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Luke

1 Since many have attempted to compile an account
concerning the things that have been fulfilled among us,
2 just as the ones having been from the beginning eyewitnesses
and servants of the word handed them down to us, 3 it seemed
good to me also, having carefully investigated everything
from the beginning, to write for you an orderly account,
most excellent Theophilus, 4 so that you might know the
certainty concerning the things that you have been taught.

5 In the days of Herod, king of Judea, there was a certain
priest named Zechariah, from the division of Abijah. And
his wife *was* from the daughters of Aaron, and her name *was*
Elizabeth. 6 And they were both righteous in front of God,
walking blamelessly in all the commandments and statutes
of the Lord. 7 But they did not have a child, because Elizabeth
was barren, and they were both advanced in their days.

8 And it happened that in his performing as priest before
God, in the order of his division, 9 according to the custom
of the priesthood, he came up by lot to enter into the temple
of the Lord to burn incense. 10 And the whole crowd of the
people was praying outside at the hour of the incense offering.
11 Then an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing at
the right side of the altar of incense. 12 And Zechariah was
troubled, having seen *him*, and fear fell on him. 13 But the
angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zechariah, because
your prayer has been heard, and your wife Elizabeth will
bear you a son, and you will call his name John. 14 And there
will be joy and gladness to you, and many will rejoice at his
birth. 15 For he will be great before the Lord, and he must
never drink wine or strong drink, and he will be filled with
the Holy Spirit even from his mother's womb. 16 And he will
turn many of the sons of Israel back to the Lord their God.
17 And he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah,
to turn the hearts of fathers back to their children and the
disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous—to make ready
for the Lord a people prepared."

18 Then Zechariah said to the angel, "How will I know
this? For I am an old man, and my wife is advanced in her
days." 19 And answering, the angel said to him, "I am Gabriel,
the one standing before God, and I was sent to speak to you
and to bring you this good news. 20 And behold, you will be
silent and not able to speak until that day when these things
take place, because you did not believe my words, which will
be fulfilled in their time." 21 And the people were waiting
for Zechariah, and they were wondering at his delaying in
the temple. 22 But having come out, he was not able to speak
to them and they perceived that he had seen a vision in
the temple; and he was making signs to them and remained
unable to speak. 23 And it happened that, when the days of
his priestly service were fulfilled, he went away to his home.

24 And after these days, his wife Elizabeth conceived, and
for five months she hid herself, saying, 25 "Thus the Lord
has done for me, in the days in which he looked upon *me*,
to take away my disgrace among men."

26 And in the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent
from God to a city in Galilee whose name *was* Nazareth,
27 to a virgin engaged to a man whose name *was* Joseph, of
the house of David, and the name of the virgin *was* Mary.
28 And coming to her, the angel said, "Rejoice, favored one!
The Lord *is* with you." 29 But she was troubled by the words
and she was considering what kind of greeting this might
be. 30 And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary,
for you have found favor with God. 31 And behold, you will
conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will call
his name Jesus. 32 He will be great and will be called the
Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him
the throne of his father David. 33 And he will reign over the
house of Jacob to eternity, and there will be no end of his
kingship." 34 But Mary said to the angel, "How will this be,
since I have not known a man?" 35 And answering, the angel
said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and power
of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore, the holy
one being born will be called the Son of God. 36 And behold,
your relative Elizabeth—she also has conceived a son in her
old age, and this is the sixth month for her, the one called
barren. 37 For every word will not be impossible for God."
38 Then Mary said, "Behold, the female servant of the Lord.
May it happen to me according to your word." Then the
angel went away from her.

39 Then Mary arose in those days *and* went with haste
into the hill country, to a city of Judah, 40 and she entered
into the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. 41 And it
happened that, when Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the
baby in her womb leaped, and Elizabeth was filled with the
Holy Spirit. 42 And she exclaimed in a loud voice and said,
"Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of
your womb. 43 And from where *is* this to me, that the mother
of my Lord would come to me? 44 For behold, as soon as the
sound of your greeting was in my ears, the baby in my womb
leaped for joy. 45 And blessed *is* the one having believed
that there would be a fulfillment of the *things that* had been
spoken to her from the Lord." 46 And Mary said,

"My soul magnifies the Lord,
47 and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior.
48 For he has looked upon the low condition of
his female servant.
For behold, from now on all generations will
call me blessed,
49 for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and his name *is* holy,
50 and his mercy *is* unto generation and generation
to the ones fearing him.
51 He has done mighty deeds with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts
of their hearts.
52 He has thrown down rulers from their thrones
and he has raised up the lowly.
53 He has filled the hungry with good things,
but the rich he has sent away empty.
54 He has helped Israel his servant,
to remember his mercy,
55 as he spoke to our fathers—to Abraham and
to his seed in the ages *past*."

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

57 And the time was fulfilled for Elizabeth for her to
deliver, and she gave birth to a son. 58 And her neighbors
and relatives heard that the Lord had magnified his mercy
to her, and they rejoiced with her.

59 And it happened that, on the eighth day, they came to
circumcise the child, and they were going to call *him* after the
name of his father, Zechariah. 60 But answering, his mother
said, “No. Rather, he will be called John.” 61 But they said to
her, “There is no one among your relatives who is called by
this name.” 62 Then they made signs to his father as to what
he wanted to call him. 63 And asking for a writing tablet,
he wrote, saying, “His name is John.” And they all were
astonished. 64 Then immediately his mouth was opened and
his tongue, and he spoke, blessing God. 65 And fear came
on all the ones living around them, and all these matters
were being talked about throughout all the hill country of
Judea. 66 And all the ones having heard stored in their hearts,
saying, “What then will this child become?” For indeed the
hand of the Lord was with him.

67 And his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit
and prophesied, saying,

68 “Blessed *be* the Lord, the God of Israel,
for he has visited and has accomplished
redemption for his people.
69 And he has raised up a horn of salvation for us
in the house of his servant David
70 (as he spoke by the mouth of his holy
prophets from eternity),
71 salvation from our enemies
and from the hand of all the ones hating us;
72 to show mercy to our fathers
and to remember his holy covenant,
73 the oath that he swore to Abraham our father, to
grant us 74 to serve him fearlessly,
having been delivered out of the hand of our
enemies, 75 in holiness and righteousness
before him all our days.
76 And indeed, you, child, will be called a prophet
of the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his paths;
77 to give the knowledge of salvation to his people
through forgiveness of their sins,
78 because of the tender mercy of our God,
by which the sunrise from on high will visit us,
79 to shine on the ones sitting in darkness and a shadow of
death; to guide our feet into a path of peace.”

80 And the child was growing and was being strengthened
in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day of his
public appearance to Israel.

2 And in those days, it happened that a decree went out
from Caesar Augustus for all the world to register. 2 This
first registration happened *while* Quirinius was governing
Syria. 3 And everyone was traveling to register himself, each
one to his own city. 4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee,
from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David,
which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and
family line of David. 5 He registered himself with Mary, the
one that had been engaged to him, being pregnant. 6 And it
happened that, while they were there, the days were fulfilled
for her to deliver. 7 And she delivered her firstborn son, and
she wrapped him in strips of cloth and laid him in a manger,
because there was no room for them in the inn.

8 And there were shepherds in that area, staying in the
open and keeping watch over their flock at night. 9 And an
angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the
Lord shone around them, and they feared a great fear. 10 And
the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring
you good news of great joy, which will be to all the people.
11 For today has been born for you in the city of David a
Savior, who is Christ the Lord! 12 And this *will be* the sign to
you: You will find a baby wrapped in strips of cloth and lying
in a manger.” 13 And suddenly a multitude of the heavenly
army was with the angel, praising God, and saying,

14 “Glory in the highest to God,
and on earth, peace among men
of good pleasure.”

15 And it happened that, when the angels had gone away
from them into heaven, the shepherds said to each other,
“Let us indeed go over as far as Bethlehem, and let us see this
thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known
to us.” 16 And they went hastening and found both Mary and
Joseph, and the baby, lying in the manger. 17 And having
seen him, they made known about the message that had
been told to them about this child. 18 And all the ones having
heard *it* were amazed concerning the things that were spoken
to them by the shepherds. 19 But Mary kept all these things,
pondering them in her heart. 20 And the shepherds returned,
glorifying and praising God for everything that they had
heard and seen, just as it had been spoken to them.

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

22 And when the days of their purification had been
fulfilled, according to the law of Moses, they brought him up
to Jerusalem to present *him* to the Lord 23 (just as it is written
in the law of the Lord, “Every male who opens the womb
will be called holy to the Lord”), 24 and to offer a sacrifice
according to *what* had been said in the law of the Lord, “a
pair of doves or two young pigeons.” 25 And behold, there
was a man in Jerusalem whose name *was* Simeon, and this
man *was* righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation
of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. 26 And it had
been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not
see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. 27 And he
came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents
brought in the child Jesus for them to do according to the
custom of the law concerning him, 28 and he took him into
his arms and blessed God, and he said,

29 “You are now dismissing your servant in peace,
Lord, according to your word.
30 For my eyes have seen your salvation,
31 which you have prepared before the face
of all the peoples:
32 A light for revelation to the Gentiles and glory
to your people Israel.”

33 And his father and mother[a] were amazed at what is
being said about him. 34 And Simeon blessed them, and said
to Mary, his mother, “Behold, this one is appointed for the
downfall and rising up of many in Israel and for a sign that
is spoken against— 35 and a sword will also pierce your own

[a] The most reliable ancient manuscripts read *his father and mother.* Some other manuscripts read *Joseph and his mother.*

soul—so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.”
36 And Anna was there, a prophetess, a daughter of Phanuel
from the tribe of Asher. She had advanced much in days,
having lived with her husband for seven years after her
virginity, 37 and she *was* a widow for 84 years who never left
the temple, serving with fastings and prayers night and day.
38 And coming up at that very hour, she began giving thanks
to God and speaking about him to all the ones waiting for the
redemption of Jerusalem. 39 And when they had completed
everything *that was* according to the law of the Lord, they
returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth.

40 And the child grew and was strengthened, being filled
with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him.

41 And his parents went every year to Jerusalem to the
Feast of the Passover. 42 And when he was 12 years old, they
went up according to the custom of the feast. 43 And the
days having been completed, as they were returning, the boy
Jesus remained in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know
it. 44 But thinking that he was with the group of travelers,
they went a day’s journey and they sought him among their
relatives and friends. 45 And not finding *him*, they returned
to Jerusalem, searching for him. 46 And it happened that,
after three days, they found him in the temple, sitting in the
midst of the teachers and listening to them and asking them
questions. 47 And all the ones hearing him were amazed at
his understanding and his answers. 48 And having seen him,
they were astonished, and his mother said to him, “Child,
why have you treated us thus? Behold, your father and I
have been tormented searching for you.” 49 And he said to
them, “Why *is it* that you were searching for me? Did you
not know that I must be in the things of my Father?” 50 But
they did not understand the word that he spoke to them.
51 Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth and
was subjected to them. But his mother kept all these things
in her heart.

52 And Jesus was increasing in wisdom and stature, and
in favor with God and men.

3 And in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius
Caesar—Pontius Pilate governing Judea, and Herod
being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip being tetrarch
of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias being
tetrarch of Abilene, 2 during the high priesthood of Annas
and Caiaphas—the word of God came to John, the son of
Zechariah, in the wilderness. 3 And he went into all the region
around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for
forgiveness of sins. 4 As it is written in the book of the words
of Isaiah the prophet,

> “A voice of one calling out in the wilderness,
> ‘Make ready the way of the Lord,
> make his paths straight.
> 5 Every valley will be filled,
> and every mountain and hill will be made low,
> and the crooked roads will become straight,
> and the rough roads *will become* smooth,
> 6 and all flesh will see the salvation of God.’”

7 So he said to the crowds coming out to be baptized
by him, “Offspring of vipers! Who warned you to flee from
the coming wrath? 8 Therefore, produce fruits worthy of
repentance, and do not begin to say within yourselves, ‘We
have Abraham *as* father.’ For I say to you that God is able
to raise up children for Abraham from these stones. 9 But
indeed, the ax is already set against the root of the trees.
So, every tree not producing good fruit is chopped down
and thrown into a fire.” 10 And the crowds kept asking him,
saying, “What therefore should we do?” 11 So answering, he
said to them, “The one having two tunics must share with
the one not having, and the one having food, let him do
the same.” 12 Then tax collectors also came to be baptized,
and they said to him, “Teacher, what should we do?” 13 So
he said to them, “Collect nothing more than *what* you have
been ordered.” 14 Then soldiers also asked him, saying, “And
us, what should we do?” And he said to them, “Take nothing
by force, and do not accuse falsely, and be contented with
your wages.”

15 And the people were expecting and were all wondering
in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the
Christ. 16 John answered, saying to them all, “I indeed baptize
you with water, but one more powerful than I is coming, of
whom I am not worthy to untie the strap of his sandals. He
will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire, 17 whose
winnowing fork *is* in his hand to thoroughly clear off his
threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his storehouse,
but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”

18 Therefore, also exhorting many other things, he preached
good news to the people. 19 But Herod the tetrarch, having
been rebuked by him concerning Herodias, the wife of his
brother, and concerning all the evil things that Herod had
done, 20 added even this to *them* all: He locked John up in
prison.

21 And it happened that when all the people were being
baptized, Jesus also was baptized and, *as* he was praying,
heaven was opened, 22 and the Holy Spirit in bodily form
came down on him like a dove, and a voice came from
heaven, “You are my beloved Son. With you I am well
pleased.”

23 And Jesus himself was beginning about 30 years old,
being the son (as it was assumed) of Joseph, of Heli, 24 of
Matthat, of Levi, of Melchi, of Jannai, of Joseph, 25 of
Mattathias, of Amos, of Nahum, of Esli, of Naggai, 26 of
Maath, of Mattathias, of Semein, of Josech, of Joda, 27 of
Joanan, of Rhesa, of Zerubbabel, of Salathiel, of Neri, 28 of
Melchi, of Addi, of Cosam, of Elmadam, of Er, 29 of Joshua, of
Eliezer, of Jorim, of Matthat, of Levi, 30 of Simeon, of Judah,
of Joseph, of Jonam, of Eliakim, 31 of Melea, of Menna,
of Mattatha, of Nathan, of David, 32 of Jesse, of Obed, of
Boaz, of Salmon, of Nahshon, 33 of Amminadab, of Admin,
of Arni, of Hezron, of Perez, of Judah, 34 of Jacob, of Isaac,
of Abraham, of Terah, of Nahor, 35 of Serug, of Reu, of Peleg,
of Eber, of Shelah, 36 of Cainan, of Arphaxad, of Shem, of
Noah, of Lamech, 37 of Methuselah, of Enoch, of Jared, of
Mahalaleel, of Cainan, 38 of Enos, of Seth, of Adam, of God.

4 Then Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the
Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness,
2 for 40 days being tempted by the devil. And he did not eat
anything during those days, and he was hungry *when* they
were completed. 3 Then the devil said to him, “If you are
the Son of God, speak to this stone so that it might become
bread.” 4 And Jesus answered to him, “It is written, ‘Man
will not live on bread alone.’” 5 Then he led him up *and*
showed him all the kingdoms of the world in an instant of
time. 6 And the devil said to him, “I will give to you all this
authority and their glory, for it has been handed over to me,
and I can give it to anyone I want. 7 So then, if you will bow
in worship before me, it will all be yours.” 8 But answering,

Jesus said to him, “It is written, ‘You will worship the Lord
your God, and you will serve only him.’” 9 Then he led him
to Jerusalem and set *him* on the highest point of the temple,
and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself
down from here. 10 For it is written,

‘He will command his angels concerning
you, to protect you,’
11 and, ‘They will lift you up in their hands,
lest you strike your foot against a stone.’”

12 But answering, Jesus said to him, “It is said, ‘You will
not test the Lord your God.’”
13 And having finished every temptation, the devil went
away from him until an opportune time.
14 And Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the
Spirit, and news about him went out throughout the entire
surrounding region. 15 And he began to teach in their
synagogues, being glorified by all.
16 And he came to Nazareth, where he had been raised,
and according to his custom, he entered into the synagogue
on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read aloud. 17 And
the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him and,
opening the scroll, he found the place where it was written,

18 “The Spirit of the Lord *is* upon me,
because he has anointed me to proclaim the
gospel to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim freedom to the captives,
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to set free the oppressed,
19 to proclaim the favorable year of the Lord.”

20 And having rolled up the scroll *and* having given it
back to the attendant, he sat down. And all the eyes in the
synagogue were gazing on him. 21 Then he began to say to
them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your ears.”
22 And everyone spoke well of him and they were amazed
at the gracious words that were coming out of his mouth,
and they said, “Is this not the son of Joseph?” 23 And he said
to them, “Surely you will say this proverb to me, ‘Doctor,
heal yourself. Whatever we heard happened in Capernaum,
also do here in your hometown.’” 24 But he said, “Truly I
say to you that no prophet is accepted in his hometown.
25 But in truth I say to you that there were many widows in
Israel during the days of Elijah, when the sky was shut up
for three years and six months, when a great famine came
upon all the land. 26 But Elijah was sent to none of them
except to Zarephath in Sidon, to a widow woman. 27 And
there were many lepers in Israel during *the time of* Elisha the
prophet, but none of them were cleansed except Naaman the
Syrian.” 28 And all in the synagogue were filled with rage,
having heard these things. 29 And rising up, they drove him
out of the town, and they led him to the edge of the hill on
which their town was built, so as to throw him off. 30 But
he, passing through the midst of them, went on his way.
31 And he went down to Capernaum, a city in Galilee,
and he was teaching them on the Sabbaths. 32 And they
were astonished at his teaching, because his word was with
authority. 33 And in the synagogue there was a man having
a spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud
voice, 34 “Ha! What to us and to you, Jesus of Nazareth?
Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the
Holy One of God!” 35 And Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be
silenced, and come out of him!” And having thrown him
down in their midst, the demon came out of him, not hurting
him. 36 And astonishment came upon everyone, and they
were talking to one another, saying, “What *is* this word, that
he commands the unclean spirits with authority and power,
and they come out?” 37 And a report about him went out
into every place of the surrounding region.
38 Then arising from the synagogue, he entered into the
house of Simon. And Simon’s mother-in-law was suffering
with a high fever, and they asked him concerning her. 39 And
standing over her, he rebuked the fever, and it left her, and
immediately having gotten up, she began to serve them.
40 And *as* the sun was setting, everyone having ones being
sick with various diseases brought them to him and, laying
his hands on each of them, he was healing them. 41 And
demons also were coming out from many, crying out, and
saying, “You are the Son of God!” But he was rebuking them,
not permitting them to speak, because they knew he was the
Christ.
42 And day having come, having gone out, he went to
a desolate place, but the crowds were looking for him and
came to him, and they restrained him not to go away from
them. 43 But he said to them, “It is necessary for me to
proclaim the gospel about the kingdom of God also to other
cities, because for this I was sent.”
44 And he was preaching in the synagogues in Judea.

5 And it happened that the crowd was pressing in on him
and listening to the word of God, and he was standing
by the lake of Gennesaret. 2 And he saw two boats standing
by the lake, but the fishermen had gotten out of them *and*
were washing their nets. 3 Then he got into one of the boats,
which was Simon’s, *and* asked him to put out a little from
the land. Then he sat down *and* was teaching the crowds
from the boat. 4 Then when he stopped speaking, he said
to Simon, “Put out into the deep water and let down your
nets for a catch.” 5 But answering, Simon said, “Master, we
worked through the entire night *and* caught nothing, but at
your word, I will let down the nets.” 6 And having done this,
they caught a very large number of fish, and their nets began
to break. 7 And they signaled to their partners in the other
boat that they should come to help them, and they came and
filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. 8 But Simon
Peter, having seen *it*, he fell down at the knees of Jesus,
saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, Lord.” 9 For
amazement had seized him and all the ones with him at the
catch of fish that they had taken, 10 and likewise also James
and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon.
And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on
you will be catching men.” 11 And having brought the boats
to the land, they left everything *and* followed him.
12 And it happened that he was in one of the cities, and
behold, a man full of leprosy. And seeing Jesus, he fell on
his face *and* begged him, saying, “Lord, if you are willing,
you are able to make me clean.” 13 And having reached out
his hand, he touched him, saying, “I am willing. Be clean.”
And immediately the leprosy departed from him. 14 And he
commanded him to tell no one, but, “Go, show yourself to
the priest and offer for your cleansing as Moses commanded,
for a testimony to them.” 15 But the word about him spread
even more, and large crowds came together to hear him and
to be healed from their sicknesses. 16 But he was withdrawing
into the deserted places and praying.

17 And it happened on one of those days that he was
teaching, and there were Pharisees and law teachers sitting
there who had come from every village of Galilee and Judea
and from Jerusalem, and power of the Lord was upon him to
heal. 18 And behold, men carrying on a mat a man who was
paralyzed, and they were seeking to bring him inside and to
set him before him. 19 And not finding a way to bring him
in because of the crowd, having gone up to the housetop,
they let him down through the tiles on his mat into the
midst before Jesus. 20 And having seen their faith, he said,
"Man, your sins are forgiven you." 21 And the scribes and
the Pharisees began to debate, saying, "Who is this who
speaks blasphemies? Who is able to forgive sins except God
alone?" 22 But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, answering said
to them, "Why are you debating in your hearts? 23 Which is
easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Get
up and walk?' 24 But in order that you may know that the
Son of Man has authority on the earth to forgive sins,"—he
said to the one that had been paralyzed—"I say to you, get
up, and picking up your mat, go to your house." 25 And
immediately he got up before them, picked up that on which
he had been lying, and went away to his house glorifying
God. 26 And amazement seized them all, and they glorified
God, and they were filled with fear, saying, "We have seen
astonishing things today."

27 And after these things, he went out and saw a tax
collector named Levi sitting at the tax collector's office, and
he said to him, "Follow me." 28 And having left everything
behind, having gotten up, he began to follow him.

29 And Levi made a great banquet in his house for him,
and there was a large crowd of tax collectors and others, who
were reclining to eat with them. 30 But the Pharisees and
their scribes were murmuring to his disciples, saying, "Why
do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" 31 And
answering, Jesus said to them, "The ones being well do not
have need of a physician, but the ones having sickness. 32 I
did not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

33 Then they said to him, "The disciples of John often fast
and make prayers, and likewise the ones of the Pharisees.
But the ones of yours eat and drink." 34 Then he said to them,
"You are not able to make the sons of the bridal chamber fast
while the bridegroom is still with them, are you? 35 But days
will indeed come when the bridegroom will be taken away
from them. Then, in those days, they will fast." 36 Then he
also spoke a parable to them. "No one, having torn a piece
of cloth from a new garment, puts it onto an old garment.
But if not, the new will tear, and the old will not match
the piece that is from the new. 37 And no one puts new
wine into old wineskins. But if not, the new wine will burst
the wineskins, and it will be spilled out, and the wineskins
will be destroyed. 38 But one must put new wine into new
wineskins. 39 No one, having drunk the old, wants the new,
for he says, 'The old is better.'"

6 And it happened that, on a Sabbath he was going through
grainfields, and his disciples were picking and eating
the heads of grain, rubbing them in their hands. 2 But some
of the Pharisees said, "Why are you doing what is not lawful
on the Sabbaths?" 3 And answering them, Jesus said, "Have
you not read this, what David did when he was hungry, he
and the ones being with him: 4 how he went into the house
of God and took the loaves of the presence, ate it, and gave
it to the ones with him, which is not lawful to eat except
only for the priests?" 5 And he said to them, "The Son of
Man is Lord of the Sabbath."

6 And it happened that, on another Sabbath, he entered
into the synagogue and taught, and there was a man there,
and his right hand was withered. 7 But the scribes and the
Pharisees were watching him closely, if he will heal on the
Sabbath, so that they might find to accuse him. 8 But he knew
their thinking and he said to the man having the withered
hand, "Get up, and stand in the midst." So he got up *and*
stood. 9 Then Jesus said to them, "I ask you if *it is* lawful on
the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save a life or to
destroy?" 10 And having looked around at them all, he said
to him, "Stretch out your hand." And he did, and his hand
was restored. 11 But they were filled with rage and they were
talking to each other about what they might do to Jesus.

12 And it happened that, in those days, he went out
to the mountain to pray, and he was spending the whole
night in prayer to God. 13 And when day came, he called
his disciples, and he chose 12 from them, whom he also
named apostles: 14 Simon (whom he also named Peter) and
his brother Andrew; and James and John; and Philip and
Bartholomew; 15 and Matthew and Thomas; and James son
of Alphaeus; and Simon, the one called the Zealot; 16 and
Judas son of James; and Judas Iscariot, who became a
traitor. 17 And having come down with them, he stood on a
level place with a large crowd of his disciples and a great
multitude of the people from all Judea and Jerusalem and
the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon. 18 They had come to listen
to him and to be healed from their diseases. And the ones
being troubled by unclean spirits were being healed. 19 And
the whole crowd was seeking to touch him because power
was coming out from him and healing everyone.

20 And he, having lifted up his eyes upon his disciples,
said, "Blessed *are* the poor, for yours is the kingdom of
God. 21 Blessed *are* the ones being hungry now, for you
will be fed. Blessed *are* the ones weeping now, for you will
laugh. 22 Blessed are you when men hate you, and when
they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as
evil because of the Son of Man. 23 Rejoice in that day and
leap for joy, for behold, your reward *is* great in heaven.
For their fathers did according to the same things to the
prophets. 24 But woe to you, the rich, for you have received
your comfort. 25 Woe to you, the ones being filled now, for
you will be hungry. Woe to the ones laughing now, for you
will mourn and weep. 26 Woe to you when all men speak
well of you, for their fathers did according to the same things
to the false prophets.

27 But I say to you, the ones listening, love your enemies
and do good to the ones hating you. 28 Bless the ones cursing
you *and* pray for the ones mistreating you. 29 To the one
striking you on the cheek, offer also the other, and from
the one taking away your cloak, also do not withhold your
tunic. 30 Give to everyone asking you, and from the one
taking away what *is* yours, do not ask for it back. 31 And as
you desire that men would do to you, do the same to them.
32 And if you love the ones loving you, what credit is that to
you? For even the sinners love the ones loving them. 33 For
if indeed you do good to the ones doing good to you, what
credit is that to you? Even the sinners do the same. 34 And if
you lend to *the ones* from whom you expect to receive back,
what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, so
that they may receive back the same things. 35 But love your
enemies and do good to *them*, and lend, expecting nothing in
return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons

of the Most High, for he is kind toward the ungrateful and evil. 36 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. 37 And do not judge, and you will certainly not be judged. And do not condemn, and you will certainly not be condemned. Release, and you will be released. 38 Give, and it will be given to you: a good measure—pressed down, shaken together, spilling over—they will pour into your lap. For with the measure by which you measure, it will be measured back to you."

39 Then he also told them a parable. "A blind one is not able to guide a blind one, is he? Would not both fall into a pit? 40 A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone having been fully trained will be like his teacher. 41 And why do you look at the speck of wood that *is* in the eye of your brother, but you do not notice the log that *is* in your own eye? 42 How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me take out the speck of wood that *is* in your eye,' you yourself not seeing the log in your eye? You hypocrite! First take out the log from your eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck of wood *that is* in the eye of your brother. 43 For there is no good tree that produces rotten fruit, nor, on the other hand, any rotten tree that produces good fruit. 44 For each tree is known by *its* own fruit. For they do not gather figs from a thornbush, nor do they gather grapes from a briar bush. 45 The good man from the good treasure of his heart produces *what is* good, and the evil man from evil produces *what is* evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

46 And why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' but not do what I say? 47 Everyone coming to me and hearing my words, and doing them, I will show you what he is like. 48 He is like a man building a house, who dug down and dug deep and laid a foundation on the rock. Then a flood having come, the torrent of water flowed against that house, but it could not shake it, because it had been built well. 49 But the one having heard and not having done, he is like a man having built a house on the ground without a foundation, against which the torrent of water flowed, and immediately it collapsed, and the ruin of that house was great."

7 When he had finished all his words in the hearing of the people, he entered into Capernaum.

2 And a certain servant of a centurion, who was highly regarded by him, being sick, was about to die. 3 And having heard about Jesus, he sent elders of the Jews to him, asking him to come so that he might save his servant. 4 And the ones having come to Jesus asked him earnestly, saying, "He is worthy that you will grant this to him, 5 because he loves our nation, and he built the synagogue for us." 6 And Jesus went with them. But he already not being far away from the house, the centurion sent friends, saying to him, "Lord, do not trouble yourself, because I am not worthy that you might enter under my roof. 7 Therefore I did not even consider myself worthy to come to you. But speak with a word and let my servant be healed. 8 For I also am a man placed under authority, having soldiers under me, and I say to this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another one, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does *it*." 9 And Jesus, having heard this, marveled at him, and turning to the crowd following him, he said, "I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such faith." 10 And having returned to the house, the ones having been sent found the servant was well.

11 And it happened on the next day that he went into a city called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd were going with him. 12 And as he approached the gate of the city, and behold, one that had died was being carried out, the one and only son of his mother (and she was a widow), and a rather large crowd from the city was with her. 13 And having seen her, the Lord felt compassion for her, and said to her, "Do not weep." 14 And having approached, he touched the bier, and the ones carrying it stood still. Then he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." 15 And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and he gave him to his mother. 16 Then fear seized all *of them*, and they were glorifying God, saying, "A great prophet has been raised among us" and "God has visited his people." 17 And this word about him went out throughout the whole of Judea and all the surrounding region.

18 And his disciples reported to John concerning all these things. And calling two of his disciples, John 19 sent to the Lord to say, "Are you the one coming, or should we expect another?" 20 And having come to him, the men said, "John the Baptist has sent us to you to say, 'Are you the one coming, or should we expect another?'" 21 In that hour he healed many from sicknesses and afflictions and evil spirits, and to many blind *people* he granted to see. 22 And answering, he said to them, "Having gone, report to John what you have seen and heard: the blind see again, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor are being told the gospel. 23 And blessed is whoever is not caused to stumble on me."

24 Then after the messengers of John had gone away, he began to say to the crowds concerning John, "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind? 25 But what did you go out to see? A man dressed in soft clothes? Behold, the ones in expensive clothing and living in luxury are in kings' palaces. 26 But what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I say to you, and more than a prophet. 27 This is he concerning whom it is written,

> 'Behold, I am sending my messenger before your face,
> who will prepare your way before you.'

28 I say to you, among those born of women, no one is greater than John, but the least in the kingdom of God is greater than he." 29 (And all the people having heard, including the tax collectors, declared God to be righteous, having been baptized with the baptism of John. 30 But the Pharisees and the lawyers rejected the purpose of God for themselves, not having been baptized by him.) 31 "To what, then, will I compare the men of this generation? And what are they like? 32 They are like children sitting in a marketplace and calling to one another, who say, 'We played a flute for you, and you did not dance. We sang a funeral song, and you did not wail.' 33 For John the Baptist came neither eating bread nor drinking wine, and you say, 'He has a demon.' 34 The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and you say, 'Behold, a man, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' 35 But wisdom has been justified by all her children."

36 Then one of the Pharisees requested him to eat with him. So entering into the house of the Pharisee, he reclined to eat. 37 And behold, a woman who was in the city *was* a sinner. And having found out that he was reclining to eat in the house of the Pharisee, she brought an alabaster jar of perfumed oil 38 and stood behind him near his feet, weeping. She began to wet his feet with her tears, and she was wiping them with the hair of her head and kissing his feet and anointing *them* with the perfumed oil. 39 And the Pharisee who had invited him, having seen this, he said to himself,

saying, “If this *man* were a prophet, he would know who and of what type *is* the woman who is touching him, that she is a sinner.” 40 And answering, Jesus said to him, “Simon, I have something to say to you.” And he says, “Say it, Teacher!” 41 “There were two debtors to a certain moneylender. The one owed 500 denarii, and the other 50. 42 *When* they did not have enough to repay, he forgave *them* both. Therefore, which of them will love him more?” 43 Simon answering said, “I suppose that the one to whom he forgave the most.” Then he said to him, “You have judged correctly.” 44 And turning to the woman, he said to Simon, “Do you see this woman? I entered into your house. You did not give me water for my feet, but she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. 45 You did not give me a kiss, but from when I came in, she has not stopped kissing my feet. 46 You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with perfumed oil. 47 Therefore I say to you, her sins, the many, have been forgiven—for she loved much. But the one to whom little is forgiven loves little.” 48 Then he said to her, “Your sins are forgiven.” 49 And those reclining with *him* to eat began to say among themselves, “Who is this who even forgives sins?” 50 Then he said to the woman, “Your faith has saved you. Go in peace.”

8 And it happened that soon afterward, he also began traveling through city and village, preaching and proclaiming the gospel *about* the kingdom of God, and the Twelve *were* with him, 2 and certain women who had been healed from evil spirits and diseases: Mary called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out; 3 and Joanna, the wife of Chuza, Herod’s manager; and Susanna; and many others; who were ministering to them out of their possessions.

4 And *when* a large crowd was gathering, and coming to him from each city, he spoke in a parable: 5 “The sower went out to sow his seed, and as he sowed, some fell beside the road, and it was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the sky devoured it. 6 And other seed fell on the rock, and having grown up, it withered, because it had no moisture. 7 And other seed fell in the midst of the thorns, and having grown up with *it*, the thorns choked it. 8 And other seed fell on the good soil, and having grown up, it produced fruit a hundred times greater.” Saying these things, he called out, “The one having ears to hear, let him hear.”

9 Then his disciples questioned him, “What is this parable?” 10 And he said, “To you has been given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest in parables, so that, ‘Seeing, they may not see; and hearing, they may not understand.’ 11 And the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. 12 And the ones along the path are the ones having heard, but then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so they may not believe *and* be saved. 13 And the ones on the rock *are* the ones, when they hear, receive the word with joy. But they have no root; they believe for a time, and in a time of testing they go away. 14 And the ones having fallen among the thorns, these are the ones having heard, but as they go on their way, they are choked by worries and riches and pleasures of this life, and they do not produce mature fruit. 15 But the ones on the good soil, these are the ones who, having heard the word with an honest and good heart, hold it securely and bear fruit with endurance.

16 And no one, having lit a lamp, covers it with a bowl or puts *it* under a bed. Rather, he puts *it* on a lampstand so that those who enter may see the light. 17 For nothing is hidden that will not become visible, nor secret that will certainly not be known and come into visibility. 18 So be careful how you listen, for whoever has, it will be given to him, but whoever does not have, even what he thinks he has will be taken away from him.”

19 Then his mother and brothers came to him, but they were not able to get near him because of the crowd. 20 Then it was reported to him, “Your mother and your brothers have stood outside, wanting to see you.” 21 But answering, he said to them, “My mother and my brothers are those hearing and doing the word of God.”

22 And it happened that, on one of those days, both he and his disciples got into a boat, and he said to them, “Let us go over to the other side of the lake.” So they put out. 23 But as they voyaged, he fell asleep. Then a windstorm came down on the lake, and they were being filled and were in danger. 24 Then they approached *and* woke him up, saying, “Master! Master! We are perishing!” But awaking, he rebuked the wind and the waves of the water, and they ceased, and there was a calm. 25 Then he said to them, “Where *is* your faith?” Then having become afraid, they marveled, saying to one another, “Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?”

26 And they sailed to the region of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. 27 And *when* he came out onto the land, a certain man from the city, having demons, met him. And for a long time he had not worn clothes, and he did not live in a house, but in the tombs. 28 And having seen Jesus, he cried out, fell down before him, and said in a loud voice, “What to me and to you, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me.” 29 For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out from the man. For many times it had seized him, and he was bound with chains and shackles *and* kept under guard, and breaking his bonds, he would be driven by the demon into the wilderness. 30 Then Jesus questioned him, “What is your name?” and he said, “Legion,” for many demons had entered into him. 31 And they were begging him that he would not command them to go away into the abyss. 32 And a large herd of pigs was there feeding on the hillside, and they begged him to permit them to go into them. And he permitted them. 33 Then the demons, having come out from the man, entered into the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep slope into the lake and was drowned. 34 And having seen what had happened, the ones tending the pigs ran away and reported it in the city and in the countryside. 35 Then they went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone out sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and being sound-minded, and they were afraid. 36 Then the ones having seen reported to them how the one having been possessed by demons had been saved. 37 And all the multitude of the region of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized by great fear. Then he got into the boat to return. 38 And the man from whom the demons had gone out begged him to be with him, but he sent him away, saying, 39 “Return to your house and describe all that God has done for you.” So he went on his way, proclaiming throughout the whole city all that Jesus had done for him.

40 Then when Jesus returned, the crowd welcomed him, for they were all expecting him. 41 And behold, a man came whose name *was* Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue. And falling at the feet of Jesus, he begged him to come to

his house, 42 because he *had* a one and only daughter, who was about 12 years old, and she was dying. And as he was going, the crowds were crowding around him.

43 And a woman, being with a flow of blood for 12 years, who, having spent all her living on doctors,[a] was not able to be healed by anyone, 44 having approached from behind, touched the edge of his cloak, and immediately her flow of blood stopped. 45 And Jesus said, "Who *is* the one having touched me?" But *when* all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the crowds are crowding around and pressing against you." 46 But Jesus said, "Someone touched me, for I know power has gone out from me." 47 Then the woman, having seen that she could not hide, came trembling and having fallen down before him, she declared before all the people for what reason she had touched him, and how she had been healed immediately. 48 Then he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace."

49 He still speaking, someone comes from the synagogue leader, saying, "Your daughter has died. Do not trouble the Teacher any longer." 50 But Jesus, having heard this, answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she will be saved." 51 And having come to the house, he did not allow anyone to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father of the child, and the mother. 52 And they were all mourning and beating their breasts for her, but he said, "Do not wail, for she has not died, but sleeps." 53 And they were laughing at him, knowing that she had died. 54 But he, having taken her hand, called out, saying, "Child, arise!" 55 And her spirit returned, and she rose up immediately, and he ordered something to be given to her to eat. 56 And her parents were astonished, but he commanded them to tell no one what had happened.

9 And having called the Twelve together, he gave them power and authority over all the demons, and to cure diseases, 2 and he sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal the sick. 3 And he said to them, "Take nothing for the road—neither staff, nor bag, nor bread, nor silver—nor have two tunics. 4 And whatever house you enter into, stay there and go out from there. 5 And wherever they do not receive you, going out from that city, shake off the dust from your feet for a testimony against them." 6 Then they went out *and* were going through the villages, proclaiming the gospel and healing everywhere.

7 And Herod the tetrarch heard about all that was happening, and he was perplexed, because it was said by some that John had risen from the dead, 8 and by some that Elijah had appeared, but by others that one of the ancient prophets had risen. 9 But Herod said, "I beheaded John, but who is this about whom I hear such things?" So he was seeking to see him.

10 And the apostles, having returned, described to him as much as they had done. Then taking them, he withdrew by himself to a city called Bethsaida. 11 But the crowds, having come to know, followed him. And he welcomed them *and* spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and he was healing the ones having need of healing. 12 And the day began to end, and the Twelve, having come, said to him, "Send the crowd away so that, going into the surrounding villages and countryside, they may find lodging and food, because we are here in a desolate place." 13 But he said to them, "You give them to eat." But they said, "There are not more than five loaves and two fish with us—unless we go *and* buy food for all these people." 14 (For there were about 5,000 men.) Then he said to his disciples, "Have them recline to eat in groups of about 50 each." 15 And thus they did, and made *them* all recline to eat. 16 Then having taken the five loaves and the two fish, having looked up to heaven, he blessed them and broke *them* into pieces, and he was giving them to the disciples to set before the crowd. 17 And they all ate and were satisfied, and what was left over to them was picked up—12 baskets of broken pieces.

18 And it happened that, while he was praying alone, the disciples were with him, and he questioned them, saying, "Who do the crowds say that I am?" 19 So answering, they said, "John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and others that one of the ancient prophets has risen." 20 Then he said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Then Peter answering said, "The Christ of God." 21 But he, strongly warning them, commanded *them* to tell this to no one, 22 saying, "It is necessary for the Son of Man to suffer many things and to be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and to be killed, and to be raised on the third day." 23 Then he said to *them* all, "If anyone wants to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. 24 For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake, this one will save it. 25 For what does a man benefit, having gained the whole world, but losing or forfeiting himself? 26 For whoever is ashamed of me and my words, the Son of Man will be ashamed of this one when he comes in his own glory, and of the Father and of the holy angels. 27 But I say to you truly, there are some of the ones standing here who will certainly not taste death until they see the kingdom of God."

28 And it happened that, about eight days after these words, taking along Peter and John and James, he went up on the mountain to pray. 29 And it happened that, as he was praying, the appearance of his face became different, and his clothing flashed white like lightning. 30 And behold, two men began talking with him, who were Moses and Elijah, 31 who were seen in glory, speaking about his departure, which he was about to fulfill in Jerusalem. 32 And Peter and the ones with him were weighted with sleep, but having become fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. 33 And it happened that, as they were going away from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here, and let us make three tents, one for you, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah" (not knowing what he says). 34 But as he was saying these things, a cloud appeared and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered into the cloud. 35 And there was a voice from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, the chosen one; listen to him." 36 And when the voice had happened, Jesus was found alone. Then they were silent and told no one in those days anything of *the things* they had seen.

37 And it happened that, on the next day, they having come down from the mountain, a large crowd met him. 38 And behold, a man from the crowd cried out, saying, "Teacher, I beg you to look upon my son, for he is my one and only *child*. 39 And behold, a spirit seizes him and he suddenly cries out, and it throws him into convulsions with foam. And it departs from him with difficulty, crushing him. 40 And I begged your disciples so that they would cast it out, and they were not able." 41 But answering, Jesus said, "O

[a] Scholars are divided whether this phrase should be included here: *having spent all her living on doctors*.

unbelieving and perverted generation, until when will I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." 42 And while he was coming, the demon threw him down and shook *him* with convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit and healed the boy and gave him back to his father. 43 Then they were all amazed at the majesty of God. But *while* all were marveling at everything that he was doing, he said to his disciples, 44 "You put these words in your ears: For the Son of Man is about to be handed over into the hands of men." 45 But they were not understanding this word, and it was hidden from them, so they could not understand it, and they were afraid to question him about this word.

46 Then an argument started among them as to which of them might be the greatest. 47 But Jesus, knowing the reasoning in their hearts, having taken a little child, set him next to him, 48 and said to them, "Whoever receives this child in my name, receives me, and whoever receives me, receives the one having sent me. For the one being least among you all, he is great."

49 Then answering, John said, "Master, we saw someone casting out demons in your name and we were preventing him, because he does not follow with us." 50 But Jesus said to him, "Do not prevent *him*, for whoever is not against you is for you."

51 And it happened that, when the days of his being taken up were being fulfilled, then he set his face to go to Jerusalem. 52 And he sent messengers before his face, and they went *and* entered into a Samaritan village so as to prepare for him. 53 But they did not welcome him, because his face was going to Jerusalem. 54 And the disciples James and John, having seen this, said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" 55 But having turned, he rebuked them, 56 and they went on to another village.

57 And as they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." 58 And Jesus said to him, "The foxes have dens, and the birds of the sky, nests, but the Son of Man does not have *a place* where he might lay his head." 59 Then he said to another, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, permit me to go first to bury my father." 60 But he said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead. But you, go *and* proclaim the kingdom of God." 61 Then still another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but first permit me to say goodbye to the ones in my home." 62 But Jesus replied, "No one, having put his hand on a plow, yet looking to the things behind, is fit for the kingdom of God."

10 And after these things, the Lord also appointed 72[a] others, and sent them out by twos before his face to every city and place where he himself was about to go. 2 And he said to them, "Indeed the harvest *is* plentiful, but the laborers *are* few. Therefore, earnestly ask the Lord of the harvest, so that he would send out laborers into his harvest. 3 Go. Behold, I send you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. 4 Do not carry a money bag, nor a sack, nor sandals, and greet no one on the road. 5 Whatever house you enter into, first say, 'Peace *be* to this house!' 6 And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him; but if not, it will return to you. 7 And remain in that house, eating and drinking *what is* from them, for the laborer *is* worthy of his wages. Do not move around from house to house. 8 And whatever city you enter into, and they receive you, eat *what* is served to you, 9 and heal the sick in it, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come close to you.' 10 And into whatever city you enter, and they do not receive you, go out into its streets *and* say, 11 'Even the dust that clings to us from your city on our feet we wipe off against you! But know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.' 12 I say to you that on that day it will be more tolerable for Sodom than for that city. 13 Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles had happened in Tyre and Sidon which happened in you, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. 14 But it will be more tolerable for Tyre and for Sidon at the judgment than for you. 15 And you, Capernaum, you will not be exalted to heaven, will you? You will be brought down as far as Hades. 16 The one listening to you listens to me, and the one rejecting you rejects me, and the one rejecting me rejects the one having sent me."

17 Then the 72 returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subjected to us in your name." 18 And he said to them, "I was watching Satan fall from heaven like lightning. 19 Behold, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will harm you at all. 20 Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subjected to you, but rejoice that your names are written in the heavens."

21 At that hour he rejoiced greatly in the Holy Spirit, and said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you concealed these things from the wise and intelligent and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for thus it was well-pleasing before you. 22 All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, and who the Father is except the Son, and to whomever the Son desires to reveal him." 23 And having turned around to the disciples, he said privately, "Blessed *are* the eyes that see what you see! 24 For I say to you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, and did not see, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear."

25 And behold, a certain lawyer stood up, testing him, saying, "Teacher, doing what, will I inherit eternal life?" 26 But he said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read *it*?" 27 And answering, he said, "You will love the Lord your God from your whole heart and with your whole soul and with your whole strength and with your whole mind, and your neighbor as yourself." 28 And he said to him, "You have answered correctly. Do this, and you will live." 29 But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" 30 Then answering, Jesus said, "A certain man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among robbers *who*, both having stripped him and having laid on blows, went away, leaving him half dead. 31 Then by coincidence a certain priest was going down on that road, and having seen him, he passed by on the other side. 32 And likewise a Levite also, having come to the place and having seen *him*, passed by on the other side. 33 But a certain Samaritan, as he traveled along, came upon him, and having seen *him*, he felt compassion. 34 And having approached, he bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then, having put him on his own animal, he brought him to an inn and took care of him. 35 And on the next day, taking out two denarii, he gave them to the innkeeper and said, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, when I return, I will repay you.' 36 Which of these three do you think became a neighbor to the one having fallen among the robbers?"

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[a] Here and in 10:17, some ancient manuscripts read, *72*, while others read *70*. Scholars are divided as to which is the correct reading.

37 And he said, “The one having shown mercy to him.” Then
Jesus said to him, “You go and do likewise.”
38 And as they were traveling along, he entered into a
certain village, and a certain woman named Martha welcomed
him. 39 And she had a sister called Mary, and she was sitting
at the feet of Jesus,[a] listening to his word. 40 But Martha
was distracted with much service, and coming up, she said,
“Lord, are you not concerned that my sister has left me
alone to serve? Therefore, speak to her so that she might
help me.” 41 But answering, the Lord said to her, “Martha,
Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things,
42 but one thing is necessary. For Mary has chosen the good
part, which will not be taken away from her.”

11 And it happened that, when he was praying in a
certain place, when he stopped, one of his disciples
said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John also taught
his disciples.” 2 And he said to them, “When you pray, say,

‘Father, let your name be made holy.
Let your kingdom come.
3 Give us our daily bread each day.
4 And forgive us our sins,
for we also forgive everyone
owing us.
And do not bring us into temptation.’”

5 And he said to them, “Which of you will have a friend
and will go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend,
lend three loaves to me, 6 since my friend has come to me
from the road, and I do not have anything to serve to him’?
7 And answering from inside, he may say, ‘Do not cause me
trouble. The door has already been shut, and my children
are in the bed with me. I am not able to get up to give to
you.’ 8 I say to you, even if he does not get up to give *it* to
him because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence,
rising up, he will give to him as much as he needs. 9 I also say
to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will
find; knock, and it will be opened to you. 10 For everyone
asking receives; and the one seeking finds; and to the one
knocking, it will be opened. 11 And which father among you,
his son will ask for a fish, and instead of a fish, he will give
him a snake?[b] 12 Or also he will ask for an egg, he will give
him a scorpion? 13 Therefore, if you being evil know to give
good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father
from heaven give the Holy Spirit to the ones asking him?”
14 And he was casting out a mute demon. And it happened
that, the demon having gone out, the mute *man* spoke, and the
crowds marveled. 15 But some of them said, “By Beelzebul,
the ruler of demons, he casts out the demons.” 16 And others
tested *him*, seeking from him a sign from heaven. 17 But
he, knowing their thoughts, said to them, “Every kingdom
divided against itself is made desolate, and house against
house falls. 18 But if Satan is also divided against himself, how
will his kingdom stand? For you say I cast out the demons
by Beelzebul. 19 But if I cast out the demons by Beelzebul, by
whom do your sons cast them out? Because of this, they will
be your judges. 20 But if I cast out the demons by the finger of
God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. 21 When
the strong man *who* has been fully armed is guarding his
own courtyard, his possessions are at peace, 22 but when a
stronger than he attacks him, he will overcome him, take
away his armor in which he trusted, and divide his spoils.
23 The one not being with me is against me, and the one not
gathering with me scatters. 24 When the unclean spirit has
gone out from the man, it passes through waterless places
seeking rest, and not finding any, it says, ‘I will return to my
house from which I came out.’ 25 And having come, it finds
it having been swept out and put in order. 26 Then it goes
and takes along seven other spirits more evil than itself and
they having entered, it resides there. And the last things of
that man become worse than the first things.”
27 And it happened that, as he was saying these things,
a certain woman from the crowd, lifting up her voice, said
to him, “Blessed *is* the womb that bore you and the breasts
that you nursed at.” 28 But he said, “Rather, blessed *are* the
ones hearing the word of God and keeping *it*.”
29 And as the crowds were increasing, he began to say,
“This generation is an evil generation. It seeks a sign, but a
sign will not be given to it except the sign of Jonah. 30 For as
Jonah became a sign to the Ninevites, so also will the Son
of Man be to this generation. 31 The Queen of the South will
stand up in the judgment with the men of this generation and
condemn them, for she came from the ends of the earth to
hear the wisdom of Solomon, and behold, something greater
than Solomon *is* here. 32 The men of Nineveh will rise up in
the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they
repented at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, something
greater than Jonah *is* here.
33 No one, having lit a lamp, puts *it* in a hidden place,
nor under the measure, but on the lampstand, so that the
ones entering may see the light. 34 The lamp of the body
is your eye. When your eye is healthy, your whole body
is also illuminated. But when it is evil, your body *is* also
dark. 35 Therefore, beware that the light *that is* in you is not
darkness. 36 If therefore your whole body *is* illuminated, not
having any part dark, it will all be illuminated, as when the
lamp with *its* brightness illuminates you.”
37 And when he had spoken, a Pharisee asks him that he
would dine with him. And having gone in, he reclined to eat.
38 And the Pharisee, having seen this, marveled that he did
not first wash before the meal. 39 But the Lord said to him,
“Now you Pharisees clean the outside of the cup and of the
bowl, but the inside of you is full of greed and evil. 40 You
foolish ones! Did not the one having made the outside also
make the inside? 41 But give as charity *what* is inside, and
behold, all things are clean to you.
42 But woe to you Pharisees, because you tithe the mint
and the rue and every garden herb, but you neglect the
justice and the love of God. But it was necessary to do these
and those not to neglect. 43 Woe to you Pharisees, for you
love the first seats in the synagogues and the greetings in
the marketplaces. 44 Woe to you, for you are like the unseen
graves, and the men walking over them do not know it.”
45 Then answering, one of the lawyers says to him,
“Teacher, saying these things, you insult us too.” 46 But he
said, “Woe also to you lawyers! For you burden men with
burdens difficult to carry, but you yourselves do not touch
the burdens with one of your fingers. 47 Woe to you, because
you build the tombs of the prophets, but your fathers killed
them. 48 So you testify and consent to the works of your
fathers, for they indeed killed them, but you are building.

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[a] Many of the best ancient manuscripts read *Jesus,* but some read *the Lord.*

[b] Some ancient manuscripts have a longer reading here, which also is found in Matthew 7:9: *Which father among you, if your son asks for a loaf of bread, will give him a stone? Or a fish, will give him a snake?*

49 Because of this, the wisdom of God also said, ‘I will send to
them prophets and apostles, and some of them they will kill
and persecute’ 50 that the blood of all the prophets having
been shed from the foundation of the world may be required
from this generation, 51 from the blood of Abel to the blood
of Zechariah, the one having perished between the altar and
the house. Yes, I say to you, it will be required from this
generation. 52 Woe to you lawyers, because you have taken
away the key of knowledge; you have not entered yourselves,
and you have hindered the ones entering.”

53 *After* he went out from there, the scribes and the
Pharisees began to oppose him fiercely and to argue against
him about many things, 54 lying in wait for him to trap
something from his mouth.

12 When myriads of the crowd were gathered together
so that they trampled on each other, he began to say
to his disciples first, “Guard yourselves from the yeast of the
Pharisees, which is hypocrisy. 2 But nothing is concealed that
will not be revealed, and hidden, that will not be known.
3 Therefore, whatever you have said in the darkness will be
heard in the light, and what you have spoken in the ear in
the inner rooms will be proclaimed upon the housetops. 4 But
I say to you, my friends, you should not be afraid of the ones
killing the body, and after that not having anything more to
do. 5 But I will show you whom to fear. Fear the one, after
he has killed, having authority to throw into Gehenna. Yes,
I say to you, fear him. 6 Are not five sparrows sold for two
assaria? Yet not one of them is forgotten before God. 7 But
even the hairs of your head have all been numbered. Do not
fear: you are more valuable than many sparrows. 8 But I say
to you, everyone who confesses about me before men, the
Son of Man will also confess about him before the angels
of God, 9 but the one having denied me before men will
be denied before the angels of God. 10 And everyone who
speaks a word against the Son of Man, it will be forgiven
him, but to the one having blasphemed against the Holy
Spirit, it will not be forgiven. 11 And when they bring you
to the synagogues and the rulers and the authorities, do not
worry about how or what you should speak in your defense
or what you should say, 12 for the Holy Spirit will teach you
in that hour what is necessary to say.”

13 Then someone from the crowd said to him, “Teacher,
tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.” 14 But
he said to him, “Man, who appointed me a judge or a
mediator over you?” 15 Then he said to them, “See and keep
yourselves from all covetousness, because one’s life is not in
the abounding to him of his possessions.” 16 Then he spoke
to them a parable, saying, “The land of a certain rich man
yielded abundantly, 17 and he reasoned with himself, saying,
‘What should I do, since I do not have anywhere to gather
my crops?’ 18 And he said, ‘I will do this: I will take down
my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will gather all
of my grain and good things. 19 And I will say to my soul,
“Soul, you have many good things lying in store for many
years. Relax, eat, drink, be merry.”’ 20 But God said to him,
‘Foolish one, this night they are demanding your soul from
you, and what you have prepared, whose will it be?’ 21 Thus
is the one storing up treasure for himself, and not being rich
toward God.”

22 Then he said to his disciples, “Because of this I say
to you, do not worry about your life, what you might eat,
nor about your body, what you might wear. 23 For life is
more than food, and the body *than* clothing. 24 Consider the
ravens, that they do not sow nor reap, to whom is neither
storeroom nor barn, but God feeds them. How much more
valuable you are than the birds! 25 But which of you, being
anxious, is able to add a cubit to his lifespan? 26 If then
you are not able to do the least, why do you worry about
the rest? 27 Consider the lilies—how they grow. They do
not labor, neither do they spin. But I say to you, not even
Solomon in all his glory clothed himself like one of these.
28 And if God thus clothes the grass in the field, existing
today and tomorrow being thrown into an oven, how much
more you, ones of little faith! 29 And you, do not seek what
you might eat and what you might drink, and do not be
anxious. 30 For all the nations of the world seek these things,
but your Father knows that you need them. 31 But seek his
kingdom, and these things will be added to you. 32 Do not
fear, little flock, because your Father is very pleased to give
you the kingdom. 33 Sell your possessions and give alms.
Make for yourselves purses that do not wear out—unfailing
treasure in the heavens, where thief does not come near,
nor moth destroy. 34 For where your treasure is, there your
heart will be also.

35 Let your loins be girded, and the lamps be kept burning,
36 and you *be* like men waiting for their master when he
returns from the wedding feast, so that *when* he comes and
knocks, they may immediately open for him. 37 Blessed *are*
those servants whom the master will find watching *when*
he comes. Truly I say to you that he will gird himself and
have them recline to eat, and he will come *and* serve them.
38 Even if he comes in the second, or even in the third watch,
and finds them thus, blessed are those. 39 But know this,
that if the master of the house had known at which hour
the thief comes, he would not have let his house be broken
into. 40 You also be ready, because in that hour you do not
think, the Son of Man comes.”

41 Then Peter said, “Lord, are you speaking this parable
to us, or also to everyone?” 42 And the Lord said, “Who then
is the faithful, wise manager whom the master will appoint
over his care to give them their portion of food in time?
43 Blessed *is* that slave whom his master, having come, will
find doing thus. 44 Truly I say to you that he will appoint
him over all his possessions. 45 But if that slave says in his
heart, ‘My master delays to come,’ and he begins to beat the
male servants and the female servants, and to eat and drink,
and to become drunk, 46 the master of that slave will come
on a day that he does not expect and at an hour that he does
not know, and he will cut him in two and appoint his place
with the unfaithful. 47 Now that slave, the one having known
the will of his master and not having gotten ready or having
done according to his will, will be beaten much. 48 But the
one not having known and having done things worthy of
blows will be beaten little. But everyone to whom much has
been given, much will be required from him, and to whom
much has been provided, even more will be asked of him.

49 I came to throw fire upon the earth, and how I wish that
it were already kindled! 50 But I have a baptism to be baptized
with, and how I am distressed until it is completed! 51 Do you
think that I came to give peace on the earth? No, I say to you,
but rather division. 52 For from now on there will be five in
one house divided—three against two and two against three.
53 They will be divided, father against son and son against
father, mother against her daughter and daughter against
her mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and
daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law.”

54 And he was also saying to the crowds, “When you see
a cloud rising in the west, immediately you say, ‘A shower
is coming,’ and it happens thus. 55 And when a south wind
is blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat,’ and it
happens. 56 Hypocrites! You know how to interpret the face
of the sky and of the earth, but how do you not know how
to interpret this time? 57 And why do you not even judge for
yourselves *what is* righteous? 58 For as you are going with
your adversary to a magistrate, make an effort on the way
to be released from him so that he might not drag you to
the judge, and the judge hand you over to the officer, and
the officer throw you into prison. 59 I say to you, you will
certainly not come out from there until you have paid the
very last lepton.”

13 And some were present at that time reporting to him
about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed
with their sacrifices. 2 And answering, he said to them, “Do
you think that these Galileans were more sinful than all the
Galileans because they suffered this? 3 No, I say to you. But
if you do not repent, you will all perish in the same way.
4 Or those 18 on whom the tower fell in Siloam and killed
them: Do you think that they were worse debtors than all
the men residing in Jerusalem? 5 No, I say to you. But if you
do not repent, you will all likewise perish.”

6 Then he spoke this parable: “Someone had a fig tree
planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it,
but did not find any. 7 And he said to the gardener, ‘Behold,
for three years I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree
and have not found any. Cut it down. For what *reason* is it
even idling the ground?’ 8 But answering, he says to him,
‘Master, leave it this year also, until I dig around it and put
on manure. 9 If it indeed bears fruit in the coming one …
but if not, you will cut it down!’”

10 And he was teaching in one of the synagogues on
the Sabbaths, 11 and behold, a woman having a spirit of
weakness for 18 years, and she was bent over and was not
able to straighten up to the complete. 12 And having seen
her, Jesus called her over and said to her, “Woman, you are
released from your weakness.” 13 And he placed his hands
on her, and immediately she was straightened up, and she
glorified God. 14 But answering, the synagogue ruler, being
indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said
to the crowd, “There are six days on which it is necessary
to work. Therefore come *and* be healed on them, and not
on the day of the Sabbath.” 15 But the Lord answered him
and said, “Hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath
untie his ox or donkey from the stall and lead it away to
drink? 16 But this one, being a daughter of Abraham, whom
Satan bound, behold, for 18 years, ought she not to have
been released from this bond on the day of the Sabbath?”
17 And *as* he was saying these things, all the ones opposing
him were put to shame, but the whole crowd was rejoicing
at all the glorious things being done by him.

18 Then he said, “What is the kingdom of God like, and
to what will I compare it? 19 It is like a mustard seed that a
man took *and* threw into his garden, and it grew and became
a tree, and the birds of the sky nested in its branches.”

20 And again he said, “To what will I compare the kingdom
of God? 21 It is like yeast that a woman, having taken, mixed
with three seahs of flour until it was all leavened.”

22 And he was traveling through cities and villages,
teaching and making his journey toward Jerusalem. 23 And
someone said to him, “Lord, if the ones being saved *are*
few?” And he said to them, 24 “Struggle to enter through the
narrow door, because many, I say to you, will seek to enter,
but will not be able. 25 After the master of the house gets
up and closes the door, then you will begin to stand outside
and to knock on the door, saying, ‘Lord, open for us.’ But he
will answer *and* say to you, ‘I do not know you, where you
are from.’ 26 Then you will begin to say, ‘We ate and drank
before you, and you taught in our streets.’ 27 And he will
speak, saying to you, ‘I do not know where you are from. Get
away from me, all you workers of unrighteousness!’ 28 In that
place, there will be wailing and the grinding of teeth when
you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets
in the kingdom of God, but you are thrown outside. 29 And
they will come from east and west and from north and south
and will recline to eat in the kingdom of God. 30 And behold,
there are last ones who will be first, and there are first ones
who will be last.”

31 At that hour, certain Pharisees approached, saying to
him, “Leave and go away from here, because Herod wants
to kill you.” 32 And he said to them, “Go *and* tell that fox,
‘Behold, I am casting out demons and performing healings
today and tomorrow, and on the third *day* I will be finished.’
33 Nevertheless, it is necessary for me to journey today,
and tomorrow, and the following *day*, for it is not possible
for a prophet to perish outside of Jerusalem. 34 Jerusalem,
Jerusalem, the one killing the prophets and stoning the ones
having been sent to her! How often I desired to gather your
children the way a hen her own brood under her wings, and
you were not willing! 35 Behold, your house is left to you.
And I say to you, you will certainly not see me until it comes
when you say, ‘Blessed is the one coming in the name of the
Lord.’”

14 And it happened that, when he went into the house
of one of the rulers of the Pharisees on a Sabbath
to eat bread, they were also watching him closely. 2 And
behold, a certain man who was edematous *was* before him.
3 And answering, Jesus spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees,
saying, “Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?” 4 But
they kept silent. And, taking hold of him, he healed him and
sent him away. 5 And he said to them, “Of which of you will
a son or an ox fall into a well, and he will not immediately
pull him out on the Sabbath day?” 6 And they were not able
to give an answer to these things.

7 Then he was speaking a parable to the ones that had been
invited, noticing how they were choosing the first places,
and saying to them, 8 “When you are invited by someone to
a wedding feast, do not recline to eat in the first place, lest
a more honorable than you may have been invited by him,
9 and *when* the one having invited you and him arrives, he
will say to you, ‘Give your place to this one,’ and then you
will begin with shame to take the last place. 10 But when you
are invited, go *and* recline to eat in the last place, so that
when the one that had invited you comes, he will say to you,
‘Friend, come up higher.’ Then there will be glory to you
before all the ones reclining to eat with you. 11 For everyone
exalting himself will be humbled, and the one humbling
himself will be exalted.”

12 Then he also said to the one that had invited him, “When
you make a lunch or a supper, do not invite your friends,
nor your brothers, nor your relatives, nor rich neighbors,
lest they also invite you in return and repayment happen to
you. 13 But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the
crippled, the lame, *and the* blind, 14 and you will be blessed,

because they do not have to repay you. For it will be repaid to you in the resurrection of the righteous."

15 And one of the ones reclining to eat, having heard these things, said to him, "Blessed *is* whoever will eat bread in the kingdom of God!" 16 But he said to him, "A certain man made a large supper and invited many. 17 And he sent his servant at the hour of the supper to say to the ones that had been invited, 'Come, because it is now ready.' 18 And they all from one began to excuse themselves. The first said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I have need to go out to see it. I ask you, have me excused.' 19 And another said, 'I have bought five pairs of oxen, and I am going to try them out. I ask you, have me excused.' 20 And another said, 'I have married a wife, and because of this I am not able to come.' 21 And the servant came *and* reported these things to his master. Then becoming angry, the master of the house said to his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city and bring in here the poor and crippled and blind and lame.' 22 And the servant said, 'Master, what you commanded has happened, and there is still room.' 23 And the master said to the servant, 'Go out into the roads and hedges and compel *them* to come in, so that my house may be filled. 24 For I say to you that none of those men that had been invited will taste of my supper.'"

25 And large crowds were journeying with him, and he turned *and* said to them, 26 "If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters and also even his own life, he is not able to be my disciple. 27 Whoever does not carry his cross and come after me is not able to be my disciple. 28 For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down *and* calculate the cost—whether he has for completion? 29 Otherwise, he having laid a foundation and not being able to finish, all who see it will begin to mock him, 30 saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.' 31 Or what king, going to fight with another king in war, will not sit down *and* first determine whether he is able with 10,000 to meet the one coming against him with 20,000? 32 But if not, while he is still far away, sending a delegation, he asks the things for peace. 33 In the same way, then, every one of you who does not renounce all the *things that* he himself possesses is not able to be my disciple. 34 Salt then *is* good, but if the salt indeed is made tasteless, with what will it be seasoned? 35 It is useful neither for the soil nor for the manure pile. They throw it outside. The one having ears to hear, let him hear."

15 And all the tax collectors and the sinners were coming to him to listen to him. 2 And both the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling, saying, "This one receives sinners and eats together with them."

3 And he spoke this parable to them, saying, 4 "Which man among you, having 100 sheep and having lost one of them, does not leave the 99 in the wilderness and go after the lost one until he finds it? 5 And having found *it*, he lays *it* on his shoulders, rejoicing. 6 And coming to the house, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice together with me, for I have found my lost sheep.' 7 I say to you that in the same way, there will be joy in heaven over one sinner repenting, more than over 99 being righteous having no need of repentance.

8 Or what woman, having ten drachmas, if she loses one drachma, would not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she has found *it*? 9 And having found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice together with me, for I have found the drachma that I lost.' 10 In the same way, I say to you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner repenting."

11 Then he said, "A certain man had two sons, 12 and the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the portion of the wealth that falls to *me*.' And he distributed his livelihood to them. 13 And after not many days, having gathered everything together, the younger son went to a distant country, and there he wasted his wealth, living recklessly. 14 And *when* he had spent everything, a severe famine happened throughout that country, and he began to be in need. 15 And he went *and* attached himself to one of the citizens of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed pigs. 16 And he was longing to be satisfied from the carob pods that the pigs were eating, and no one gave to him. 17 But coming to himself, he said, 'How many hired servants of my father have more than enough loaves, but I am perishing from hunger here! 18 I will get up *and* go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me as one of your hired servants."' 20 And having gotten up, he went to his own father. But he being still far away, his father saw him and felt compassion, and he ran, fell upon his neck, and kissed him. 21 Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' 22 But the father said to his servants, 'Quickly, bring the first robe and clothe him, and put a ring on his hand, and sandals on his feet. 23 And bring the fattened calf, kill *it*, and let us eat *and* celebrate! 24 For this son of mine was dead, and has come back to life; he was lost, and he has been found.' Then they began to celebrate. 25 And his older son was in the field, and *as* he came *and* approached the house, he heard music and dancing. 26 And summoning one of the servants, he asked what these things might be. 27 And he said to him, 'Your brother has come and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has received him back in good health.' 28 But he became angry and was not willing to go in, and his father came out *and* entreated him. 29 But answering, he said to his father, 'Behold, for so many years I am slaving for you, and I have never disregarded your command, and you never gave a young goat to me so that I might celebrate with my friends, 30 but when this son of yours came, the one having devoured your livelihood with prostitutes, you killed for him the fattened calf.' 31 But he said to him, 'Child, you are always with me, and all *that is* mine is yours. 32 But it was proper to celebrate and to rejoice, for this brother of yours was dead, and lived, and he had been lost, and was found.'"

16 And he also said to the disciples, "There was a certain rich man who had a manager, and he was reported to him as wasting his possessions. 2 And having called him, he said to him, 'What *is* this I hear about you? Give a report of your management, for you are no longer able to manage.' 3 Then the manager said to himself, 'What should I do, since my master is taking away the management from me? I am not strong to dig. I am ashamed to beg. 4 I know what I will do, so that when I am removed from the management, they will welcome me into their houses.' 5 And having summoned each one of the debtors of his master, he said to the first one, 'How much do you owe to my master?' 6 And he said, '100 baths of olive oil.' Then he said to him, 'Take your bill and, sitting down, quickly write 50.' 7 Then to another he said,

‘And you, how much do you owe?’ And he said, ‘100 cors of wheat.’ He says to him, ‘Take your bill, and write 80.’ 8 And the master praised the unrighteous manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the sons of this age are shrewder than the sons of the light in their own generation. 9 And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails, they may welcome you into the eternal dwellings. 10 The one *who is* faithful in very little is also faithful in much, and the one *who is* unrighteous in very little is also unrighteous in much. 11 If therefore you have not been faithful in unrighteous wealth, who will entrust the true to you? 12 And if you have not been faithful in *what* belongs to another, who will give to you *what is* your own? 13 No servant is able to serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and will love the other, or else he will be devoted to one and will despise the other. You are not able to serve God and wealth.”

14 And the Pharisees, being lovers of money, heard all these things, and they were ridiculing him. 15 And he said to them, “You are the ones justifying yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For *what is* exalted among men *is* an abomination before God. 16 The Law and the Prophets *were* until John. From then on, the kingdom of God is proclaimed as good news, and everyone is forcing their way into it. 17 But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for one stroke of the law to fall.

18 Everyone divorcing his wife and marrying another commits adultery, and the one marrying one that has been divorced from a husband commits adultery.

19 Now there was a certain rich man, and he was putting on purple and fine linen, feasting sumptuously every day. 20 But a certain poor man named Lazarus was laid at his gate, afflicted with sores, 21 and longing to be fed from the things falling from the table of the rich man. But even the dogs were coming *and* licking his sores. 22 Then it happened that the poor man died, and he was carried away by the angels to the bosom of Abraham. Then the rich man also died and was buried, 23 and in Hades, lifting up his eyes, being in torment, he sees Abraham from afar, and Lazarus in his bosom. 24 And crying out, he said, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am tormented in this flame.’ 25 But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that in your lifetime you received your good, and Lazarus likewise bad. But now he is comforted here, and you are tormented. 26 And with all these things, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that the ones wanting to cross from here to you may not be able, nor may they go across from there to us.’ 27 Then he said, ‘I beg you then, Father, that you would send him to the house of my father— 28 for I have five brothers—in order that he might warn them, so that they may not also come to this place of torment.’ 29 But Abraham says, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; let them listen to them.’ 30 But he said, ‘No, Father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ 31 But he said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone rises from the dead.’”

17 Then he said to his disciples, “It is impossible for stumbling blocks not to come, but woe *to the one* through whom they come! 2 It would be better for him if a millstone were put around his neck and he were thrown into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to stumble. 3 Pay attention to yourselves. If your brother sins, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him. 4 And if he sins against you seven times in the day, and seven times returns to you, saying, ‘I repent,’ you will forgive him.”

5 And the apostles said to the Lord, “Increase faith to us.” 6 So the Lord said, “If you had faith like a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted, and be planted in the sea,’ and it would listen to you. 7 But which of you *is it*, having a servant plowing or tending sheep, who will say to him, having come in from the field, ‘Come immediately *and* recline to eat’? 8 Instead, will he not say to him, ‘Prepare something I may eat and, girding yourself, serve me while I eat and drink, and after these things you will eat and drink’? 9 He does not have gratitude to the servant because he did the things commanded, does he? 10 Thus also you, when you have done all the things commanded to you, say, ‘We are worthless servants. We have done what we ought to do.’”

11 And it happened in the journeying to Jerusalem that he was passing through between Samaria and Galilee. 12 And *as* he entered into a certain village, ten leprous men, who stood at a distance met *him* 13 and they lifted up their voice, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” 14 And having seen *them*, he said to them, “Go show yourselves to the priests.” And it happened that, as they went away, they were cleansed. 15 Then one of them, having seen that he had been healed, returned, glorifying God with a loud voice. 16 And he fell on his face at his feet, giving thanks to him. And he was a Samaritan. 17 Then answering, Jesus said, “Were not ten cleansed? But where *are* the nine? 18 Were they not found returning to give glory to God except this foreigner?” 19 And he said to him, “Rise up, *and* go. Your faith has saved you.”

20 And having been asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God was coming, he answered them and said, “The kingdom of God is not coming with observation. 21 Neither will they say, ‘Behold, here!’ or ‘There!’ For behold, the kingdom of God is within you.”

22 Then he said to the disciples, “Days will come when you will desire to see one of the days of the Son of Man, but you will not see *it*. 23 And they will say to you, ‘Behold, there!’ or ‘Behold, here!’ Do not go out or run after them, 24 for just as the lightning flashing from a *place* under the sky shines to a place under the sky, thus will be the Son of Man.[a] 25 But first it is necessary for him to suffer many things and to be rejected by this generation. 26 And just as it happened in the days of Noah, thus it will be also in the days of the Son of Man. 27 They were eating, they were drinking, they were marrying, they were being given in marriage—until that day Noah entered into the ark and the flood came and destroyed *them* all. 28 Likewise, just as it happened in the days of Lot—they were eating, they were drinking, they were buying, they were selling, they were planting, they were building. 29 But in the day Lot went out from Sodom, it rained fire and sulfur from heaven and destroyed *them* all. 30 It will be according to these things in the day the Son of Man is revealed. 31 In that day, whoever is on the housetop and his goods are in the house, let him not go down to take them; and the one in the field, likewise let him not turn back to the things behind. 32 Remember the wife of Lot. 33 Whoever seeks to keep his life will lose it, but whoever will lose *it* will preserve it. 34 I say to you, in that night there will be

[a] Some manuscripts include*in his day,* but the best manuscripts do not.

two in one bed. The one will be taken, and the other will be left. 35 There will be two grinding in the same *place*. The one will be taken, but the other will be left." 36 [a] [Two in a field; one will be taken and the other will be left.] 37 And answering, they say to him, "Where, Lord?" So he said to them, "Where the body *is*, there also the vultures will be gathered together."

18 Then he spoke a parable to them to *show that* it was necessary for them always to pray and not to become discouraged, 2 saying, "In a certain city there was a certain judge, not fearing God and not respecting man. 3 And there was a widow in that city, and she was coming to him, saying, 'Vindicate me against my opponent.' 4 And for a time he was not willing, but after these things he said to himself, 'Even if I do not fear God or respect man, 5 yet because this widow causes me trouble, I will vindicate her, so that she will not beat me up by coming to the end.'" 6 Then the Lord said, "Listen to what the unrighteous judge says. 7 And will not God do the vindication of his elect, the ones crying out to him day and night, and he delays long over them? 8 I say to you that he will do the vindication of them quickly. Nevertheless, the Son of Man having come, will he indeed find faith on the earth?"

9 Then he also spoke this parable to some of the ones having become confident in themselves that they were righteous and disdaining others: 10 "Two men went up into the temple to pray—the one a Pharisee, and the other a tax collector. 11 The Pharisee, standing, was praying these things about himself, 'God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of men—robbers, unrighteous, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. 12 I fast twice a week. I tithe all that I acquire.' 13 But the tax collector, standing at a distance, did not even want to lift up his eyes toward heaven, but was beating his breast, saying, 'God, have mercy on me, the sinner.' 14 I say to you, this one went down to his house justified rather than that one. For everyone exalting himself will be humbled, but the one humbling himself will be exalted."

15 And they were bringing even the infants to him so that he might touch *them*, but the disciples, having seen *it*, were rebuking them. 16 But Jesus summoned them, saying, "Permit the little children to come to me, and do not forbid them. For of such is the kingdom of God. 17 Truly I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a child will certainly not enter into it."

18 And a certain ruler asked him, saying, "Good Teacher, doing what will I inherit eternal life?" 19 But Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one *is* good except one—God. 20 You know the commandments—do not commit adultery, do not kill, do not steal, do not testify falsely, honor your father and mother." 21 But he said, "All these things I have kept from my youth." 22 But Jesus, hearing, said to him, "One thing is still lacking to you. Sell everything, as much as you have, and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in the heavens; and come, follow me." 23 But he, hearing these things, became deeply grieved, for he was very rich. 24 Then Jesus, having looked at him,[b] said, "How difficultly do the ones having riches enter into the kingdom of God! 25 For it is easier for a camel to go through an eye of a needle than for a rich *person* to enter into the kingdom of God." 26 Then the ones having heard said, "And who is able to be saved?" 27 But he said, "The impossible with men is possible with God." 28 Then Peter said, "Behold, we left everything[c] and followed you." 29 So he said to them, "Truly I say to you that there is no one who has left a house or a wife or brothers or parents or children for the sake of the kingdom of God 30 who will by no means not receive much more in this time, and in the age that is coming, eternal life."

31 Then having taken the Twelve aside, he said to them, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and all the *things that* have been written by the prophets about the Son of Man will be accomplished. 32 For he will be given over to the Gentiles, and he will be mocked, and will be mistreated, and will be spit on. 33 And having whipped *him*, they will kill *him*, and on the third day he will rise." 34 And they understood none of these things, and this word was hidden from them, and they did not understand the things being spoken.

35 And it happened that, as he came near to Jericho, a certain blind man was sitting beside the road begging. 36 And hearing a crowd going by, he was asking what this might be. 37 And they reported to him, "Jesus the Nazarene is passing by." 38 And he cried out, saying, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me." 39 And the ones walking ahead were rebuking him so that he would be silent. But he was crying out much more, "Son of David, have mercy on me." 40 Then having stood still, Jesus commanded him to be brought to him. Then *when* he had come near, he asked him, 41 "What do you desire *that* I might do for you?" So he said, "Lord, that I might see again." 42 And Jesus said to him, "See again. Your faith has saved you." 43 And immediately he saw again, and he was following him, glorifying God. And all the people, seeing this, gave praise to God.

19 And he entered *and* was passing through Jericho. 2 And behold a man, called Zacchaeus by name, and he was a chief tax collector, and he *was* rich. 3 And he was trying to see Jesus, who he was, but he was not able from the crowd, because he was small in stature. 4 And running on ahead, he climbed into a sycamore tree so that he might see him, because he was about to pass through that *way*. 5 And when he came to the place, looking up, Jesus said to him, "Zacchaeus, hastening, come down, for it is necessary for me to stay in your house today." 6 And hastening, he came down and welcomed him, rejoicing. 7 And having seen this, they all complained, saying, "He has gone in to lodge with a sinful man." 8 But having stood, Zacchaeus said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my possessions I give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anything from anyone, I will restore four-fold." 9 Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. 10 For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the one that has been lost."

11 And *as* they were listening to these things, he proceeded to speak a parable, because he was near Jerusalem and they thought that the kingdom of God was about to appear immediately. 12 Therefore he said, "A certain well-born man journeyed to a distant country to receive for himself a kingdom and to return. 13 So calling ten of his servants, he gave them ten minas and said to them, 'Conduct business in that I go.' 14 But his citizens hated him and sent a delegation after him, saying, 'We do not want this one to rule over us.' 15 And it happened that, when he returned, having received

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[a] Some ancient manuscripts include verse 36. [b] Scholars are divided whether the phrase: *[he] became deeply grieved* should be included here. Compare verse 23. [c] Some manuscripts read *our own possessions,* but the best manuscripts read *everything.*

the kingdom, he then commanded to be called to him those servants to whom he had given the silver, so that he might know what they had gained by doing business. 16 Then the first came *and* said, 'Master, your mina has earned ten minas.' 17 And he said to him, 'Well done, good servant! Because you were faithful in very little, be having authority over ten cities.' 18 And the second came *and* said, 'Your mina, master, has made five minas.' 19 So he also said to this one, 'And you be over five cities.' 20 And the other one came saying, 'Master, behold your mina, which I have been keeping put away in a cloth, 21 for I feared you, because you are a harsh man. You take up what you did not put down, and you reap what you did not sow.' 22 He says to him, 'By your mouth I will judge you, wicked servant! Did you know that I am a harsh man, taking up what I did not put down, and reaping what I did not sow? 23 And for what *reason* did you not put my silver in a bank, and I, having returned, would have collected it with interest?' 24 And he said to the ones standing by, 'Take the mina away from him and give it to the one having the ten minas.' 25 And they said to him, 'Master, he has ten minas.' 26 'I say to you that to everyone having, it will be given, but from the one not having, even what he has will be taken away. 27 But these enemies of mine, the ones not having wanted me to reign over them, bring *them* here and kill them before me.'"

28 And having said these things, he journeyed ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

29 And it happened that, when he had come near to Bethphage and Bethany, to the mount called of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, 30 saying, "Go into the village opposite, in which, entering, you will find a colt tied up, on which no one of men has ever sat. Having untied it, bring it here. 31 And if anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' thus you will say, 'The Lord has need of it.'" 32 So the ones that had been sent, going away, found *it* just as he had said to them. 33 And *as* they were untying the colt, the owners of it said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" 34 So they said, "The Lord has need of it." 35 And they brought it to Jesus, and having thrown their cloaks upon the colt, they mounted Jesus on *it*. 36 And *as* he was going along, they were spreading their cloaks on the road. 37 And *as* he was already coming near to the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice *and* praise God with a loud voice concerning all of the mighty works that they had seen, 38 saying, "Blessed is the king coming in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" 39 And some of the Pharisees from the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." 40 And answering, he said, "I say to you that if these were silent, the stones would cry out."

41 And as he approached, having seen the city, he wept over it, 42 saying, "If you had known in this day, even you, the things toward peace! But now they have been hidden from your eyes. 43 For days will come upon you, and your enemies will build a barricade around you, and they will surround you and press in on you from every side. 44 And they will dash you to the ground and your children within you. And they will not leave stone upon stone in you because you did not know the time of your visitation."

45 And entering into the temple, he began to cast out the ones selling, 46 saying to them, "It has been written, 'My house *will be* a house of prayer,' but you made it a 'den of robbers.'"

47 And he was teaching each day in the temple. And the chief priests and the scribes and the first of the people were seeking to destroy him, 48 And they were not finding something that they might do, for all the people were hanging on him listening.

20 And it happened that, on one of the days *when* he was teaching the people in the temple and proclaiming the gospel, the chief priests and the scribes approached with the elders. 2 And they spoke, saying to him, "Tell us by what authority you do these things, or who the one is having given you this authority." 3 But answering, he said to them, "I also will ask you a word, and you tell me: 4 The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or from men?" 5 Then they reasoned with each other, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say, 'For what *reason* did you not believe him?' 6 But if we say, 'From men,' the whole people will stone us, for it is persuaded that John was a prophet." 7 And they answered that they did not know from where. 8 And Jesus said to them, "Nor do I tell you by what authority I do these things."

9 Then he began to speak this parable to the people: "A man planted a vineyard and rented it out to farmers and went abroad for a long time. 10 And at the time he sent a servant to the farmers so that they would give him from the fruit of the vineyard. But the farmers sent him away, having beaten *him*, empty. 11 And he proceeded to send another servant, but they, beating *him* and treating *him* shamefully, sent that one also away empty. 12 And he proceeded to send a third, but they, wounding *him*, cast this one also out. 13 So the lord of the vineyard said, 'What should I do? I will send my beloved son. Perhaps they will respect him.' 14 But having seen him, the farmers were reasoning with each other, saying, 'This is the heir. Let us kill him so that the inheritance may become ours.' 15 And having thrown him out of the vineyard, they killed *him*. What then will the lord of the vineyard do to them? 16 He will come and destroy these farmers and will give the vineyard to others." But having heard this, they said, "May it not be!" 17 But he, having looked at them, said, "What then is this that is written:

> 'A stone that the builders rejected,
> this has become the head of the corner'?

18 Everyone having fallen on that stone will be broken to pieces, but on whomever it falls, it will crush him."

19 And the scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him in that hour, and they feared the people, for they knew that he spoke this parable against them. 20 And having watched *him* carefully, they sent spies pretending themselves to be righteous, so that they might take hold of his word, in order to hand him over to the rule and to the authority of the governor. 21 And they asked him, saying, "Teacher, we know that you speak and teach rightly, and you do not receive a face, but you teach the way of God in truth. 22 Is it lawful for us to give tribute to Caesar, or not?" 23 But having perceived their craftiness, he said to them, 24 "Show me a denarius. Whose image and inscription does it have?" And they said, "Caesar's." 25 And he said to them, "Therefore give back the things of Caesar to Caesar, and the things of God to God." 26 And they were not able to take hold of his word in front of the people, and marveling at his answer, they became silent.

27 Then some of the Sadducees, the ones saying there is no resurrection, having approached, questioned him, 28 saying,

"Teacher, Moses wrote for us, if someone's brother dies, having a wife, and he is childless, that his brother should take his wife and raise up seed for his brother. 29 Therefore, there were seven brothers, and the first, having taken a wife, died childless; 30 and the second 31 and the third took her; and likewise the seven also left no children, and died. 32 Last, the woman also died. 33 Therefore, in the resurrection, of which of them is she a wife? For the seven had her *as* wife." 34 And Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage. 35 But the ones having been considered worthy to obtain that age and the resurrection *that is* from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. 36 For neither are they able to die anymore, for they are *like* angels; and they are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. 37 But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed at the bush, when he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. 38 And he is not a God of the dead, but of the living, for all are alive to him." 39 Then answering some of the scribes said, "Teacher, you have spoken well." 40 For they no longer dared to ask him anything.

41 Then he said to them, "How do they say that the Christ is the son of David? 42 For David himself says in the book of Psalms,

'The Lord said to my Lord,
"Sit at my right hand,
43 until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet."'

44 David therefore calls him 'Lord.' And how is he his son?"

45 And *while* all the people were listening, he said to his disciples, 46 "Beware of the scribes, desiring to walk in long robes and loving greetings in the marketplaces and first seats in the synagogues and first places at the banquets. 47 They devour the houses of widows, and for a pretext they pray at length. These will receive greater condemnation."

21 And having looked up, he saw the rich putting their gifts into the treasury. 2 And he saw a certain poor widow putting two lepta there. 3 And he said, "Truly I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all. 4 For all these put in the gifts from the things abounding to them. But she, from her poverty, put in all the life that she had."

5 And *as* some were speaking about the temple, that it was decorated with beautiful stones and offerings, he said, 6 "These things that you are looking at, days will come in which stone upon stone will not be left, which will not be torn down." 7 So they questioned him, saying, "Teacher, when therefore will these things be? And what *will be* the sign when these things are about to happen?" 8 Then he said, "Be careful that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he,' and, 'The time has come near.' Do not go after them. 9 But when you hear of wars and rebellions, do not be terrified, for it is necessary for these things to happen first, but not immediately the end."

10 Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. 11 There will be both great earthquakes, and famines and plagues in various places. There will be both terrifying events and great signs from heaven. 12 But before all of these things, they will lay their hands on you and will persecute *you*, handing *you* over to the synagogues and prisons, bringing *you* before kings and governors for the sake of my name. 13 It will turn out for you for a testimony. 14 But put in your hearts not to prepare to be defended, 15 for I will give to you a mouth and wisdom that all the ones opposing you will not be able to resist or contradict. 16 But you will be handed over even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and they will put to death some of you. 17 And you will be hated by all because of my name. 18 And a hair of your head will not at all perish. 19 By your endurance, you will gain your souls.

20 But when you see Jerusalem being surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation is near. 21 Then let the ones in Judea flee to the mountains, and let the ones in the midst of it leave, and let the ones in the fields not enter into it. 22 For these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all the things that have been written. 23 But woe to the ones having in the womb and to the ones nursing in those days! For there will be great distress upon the land and wrath to this people. 24 And they will fall by the mouth of the sword, and they will be led captive into all the nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled by the nations until the times of the nations are fulfilled.

25 And there will be signs in the sun and moon and stars, and distress of nations on the earth in perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. 26 Men will be fainting from fear and expectation of the things coming upon the inhabited world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 27 And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and much glory. 28 But *when* these things begin to happen, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is coming near."

29 And he spoke a parable to them: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees. 30 When they already sprout, seeing for yourselves you know that the summer is already near. 31 Thus also you, when you see these things happening, know that the kingdom of God is near. 32 Truly I say to you that this generation will certainly not pass away until they all happen. 33 The heaven and the earth will pass away, but my words will certainly not pass away.

34 But pay attention to yourselves, so that your hearts may not be burdened with hangover and drunkenness, and everyday worries, and that sudden day may come upon you 35 like a trap, for it will come upon all the ones sitting on the face of the whole earth. 36 But stay awake in every time, praying, so that you may be strong enough to escape all these things that are about to happen, and to stand before the Son of Man."

37 And during the days, he was teaching in the temple, but during the nights, he went out *and* lodged on the hill that is called Olivet. 38 And all the people were getting up early to him to hear him in the temple.

22 And the Festival of Unleavened Bread, which is called the Passover, was coming near. 2 And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how they might kill him, for they were fearing the people.

3 Then Satan entered into Judas, the one called Iscariot, being from the number of the Twelve. 4 And having gone away, he spoke with the chief priests and captains *about* how he might hand him over to them. 5 And they rejoiced, and they agreed to give him silver. 6 And he agreed and was seeking an opportunity to hand him over to them away from the crowd.

7 Then came the Day of Unleavened Bread, on which it was necessary to sacrifice the Passover. 8 And he sent Peter and John, saying, "Going, prepare for us the Passover, so that we may eat *it*." 9 And they said to him, "Where do you wish that we should prepare *it*?" 10 And he answered them,

"Behold, *when* you have entered into the city, a man carrying a pitcher of water will meet you. Follow him into the house into which he enters. 11 And say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, "Where is the guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"' 12 And that one will show you a large upper room, furnished. Prepare *it* there." 13 And having gone away, they found *it* just as he had said to them, and they prepared the Passover.

14 And when it was the hour, he reclined to eat, and the apostles with him. 15 And he said to them, "With desire I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. 16 For I say to you that I will certainly not eat it until when it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." 17 And having taken a cup *and* having given thanks, he said, "Take this, and divide *it* among yourselves. 18 For I say to you, from now on I will certainly not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God comes." 19 And having taken bread, having given thanks, he broke *it* and gave *it* to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in my remembrance." 20 And the cup in the same way after the supper, saying, "This cup *is* the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you. 21 But behold, the hand of the one handing me over *is* with me on the table. 22 For the Son of Man indeed goes according to *what* has been determined. But woe to that man through whom he is handed over!" 23 And they began to discuss among themselves *about* which of them therefore might be the one going to do this.

24 Then a quarrel also happened among them *about* which of them seems to be greater. 25 But he said to them, "The kings of the nations lord it over them, and the ones having authority over them are called Benefactors. 26 But you *be* not thus. Instead, let the greater among you become like the younger. And the one leading like the one serving. 27 For who *is* greater, the one reclining to eat or the one serving? *Is it* not the one reclining to eat? But I am in the midst of you as one serving. 28 But you are the ones having continued with me in my trials. 29 And I grant to you, just as my Father has granted to me, a kingdom, 30 so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones judging the 12 tribes of Israel.

31 Simon, Simon, behold, Satan has asked to sift you like wheat. 32 But I have asked concerning you that your faith may not fail. And you, when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers." 33 But he said to him, "Lord, I am ready to go with you both to prison and to death." 34 But he said, "I say to you, Peter, the rooster will not crow today before you deny three times that you know me."

35 And he said to them, "When I sent you out without a money bag and sack and sandals, you did not lack anything, did you?" And they said, "Nothing." 36 Then he said to them, "But now, the one having a money bag, let him take *it*, and likewise a sack. And the one not having a sword, let him sell his cloak and buy one. 37 For I say to you, this that is written must be accomplished in me, 'And he was reckoned with the lawless.' For indeed the thing concerning me has an accomplishment." 38 Then they said, "Lord, behold! Here are two swords." And he said to them, "It is enough."

39 And having gone out, he went according to his custom to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples also followed him. 40 And having come to the place, he said to them, "Pray not to enter into temptation." 41 And he went away from them about the throw of a stone, and having put down his knees, he was praying, 42 saying, "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Yet, let not my will, but yours, happen." 43 [a] [And an angel from heaven appeared to him, strengthening him. 44 [b] And being in agony, he was praying more earnestly, and his sweat became like drops of blood falling on the ground.] 45 And having risen up from the prayer, having come to the disciples, he found them sleeping from the sorrow. 46 And he said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Having risen up, pray so that you do not enter into temptation."

47 He still speaking, behold a crowd, and the one called Judas, one of the Twelve, was leading them. And he came near to Jesus to kiss him. 48 But Jesus said to him, "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?" 49 And the ones around him, having seen *what* was going to happen, said, "Lord, if we will strike with a sword?" 50 And a certain one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. 51 But answering, Jesus said, "Allow up to this!" And touching his ear, he healed him. 52 Then Jesus said to the ones having come out against him—chief priests and captains of the temple and elders—"As against a robber have you come out with swords and clubs? 53 I being with you each day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the authority of the darkness."

54 Now having seized him, they led *him* away and brought *him* into the house of the high priest. But Peter was following from a distance. 55 And they having kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and having sat down together, Peter was sitting in the midst of them. 56 Then a certain servant girl, having seen him sitting towards the light and looking steadily at him, said, "This one also was with him." 57 But he denied *it*, saying, "Woman, I do not know him." 58 And after a little while another, having seen him, said, "You also are from them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not." 59 And about one hour having passed, a certain other one was insisting, saying, "In truth, this one was also with him, for he is also a Galilean." 60 But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are saying." And immediately, *while* he was still speaking, a rooster crowed. 61 And turning, the Lord looked at Peter, and Peter remembered the word of the Lord, that he said to him, "Before a rooster crows today you will deny me three times." 62 And going outside, he wept bitterly.

63 And the men holding him were mocking *and* beating him. 64 And having blindfolded *him*, they were questioning him, saying, "Prophesy! Who is the one having hit you?" 65 And they were saying many other things to him, blaspheming *him*.

66 And when it became day, the elders of the people gathered together, both chief priests and scribes, and they led him into their Sanhedrin, 67 saying, "If you are the Christ, tell us." But he said to them, "If I told you, you would certainly not believe; 68 and if I questioned you, you would certainly not answer. 69 But from now, the Son of Man will be sitting at the right hand of the power of God." 70 Then they all said, "Therefore are you the Son of God?" And he said to them, "You are saying that I am." 71 And they said, "Why do we still have need of testimony? For we ourselves have heard from his own mouth."

23 And the whole multitude of them, rising up, led him to Pilate. 2 And they began to accuse him, saying, "We found this one perverting our nation and forbidding to

[a] Some ancient manuscripts include verses 43 and 44. [b] See the note on the previous verse.

give tribute to Caesar and saying that he himself is Christ, a king." 3 But Pilate questioned him, saying, "Are you the King of the Jews?" But he, answering him, said, "You say *it*." 4 Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no cause in this man." 5 But they were insisting, saying, "He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, indeed, beginning from Galilee as far as here." 6 And Pilate, having heard this, asked whether the man was a Galilean. 7 And having learned that he was under the authority of Herod, he sent him to Herod, being also in Jerusalem himself in those days.

8 And Herod, having seen Jesus, rejoiced greatly, for he had been desiring to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him, and he was hoping to see some sign happen by him. 9 Then he questioned him in many words, but he answered him nothing. 10 And the chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. 11 Then Herod, with his soldiers, also despised him and mocked *him*. Having put elegant clothing around *him*, he sent him back to Pilate. 12 Then both Herod and Pilate became friends with each other on that day, for they were previously being in hostility between themselves.

13 Then Pilate called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people, 14 *and* said to them, "You brought this man to me as turning the people away, and behold, I, having examined him before you, found nothing in this man as cause for what you are accusing against him. 15 But neither did Herod, for he sent him back to us, and behold, nothing that is worthy of death has been done by him. 16 Therefore, having punished him, I will release him." 17 [a] [But he had obligation to release to them one *prisoner* at every feast.] 18 But they cried out all together, saying, "Take away this one, but release to us Barabbas!" 19 (He had been put in prison for a certain rebellion that happened in the city, and for murder.) 20 Then Pilate again addressed them, desiring to release Jesus. 21 But they were shouting, saying, "Crucify, crucify him." 22 Then he spoke to them a third time, "For what evil did this one do? No cause for death have I found in him. Therefore, having punished him, I will release him." 23 But they were insisting with loud voices, demanding for him to be crucified, and their voices prevailed. 24 And Pilate decreed for their demand to happen. 25 Then he released the one that had been put in prison for rebellion and murder, whom they were requesting, but he handed over Jesus to their will.

26 And as they led him away, seizing Simon, a certain Cyrenean coming from the country, they put the cross on him, to carry behind Jesus.

27 And a great crowd of the people was following him, and of women mourning and wailing for him. 28 But turning to them, Jesus said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. 29 For behold, days are coming in which they will say, 'Blessed *are* the barren, yes, the wombs that did not give birth and breasts that did not nurse.' 30 Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' 31 For if they do these things in the moist tree, what will happen in the dry?"

32 And others, two criminals, were also being led away with him to be put to death.

33 And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals—one at the right and one at the left. 34 [b] [But Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."] But, dividing up his robes, they cast a lot. 35 And the people stood by watching, and the rulers were also ridiculing him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One." 36 Then the soldiers also mocked him, coming up *and* offering him vinegar, 37 and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself." 38 And there was also an inscription over him, "This *is* the King of the Jews."

39 Then one of the criminals having been hung blasphemed him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us." 40 But answering, the other, rebuking him, said, "Do you not even fear God, since you are under the same judgment? 41 And we justly, for indeed we are receiving worthy of what we did, but this one did nothing wrong." 42 And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." 43 And he said to him, "Truly I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."

44 And it was already about the sixth hour, and darkness happened over the whole land until the ninth hour. 45 The sun failed, and the curtain of the temple was split in the middle. 46 And crying out with a loud voice, Jesus said, "Father, into your hands I entrust my spirit." And having said this, he expired. 47 Now the centurion, having seen the thing having happened, was glorifying God, saying, "Truly this man was righteous." 48 And all the crowds that had come together for this spectacle, having seen the things having happened, returned, beating their breasts. 49 But all the ones acquainted with him, and the women following him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

50 And behold, a man, Joseph by name, being a council member, a good and righteous man, 51 (this one had not agreed with the council and their action) from Arimathea, a city of the Jews, who was waiting for the kingdom of God. 52 This one, having approached Pilate, asked for the body of Jesus. 53 And having taken *it* down, he wrapped it in a linen cloth and put him in a hewn tomb where no one ever had lain. 54 And it was the Day of Preparation, and the Sabbath was dawning. 55 And the women who had come out of Galilee with him, having followed after, saw the tomb and how his body was put. 56 Then, having returned, they prepared spices and ointments. And on the Sabbath they rested, according to the commandment.

24 Now on the first of the week, deeply at dawn, they came to the tomb, bringing spices that they had prepared. 2 And they found the stone having been rolled away from the tomb, 3 but having entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. 4 And it happened that, while they were perplexed about this, and behold, two men in flashing clothing stood by them. 5 And as they became terrified and bowed their faces toward the ground, they said to them, "Why are you seeking the living among the dead? 6 He is not here, but he was raised up! Remember how he spoke to you, still being in Galilee, 7 saying that it was necessary for the Son of Man to be handed over into the hands of sinful men and to be crucified, and on the third day to rise up." 8 And they remembered his words, 9 and having returned from the tomb, they reported all these things to the Eleven and to all the rest. 10 And they were Mary Magdalene, and Joanna, and Mary the *mother* of James, and the other *women* with

[a] Some ancient manuscripts include verse 17.

[b] Some ancient manuscripts include the first part of verse 34.

them, telling these things to the apostles. 11 And these words seemed before them like nonsense, and they disbelieved them. 12 But Peter, having risen up, ran to the tomb, and having stooped down, he sees only the linen cloths. So he went away to his *home*, wondering *what* had happened.

13 And behold, on that same day, two of them were going to a distant village that *was named* Emmaus, 60 stadia from Jerusalem, 14 and they were talking to each other about all these things that had happened. 15 And it happened, while they talked and discussed, that Jesus himself, approaching, was going with them. 16 But their eyes were being held so as not to recognize him. 17 Then he said to them, "What *are* these words that you are exchanging with each other as you are walking?" And they stood still, gloomy. 18 Then, answering, one named Cleopas said to him, "Are you alone visiting Jerusalem and have not known the things having happened in her in these days?" 19 And he said to them, "What kind?" And they said to him, "The things concerning Jesus the Nazarene, who was a man, a prophet powerful in work and word in front of God and all the people, 20 and how the chief priests and our rulers handed him over to a judgment of death and crucified him. 21 But we were hoping that he was the one going to redeem Israel. But indeed also with all these things, he is spending this third day since these things happened. 22 But indeed, some women among us astonished us, having been at the tomb early 23 and not finding his body, they came saying they had also seen a vision of angels, saying he was alive. 24 And some of the ones with us went to the tomb and they found thus, just as the women had indeed said, but they did not see him." 25 And he said to them, "O foolish ones and slow in heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Was it not necessary for the Christ to suffer these things, and to enter into his glory?" 27 And beginning from Moses and from all the prophets, he explained to them the things concerning himself in all the Scriptures. 28 And they drew near to the village where they were going, and he acted as if he would travel further. 29 And they urged him, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day has already declined." And he went in to stay with them. 30 And it happened that, when he had reclined to eat with them, taking the bread, he blessed *it*, and having broken *it*, he was giving *it* to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he became invisible from them. 32 And they said to one another, "Was not our heart burning as he spoke to us on the way, as he opened to us the Scriptures?" 33 And having risen up that same hour, they returned to Jerusalem. And they found the Eleven having been gathered, and the ones with them, 34 saying, "Truly the Lord has been raised, and he has been seen by Simon!" 35 And they related the things on the way, and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

36 And as they were saying these things, he himself stood in the midst of them and said to them, "Peace to you." 37 But having been frightened and becoming terrified, they thought they were seeing a spirit. 38 And he said to them, "Why have you been troubled, and why are doubts arising in your heart? 39 See my hands and my feet, that I myself am. Touch me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see me having." 40 And having said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. 41 And as they were still disbelieving and wondering from the joy, he said to them, "Do you have something eatable here?" 42 So they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, 43 and taking *it*, he ate *it* before them.

44 Then he said to them, "These *are* my words that I spoke to you *when* I was still with you, that all the things having been written about me in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the Psalms, must be fulfilled." 45 Then he opened their mind to understand the Scriptures, and he said to them, 46 "Thus it has been written: The Christ would suffer, and rise up from the dead on the third day, 47 and repentance for forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 And I am sending upon you the promise of my Father. But you stay in the city until you put on power from heaven."

50 Then he led them out as far as towards Bethany, and lifting up his hands, he blessed them. 51 And it happened that, while he was blessing them, he separated from them and was carried up into heaven. 52 And they, having worshiped him, returned to Jerusalem with great joy, 53 and they were through all in the temple, blessing God.