

John 5

⁴The man departed, and told the Jews that it was Jesus, who had made him whole. ⁴Jn 5:15

⁴And therefore the Jews persecuted Jesus, and sought to slay him, because he had done these things on the sabbath day. ⁴Jn 5:16

But Jesus answered them, "**My Father works until now, and I work.**" ⁴Jn 5:17

Therefore the Jews sought all the more to kill him, because he not only had broken the sabbath, but also said that God was his Father, making himself equal with God. ⁴Jn 5:18

Then Jesus answered and said to them, "**Truly, truly, I say to you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he sees the Father do: for whatever things he does, these also the Son does likewise.**" vs 19

"For the Father loves the Son, and shows him everything that he himself does: and he will show him greater works than these, that you may marvel. For as the Father raises up the dead, and quickens them; even so the Son quickens whom he will." vs 20, 21

"For the Father judges no man, but has committed all judgment to the Son. That all men should honor the Son, even as they honor the Father. He that honors not the Son honors not the Father who has sent him. Truly, truly, I say to you, he that hears my word, and believes on him that sent me, has everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death to life. Truly, truly, I say to you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live. For as the Father has life in himself; so he has given the Son to have life in himself and has given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man."

⁴Jn 5:19-27

"Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, to the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, to the resurrection of damnation." ⁴Jn 5:28, 29

"I can of my own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not my own will, but the will of the Father which has sent me. If I bear witness of myself, my witness is not true. There is another that bears witness of me; and I know that the witness which he witnesses of me is true." ⁴Jn 5:30-32

"You sent observers to John, and he bore witness to the truth. But I do not receive testimony from man: but these things I say, that you might be saved. He was a burning and a shining light: and you were willing for a season to rejoice in his light. But I have a greater witness than *that* of John: for the works which the Father has given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father has sent me. And the Father himself, who has sent me, has borne witness of me. You have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape. And you do not have his word abiding in you: for him whom he has sent, you do not believe."

"Search the scriptures;

for in them you think you have eternal life: and

they are they

which testify of me.

And you will not come to me, that you might have life. I do not receive honor from men." ⁴Jn 5:33-41

But I know you, that you do not have the love of God in you. I am come in my Father's name, and you do not receive me: if another false teacher shall come in his own name, you will receive him." ⁴Jn 5:42, 43

"How can you believe, who receive honor from one another, and do not seek the honor that only *comes* from God? Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuses you, *even* Moses, in whom you trust. For had you believed Moses, you would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But if you do not believe his writings, how shall you believe my words?" ⁴Jn 5:44-47

The Blended Gospel

Matthew 6,11,13,14 Mark 1,6

Luke 3,4

John the Baptist Imprisoned

And 'it came to pass when Jesus had made an end of commanding his twelve disciples, he departed from there to teach and preach in their cities. ¹Then Herod the tetrarch³ for all the evils which he had done, added yet this above all, that he laid hold on John, put *him* in prison and ³shut him up ²and bound him for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife: for he had married her.

¹Mt 11:1, 14:3 ²Mk 6:17 ³Lk 3:19

^{1,2}For John had said to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." ²Therefore

Herodias had a quarrel against him, and would have killed him; but she could not: ²For Herod feared John, knowing that he was a just man and holy, and observed him; and when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly. ¹Mt 14:4 ²Mk 6:18-20

^{1,2}When he would have put him to death, he feared the multitude, because they considered him a prophet.

¹Mt 14:5, 4:12 ²Mk 1:14

¹Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, ³Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit, ¹departed and ²came into Galilee: and there went out a fame about him through all the region round about.

¹Mt 4:12, 14:5 ²Mk 1:14 ³Lk 4:14

John the Baptist before Herod - Mattia Preti 1665



Matthew 4,13 Mark 1,6

Luke 4

Rejected In Nazareth

And ¹he went out from there, and came to his own country; and his disciples follow him. ¹Mt 13:54 ²Mk 6:1

³And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all. ³And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day. ³And he stood up to read. ²Mk 6:2 ³Lk 4:15, 16

³There was delivered to him the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, “**The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he has sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord.**” ³Lk 4:17-19

³And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. And all bore him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth. ³Lk 4:20, 22

³And he began to say to them, “**This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.**” ³Lk 4:21

²And many hearing him were astonished, saying, “From where has this man these things? and what wisdom is this which is given to him, that even such mighty works are performed by his hands?”

¹Mt 13:54 ²Mk 6:2

“²Is not this the carpenter, Joseph’s son³, the son of Mary, the brother of James, and Joses, and of Judas, and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?” ¹Mt 13:55 ²Mk 6:3 ³Lk 4:22

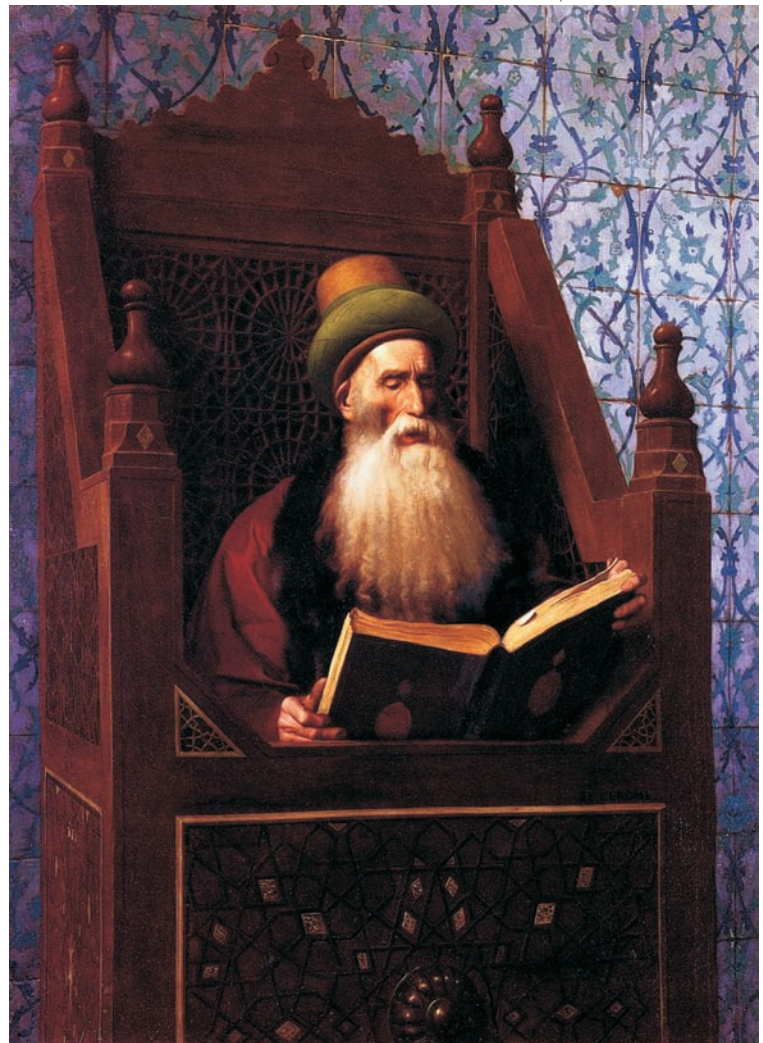
“¹Where then has this man all these things?” ¹And they were offended at him. ²¹Mt 13:56, 57 ²Mk 6:3

³And he said to them, “**You will surely say to me this proverb, ‘Physician, heal yourself: whatever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in your country.’ Truly I say to you, No prophet is accepted**

in his own country.” ³Lk 4:23, 24

“²He is not without honor, except among his own kin, and in his own house.” ¹Mt 13:57 ²Mk 6:4

“³But I tell you the truth, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout all the land; but Elijah was sent to none of them, except to Sarepta, a city of Sidon, to a woman *that* was a widow. And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet; and none of them were cleansed, except Naaman the Syrian.” ³Lk 4:25-27



Reading in the Prayer School - Jean Leon Gerome 1900

The Blended Gospel

Matthew 4,13

Mark 1,6

Luke 4,5

³And all those in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath³ and rose up, and thrust him out of the city to the hill whereon their city was built, that they might cast him down headlong. But passing through the midst of them he went his way. ³Lk 4:28-30

²And he could not do any mighty works there, because of their unbelief¹, except that he laid his hands on a few sick folk, and healed *them*. ²And he marvelled because of their unbelief. And he went round about the villages, teaching. ¹Mt 13:56 ²Mk 6:5, 6

Galilean Ministry

¹And leaving Nazareth, he came and dwelt in Capernaum, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying,

“The land of Zabulon,
and the land of Nephthalim,
by the way of the sea, beyond Jordan,
Galilee of the Gentiles:
the people who sat in darkness,
saw great light; and to them who sat
in the region and shades of death,
light has arisen.” ¹Mt 4:13-16, Isa. 9:1,2

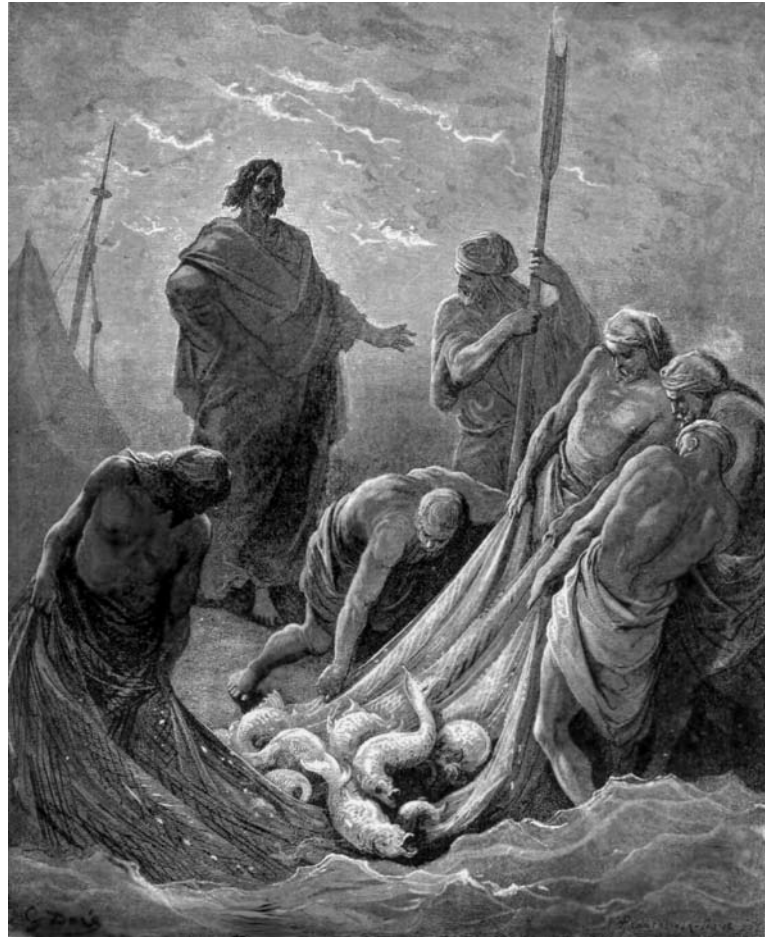
¹From that time Jesus began ²preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, ²and saying, “**The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent, and believe the gospel.**” ¹Mt 4:17 ²Mk 1:14, 15

Sermon by the Sea

H¹s ²Jesus² was walking by the sea of Galilee, ³it came to pass, that the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God. He stood by the lake of Gennesaret, and saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing *their* nets. Then ²he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were still fishers. ¹Mt 4:18 ²Mk 1:16 ³Lk 5:1,2

³And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and asked him if he would thrust out a little from the land. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship. ³Lk 5:3

³Now when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “**Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a catch.**”



Cast Your Nets - Gustav Dore

And Simon answering said to him, “Master, we have toiled all night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at your word I will let down the net.”

³Lk 5:4,5

³And when they had done this, they enclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net broke. And they beckoned to *their* partners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them.

³Lk 5:6

Matthew 4

Mark 1

Luke 4,5

²And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw *it*, he fell down at Jesus' knees³ saying, "Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the catch of the fishes which they had taken: And so was also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon and the others¹, "'**Fear not; come, follow me, and from now on I will make you to become² fishers of men.**"

¹Mt 4:19 ²Mk 1:17 ³Lk 5:6-10



Fishers of Men - Anton Losenko 1762

³And when they had brought their ships to land, they immediately left *their* nets, and followed him. ²And when he had gone a little further from there, he saw two other brothers¹, James *the son* of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also were in a boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets.

¹Mt 4:20,21 ²Mk 1:19 ³Lk 5:11

²And straightway he called them: and they immediately left their father Zebedee in the ship with the hired servants, and went after him.

¹Mt 4:22 ²Mk 1:20

The Demoniac in Capernaum

²And they went and came down³ to Capernaum, a city of Galilee³ and straightway on the sabbath days³ he entered into the synagogue, and taught them³. ²Mk 1:21 ³Lk 4:31

²And they were astonished at his doctrine: for his

word was with power³ and he taught them as one that had authority, and not as the scribes. ²Mk 1:22 ³Lk 4:32

²There was in their synagogue a man, which had a spirit of an unclean devil³. ²And he cried out ²with a loud voice, saying, "Let us alone; what have we to do with you, Jesus of Nazareth? Are you come to destroy us? I know who You are, the Holy One of God." ²Mk 1:23,24 ³Lk 4:33,34

²But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "**Hold your peace, and come out of him.**" And when the unclean spirit devil had thrown him in the midst³ and had ²torn him, and cried with a loud voice, he came out of him, and did not hurt him³.

²And they were all amazed, insomuch that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What thing is this? What a new word and doctrine *is* this? For with authority he commands even the unclean spirits, ³and they do obey him and come out."²And immediately his fame spread abroad into every place³ throughout all the region round about Galilee. ²Mk 1:26-28 ³Lk 4:35-37

The Blended Gospel

Matthew 4,8

Mark 1

Luke 4

Healing Peter's Mother-in-law

²And when he arose³ they came out of the synagogue and entered into the house of Peter¹ and Andrew, with James and John. ²Simon's wife's mother lay taken sick³ with a great² fever, and they sought him for her. ¹Mt 8:14 ²Mk 1:29, 30 ³Lk 4:38

²And he came and stood over her³, touched her hand¹, then took her by the hand, lifted her up, and rebuked the fever³. And immediately the fever left her, and she arose^{1,3} and ministered to them. ¹Mt 8:15 ²Mk 1:31 ³Lk 4:39

²And when evening was come¹ and the sun was setting², they brought to him all that were sick with various³ diseases, and those that were possessed with devils and demons¹. ¹And he laid his hands on

every one of them, and healed them all¹.

¹Mt 8:16 ²Mk 1:32, 34 ³Lk 4:40

¹That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying, 'He himself took our infirmities, and bore our sicknesses.' ¹Mt 8:17, Isa. 53:4

²And all the city was gathered together at the door.

¹And he cast out the spirits with his word, ^{2,3}and devils also came out of many, crying out, and saying, "You are Christ the Son of God." And he rebuked *them*, not allowing them to speak: for they knew that he was Christ. ²Mk 1:33, 34 ³Lk 4:41

²And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed. ²Mk 1:35



He Touched Her Hand - J. Bridges 1854

Matthew 4,8,9

Mark 1,2

Luke 5



The Healer - Gabriel Cornelius von Max 1884

³And when it was day, he departed and went into a desert place: ²Simon and they that were with him followed after him and ⁴came to Jesus. ³And the people sought him, and came to him, and stayed him, that he should not depart from them. ²

¹Mt 8:1 ³Lk 4:42

²And when they had found him, they said to him, "All men are seeking for You." ²Mt 1:37

²He said to them, "Let us go to the next towns, that I may preach there; ³I must preach the kingdom of God to other cities also: ²for therefore I came and ³therefore I am sent." ²Mt 1:38 ³Lk 4:43

¹And Jesus went and preached throughout ²all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues³, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and disease among the people. ¹Mt 4:23 ²Mt 1:39 ³Lk 4:44

¹And his fame spread throughout all Syria: and they brought to him all the sick people that were taken with various diseases and torments, and those who were possessed with demons, and those who were lunatic, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them and cast out devils².

¹Mt 4:24 ²Mt 1:39

¹And there followed him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and from Decapolis, and from Jerusalem, and from Judea, and from beyond Jordan. ¹Mt 4:25

The First Leper

Then ¹he had come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him. ²And it came to pass, when he was in a certain city, that there came^{1,2} a man full of leprosy.

¹Mt 8:1 ²Lk 5:12

³Seeing Jesus the leper knelt down² to him, fell on his face, worshiped him¹ and sought him, saying, "Lord, if You will, You can make me clean."

¹Mt 8:2 ²Mt 1:40 ³Lk 5:12

^{1,2,3}And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth *his* hand, and touched him, and said to him, "**I will; be clean.**" And as soon as he had spoken, immediately the leprosy departed from him, and he was cleansed. ¹Mt 8:3 ²Mt 1:41, 42 ³Lk 5:13

^{1,3}And Jesus straitly charged him, "**See that you tell no one and say nothing to any man²; but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer² for your cleansing the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony to them.**" Then he² sent him away. ¹Mt 8:4 ²Mt 1:43 ³Lk 5:14

Matthew 9

Mark 1,2

Luke 5

²But, he went out, and began to publish *it* much, and to blaze abroad the matter, insomuch that Jesus could no more openly enter into the city, but was outside in desert places: and they came to him from every quarter. ²Mk1:45

³But so much the more there went a fame abroad of him: and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities. ³Lk5:15

Healing the Paralytic

²And after *some* days ¹he entered into a boat, and passed over, and came ²again to Capernaum, ¹his own city. ²And it was noised that he was in the house. ¹Mt9:1 ²Mk2:1

²And straightway many were gathered together, ³which were come out of every town of Galilee, and Judea, and Jerusalem: ²so many that there was no room to receive *them*, no, not so much as about the door: and he preached the word to them. ³And the power of the Lord was *present* to heal them. And it came to pass... as he was teaching, that there were Pharisees and doctors of the law sitting by, seeking an accusation against Jesus. ²Mk2:2 ³Lk5:17

^{1,3}And behold, ¹they brought to him a man ³taken ^{1,2}sick with ³a palsy, ¹lying on a bed ²which was borne by four ³men. ¹Mt9:2 ²Mk2:3 ³Lk5:18

²And they ³sought *means* to bring him in, and to lay him before him. ³And when they could not find by what way because of the ²press ³of the multitude, they went up on the housetop ²where he was: and when they had broken it up, they let down the bed wherein the sick of the palsy lay ³through the tiling into the midst before Jesus. ²Mk2:4 ³Lk5:18, 19

^{1,2,3}And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the sick of the palsy, "**Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you.**" ¹Mt9:2 ²Mk2:5 ³Lk5:20

¹But there were certain of the scribes and ³Pharisees sitting there, who ³began reasoning in their hearts and saying ³within themselves, "Who is this *man*? which speaks blasphemies?"

Who can forgive sins
but God ³alone?"

¹Mt9:3 ²Mk2:6,7 ³Lk5:21

²And immediately when Jesus, ³knowing their thoughts, perceived in his spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, he answered them, "**Why do you think evil and reason these things in your hearts?**" ¹Mt9:4 ²Mk2:8 ³Lk5:22

"**For which is easier, to say ^{2,3}to the sick of the palsy, 'Your sins are forgiven' or to say, 'Arise, ^{2,3}take up your bed, and walk?'**" ¹Mt9:5 ²Mk2:9 ³Lk5:23

"**But that you may know that the Son of man has power on earth to forgive sins,**" (he said to the sick with the palsy) "**I say to you^{2,3}, Arise, take up your couch³ bed, and go your way² to your house.**"

¹Mt9:6 ²Mk2:10 ³Lk5:24

³And immediately he rose up before them. ³And he took up the bed^{1,2} whereon he lay, and went forth before them all^{1,2} and departed to his own house, glorifying God. ¹Mt9:7 ²Mk2:12 ³Lk5:25

¹But when the multitude saw it, they were all amazed^{2,3} and they marveled, and glorified God Who had given such power to men. ³And they were filled with fear and said, "We have seen strange things today. ²We never saw it on this fashion."

¹Mt9:8 ²Mk2:12 ³Lk5:26

Call of Matthew

Mnd ²he went forth again by the sea side; and all the multitude resorted to him, and he taught them. ¹And as Jesus was passing from there, he saw a publican³ named Levi^{2,3} Matthew, ¹the son of Alphaeus, ²sitting at his toll-booth⁴ in the receipt of custom. ^{2,3} ¹Mt9:9 ²Mk2:13 ³Lk5:27

^{1,2}And he said to him, "**Follow Me.**"
And he arose, left all³,
and followed him.

¹Mt9:9 ²Mk2:13 ³Lk5:27

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Matthew 9

Mark 2

Luke 5

³And Levi made him a great feast in his own house.

¹Mt9:10 ²Mk2:15 ³Lk5:29

¹And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at the table ³there came ³a great company of publicans and sinners ^{1,2}that also ²sat down ²together with Jesus and his disciples: for there were many, and they followed him. ¹Mt9:10 ²Mk2:15 ³Lk5:29

³But ²when the scribes and Pharisees saw him eat with publicans and sinners, they ³murmured ^{1,2}and said to his disciples, "²How is it that your Master ³eats and drinks with publicans and sinners?"

¹Mt9:11 ²Mk2:16 ³Lk5:30

¹When Jesus heard that, he said to them,

"¹They that are in health and ^{2,3}whole have no need of a physician, but they that are sick. ¹But go and

learn what it means, ¹I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." ¹Mt9:12,13 ²Mk2:17 ³Lk5:31,32

^{1,2}The disciples of John came to him, saying, "Why do we, the disciples of John fast often ³and make prayers, and likewise *the disciples* of the Pharisees fast often, but Your disciples eat and drink ²and do not fast?" ¹Mt9:14 ²Mk2:18 ³Lk5:33

²Jesus said to them, "¹Can you make ³the children of the bride chamber fast and ¹mourn, while the bridegroom is with them? ²As long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast."

¹Mt9:15 ²Mk2:19 cf Jn 3:29 ³Lk5:34

The Call of Levi Matthew - Hendrick Terbrugghen 1616



The Blended Gospel

Matthew 9,12

Mark 2

Luke 5,6

John 1

^{2,3}The days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them, ¹and then they will fast ¹in those days.” ¹Mt 9:15 ²Mk 2:20 ³Lk 5:35

³He spoke also a parable to them, “No man also sews a piece of new cloth on an old garment: ¹for otherwise ²that which is put in to fill it up, ²takes away from the old garment, ³then both the new makes a rent, and the piece that was taken out of the new agrees not with the old, ^{1,2}and the rent is made worse.” ¹Mt 9:16 ²Mk 2:21 ³Lk 5:36

“Neither do men put new wine into old bottles which ⁴after a time become dry and brittle, and are then worthless to serve the same purpose again: ³else the new wine will burst the bottles, ¹and the wine runs out, ^{2,3}is spilled, and the bottles will be marred ²and perish. ¹But they must ^{2,3}put new wine into new bottles, ^{1,3}and both are preserved.” ¹Mt 9:17 ²Mk 2:22 ³Lk 5:37

“No man also having drunk old wine straightway desires new: for he says, ‘The old is better.’” ³Lk 5:39

Eating on the Sabbath

³And it came to pass on the second Sabbath after the first, that ¹Jesus ²went through the barley corn fields ¹and his disciples were hungry. ²And his disciples began, as they went, to pluck the ears of corn ³and did eat, rubbing *them* in *their* hands. ¹Mt 12:1 ²Mk 2:23 ³Lk 6:1

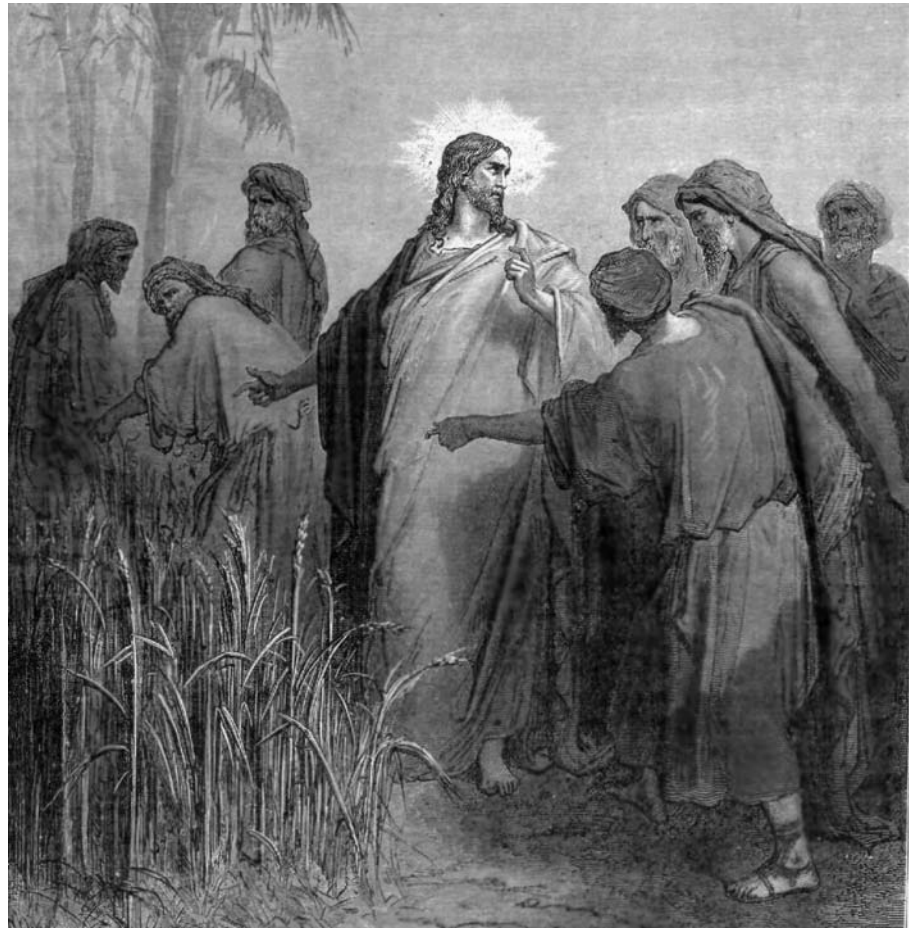
¹But when ³certain of the Pharisees ¹saw it, they ³said to him, ²“Behold, why do ³you and ¹your disciples do ³that which is not lawful to do on the sabbath days?”

¹Mt 12:2 ²Mk 2:24 ³Lk 6:2

³And Jesus answering them said, “Have you never ²read so much as this, ¹what David did when he ³himself ²had need, and ¹was hungry, and they that were with him; how he entered and ²went into the house of God in the days of Abiathar the high priest,

and did take ³and eat and gave also to them which were with him ²the shewbread, which is not lawful ¹for him to eat, ¹neither for them who were with him, but ¹only for the priests?” ¹Mt 12:4 ²Mk 2:26 ³Lk 6:4

“Or have you not read in the law, that on the sabbath days the priests in the temple profane the sabbath, and are blameless? But I say to you, that in this place is One greater than the temple. But if you had known what *this* means, ¹I will have mercy, and not sacrifice.” ¹Mt 12:5-7



In the Corn Field - Gustav Dore

²And he said to them, “The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. Therefore the Son of man is Lord also even ¹of the Sabbath. For ⁴all things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made.”

¹Mt 12:8 ²Mk 2:27,28 ³Lk 6:5 ⁴Jn 1:3

Matthew 3,12

Mark 3

Luke 6,14

Healing a Withered Hand

¹And when he had departed there³ it came to pass also on another Sabbath, that he went¹ and entered^{2,3} again² into their¹ synagogue³ and taught.

¹Mt 12:9 ²Mk 3:1 ³Lk 6:6

¹And behold, there was a man² there³ whose right hand was withered. And the scribes and Pharisees^{2,3} watched him, to see^{2,3} whether he would heal on

well on the sabbath days.” ¹Mt 12:11, 12

³Then said Jesus to them, “I will ask you one thing;² Is it lawful to do good on the Sabbath days, or to do evil? to save life, or to kill and³ destroy it?”² But they held their peace. ²Mk 3:4 ³Lk 6:9

²And when he had looked round about on them all³ with anger, being grieved for the hardness of their hearts,³ he said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.”

¹And he stretched it out; and it was restored to a whole^{2,3} sound state like the other. ¹Mt 12:13

²Mk 3:5 ³Lk 6:10



Healing the Sick - Nicolas Poussin 1665

the Sabbath day. ¹And they asked him, saying, “Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?”³ that they might find an accusation against him. ¹Mt 12:10 ²Mk 3:2 ³Lk 6:7

³But he knew their thoughts. ¹Then² he said to the afflicted⁵ man which had the withered hand, “³Rise up, and stand forth in the midst.” And he arose and stood forth. ¹Mt 12:13 ²Mk 3:3 ³Lk 6:8

¹And he said to them, “What man shall there be among you, that shall have one sheep, and if it shall fall into a pit on the Sabbath, will he not lay hold on it, and lift it out? ¹How much then is a man better than a sheep? Wherefore it is lawful to do

Healing Dropsy

And³ it came to pass, as he went into the house of one of the chief Pharisees to eat bread on the Sabbath day, that they watched him. And, behold, there was a certain man before him which had the dropsy. And Jesus answering spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying,

“Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath day?”

And they held their peace. And he took him, and healed him, and let him go; and answered them, saying, “Which of you shall have an ass or an ox fallen into a pit, and will not straightway pull him out on the Sabbath day?”

And they could not answer him again to these things. ³Lk 14:1-6

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Woman with a Bowed Back

³And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no way lift herself up. And when Jesus saw her, he called her to him, and said to her, "**Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity.**" And he laid his hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. ³And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath day, and said to the people, "There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day."

³The Lord then answered him, and said, "**You hypocrite, does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or his ass from the stall, and lead him**

away to watering? And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?"

³And when he had said these things, all his adversaries were ashamed: and all the people rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by him. ¹Then the Pharisees ³were filled with madness, ¹went out, ²and straightway took counsel with the Herodians against him ³and communed one with another what they might do to Jesus and ^{1,2}how they might destroy him. ¹Mt 12:14 ²Mk 3:6 ³Lk 6:11; 13:10-17

Healing by the Sea

¹But when Jesus knew it, he withdrew himself ²with his disciples to the sea: and a great multitude from

Galilee followed him, and from Judea, and from Jerusalem, and from Idumea, and from beyond Jordan; and those about Tyre and Sidon. When they had heard what great things he did, a great multitude came to him ¹and he healed them all. ¹Mt 12:15 ²Mk 3:7, 8

²And he spake to his disciples, that a small ship should wait on him because of the multitude, lest they should throng him. For he had healed many; so many that they pressed upon him to touch him, as many as had plagues. And when unclean spirits saw him, they fell down before him, and cried, saying, "You are the Son of God." ²Mk 3:9-11



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¹And he straitly² charged them that they should not make him known. ¹Mt 12:6 ²Mk 3:12

¹That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying, "Behold, My Servant, whom I have chosen; My Beloved, in whom My soul is well pleased: I will put My Spirit upon him, and he shall show judgment to the Gentiles. He shall not contend, nor cry; neither shall any man hear his voice in the streets. He shall not bruise a reed, and he shall not quench smoking flax, until he shall send forth judgment to victory. And the Gentiles shall trust in his name."¹ Mt 12:17-21

He Ordained Twelve

And ³it came to pass in those days, that ²he went up into a mountain ³to pray. And he continued all night in prayer to God.

²Mk 3:13 ³Luke 6:12

³And when it was day, he called his disciples ²those whom he would. ²And they came to him. ²Mk 3:13 ³Lk 6:13

³And of them he chose ²and ordained ³twelve, whom also he named apostles; ²that they should be with him, and that he might send them forth to preach, and to have power to heal sicknesses, and to cast out devils. ²Mk 3:14, 15 ³Lk 6:13

²And they were: ¹first, ²Simon, whom he ³also named Peter,

^{1,3}And Andrew, Peter's brother,

^{1,2}And James the son of Zebedee, and John the brother of James;

and he surnamed them Boanerges,

which is, The sons of thunder. ²Mk 3:16, 17 ³Lk 6:14

²And Philip. ²Mk 3:18 ³Lk 6:14

And Nathanael, ²and Bartholomew,

and Levi-Matthew, ¹the publican,

²and Thomas, ²and James the son of Alphaeus,

and ¹Lebbeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus called ³Judas the brother of James. ²Mk 3:18 ³Lk 6:16

And ²Simon the Canaanite ³called Zelotes.

¹Mt 10:2-4 ²Mk 3:18 ³Lk 6:15

²And Judas Iscariot, ¹a certain scribe which also

³was the traitor who ²betrayed him, said "¹Master, Lord ³I will follow You wherever You go."

But Jesus said, "^{1,3}The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man has no where to lay his head."¹ Mt 8:19-20 ³Lk 6:16, 9:57-58

¹And another of his disciples said to him, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "³Follow me; and let the dead bury their dead:

³but you go and preach the kingdom of God." And another also said, "Lord, I will follow You; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house." And Jesus said to him, "³No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God." ²And they went into a house. ¹Mt 8:21-22 ²Mk 3:19 ³Lk 9:59-62

Sermon on the Mount

And ³he came down with them, and stood in the plain, and the company of his disciples, and a great multitude of people out of all Judaea and Jerusalem, and from the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon, which came to hear him, and to be healed of their diseases; And they that were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed. And the whole multitude sought to touch him: for there went virtue out of him, and healed them all. ¹And seeing the multitudes, he ascended a mountain: and when he was seated, his disciples came to him. ³And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying, ¹Mt 5:1, 2 ³Lk 6:17-20

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Mark 4

Luke 6,8,11,16

The Beatitudes

Blessed are you³ the poor in spirit: for yours³ is the kingdom of God³ in heaven.³ But woe to you that are rich!

for you have received your consolation.

Blessed are you³ that weep now and mourn¹: for you shall laugh and be comforted.³ Woe to you that laugh now! for you shall mourn and weep.

Blessed are the meek:

for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are you³ who hunger now³ and thirst for righteousness: for you³ shall be filled.

³Woe to you that are full! for you shall hunger.

Blessed are the merciful:

for they shall obtain mercy.

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

Blessed are the peacemakers:

for they shall be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted

for righteousness' sake:

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when *men* shall hate,³ revile, and persecute you,³ and when they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you, and cast out your name as evil, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely,³ for the Son of man's sake.

³Woe to you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets. Rejoice in that day, leap for joy, and be exceeding glad: for, behold,³ great is your reward in heaven: for so³ in like manner their fathers persecuted the prophets who were before you." ¹Mt 5:3-12 ³Lk 6:20-26

Salt and Light

You are the salt of the earth:

but if the salt has lost its savor, with what shall it be salted? It is henceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot by men. You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill

cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a closed bushel⁶ vessel in a secret place³ or under a bed^{2,3} but set^{2,3} it on a candlestick: ³that they which come and enter³ in may see the light and it gives light to all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father Who is in heaven." ¹Mt 5:13-16 ²Mk 4:21-23 ³Lk 8:16-17; 11:33

The Law

Think not that I am come to destroy the law,

or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill. For verily I say to you, it is easier³ for heaven and earth to pass away¹, than one jot¹ or one tittle in any wise¹ to pass from the law or fail³, till all be fulfilled."

"Whoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whoever shall do, and teach *them*, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I say to you, that except your righteousness shall exceed *the righteousness* of the scribes and Pharisees, you shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven."

¹Mt 5:17-20 ³Lk 16:17

Anger

"You have heard that it was said to them of old time, 'You shall not kill; and whoever shall kill, shall be in danger of the judgment:' But I say to you, that whoever is angry with his brother without a cause, shall be in danger of the judgment: and whoever shall say to his brother, 'Raca vain fellow,' shall be in danger of the council: but whoever shall say, 'You fool,' shall be in danger of hell fire."

"Therefore if you shall bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother has anything against you; Leave there your gift before the altar, and go your way; first be reconciled to your brother,

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and then come and offer your gift."

"³Yes, and why do you not judge what is right even of yourselves? When you go with your adversary to the magistrate, ¹agree with your adversary quickly, while you are in the way with him; ³give diligence that you may be delivered from him; ¹lest at any time the adversary deliver you to the judge, and the judge deliver you to the officer, and the officer³ casts you into prison. Truly, I say to you, you shall by no means come out from there, till you have paid ³the very last penny." ¹Mt 5:21-26 ³Lk 12:57-59

Adultery

"¹You have heard that it was said to them of old time, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you, that whoever looks on a woman to lust after her, has committed adultery with her already in his heart. And if your right eye shall cause you to sin, pluck it out, and cast it from you: for it is profitable for you that one of your members should perish, and not *that* your whole body should be cast into hell. And if your right hand shall cause you to sin, cut it off, and cast *it* from you: for it is profitable for you that one of your members should perish, and not *that* your whole body should be cast into hell."

¹Mt 5:27-30

Divorce

"¹It has been said, 'Whoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement.' But I say to you, that whoever shall put away his wife, except for the cause of lewdness, causes her to commit adultery: and whoever shall marry her that is divorced, commits adultery." ¹Mt 5:31, 32

Oaths

"¹Again, you have heard that it has been said to them of old time, 'You shall not forswear yourself, but shall perform to the Lord your oaths.' But I say to you, swear not at all: neither by heaven; for it is God's throne: Nor by the earth; for it is his footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great

Luke 6,12

King. Neither shalt you swear by your head, because you can not make one hair white or black. But let your communication be, 'Yes, yes, No, no': for whatever is more than these comes of evil."

¹Mt 5:33-37

Resistance

"¹You have heard that it has been said, 'An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth.' But I say to you, that you resist not evil:

**but whoever shall strike you
on your right cheek,
turn to him and offer³
the other also.**

And if any man will sue you at the law, and take away your coat, do not forbid him³ to let him have *your* cloak also. And whoever shall constrain you to go one mile, go with him two. Give to every man³ that asks you, and from him that would borrow of you, do not turn away. And of him that takes away your goods ask them not again." ¹Mt 5:38-42 ³Lk 6:30

Enemies

"¹You have heard that it has been said, 'You shall love your neighbor, and hate your enemy.' But I say to you which hear³,

**Love your enemies,
^{1,3}bless them that curse you,**

do good to them that hate you, ¹and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you, ³and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great; ¹that you may be the children of your Father the Highest³ who is in heaven: for he makes his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust, for he is kind unto the unthankful and the evil."

¹Mt 5:43, 44 ³Lk 6:27, 28, 35

Matthew 5,6

Mercy

"For if you love them who love you, what reward or thank³ have you? Do not even the publicans the same? ³For sinners also love those that love them. ³And if you do good to them which do good to you, what thank have you? For sinners also do even the same. And if you lend to them of whom you hope to receive, what thank have you? For sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ¹And if you salute only your brothers, what do you more *than others*? Do not even the publicans do so? ¹Be therefore perfect, merciful³, even as your Father who is in heaven also is perfect, merciful³."

¹Mt 5:46-48 ³Lk 6:32-34, 36

Giving Charity

"Take heed that you do not give your alms before men, to be seen by them: otherwise you have no reward from your Father who is in heaven. Therefore, when you do your alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do, in the synagogues, and in the streets, that they may have glory from men. Truly, I say to you, they have their reward. But when you do alms, let not your left hand know what your right hand does: That your alms may be in secret; and your Father who sees in secret, himself will reward you openly." ¹Mt 6:1-4

Prayer

"And when you pray, you shall not be as the hypocrites *are*: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues, and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have their reward. But, when you pray, enter into your closet, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees in secret, will reward you openly. ¹Mt 6:5-6

"And when you pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen *do*: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. Therefore be not like them: for your Father knows what things you need

Luke 6,11,12

before you ask Him." ¹Mt 6:7-8

"For, ³when you stand praying, if you have anything against any one ¹forgive men their trespasses, that your heavenly ¹Father ³who is in heaven may ¹also forgive you ³your trespasses: But if you do not forgive ¹men their trespasses, neither will your Father ³who is in heaven ¹forgive your trespasses.

Fasting

"Moreover, when you fast, be not as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear to men to fast. Truly, I say to you, they have their reward. But you, when you fast, anoint your head, and wash your face: That you may not appear to men to fast, but to your Father, who is in secret: and your Father, who sees in secret, shall reward you openly.

¹Mt 6:14-18 ³Lk 11:25-26

Treasures in Heaven

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust does corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal. ³But sell what you have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old. ¹Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven ³that fail not, ¹where neither moth nor rust does corrupt, and where thieves do not approach³, break through nor steal. ¹³For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." ¹Mt 6:19-21 ³Lk 12:33

Light of the Body

"The light of the body is the eye: if therefore your eye is single, your whole body also³ will be full of light. And ³if your whole body therefore is full of light, having no part dark, the whole shall be full of light, as when the bright shining of a candle gives you light. ¹But if your eye is evil, your whole body also³ will be full of darkness. ³Take heed therefore that the light which is in you is not darkness. ¹If therefore the light that is in you is darkness, how great is that darkness!" ¹Mt 6:22, 23 ³Lk 11:34-36

Matthew 5,6

Luke 6,11,12

The Lord's Prayer

"After this manner therefore when you pray¹, say:

Our Father which art in heaven
hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done
so³ on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day and ³day by day
our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, our sins³,
as we also³ forgive our debtors,
³every one that is indebted to us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
¹For Thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory for ever.
Amen. ¹Mt 6:9-13 ²Lk 11:2-4

One Master

"^{1,3}No servant³ can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will

hold to the one, and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon" ¹Mt 6:24 ³Lk 16:13

Matthew 6,7

Luke 6,12

God Cares

³And he said to his disciples, “^{1,3}Therefore I say to you, Take no thought and be not anxious¹ for your life, what you shall eat, ¹or what you shall drink; nor yet ³neither for your¹ body, what you shall put on.

¹Mt 6:25 ³Lk 12:22

¹Life is more than food¹, and the body is more than clothing. ³Consider the ravens, ¹fowls of the air: for they do not sow, neither do they reap; ³which neither have storehouse ¹nor gather into barns; yet God³ your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much better than the fowls³? ³And which of you with taking anxious care¹ and thought can add one cubit to his stature? If you then are not able to do that thing which is least, why take thought for the rest?”

¹Mt 6:26-27 ³Lk 12:23-26

The Lilies

“^{1,3}And why are you anxious for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field how they grow? they toil not, neither do they spin. ³And yet I say to you, that even¹ Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ³If then God so clothes the grass of the field¹, which is today in the field, and tomorrow is cast into the oven; how much more *will he clothe* you, O you of little faith?” ¹Mt 6:28-30 ³Lk 12:27, 28

Fear Not

“¹Therefore be not anxious, and seek not³ saying, ‘What shall we eat? or what shall we drink? or, with what shall we be clothed?’ ³Neither be of doubtful mind. ³For after¹ all these things do the Gentile¹ nations of the world seek: for your Father knows that you have need of all¹ these things. ¹But rather³ seek you first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. ¹Mt 6:31-34 ³Lk 12:29-32

³Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ¹Therefore be not anxious for tomorrow: for tomorrow will take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient to the day

is its own evil.” ¹Mt 6:31-34 ³Lk 12:29-32

Judge Not

“¹Judge not, and you shall not be judged: ³do not condemn, and you shall not be condemned.”

³Forgive, and you shall be forgiven. ¹For with what judgment you judge, you shall be judged: and with³ the same³ measure which you give, withall it³ shall be measured to you again. ³Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom.

¹And why do you notice the speck that is in your brother’s eye, but do not consider or perceive³ the beam that is in your own eye? ¹Or how will you say to your brother, ‘Brother,’ ³Let me pull out the speck³ that is in your eye,’ when you yourself do not notice the beam that is in your own eye? ¹You hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of your own eye; and then you shall see clearly to pull¹ out the speck³ that is in your brother’s eye.” ¹Mt 7:1-5 ³Lk 6:37, 38, 41, 42

Ask

“¹Give not that which is holy to dogs, neither cast your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.

Ask

and it shall be given you;

Seek

and you shall find;

Knock

and the door shall be opened to you:

For every one that asks, receives; and he that seeks; finds; and to him that knocks, the door shall be opened. Or what man is there of you, who, if his son shall ask bread, will give him a stone? Or if he shall ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? If you then being evil know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more shall your Father who is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?”

Matthew 7,9

Golden Rule

“Therefore all things whatever you would that men should do to you, do you also³ even so to them likewise³: for this is the law and the prophets.”

¹Mt 7:12 ³Lk 6:31

The Broad and Narrow Way

“Enter in at the strait gate; for wide *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that leads to destruction, and many there are who go in by it. Because strait *is* the gate, and narrow *is* the way, which leads to life, and few there are that find it. Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves.”¹ Mt 7:13-15

By Their Fruit

“You shall know every tree³ by their own³ fruits: ³for men do not gather grapes from thorns, nor figs from bramble bush³ thistles: Even so every good tree brings forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree brings forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil or corrupt³ fruit, neither does³ a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that does not bring forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits you shall know them,³ A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.”

¹Mt 7:16-20 ³Lk 6:44, 45

Doers of the Word

“Not every one that says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that does the will of my Father who is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name? and in Your name have cast out demons? and in Your name done many wonderful works?’ And then will I profess to them, ‘I never knew you: depart from me, you that work iniquity.’³ And why call me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?”

Luke 7,8

Two Houses

“Therefore whoever³ comes to me, and ¹hears these sayings of mine, and does them, I will show you who he is like: ³he is like a ¹wise man who built his house³ and dug deep, and laid the foundation on a rock. And when ¹the rain descended, and the floods³ arose and ¹came, and the winds blew, ³the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it:

**¹it did not fall:
for it was founded upon a rock.”**

“³But every one¹ that hears these saying of mine¹, and does not, is like a foolish¹ man that without a foundation built an house upon the sandy¹ earth; and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and ³the stream did beat against that house¹ vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great.”

¹And it came to pass when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine. For he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.” ¹Mt 7:21-29 ³Lk 6:46-49

Centurion's Servant

Now³ when he had ended all his sayings to the audience of the people, Jesus¹ entered Capernaum.³ And when a certain centurion heard of Jesus, he sent the elders of the Jews to him. ¹They came to him, beseeching him ³that he would come and heal his servant, ¹saying, “Lord, my servant who is dear to me³ lies at home sick and ready to die³ with the palsy, grievously tormented.”³ And when they came to Jesus, they besought him instantly, saying, That he was worthy for whom he should do this: “for he loves our nation, and he has built us a synagogue.”¹ And Jesus said to him,

¹I will come and heal him.”

¹Mt 8:5-7 ³Lk 7:1-5

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³Then Jesus went with them. And when he was now not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to him. ¹The centurion answered and said, "Lord, ³trouble not Yourself: for I am not worthy that You should come and enter³ under my roof. ³Wherefore neither did I think myself worthy to come to You: ¹but speak the word only, and my servant will be healed. ¹For I also³ am a man set³ under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this one³, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does *it*." ¹When Jesus heard these things³, he marveled at him³, and turned about³ and said to the people³ that followed him³, "**Truly I say to you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel. ¹And I say to you, that many shall come from the east and the west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into utter darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.**" And Jesus said to the centurion, "**Depart; and as you have believed, so be it done to you.**" And his servant was healed in the same hour. ³And they that were sent, returning to the house, found the servant whole that had been sick. ¹Mt 8:8-13 ³Lk 7:6-10

Two Blind Men

¹And when Jesus departed from there, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, "Son of David, have mercy on us." And when he had come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus said to them, "**Do you believe that I am able to do this?**" They said to him, "Yes, Lord." Then he touched their eyes, saying,

**"According to your faith,
be it unto you."**

And their eyes were opened; and Jesus strictly charged them, saying, "**See that no man know it.**" But, when they had departed, they spread abroad his fame in all that country. ¹Mt 9:27-31

Luke 7

Women Ministers

¹And it came to pass afterward, that he went throughout every city and village, preaching and showing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God: and the twelve were with him, And certain women, which had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities, Mary called Magdalene, out of whom went seven devils, and Joanna the wife of Chuza, Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others, which ministered unto him of their substance. ³Lk 8:1-3



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Matthew 9,12

Mark 3

Luke 7,11

Raising the Widow of Nain's Son

And 'it came to pass the day after, that he went into a city called Nain; and many of his disciples went with him, and much people. Now when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow: and many people of the city were with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, "**Weep not.**" And he came and touched the bier: and they that bare *him* stood still. And he said, "**Young man, I say to you, Arise.**" And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother. And there came a fear on all: and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet is risen up among us;" and, "God has visited his people." And this rumor of him went throughout all Judea, and throughout all the region round about. ¹ℳt 7:11-17

The Prince of Demons

²And the multitude came together again, so that they could not so much as eat bread. And when his friends heard of it, they went out to lay hold on him: for they said, "He is beside himself." ¹As they went out, behold, they brought to him a blind¹ and dumb man possessed with a demon; and he healed him¹. And when the demon was cast out, the blind¹ and dumb both spoke and saw¹: and all¹ the people wondered³ and the multitudes marveled and were amazed¹, saying, "It was never so seen in Israel. Is not this the son of David?" But when¹ the scribes² and Pharisees ²which came down from Jerusalem heard¹ *it* they said, "He does not¹ cast out demons, but by Beelzebub¹. ²He has Beelzebub, and through the chief³ prince of the devils does he cast out devils." ¹ℳt 9:32-34; 12:22-24 ²ℳk 3:20-22 ³ℒk 11:14, 15

House Divided

¹But Jesus knew their thoughts, ²and he called them unto him, and said to them in parables, "**How can**

Satan cast out Satan? ¹Every kingdom divided against itself, is brought to desolation; and every city divided against itself, shall not stand. ²And if a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.

And if a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand, it falls³.

¹And if Satan ²rises up against himself and ¹casts out Satan, he is divided against himself; how then shall his kingdom stand? ²He cannot stand, but has an end. ¹And if I by Beelzebub cast out demons, by whom do your children expel *them*? Therefore they shall be your judges ³because you say that I cast out devils through Beelzebub. But if I with the finger of God cast out devils ¹by the Spirit of God, ³no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you."

¹ℳt 12:25-27 ²ℳk 3:23-26 ³ℒk 11:17-20

Strong Man's House

³"When a strong armed man keeps his palace, his goods are in peace: ²No man can enter his house, and spoil or seize¹ his goods, ^{1,2}except ³a stronger than he shall come upon him, ¹and first bind the strong man ³and overcome him, ¹and then he will plunder his house ³taking from him all his armor wherein he trusted, and divides his spoils. ³He that is not with me is against me: and he that gathers not with me scatters abroad¹." ¹ℳt 12:29,30 ²ℳk 3:27 ³ℒk 11:21-23

Unpardonable Sin

"Wherefore¹ ²truly I say to you, All manner¹ of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto the sons of men, and blasphemies wherever they shall blaspheme: ¹But whoever speaks blasphemy² against the Holy Spirit, it shall never² be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the world to come, ²but is in danger of eternal damnation" Because they said, "He has an unclean spirit."

¹ℳt 12:31, 32 ²ℳk 3:28-30

Matthew 12

Mark 3

Luke 11

By Their Fruit

"Either make the tree good, and its fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and its fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by its fruit. O generation of vipers, how can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks. A good man, out of the good treasure of the heart, brings forth good things: and an evil man, out of the evil treasure, brings forth evil things. But I say to you, That for every idle word that men shall speak, they will give account in the day of judgment.

For by your words you shall be justified, and by your words you shall be condemned."

¹Mt12:33-37

Show us a Sign

"Then certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, tempting him³, saying, "Master, we would see a sign from you from heaven³."

¹Mt12:38 ³Lk11:16

But³ when the people were gathered thick together, he answered and said to them, "An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign, and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonah. For as Jonah was³ a sign to the Ninevites, three days and three nights in the whale's belly: so shall the Son of man be a sign³ to this generation three days and three nights in the heart of the earth."¹Mt12:39, 40 ³Lk11:29, 30

"The men of Nineveh shall rise up³ in the³ judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and behold, one greater than Jonah is here. The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with the men³ of this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and behold, one greater than Solomon is here."¹Mt12:41, 42 ³Lk11:32, 31

^{1,3}When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walks through dry places, seeking rest, and he finds

none. Then he says, 'I will return to my house from where I came out;' and when he is come, he finds it empty¹, swept, and garnished. Then goes he, and takes with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. 'Even so shall it be also to this wicked generation."

¹Mt12:43-45 ³Lk11:24-26

³And it came to pass, as he spoke these things, a certain woman in the company lifted up her voice, and said unto him, "Blessed is the womb that bare you, and the breasts which you have sucked." But he said, "Yes rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it."³Lk11:27, 28

My Mother and Brothers

¹While he was yet speaking to the people, behold, ²there came then his mother and his brothers desiring to speak with him, and stood outside ³because they could not come to him for the press. So they² sent unto him, calling him. ²And the multitude sat about him. ³And it was told to him by one¹ which said, "Behold, your mother and your brothers stand outside and² seek for you, ³desiring to see and¹ speak with you."^{1,3} But he answered and said to him that told him, "Who is my mother? and who are my brothers?" ²And he looked round about on them which sat about him, and stretched forth his hand towards his disciples, and said, "Behold my mother and my brethren!" ³And he answered and said to them, "²For whoever shall do the will of my Father who is in heaven¹, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother."¹Mt12:46-50 ²Mk3:31-35 ³Lk8:19-21

¹The same day Jesus went out of the house, and sat by the sea side. And great multitudes were gathered to him out of every city³, so that he went and entered² into a boat, and sat down; and the whole multitude stood on the shore by the sea. ²And as he began again to teach³ he spoke a parable. ¹Mt13:1, 2 ²Mk4:1 ³Lk8:4

Matthew 13

Mark 4

Luke 8,10

The Sower

In¹ fact, he taught² many things to them in parables, saying to them in his doctrine², “Hear;² look, a sower went out² to sow his seed.³

²And it came to pass, as he sowed, ¹some seeds fell by the way side, ³and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air came² and devoured it up.”²

¹Mt13:3,4 ²Mk4:2-4 ³Lk8:5

“Some fell in stony ground² on a rock³, where it² had not much earth: and immediately² it sprung up, because it had no depth² of earth. And when the sun had risen up², they were scorched; and because they had not root and lacked moisture³, they withered away.^{2,3}” ¹Mt13:5,6 ²Mk4:5,6 ³Lk8:6

“And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew² up with it³, and choked² it, and it yielded no fruit.”

“But others fell into good ground, and sprang up^{2,3}



The Sower - Jean-Francois Millet 1860

and increased²; and bear³ fruit, ²and brought forth, some thirty-fold, some sixty-fold, and some a hundredfold.” ¹Mt13:7,8 ²Mk4:7 ³Lk8:7

³And when he had said these things, he cried, to them², “^{1,2,3}He that has ears to hear, let him hear.”

¹Mt13:8,9 ²Mk4:8,9 ³Lk8:8

²And when he was alone, they that were about him with the twelve¹ came. ³And his disciples asked him, saying, “What might this parable be? ¹Why do You speak to them in parables?” ¹Mt13:10 ²Mk4:10 ³Lk8:9

“He answered and said to them, “Because it is given to you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God^{2,3} and heaven, but to others³ that are outside² it is not given. ²Take heed therefore³ what and how³ you hear: with what measure you give, it shall be measured to you: and to you that hear shall more be given, ¹and he shall have more abundance: but whoever has not, from him shall be taken away even that which he ³seems to have.” cf talents

“Therefore as I speak² to them all these things are done in parables: ¹because seeing they see not; ³that seeing they might not perceive², ¹and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand. And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Isaiah, which says, ‘By hearing you shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing you shall see, and shall not perceive: For this people’s heart is become gross, and *their* ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with *their* eyes, and hear with *their* ears, and should understand with *their* heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them, ²and their sins should be forgiven.’ ‘But blessed *are*³ the eyes which see the things that you see, ¹for your eyes see: and your ears, for they hear. For truly I say to you, That many prophets, kings³ and righteous men have desired to see the things which you see, and have not seen them; and to hear the things which you hear, and have not heard them.” ¹Mt13:11-17 ²Mk4:11-12; 24-25 ³Lk8:10, 18; 10:23-24

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Matthew 13

Mark 4

Luke 13

²And he said to them, "Do you not know this parable? And how then will you know all parables? ¹Hear therefore the parable of the sower. ³Now the parable is this:

The seed is the word of God.

¹Mt 13:18 ²Mk 4:13 ³Lk 8:11

"²The sower sows the word. ¹When any one hears the word of the kingdom, and understands *it* not, then the wicked ³devil comes immediately², and Satan² takes away the word ¹that was sown in his heart ³lest they should believe and be saved. ²And these are those who received seed by the way side, ²where the word is sown." ¹Mt 13:19 ²Mk 4:14, 15 ³Lk 8:12

"¹But they that received the seed ²likewise which is sown in stony ground ³on the rock ¹hear the word, and immediately receive it with joy ²and gladness, ¹yet they have no root in themselves, and so ²endure and believe³ for a while and ²afterward, in time of temptation³ when affliction, tribulation¹ or persecution arises for the word's sake, immediately they are offended and ³fall away."

¹Mt 13:20, 21 ²Mk 4:16, 17 ³Lk 8:13

"¹They also that received seed ²which was sown and fell⁶ among the thorns are those, who, when they have heard the word, ^{1,2}go forth, and are choked with

the cares^{1,2} of this world, and

the deceitfulness of riches,

³the pleasures of *this* life,

²and the lusts of other things entering in, and become unfruitful, ³and bring no fruit to perfection." ¹Mt 13:22 ²Mk 4:18, 19 ³Lk 8:14

"³But that which is sown² on the good ground are those, who in an honest and good heart, receive the seed¹, hear the word, understand it, keep *it*³ and bear¹ fruit with patience³, ¹and bring forth, some a hundred fold, some sixty, and some thirty."

¹Mt 13:23 ²Mk 4:20 ³Lk 8:15

Wheat and Tares

Another ¹parable he proposed to them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven is likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field: ²And should sleep, and rise night and day, and the seed should spring and grow up, he knows not how. ¹But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and departed. But when the blade had sprung up, and brought forth fruit, ²(for the earth brings forth fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear) ¹then appeared the tares also. So the servants of the householder came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? from where then has it tares?' He said to them,

'An enemy has done this.'

The servants said to him, 'Will you then have us go and gather them?' But he said, 'No; lest while you gather the tares, you root up also the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest ²when the fruit is brought forth, ¹I will say to the reapers, Gather first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: ²immediately put in the sickle, because the harvest is come, ¹but gather the wheat into my barn.'" ¹Mt 13:24-30 ²Mk 4:27-29

The Mustard Tree

¹Another parable he proposed to them, saying, "³What is the kingdom of God like? ²or with what comparison shall we resemble³ it? ¹The kingdom of heaven is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in the earth² of his field garden:³ Which indeed is the least of all seeds ²that be in the earth: but when it is sown, it grows up, and becomes the greatest among herbs, and becomes a great³ tree, ²and shoots out great branches; ¹so that the birds of the air come and lodge² under the shadow of ^{1,3}its branches." ¹Mt 13:31-32 ²Mk 4:30-32 ³Lk 13:18-19

Matthew 8,13

Mark 4

Luke 8

Leaven of Heaven

¹Another parable he spoke to them: “²To what shall I liken the kingdom of God? ¹The kingdom of heaven is like leaven, ^{1,3} which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.”

²And with many such parables ¹Jesus spoke all these things to the multitude ²as they were able to hear it.

¹And without a parable he did not speak to them: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying,

“⁵I will open my mouth
in parables;
I will utter things
which have been kept secret
from the foundation
of the world.” ⁵Ps 78:2

²And when they were alone, he expounded all things to his disciples. ¹Mt 13:33-35 ²Mk 4:33-34 ³Lk 13:20-21

Tares Explained

¹Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came to him, saying, “Declare to us the parable of the tares of the field.” He answered and said to them, “He that sowed the good seed is the Son of man; the field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked *one*.

The enemy that sowed them
is the devil;
the harvest
is the end of the world;
and the reapers are the angels.”

“As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. The

Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them who do iniquity; and shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever has ears to hear, let him hear.” ¹Mt 13:36-43

Treasure and Pearl of Great Price

“¹Again, the kingdom of heaven is like treasure hid in a field; which, when a man has found, he hides, and for joy thereof goes and sells all that he has, and buys that field.” ¹Mt 13:44

“¹Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking goodly pearls: who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.” ¹Mt 13:45-46

The Net

“¹Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind: which, when it was full, they drew to the shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast away the bad. So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just, and shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.” ¹Mt 13:47-50

“²For there is nothing hid in secret³, which shall not be made³ manifest; neither was any thing kept secret by hiding³ it, but that it shall be known³ and should come abroad. If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.” ²Mk 4:22-23 ³Lk 8:17

¹Jesus said to them, “Have you understood all these things?” They said to him, “Yes, Lord.” Then he said to them, “Therefore every scribe *who is* instructed in the kingdom of heaven, is like a man *that is* a householder, who brings forth out of his treasure *things* new and old.” And it came to pass, *that* when Jesus had finished these parables, he departed there. ¹Mt 13:51-53

Matthew 8

Mark 4,5

Luke 8

Storm on the Sea

³Now it came to pass on ²the same day, when evening was come, and ¹Jesus saw great multitudes about him, ³that he went into a ship with his disciples: and they ¹followed him. He gave commandment ³and said to them, ^{1,2,3}**Let us go over to the other side of the lake.** ²And when they had sent away the multitude, they took him even as he was in the ship. And there were also with him other little ships. ³And they launched forth.

¹Mt8:18, 23 ²Mk4:35-36 ³Lk8:22

³But as they sailed he fell asleep ²in the hind part of the ship, on a pillow. And then, there arose and came down ²a great tempest in the sea and a great ³storm of wind ^{2,3}on the lake, ²and the waves beat into the ship ³so much that the boat was covered with the waves, ²so that it was now full ³of water, and they were in jeopardy.

¹Mt8:24-25 ²Mk4:37-38 ³Lk8:23

¹And his disciples came to him, and awoke him, saying, "Master ², master ³, save us! Lord, ²do you not care that we perish?"

¹Mt8:25 ²Mk4:38 ³Lk8:24

¹And he said to them, "**Why are you so fearful, O you of little faith?** ²How is it that you have no faith? ³Where is your faith?" ¹Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and said ²to the raging ³sea, ²**"Peace, be still."** And the wind ceased and there was a great ²calm.

¹Mt8:26 ²Mk4:39-40 ³Lk8:24-25

²And they feared exceedingly. ¹But the men marvelled ³and wondered, saying one to another, "What manner of man is this!



Calming the Storm - Rembrandt van Rijn 1633

For he commands ³and even the winds and the sea obey him!" ¹Mt8:27 ²Mk4:41 ³Lk8:25

Mad Men and the Pigs

²And they came over ^{1,2}to the other side ²of the sea, ³and arrived at the country of the Gadarenes ^{2,3}or Gergesenes ¹, which is over opposite Galilee. And when he went forth to land ²and was come out of

Matthew 8

Mark 5

Luke 8

the ship, immediately a certain³ man or¹ two met him¹ coming out of the tombs³ of the city, who had been possessed a long time³ with demons and devils³ and an unclean spirit.² He was¹ exceedingly fierce³ and wore no clothes, neither abode in any house, but¹ had his dwelling among the tombs.² And no man could bind him, no, not with chains: so that no man might pass by that way² because he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and he broke the bands³ and the chains had been plucked asunder by him, and the fetters broken in pieces.³ And he was driven by the devil into the wilderness² neither could anyone tame him. And always, night and day, he was in the mountains, and in the tombs, crying, and cutting himself with stones.¹ Mt 8:28¹ Mk 5:1-5² Lk 8:26,27³

²But when they¹ saw Jesus afar off, he ran³ and fell down before him² and worshiped him, and cried with a loud voice, saying, "What have we to do with you, Jesus, Son of the most high^{2,3} God? Are you come here to torment us before the time? ³I beseech and² adjure you by God, that you torment me not."

¹Mt 8:29² Mk 5:6³ Lk 8:28-29

³For he had commanded the unclean spirit, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit."³ And Jesus asked him, saying, "What is your name?"² And he answered, saying, "My name is Legion: for we are many,"³ because many devils were entered into him.

²Mk 5:8-9³ Lk 8:29-30

²Now there was a good way off from them a great² herd of many^{1,3} swine feeding on³ and near² the mountain.¹ So the demons besought him

much² that he would not send them away out of the county,³ and that he would not command them to go out into the deep, saying, "If you expel us, send us² and let us go away into the herd of swine, that we may enter into them."³ And forthwith² Jesus² let them² leave.¹ Mt 8:30-31² Mk 5:10-13³ Lk 8:31-32

And he said to them, "Go."² And the unclean spirits and devils³ went out of the man³, and entered into the herd¹ of swine: and behold¹, the whole¹ herd of swine¹ (there were about two thousand;) ^{1,2,3}ran violently down a steep place into the sea,^{2,3} and were choked and perished in the waters.

¹Mt 8:32² Mk 5:13³ Lk 8:33

³When they that fed and kept¹ the swine² saw what was done, they fled and went into the city¹ and told everything;^{2,3} in the city, and in the country and what had befallen to the possessed with demons.

¹Mt 8:33² Mk 5:14³ Lk 8:34



The Swine Stampede Briton Riviere 1883

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Matthew 8,9

Mark 5

Luke 8

¹And then³ the whole city came out to meet Jesus and ^{2,3}to see what it was that was done, ²and to see him that was possessed with the devil, and had the legion. ³They found the man, out of whom the devils were departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid.



Casting Out the Demons - James Jacques Tissot

²And they that saw *it* also³ told them how it befell him that was possessed ³of the devils *and* by what means he was healed, ²and also concerning the swine.

¹Mt 8:33-34 ²Mk 5:14-16 ³Lk 8:34-36

¹And when they saw him, ³then the whole multitude of the country of the Gadarenes round about ²began to ³beg him to depart from them ²out of their coasts and ¹borders; ³for they were taken with great fear.

¹Mt 8:34 ²Mk 5:17 ³Lk 8:37

²And when he was come into the ship, ³the man ²that had been possessed *and* ³out of whom the devils were departed sought him that he might be with him: but Jesus ²would not let him. *Rather*, he ³sent him away *and* ²said to him, "*Go home to your friends, ³return to your own house, then show and tell them² how great things the Lord² God has done for you, ²and has had compassion on you.*"² Mk 5:18-19 ³Lk 8:37,38

And he departed² and ³went his way, and ²began to publish ³throughout the whole city of ²Decapolis how great things Jesus had done for him: and all *men* did marvel. ³And Jesus went up into the ship, and returned back again.² Mk 5:20 ³Lk 8:39,37

Jairus' Daughter and the Touch of Faith
Jnd ³it came to pass, that, when² Jesus was passed over *and* returned³ again by ship to the other side, many people gathered ³*and* *gladly* received him: for they were all waiting for him ²near the sea.

¹While he was speaking these things to them, behold, there came a certain ³man named Jairus, ²one of the rulers of the synagogue; and when he saw him, he fell ³down at Jesus' feet ¹and worshiped him ³and sought him greatly² that he would come to his house: for he had only one daughter, about twelve years of age, and she lay dying. *He spoke* ²saying, "My little daughter lies at the point of death *and* ¹is even now dead: but ²I beg you, come and lay you hands on her, that she may be healed; ¹and she will live."¹ Mt 9:18 ²Mk 5:21-23 ³Lk 8:40-42

¹And Jesus arose, and followed him, and *so did* his disciples, ²and many people followed him. ³But as he went the people thronged him.¹ Mt 9:19 ²Mk 5:24 ³Lk 8:42

Matthew 9

Mark 5

Luke 8

¹And behold, *there was* a certain² woman who was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, ²and had suffered many things by many physicians, and had spent all that she had, ³all her living upon physicians, ²and was nothing better, but rather grew worse, ³neither could be healed by any. ²When she had heard of Jesus, *she* ¹came behind *him* ²in the press and touched the hem¹ border³ of his garment.

¹Mt 9:20 ²Mk 5:25-27 ³Lk 8:43-44

²For she said ¹within herself, “²If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole.” ²And immediately³ the fountain of her blood was dried up, ³her issue was stanchèd; ²and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague. ¹Mt 9:21 ²Mk 5:28-29 ³Lk 8:44

²And Jesus, immediately knowing in himself that

virtue had gone out of him, turned about in the press, and said, “**Who touched my clothes?**” ³When all denied, Peter and his disciples² that were with him said, “Master, ²you see the multitude thronging you ³and pressing *you*, and you say, ‘Who touched me?’” ³“**And Jesus said, “Somebody has touched me: for I perceive that virtue is gone out of me.”**

²Mk 5:30-31 ³Lk 8:45-46

¹But Jesus turned² and looked round about to see her who had done this thing. ³And when the woman saw that she was not hid, she came fearing² and trembling, ²knowing what was done in her, ³and falling down before him, she ²told him all the truth and ³declared to him before all the people for what cause she had touched him, and how she was healed



Raising Jairus' Daughter - Percy Jacomé-Hood 1857-1927

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Matthew 9,11

Mark 5

Luke 7,8

immediately. ¹And when he saw her, he said, "Daughter, be of good comfort; ^{1,3} your faith has made you whole; ^{2,3} go in peace, ² and be whole of your plague." ¹And the woman was made whole from that hour. ¹Mt 9:22 ²Mk 5:32-34 ³Lk 8:47-48

²While he yet spoke, there came one ³ from the ruler of the synagogue's house which said to him ³, "Your daughter is dead: why trouble the Master any further?" ³But ²as soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, he answered ³ and said to the ruler of the synagogue, ³"Fear not: ²Be not afraid, only believe, ³and she shall be made whole." ²Mk 5:35-36 ³Lk 8:49-50

¹And when Jesus came ² to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, ³he allowed no one to go in and ²follow him, save Peter, and James, and John ¹ the brother of James, ³and the father and the mother of the maiden. ¹Mt 9:23 ²Mk 5:37-38 ³Lk 8:51

²And when he was come in, and saw the tumult, and them that wept and wailed greatly, ¹and saw the minstrels and the people making a noise, for ³all wept, and bewailed her, ¹he said to them, "Give place: ²Why do you make this ado, and weep? ³Weep not; ²for the damsel is not dead, but sleeps." ¹And they derided him ^{2,3} and laughed him to scorn, ³knowing that she was dead.

¹Mt 9:23-34 ²Mk 5:38-40 ³Lk 8:52-53

²But when he had put all the people ¹ out, he took the father and the mother of the damsel, and them that were with him, and entered in where the damsel was lying. And he took the damsel by the hand, and said unto her, "**Talitha cumi;**" which is, being interpreted, ³"Maid, arise." ¹Mt 9:25 ²Mk 5:40-41 ³Lk 8:54

²And straightway ³her spirit came again, and the damsel arose, and walked; for she was *of the age* of twelve years. And her parents ³were astonished with a great astonishment. And he charged them straitly that ³they should tell no one what was done; ²and he ³commanded that some food ³should be given her to eat. ³And the fame of this went abroad into all that land. ¹Mt 9:26 ²Mk 5:42-43 ³Lk 8:55-56

John's Disciples Come

And ³the disciples of John showed him of all these things. ¹Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, ³John called unto him two of his disciples and sent them to Jesus, saying, "¹Are you he that should come, or do we look for another?" ¹Mt 11:2,3 ³Lk 7:18,19

³When the men were come to Jesus, they said, "John Baptist has sent us to you, saying, 'Are you he that should come? or do we look for another?'"

³Lk 7:20

³And in that same hour he cured many of *their* infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; and unto many *that were* blind he gave sight. ³Lk 7:21

³Then Jesus answering said to them, "**Go your way, and tell John what things you have seen and heard; how that**

**the blind see,
the lame walk,
the lepers are cleansed,
the deaf hear,
the dead are raised,**

¹and the poor have the gospel preached to them.

¹And blessed is *he* whoever shall not be offended in me and ³to whom I shall not be the cause of his falling into sin." ¹Mt 11:4,6 ³Lk 7:22,23

³And when the messengers of John were departed, ¹Jesus began to speak to the *multitudes* concerning John,

**"What went you out
into the wilderness to see?
a reed shaken with the wind?"**

¹Mt 11:7 ³Lk 7:24

³"But what went you out to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they that wear *soft clothing*, are gorgeously appareled, and live delicately, are in *kings' courts*." ¹Mt 11:8 ³Lk 7:25

Matthew 11

“But what went you out to see? A prophet? Yes, I say unto you, and much³ more than a prophet.”

¹Mt 11:9 ³Lk 7:26

“For this is *he* concerning whom it is written, ‘Behold, I send my messenger before Your face, who shall prepare Your way before You.’ Truly, I say to you, among them that are born of women, there has not risen a greater prophet than John the Baptist: notwithstanding, he that is least in the kingdom of God in heaven, is greater than he.”

¹Mt 11:10, 11 ³Lk 7:28

“And from the days of John the Baptist, until now, the kingdom of heaven suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. And if you will receive *it*, this is Elijah who was to come. He that has ears to hear, let him hear.” ¹Mt 11:12-15

³And all the people that heard *him*, and the publicans, justified God, being baptized with the baptism of John. But the Pharisees and lawyers rejected the counsel of God against themselves, being not baptized of him. And the Lord said, “But to what then shall I liken the men of this generation? and to what are they like? They are like children sitting in the marketplace, and calling one to another *of* their fellows, and saying, ‘We have piped unto you, and you have not danced; we have mourned to you, and you have not wept.’”

¹Mt 11:16 ³Lk 7:29-32

“For John the Baptist came neither eating bread nor drinking wine³, and they say, ‘He has a demon devil’.¹ The Son of man came eating and drinking, and you³ say, ‘Behold, a gluttonous man, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners!’ But wisdom is justified by³ all her children.”

¹Mt 11:18, 19 ³Lk 7:33-35

Woe to the Cities

Then he began to upbraid the cities in which most of his mighty works had been done, because they repented not. “Woe to you, Chorazin; woe to you,

Luke 7,10

Bethsaida: for if the mighty works which have been done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. But I say to you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you. And you, Capernaum, which is exalted to heaven, shall be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works which have been done in you, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. But I say to you, that it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom, in the day of judgment, than for you.” ¹Mt 11:20-24

Jesus Prays

At that time Jesus answered and said, “^{1,3} I thank You, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because You have hid these things from the wise and prudent, and have revealed them to babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight. All things are delivered to me by my Father; and no one *nor* any man knows the Son, but the Father; neither knows anyone the Father, save the Son, and *he* to whomever the Son will reveal him.”

¹Mt 11:25-27 ³Lk 10:21-23

The Invitation

Come to me, all *you* that labor,
and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you,
and learn from me:
for I am meek and lowly in heart;
and you shall find rest to your souls.
For my yoke *is* easy,
and my burden *is* light.

Matthew 11:20-30

Matthew 10,11

Mark 6

Luke 9,10



Come Unto Me - Carl Heinrich Bloch

Lord of the Harvest

'And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness, and every disease among the people. But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Pray therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."'¹ Mt 9:35-38

³Then he called his twelve disciples together, and gave them power² over unclean spirits, 'to cast them out, ³and authority over all devils, 'and to heal and

cure³ all manner of sickness, and all manner of disease. '¹Mt 10:1 ²Mk 6:7 ³Lk 9:1

The Twelve Apostles Sent

Jesus 'sent the twelve apostles forth² two by two³ to preach the kingdom of God, 'and commanded them, saying, "Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and enter not into *any* city of the Samaritans. But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."¹ Mt 10:5-6 ²Mk 6:7 ³Lk 9:2

"'And as you go, proclaim, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand and³ is come near to you. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons: freely you have received, freely give."

¹Mt 10:7-8 ³Lk 10:9

²And he commanded them that they should take nothing for their journey. "'Provide² no money in your purse 'neither gold, nor silver, nor brass. ³Take neither staves, nor script, neither bread, 'nor bag for your journey, ³neither have two coats apiece, 'neither shoes, nor a staff, ²but be shod with sandals."¹ Mt 10:9-10 ²Mk 6:8-9 ³Lk 9:3, 10:4

"'And into whatever city or town you shall enter, ³and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you. 'Inquire who in it is worthy, ²enter into an house ³and in the same house remain 'and there abide, ³eating and drinking such things as they give: for the laborer and workman¹ is worthy of his food¹ and hire. Go not from house to house 'till you² depart from that place ³and salute no man on the way. 'But when you come into a house, salute it³ and first say, 'Peace be to this house.' ³And if the son of peace be there, 'and if the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it: but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you³ again. ²And whoever will³ not receive you³ into whatever city you enter, ²nor hear your words¹, when you depart from 'that house, or city, ³go out into the streets of the same, 'shake off the very³ dust under² your feet^{2,3} for a testimony against them, ³and say, 'Even the very dust of your city, which cleaves to us, we do wipe off against you: notwith-

Matthew 10,14

Mark 6

Luke 9

standing be sure of this, that the kingdom of God is come near to you.³ But² truly, I say to you, it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah, in the day of judgment, than for that city.”¹ Mt10:11-15² Mk6:10-11³ Lk9:4-5, 10:4-12

“Behold, I send you forth as lambs³ among wolves: be therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves. But beware of men: for they will deliver you to the councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues. And you will be brought before governors and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them and the Gentiles. But when they deliver you up, be not anxious how or what you shall speak, for it shall be given to you in that same hour what you shall speak. For it is not you that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaks in you. And brother will deliver up brother to death, and the father the child: and children will rise up against *their* parents, and cause them to be put to death. And you will be hated by all *men* for my name's sake: but he that endures to the end shall be saved. But when they persecute you in this city, flee into another: for truly I say to you, you shall not have gone over the cities of Israel till the Son of man shall have come.”¹ Mt10:16-23³ Lk10:3

“The disciple is not above *his* teacher, nor the servant above his lord. It is enough for the disciple that he should be as his teacher, and the servant as his lord: if they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more *will they call* them of his household? Fear them not therefore: for there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known. What I tell you in darkness, *that* speak you in light: and what you hear in the ear, *that* publish you upon the house tops.”

¹ Mt10:24-27

“And fear not them who kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing or ²two for five? and not one of them shall fall on the ground without your

Father knowing, ³forgotten before God.”³ Lk12:6

**But the very hairs of your head
are all numbered.**

Fear not therefore,

you are of more value

than many sparrows.”¹ Mt10:28-31

“Whoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I also confess before my Father who is in heaven. But whoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father who is in heaven. Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. And a man's foes *will be* they of his own household. He that loves father or mother more than me, is not worthy of me: and he that loves son or daughter more than me, is not worthy of me. And he that takes not his cross, and follows me, is not worthy of me.

**He that finds his life shall lose it:
and he that loses his life for my sake,
shall find it.**

He that receives you, receives me, and he that receives me, receives Him that sent me. He that receives a prophet in the name of a prophet, shall receive a prophet's reward; and he that receives a righteous man in the name of a righteous man, shall receive a righteous man's reward. And whoever shall give to drink to one of these little ones, a cup of cold water only, in the name of a disciple, verify, I say to you, he shall in no wise lose his reward.”

¹ Mt10:32-42

²And they departed³ and went out ³through the towns, preaching the gospel, ²and preached that men should repent. ²And they cast out many devils, and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed *them* ³every where.”² Mk6:12-13³ Lk9:6

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The Head of John the Baptist

But when a convenient day was come², when Herod's birthday was kept, ²Herod made a supper to his lords, high captains, and chief estates of Galilee. ¹Mt 14:6 ²Mk 6:21

²And when the daughter of Herodias came in, and danced before them, and pleased Herod and those that sat with him, the king said to the damsel, "Ask of me whatever you will, and I will give it to you."² And he swore to her and promised with an oath, "Whatever you shall ask of me, I will give it to you, unto the half of my kingdom." ¹Mt 14:6, 7 ²Mk 6:22, 23

²And she went forth, and said to her mother, "What shall I ask?" And she said, "The head of John the Baptist." ²And she came in straightway with haste to the king, and asked being instructed by her mother, saying, "I wish that you give me by and by in a charger the head of John the Baptist."

¹Mt 14:8 ²Mk 6:24, 25

¹And the king was ²exceedingly sorry. Nevertheless for the sake of the oath, and of them who sat with him at the table, ²he would not reject her so he commanded it to be given her.

¹Mt 14:9 ²Mk 6:26

^{1,2}And immediately the king sent an executioner, and commanded his head to be brought: and he went and beheaded him in the prison. ¹Mt 14:10 ²Mk 6:27

^{1,2}And his head was brought in a dish, and given to the damsel: and she brought it to her mother.

¹Mt 14:11 ²Mk 6:28

²And when his disciples heard of it, they came and took up the body, laid it in a tomb and buried it, and went and told Jesus.

¹Mt 14:12 ²Mk 6:29



Salome dances for Herod and Heroditus - Armand Faunt 1898



The Death of John the Baptist - Caravaggio 1608

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Luke 9

John 6

'At that time Herod the Tetrarch heard of ³all that was done by him *and* ¹the fame of Jesus (for his name was spread abroad²), ³and he was perplexed and ¹said to his servants, "This is John the Baptist; he has risen from the dead; and therefore mighty works do show forth themselves in him." ²Others said, "It is Elias³ that has appeared." ¹And others said that it is ³one of the old prophets risen again³, or as one of the prophets. But when Herod heard *thereof*, he said, "It is John, whom I beheaded: he is risen from the dead." ¹Mt 14:1, 2

²Mk 6:14-16 ³Lk 9:7-9



Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes - Gustave Dore

Come and Rest

²And the apostles, ³when they were returned, ²gathered themselves together to Jesus, and told him all things, both what they had done, and what they had taught. ¹When Jesus heard *that John was dead*, ²he said to them, "**Come yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while:**" for there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat. ³And he took them ³privately, and departed ¹there in a boat ⁴over the sea of Galilee, which is *the* sea of Tiberias ³into a desert place belonging to the city called Bethsaida.

¹Mt 14:13 ²Mk 6:30-32 ³Lk 9:10 ⁴Jn 6:1

²And the people saw them departing, and many knew him, ¹and when *others* had heard *of it*, ⁴a great multitude followed him, because they saw his miracles which he did on them that were diseased.

¹They ran² on foot out of all² the cities, ²and overtook them, and came together unto him. ¹Mt 14:13 ⁴Jn 6:2
¹And Jesus went forth⁴ up into a mountain, and there he sat with his disciples. And the passover, a feast of the Jews, was near. When Jesus came out² and lifted up his eyes⁴, he ¹saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion towards them, ²because they were as sheep not having a shepherd. ³And he received them, ²and began to teach them many things³ and spoke to them of the kingdom of God, and healed their sick¹ that had need of healing.

¹Mt 14:14 ²Mk 6:33-34 ³Lk 9:11 ⁴Jn 6:3-5

He...was moved with compassion towards them.

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Feeding the People - Giovanni Lanfranco 1620

Feeding the 5000

And ¹when it was evening *and* ³the day began to wear away *and* ²was now far spent, ¹he said to Philip, “**Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?**” And he said this to prove him: for he himself knew what he would do. Philip answered him, “Two hundred penny-worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little.” ¹Mt 14:15 ²Mk 6:35-36 ³Lk 9:12

³Then came the twelve disciples ^{1,2} and said to him, “¹This is a desert place; send the multitude away ³that they may go into the towns and villages ^{1,2} and country round about, and lodge, ²and buy themselves bread *and* victuals: ^{1,3}for we are here in a desert place *and* ²they have nothing to eat.

¹Mt 14:15 ²Mk 6:35-36 ³Lk 9:12 ⁴Jn 6:5-7

¹But Jesus answered ²and said to them, “**They need not depart; you give them *something* to eat.**” ²And they said to him, “Shall we go and buy two hundred pennyworth of bread, and give them to eat?”

¹Mt 14:16 ²Mk 6:37 ³Lk 9:13

²He said to them, “**How many loaves have you? Go *and see.***” ²And when they knew, ⁴one of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, “There is a lad here, who has ³no more but five barley ⁴loaves, and two small ⁴fishes: ⁴but what are they among so many ³except we should go and buy food for all this people?” For they were about five thousand men ⁴in number. ¹He said, “**Bring them here to me.**”

¹Mt 14:17-18 ²Mk 6:38 ³Lk 9:13-14 ⁴Jn 6:8-10

⁴And Jesus commanded ^{1,2} *and* said ³to his disciples, “**Make all ²the men ⁴sit down on the green ²grass.**”

⁴Now there was much grass in that place. So the multitude ¹all ³sat down ²in ranks, by hundreds, and by fifties. ¹Mt 14:19 ²Mk 6:39-40 ³Lk 9:14-15 ⁴Jn 6:10

⁴And then ³Jesus took the ¹⁻³five loaves and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and broke the loaves ², and gave the loaves ¹to his disciples ²to set before ¹the multitude ⁴that were set down; and likewise ²the two fishes he divided among them all ⁴as much as they would.

¹Mt 14:19 ²Mk 6:39-41 ³Lk 9:14-16 ⁴Jn 6:10-11

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¹And they all ate, and were all³ satisfied. ⁴When they were all³ filled, he said to his disciples, “**Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost.**” ⁴Therefore they gathered *them* together, and filled twelve baskets full^{1,2} with the fragments of the five barley loaves, ²and of the fishes ⁴which remained over and above those that had eaten. ¹And they that had eaten of the loaves² were about five thousand men, ¹besides women and children. ⁴Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, “This is of a truth that prophet that should come into the world.” ¹Mt 14:20-21 ²Mk 6:42-44 ³Lk 9:17 ⁴Jn 6:12-14

Walking on the Water
When ⁴Jesus therefore perceived that they would come and take him by force, to make him a king, ¹immediately Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a boat, and to go before him to the other side unto Bethsaida, ²while he sent the multitudes away. ⁴And when the evening was now come, his disciples went down to the sea and entered into a ship, and went over the sea toward Capernaum, *while* ²he departed again and ascended into a mountain himself to pray^{1,2} alone.

¹Mt 14:22-23 ²Mk 6:45-46 ⁴Jn 6:15-17

²And when even was come, he was alone on the land. ⁴It was now dark, and Jesus was not come to them. ¹But the boat was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves. ¹Mt 14:24 ²Mk 6:47 ⁴Jn 6:17

²And he saw them toiling in rowing; for the wind was contrary unto them: ⁴And the sea arose by reason of a great wind that blew. ²And about the fourth watch

of the night he came to them, walking upon the sea, and would have passed by them. ¹Mt 14:25 ²Mk 6:48 ⁴Jn 6:18 ⁴So when they had rowed about twenty-five or thirty furlongs, the disciples saw Jesus walking on the sea, and drawing near to the ship. ²But when they saw him walking on the sea, they supposed it had been a spirit, and cried out ¹for fear, saying, “It’s a spirit!” ²For they all saw him, and were troubled.

¹Mt 14:26 ²Mk 6:49-50 ⁴Jn 6:19

¹But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, “**Be of good cheer^{1,2}; it is I; be not afraid.**”

¹Mt 14:27 ²Mk 6:50 ⁴Jn 6:20



Walking on the Water - Gustav Dore

¹And Peter answered him and said, “Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water.” And he said, “**Come.**” And when Peter had come down out of the boat, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus. But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, “Lord, save me!”

¹Mt 14:28-30

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¹And immediately Jesus stretched out *his* hand, and caught him, and said to him, "**O you of little faith, Why did you doubt?**"¹ Mt 14:28-31

⁴Then they willingly received him into the ship. ¹And when they had come into the boat, the wind ceased. ⁴and immediately the ship was at the land where they went. ¹Then they that were in the boat came and worshiped him, saying, "In truth you are the son of God."² And they were sore amazed in themselves beyond measure, and wondered. For they considered not *the miracle* of the loaves: for their heart was hardened. ¹Mt 14:32-33 ²Mk 6:51-62 ⁴Jn 6:21

¹And when they had gone over, they came to the land of Gennesaret ²and drew to the shore. ⁴The day following, when the people which stood on the other side of the sea saw that there was no other boat there, save that one whereinto his disciples were entered, and that Jesus went not with his disciples into the boat, but *that* his disciples were gone away alone; (Although there came other boats from Tiberias near to the place where they did eat bread, after that the Lord had given thanks:) When the people therefore saw that Jesus was not there, neither his disciples, they also took shipping, and came to Capernaum, looking for Jesus.

²And when they were come out of the ship, straightway the men of that place had knowledge of him, ²and ran and sent out through that whole surrounding region round about, and began to carry about in beds those that were sick, ¹and brought to him all that were diseased to ²where they heard he was. ²And wherever he entered, into villages, or cities, or country, they laid the sick in the streets, and besought him that they might only touch if it were but the border hem¹ of his garment: and as many as touched him were made whole *and* restored to health. ¹Mt 14:34-36 ²Mk 6:53-56 ⁴Jn 6:22-24

Food that Perishes

⁴And when they had found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did You come here?" Jesus answered them and said, "**Truly, truly, I say to you, you seek me, not because you saw the miracles, but because you ate of the loaves, and were filled. Labor not for food which perishes, but for that food which endures unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give you: for God the Father has sealed him.**"

Then they said to him, "What shall we do, that we might work the works of God?" Jesus answered and said to them, "**This is the work of God, that you believe on him whom he has sent.**" ⁴Jn 6:25-29

What Sign?

⁴Therefore they said to him, "What sign do you show then, that we may see, and believe you? What do you work? Our fathers ate manna in the desert; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "**Truly, truly, I say to you, Moses did not give that bread from heaven; but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven, and gives life to the world.**" Then they said to him, "Lord, give us this bread evermore."⁴ Jn 6:30-34



The Bread of Life - Pieter Claesz 1664

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And Jesus said to them,

**I am the bread of life:
he that comes to me shall never hunger;**

and he that believes on me shall never thirst. But I said to you, that you also have seen me, and do not believe. All who the Father gives me shall come to me; and he who comes to me I will in no wise cast out. For I came down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of Him that sent me. And this is the Father's will who has sent me, that of all which He has given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. And this is the will of Him that sent me, that every one who sees

the Son, and believes on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day." ⁴Jn 6:35-40

Murmurs

'Then the Jews murmured at him, because he said, 'I am the bread which came down from heaven.' And they said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How is it then that he says, 'I came down from heaven?'" ⁴Jn 6:41,42

The Carpenter's Shop - Sir John Everett Millais 1849



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⁴Jesus therefore answered and said to them, “**Don’t murmur among yourselves. No man can come to me, except the Father who has sent me draws him: and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall be all taught of God.’ Every man therefore that has heard, and has learned of the Father, comes to me. Not that any man has seen the Father, except he who is of God, he has seen the Father. Truly, truly, I say to you, he that believes on me has everlasting life.**

I am that bread of life. Your fathers ate manna in the wilderness, and are dead. This is the bread which comes down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die. I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eats of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.”⁴Jn 6:43-51

Eat and Drink

⁴The Jews therefore strove among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us *his* flesh to eat?” Then Jesus said to them, “**Truly, truly, I say to you, Except you eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever eats my flesh, and drinks my blood, has eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He that eats my flesh, and drinks my blood, dwells in me, and I in him. As the living Father has sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eats me, even he shall live by me. This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers ate manna, and are dead: he that eats of this bread shall live for ever.**”⁴Jn 6:52-58

A Hard Saying

⁴These things he said in the synagogue, as he taught in Capernaum. Therefore many of his disciples, when they had heard *this*, said, “This is a hard saying; who can hear it?”

When Jesus knew in himself that his disciples murmured at it, he said to them, “**Does this offend you? What and if you shall see the Son of man ascend up where he was before? It is the spirit that revives; the flesh profits nothing: the words that I speak to you, *they* are spirit, and *they* are life. But there are some of you that do not believe.**” For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were that did not believe, and who should betray him. And he said, “**Therefore I said to you, that no man can come to me, except it were given to him of my Father.**”

⁴Jn 6:59-65

Walk No More

⁴From that *time* many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him. Then Jesus said to the twelve, “**Will you also go away?**”

Then Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. And we believe and are sure that You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Jesus answered them, “**Haven’t I chosen you twelve, and one of you is a devil?**” He spoke of Judas Iscariot *the son of* Simon: for he it was that should betray him, being one of the twelve. After these things Jesus walked in Galilee: for he would not walk in Jewry, because the Jews sought to kill him.⁴Jn 6:66-7:1

Hand Washing Dispute

Then came together² to Jesus certain² of the scribes and Pharisees, who came² from Jerusalem. ²And when they saw some of his disciples eat bread with defiled, that is to say, with unwashed, hands, they found fault. For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, except they wash *their* hands often, eat not, holding the tradition of the elders. And *when they come* from the market, except they wash, they eat not. And many other things there be, which they have received to hold, *as* the washing of cups, and pots, brazen vessels, and of tables. Then the Pharisees and scribes asked

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him, "'Why do your disciples walk not according to but transgress the tradition of the elders? for they eat bread with unwashed hands.'" ¹Mt 15:1-2 ²Mk 7:1-5

²He answered and said to them, "'You hypocrites, well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, saying, 'This people draws near to me with their mouth, and honors me with their lips; but their heart is far from Me. Howbeit

In vain

do they worship me,
teaching for doctrines
the commandments
of men.'

²For laying aside the commandment of God, you hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things you do."

¹Mt 15:7-9 ²Mk 7:6-8

²And he answered and said to them, "'Why do you also full well reject and transgress the commandment of God that you may keep your own tradition? For God commanded Moses, saying, 'Honor your father and your mother: and, Whoever curses father or mother, let him die the death.' But you say, 'Whoever shall say to his father or his mother, *It is Corban*, that is to say, a gift, by whatever you might be profited by me; and honor not his father or his mother, *he shall be free*.'" ¹Mt 15:3-6 ²Mk 7:9-13

²And you require him no more to do anything for his father or his mother. Thus you have made the commandment of God of no effect by your tradition, which you have delivered: and many such like things do you." ¹Mt 15:3-6 ²Mk 7:9-13

¹And he called all the multitude, and said to them,

"Hear me every one of you, and understand: There is nothing from outside a man which goes into the mouth and entering into him that can defile him; but the things that come out of the mouth, those are they that defile a man. If any man has ears to hear, let him hear." Then his disciples came, and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees were offended after they heard this saying?" But he answered and said, "Every plant, which my heavenly Father has not planted, shall be pulled up. Let them alone: they are blind leaders of the blind." ³And he spoke a parable to them, "Can the blind lead the blind? If they do, both will fall into the ditch."

¹Mt 15:10-14 ²Mk 7:14-16 ³Lk 6:39

²And when he was entered into the house from the people, then Peter and his disciples said to him, "Declare to us this parable." And Jesus said to them, "Are you also so without understanding? Do you not yet understand or perceive, that whatever thing from outside enters into the man at the mouth cannot defile him; because it enters not into his heart, but goes into the belly, and is cast out into the draught, purging all foods? But those things which proceed out of the mouth come out from the heart of the man; and they defile the man.

For from within,

out of the heart of men,
proceed evil thoughts,
murders, adulteries, fornications,
thefts, deceit and false witness,
blasphemies, wickedness,
lasciviousness, an evil eye,
pride, and foolishness:

²All these are the evil things which come from within a man, and defile the man: but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile a man."

¹Mt 15:15-20 ²Mk 7:17-23