in the house of Judah  
for one named Saul, a man of Tarsus.  
For behold,  
he is praying,  
and in a vision  
he has seen a man  
named Ananias coming in,  
and laying his hands on him,  
that he might receive his sight.”

9:11-12

“Go your way,  
for he is my chosen vessel  
to bear my name  
before the nations and kings,  
and the children of Israel.  
For I will show him  
how many things  
he must suffer  
for my name’s sake.”

9:15-16

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ACTS 10

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“**Rise,**  
Peter,  
kill and eat!”

10:13

“What God has cleansed,  
you must not call unclean.”

10:15

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ACTS 11

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‘**Rise,**  
Peter,  
kill and eat!’

11:7

‘What God has cleansed,  
don’t you call unclean.’

11:9

‘John indeed baptized in water,  
but you will be baptized  
in the Holy Spirit.’

11:16

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ACTS 18

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“**Don’t be afraid,**  
but speak  
and don’t be silent;  
for I am with you,  
and no one will attack you  
to harm you,  
for I have many people in this city.”

18:9-10

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ACTS 20

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‘**It is more blessed to give than to receive.”**

20:35

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ACTS 22

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‘**Saul,**  
Saul,  
why are you persecuting me?’

22:7

‘I am  
Jesus  
of Nazareth, whom you persecute.’

22:8

‘Arise,  
and go  
into Damascus.  
There you will be told about all things  
which are appointed for you to do.’

22:10





'Hurry  
and get out of Jerusalem quickly,  
because they will not receive testimony concerning me from you.' 22:18

'Depart,  
for I will send you out  
far from here to the Gentiles.'" 22:21

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ACTS 23

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**"Cheer up,**  
Paul,  
for as you have testified about me at Jerusalem,  
so you must testify also at Rome." 23:11

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ACTS 26

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**'Saul,**  
Saul,  
why are you persecuting me?  
It is hard for you to kick against the goads.' 26:14

'I am  
Jesus,  
whom you are persecuting.  
But arise,  
and stand  
on your feet,  
for I have appeared to you  
for this purpose:  
to appoint you  
a servant  
and a witness  
both of the things which you have seen,  
and of the things which I will reveal to you;  
delivering you from the people,  
and from the Gentiles,  
to whom I send you,

to open their eyes,  
that they may turn from darkness to light  
and from the power of Satan to God,  
that they may receive remission of sins  
and an inheritance among those  
who are sanctified  
by faith in me.' 26:15-18

PAUL'S SECOND  
LETTER TO THE

## *Corinthians*

CHAPTER 12

**"My grace is sufficient for you,**  
for my power is made perfect in weakness." 12:9

# The Revelation TO JOHN

## REVELATION 1

**“I am**

the Alpha  
and  
the Omega,”

“who is  
and  
who was  
and  
who is to come,  
the Almighty.”

1:8

“What you see,  
write in a book  
and send to the seven assemblies:  
to Ephesus,  
Smyrna,  
Pergamum,  
Thyatira,  
Sardis,  
Philadelphia,  
and to Laodicea.”

1:11

“Don’t be afraid.  
I am the first and the last,  
and the Living one.  
I was dead,  
and behold,  
I am alive  
forevermore. Amen.  
I have the keys of Death and of Hades.  
Write therefore the things which you have seen,  
and the things which are,  
and the things which will happen hereafter;

the mystery of the seven stars  
which you saw in my right hand,  
and the seven golden lampstands.  
The seven stars  
are the angels of the seven assemblies.  
The seven lampstands  
are seven assemblies.

1:17-20

## REVELATION 2

**“To the angel of the assembly in Ephesus write:**

“He who holds the seven stars in his right hand,  
he who walks among the seven golden lampstands  
says these things:

2:1

“I know your works,  
and your toil and perseverance,  
and that you can’t tolerate evil men,  
and have tested those who call themselves apostles,  
and they are not, and found them false.  
You have perseverance  
and have endured  
for my name’s sake,  
and have not grown weary.  
But I have this against you,  
that you left your first love.  
Remember therefore from where you have fallen,  
and repent  
and do the first works;  
or else I am coming to you swiftly,  
and will move your lampstand out of its place,  
unless you repent.  
But this you have,  
that you hate the works of the Nicolaitans,  
which I also hate.  
He who has an ear,  
let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.



To him who overcomes  
I will give to eat of the tree of life,  
which is in the Paradise of my God. 2:2-7

“To the angel of the assembly in Smyrna write:

“The first and the last,  
who was dead,  
and has come to life  
says these things: 2:8

“I know  
your works,  
oppression,  
and your poverty (but you are rich),  
and the blasphemy of those who say they are Jews,  
and they are not,  
but are a synagogue of Satan.  
Don’t be afraid of the things which you are about to suffer.  
Behold,  
the devil is about to throw some of you into prison,  
that you may be tested;  
and you will have oppression for ten days.  
Be faithful to death,  
and I will give you the crown of life.  
He who has an ear,  
let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.  
He who overcomes  
won’t be harmed by the second death. 2:9-11

“To the angel of the assembly in Pergamum write:

“He who has the sharp two-edged sword  
says these things: 2:12

“I know  
your works  
and where you dwell,  
where Satan’s throne is.  
You hold firmly to my name,

and didn’t deny my faith  
in the days of Antipas my witness,  
my faithful one,  
who was killed among you,  
where Satan dwells.  
But I have a few things against you,  
because you have there some who hold the teaching of Balaam,  
who taught Balak to throw  
a stumbling block before the children of Israel,  
to eat things sacrificed to idols,  
and to commit sexual immorality.  
So you also have some who hold to  
the teaching of the Nicolaitans likewise.  
Repent therefore,  
or else I am coming to you quickly,  
and I will make war against them  
with the sword of my mouth.  
He who has an ear,  
let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.  
To him who overcomes,  
to him I will give of the hidden manna,  
and I will give him a white stone,  
and on the stone a new name written,  
which no one knows but he who receives it. 2:13-17

“To the angel of the assembly in Thyatira write:

“The Son of God,  
who has his eyes like a flame of fire,  
and his feet are like burnished brass,  
says these things: 2:18

“I know  
your works,  
your love,  
faith,  
service,  
patient endurance,  
and that your last works are more than the first.

But I have this against you,  
that you tolerate your woman, Jezebel,  
who calls herself a prophetess.  
She teaches and seduces my servants  
to commit sexual immorality,  
and to eat things sacrificed to idols.  
I gave her time to repent,  
but she refuses to repent  
of her sexual immorality.  
Behold,  
I will throw her into a bed,  
and those who commit adultery with her into great oppression,  
unless they  
repent of her works.  
I will kill her children with Death,  
and all the assemblies will know that  
I am he who searches the minds and hearts.  
I will give to each one of you  
according to your deeds.  
But to you I say,  
to the rest who are in Thyatira,  
as many as don't have this teaching,  
who don't know what some call 'the deep things of Satan,'  
to you I say, I am not putting any other burden on you.  
Nevertheless, hold that which you have firmly until I come.  
He who overcomes,  
and he who keeps my works to the end,  
to him I will give authority over the nations.  
He will rule them with a rod of iron,  
shattering them like clay pots;  
as I also have received of my Father:  
and I will give him the morning star.  
He who has an ear,  
let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.

2:19-29

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REVELATION 3

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**“And to the angel of the assembly in Sardis write:**

“He who has the seven Spirits of God,  
and the seven stars  
says these things:  
“I know  
your works,  
that you have a reputation of being alive,  
but you are dead.

3:1

Wake up,  
and keep the things that remain,  
which you were about to throw away,  
for I have found no works of yours perfected before my God.  
Remember therefore how you have received and heard.  
Keep it, and  
repent.  
If therefore you won't watch, I will come as a thief,  
and you won't know what hour I will come upon you.  
Nevertheless  
you have a few names in Sardis  
that did not defile their garments.  
They will walk with me in white,  
for they are worthy.  
He who overcomes  
will be arrayed in white garments,  
and I will in no way blot his name  
out of the book of life,  
and I will confess his name before my Father,  
and before his angels.  
He who has an ear,  
let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.

3:2-6

**“To the angel of the assembly in Philadelphia write:**

“He who is holy,  
he who is true,

he who has the key of David,  
he who opens and no one can shut,  
and who shuts and no one opens,  
says these things:

3:7

“I know  
your works  
(behold,  
I have set before you an open door,  
which no one can shut),  
that you have a little power,  
and kept my word,  
and didn’t deny my name.  
Behold,  
I give of the synagogue of Satan,  
of those who say they are Jews,  
and they are not, but lie.  
Behold,  
I will make them to come  
and worship before your feet,  
and to know that I have loved you.  
Because you kept my command to endure,  
I also will keep you from the hour of testing,  
which is to come on the whole world,  
to test those who dwell on the earth.  
I am coming quickly!  
Hold firmly that which you have,  
so that no one takes your crown.  
He who overcomes,  
I will make him a pillar in the temple of my God,  
and he will go out from there no more.  
I will write on him the name of my God,  
and the name of the city of my God,  
the new Jerusalem,  
which comes down out of heaven from my God,  
and my own new name.  
He who has an ear,  
let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.

3:8-13

“To the angel of the assembly in Laodicea write:

“The Amen,  
the Faithful and True Witness,  
the Head of God’s creation,  
says these things:

3:14

“I know  
your works,  
that you are neither cold nor hot.  
I wish you were cold or hot.  
So, because you are lukewarm,  
and neither hot nor cold,  
I will vomit you out of my mouth.  
Because you say,  
‘I am rich, and have gotten riches,  
and have need of nothing;’  
and don’t know that you are the wretched one,  
miserable, poor, blind, and naked;  
I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire,  
that you may become rich;  
and white garments, that you may clothe yourself,  
and that the shame of your nakedness  
may not be revealed;  
and eye salve to anoint your eyes, that you may see.  
As many as I love, I reprove and chasten.  
Be zealous therefore, and  
repent.  
Behold,  
I stand at the door and knock.  
If anyone hears my voice and opens the door,  
then I will come in to him,  
and will dine with him,  
and he with me.  
He who overcomes,  
I will give to him to sit down with me on my throne,  
as I also overcame,  
and sat down with my Father on his throne.  
He who has an ear,  
let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.”

3:15-22

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REVELATION 16

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**“Behold,**

I come like a thief.  
Blessed is he who watches,  
and keeps his clothes,  
so that he doesn't walk naked,  
and they see his shame.”

16:15

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REVELATION 21

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**“Behold,**

I am making all things new.”

**“Write,**

for these words of God are faithful and true.”

21:5

**“It is done!**

I am  
the Alpha  
and  
the Omega,  
the Beginning  
and  
the End.  
I will give freely to him  
who is thirsty  
from the spring of the water of life.  
He who overcomes,  
I will give him these things.  
I will be his God, and  
he will be my son.  
But for the cowardly, unbelieving, sinners,  
abominable, murderers, sexually immoral,  
sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars,  
their part is in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur,  
which is the second death.”

21:6-8

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REVELATION 22

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**“Behold,**

I come quickly.  
Blessed is he  
who keeps the words  
of the prophecy of this book.”

22:7

**“Behold,**

I come quickly.  
My reward is with me,  
to repay to each man according to his work.  
I am the Alpha and the Omega,  
the First and the Last,  
the Beginning and the End.  
Blessed are those  
who do his commandments,  
that they may have the right to the tree of life,  
and may enter in by the gates into the city.  
Outside are the dogs,  
the sorcerers, the sexually immoral,  
the murderers, the idolaters,  
and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.  
I,  
Jesus,  
have sent my angel  
to testify these things to you for the assemblies.  
I am  
the root  
and  
the offspring of David;  
the Bright and Morning Star.”

22:12-16

**“Yes,**

I come quickly.”

22:20



## HOW TO KNOW

# Jesus

God loves you and created you to know Him personally. He expresses this love in His word:

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life... Now this is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.” JOHN 3:16; 17:3

He knows you and wants you to know Him!

He knows you and wants you to know Him. However, sin separates you from God, preventing you from knowing Him. “All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God” (ROMANS 3:23). Sin has created the natural, willful desire you have to do your own thing. This causes spiritual separation from a Holy God that leads to death. “The wages of sin is death” (ROMANS 6:23). Sin also created the “God-void” in your soul which can be filled only by Jesus. People try all sorts of things to satisfy the longing in their hearts, but Jesus is the only answer.

Jesus Christ is God’s only provision for our sin. He is the only Way to God:

While we were still sinners, Christ died for us...Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time...Jesus answered, ‘I am

the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me’. ROMANS 5:8; 1 CORINTHIANS 15:3-6; JOHN 14:6

We must individually receive Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. Then we can know God personally and experience His love.

- We receive Jesus by faith. Receiving Him means experiencing a new birth!

Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God...For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast. Jesus answered, ‘I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. You should not be surprised at my saying, ‘You must be born again’. JOHN 1:12; EPHESIANS 2:8-9; JOHN 3: 5-7

- We receive Jesus by personally inviting Him into our lives!

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me” (REVELATION 3:20)

- We receive Jesus by faith as an act of our will. Ephesians 2:8 discusses the gift of salvation:

“For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God...”

The only act of your will needed is to believe and receive.

Pray the following to ask Jesus into your heart:

*Jesus, I want to know You personally. Thank You for dying on the cross for my sins. Please come into my heart as my Savior and my Lord. Thank You for forgiving me of my sins and giving me eternal life. I turn*

*my will over to You. Make me the person You want me to be.  
Praise You! Thank You. Help me trust in You. Amen.*

Do not rely on feelings – they can be deceptive. Put your faith in the fact of God’s Word and in His promises for you. As you fill up with His Word, your feelings will come into alignment with your faith in what He says. Pray to God regularly and ask to be lead by the Holy Spirit. Read the Bible so you can become more intimately acquainted with God’s ways. Surround yourself with good friends who know Jesus. Look for a friend whose life is producing the fruits of the Holy Spirit. Ask them to help disciple you in Godly growth.

Tell someone about your decision to follow Jesus! It will strengthen your faith. God bless you!

## THE STORY BEHIND “JUST JESUS” LOGO

*Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever.* HEBREWS 13:8

The *Just Jesus* logo was designed by world renowned artist Kurt Wenner This unique art was a challenge to create. It had to exist successfully as a small, simple image, but also be adaptable to an elaborate, decorative framework. The design had to be personal, yet appeal to a wider demographic for purposes of the mission of *Just Jesus Daily*. The image is rich with symbolism on many different levels, yet is composed of a single line, conveying the unity of God. The tension between elements is what creates the logo’s depth.

Conveying Jesus’ eternal nature was a daunting task. “Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today and forever” (HEBREWS 13:8). To represent this truth, Wenner set out to create a logo that suggested an icon that has existed for millennia, but which crosses over into a contemporary look as well. He started the design process using the most ancient symbols in the Christian tradition. He interwove several versions of the cross, including the Latin cross, the Ansaté cross, the Coptic cross, and the Celtic high cross. He incorporated images including the Pisces and the Vesica Pisces – essential and profound symbols of early faith.

The logo also underscores the triune aspect of the Christian faith, interweaving a halo, crossed wings, and a flame – alluding to the Spirit



of faith and to the resurrection. There is also a large heart shape visible, although the effect is not overly sweet. The subtle fish tails at the bottom imply thorns from the crown Jesus wore to His crucifixion.

The downward-pointing border around the bottom of the cross resembles the sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God. “For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart” (HEBREWS 4:12).

What else do you see? As with truth, the more it’s studied, the more it reveals.

