

# Day 1 of 28 Days Holy Bible Adventure

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## INTRO

The 28 day read-through is to foster Holy Bible reading and dispel the fear that reading it is exhausting and protracted. It utilizes only 10% of one's day or a movie time, averaging around 2hr and 24min or 144 minutes daily; ranging between 134 to 150 minutes as indicated at the start of each read, along with the pages covered in the paperback. In dedicating 20% or 40% of the day it can also be read in fourteen or seven days respectively!

The ideal time to read is between 4-9 am, or while on one's daily commute, or as convenient. Each day's plan includes chapters or books from both the Old and the New Testaments. Psalms and Proverbs have been incorporated daily, with Proverbs 28 to 31 read on day 28.

The 10% arose from reading the Holy Bible versus watching TV during my wife Ruth's three hours dialysis. There's no mystery to using 28 days but simply that it fits into every month of every year offering at least twelve reading opportunities and challenges to possibly fathom the Divine!

The broad picture drawn after several readings through the first book of the Old Testament—Genesis, and on, e.g. is the persecution suffered by humans at the hands of others. This leads to the formation of a nation for its independence; experiencing internal and external wars and counter wars, for the next many generations, involving many nations; depicting the world.

Moving to the New Testament part one may experience the prophetic along with the law and Grace of Christ contrast in this collection of books. It portrays the distinct message predicated on love and salvation for humanity, to its progression beyond the nations of the world, as led by the Holy Spirit. It's an eye-opener on law, women, persecution, wars, citizenship and more.

Thus, to make reading more focused and purposeful the reader should focus on diverse topics of their interest while reading through. The more one reads through the more its message becomes transparent, along with the diversity and wholeness the testaments represent to fathom the Divine.

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## Old Testament Day 1 of 28

Reading Time: Around 73 minutes

### Genesis 1 - 20 / Psalms 1 - 6 / Proverbs 1 Gen

1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. <sup>2</sup>And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

<sup>3</sup>And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. <sup>4</sup>And God saw the light, that *it was* good: and God divided the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.

<sup>6</sup>And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters. <sup>7</sup>And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which *were* under the firmament from the waters which *were* above the firmament: and it was so. <sup>8</sup>And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.

<sup>9</sup>And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry *land* appear: and it was so. <sup>10</sup>And God called the dry *land* Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that *it was* good. <sup>11</sup>And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, *and* the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed *is* in itself, upon the earth: and it was so. <sup>12</sup>And the earth brought forth grass, *and* herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed *was* in itself, after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good. <sup>13</sup>And the evening and the morning were the third day.

<sup>14</sup>And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years: <sup>15</sup>And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. <sup>16</sup>And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: *he made* the stars also. <sup>17</sup>And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth, <sup>18</sup>And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good. <sup>19</sup>And the evening and the morning were the fourth day. <sup>20</sup>And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven. <sup>21</sup>And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good. <sup>22</sup>And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth. <sup>23</sup>And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

<sup>24</sup>And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so. <sup>25</sup>And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.

<sup>26</sup>And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. <sup>27</sup>So God created man in his *own* image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. <sup>28</sup>And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

<sup>29</sup>And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which *is* upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which *is* the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat. <sup>30</sup>And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein *there is* life, *I have given* every green herb for meat: and it was so. <sup>31</sup>And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, *it was* very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

2 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. <sup>2</sup>And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made. <sup>3</sup>And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.

<sup>4</sup>These *are* the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens, <sup>5</sup>And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew: for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and *there was* not a man to till the ground. <sup>6</sup>But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground. <sup>7</sup>And the LORD God formed man *of* the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

<sup>8</sup>And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed. <sup>9</sup>And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil. <sup>10</sup>And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads. <sup>11</sup>The name of the first is Pison: that *is* it which compasseth the whole land of Havilah, where *there is* gold; <sup>12</sup>And the gold of that land *is* good: there *is* bdellium and the onyx stone. <sup>13</sup>And the name of the second river *is* Gihon: the same *is* it that compasseth the whole land of Ethiopia. <sup>14</sup>And the name of the third river *is* Hiddekel: that *is* it which goeth toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river *is* Euphrates. <sup>15</sup>And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. <sup>16</sup>And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: <sup>17</sup>But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

<sup>18</sup>And the LORD God said, *It is* not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him. <sup>19</sup>And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought *them* unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that *was* the name thereof. <sup>20</sup>And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him. <sup>21</sup>And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; <sup>22</sup>And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. <sup>23</sup>And Adam said, This *is* now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. <sup>24</sup>Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. <sup>25</sup>And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

3 Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

<sup>2</sup>And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: <sup>3</sup>But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. <sup>4</sup>And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: <sup>5</sup>For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. <sup>6</sup>And when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, and that it *was* pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make *one* wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. <sup>7</sup>And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they *were* naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. <sup>8</sup>And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where *art* thou? <sup>10</sup>And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I *was* naked; and I hid myself. <sup>11</sup>And he said, Who told thee that thou *wast* naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat? <sup>12</sup>And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest *to be* with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. <sup>13</sup>And the LORD God said unto the woman, What *is* this *that* thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat. <sup>14</sup>And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou *art* cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: <sup>15</sup>And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel. <sup>16</sup>Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire *shall be* to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee. <sup>17</sup>And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed *is* the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat *of* it all the days of thy life; <sup>18</sup>Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field; <sup>19</sup>In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou *art*, and unto dust shalt thou return. <sup>20</sup>And Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living. <sup>21</sup>Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them. <sup>22</sup>And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever: <sup>23</sup>Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. <sup>24</sup>So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubim, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

4 And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD. <sup>2</sup>And she again bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. <sup>3</sup>And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD. <sup>4</sup>And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect

unto Abel and to his offering: <sup>5</sup>But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell. <sup>6</sup>And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? <sup>7</sup>If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee *shall be* his desire, and thou shalt rule over him. <sup>8</sup>And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.

<sup>9</sup>And the LORD said unto Cain, Where *is* Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: *Am* I my brother's keeper? <sup>10</sup>And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground. <sup>11</sup>And now *art* thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand; <sup>12</sup>When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth. <sup>13</sup>And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment *is* greater than I can bear. <sup>14</sup>Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, *that* every one that findeth me shall slay me. <sup>15</sup>And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.

<sup>16</sup>And Cain went out from the presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden. <sup>17</sup>And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he builded a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch. <sup>18</sup>And unto Enoch was born Irad: and Irad begat Mehujael: and Mehujael begat Methusael: and Methusael begat Lamech.

<sup>19</sup>And Lamech took unto him two wives: the name of the one *was* Adah, and the name of the other Zillah. <sup>20</sup>And Adah bare Jubal: he was the father of such as dwell in tents, and of *such as have* cattle. <sup>21</sup>And his brother's name *was* Jubal: he was the father of all such as handle the harp and organ. <sup>22</sup>And Zillah, she also bare Tubal-cain, an instructor of every artificer in brass and iron: and the sister of Tubal-cain *was* Naamah. <sup>23</sup>And Lamech said unto his wives, Adah and Zillah, Hear my voice; ye wives of Lamech, hearken unto my speech: for I have slain a man to my wounding, and a young man to my hurt. <sup>24</sup>If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy and sevenfold.

<sup>25</sup>And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name Seth: For God, *said she*, hath appointed me another seed instead of Abel, whom Cain slew. <sup>26</sup>And to Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name Enos: then began men to call upon the name of the LORD.

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This *is* the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him; <sup>2</sup>Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created.

<sup>3</sup>And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat *a son* in his own likeness, after his image; and called his name Seth: <sup>4</sup>And the days of Adam after he had begotten Seth were eight hundred years: and he begat sons and daughters: <sup>5</sup>And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died. <sup>6</sup>And Seth lived an hundred and five years, and begat Enos: <sup>7</sup>And Seth lived after he begat Enos eight hundred and seven years, and begat sons and daughters: <sup>8</sup>And all the days of Seth were nine hundred and twelve years: and he died.

<sup>9</sup>And Enos lived ninety years, and begat Cainan: <sup>10</sup>And Enos lived after he begat Cainan eight hundred and fifteen years, and begat sons and daughters: <sup>11</sup>And all the days of Enos were nine hundred and five years: and he died.

<sup>12</sup>And Cainan lived seventy years, and begat Mahalaleel: <sup>13</sup>And Cainan lived after he begat Mahalaleel eight hundred and forty years, and begat sons and daughters: <sup>14</sup>And all the days of Cainan were nine hundred and ten years: and he died.

<sup>15</sup>And Mahalaleel lived sixty and five years, and begat Jared: <sup>16</sup>And Mahalaleel lived after he begat Jared eight hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters: <sup>17</sup>And all the days of Mahalaleel were eight hundred ninety and five years: and he died.

<sup>18</sup>And Jared lived an hundred sixty and two years, and he begat Enoch: <sup>19</sup>And Jared lived after he begat Enoch eight hundred years, and begat sons and daughters: <sup>20</sup>And all the days of Jared were nine hundred sixty and two years: and he died.

<sup>21</sup>And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begat Methuselah: <sup>22</sup>And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters: <sup>23</sup>And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years: <sup>24</sup>And Enoch walked with God: and he *was* not; for God took him. <sup>25</sup>And Methuselah lived an hundred eighty and seven years, and begat Lamech: <sup>26</sup>And Methuselah lived after he begat Lamech seven hundred eighty and two years, and begat sons and daughters: <sup>27</sup>And all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty and nine years: and he died.

<sup>28</sup>And Lamech lived an hundred eighty and two years, and begat a son: <sup>29</sup>And he called his name Noah, saying, This *same* shall comfort us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the ground which the

LORD hath cursed. <sup>30</sup>And Lamech lived after he begat Noah five hundred ninety and five years, and begat sons and daughters: <sup>31</sup>And all the days of Lamech were seven hundred seventy and seven years: and he died. <sup>32</sup>And Noah was five hundred years old: and Noah begat Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

6 And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them, <sup>2</sup>That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they *were* fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose. <sup>3</sup>And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also *is* flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years. <sup>4</sup>There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare *children* to them, the same *became* mighty men which *were* of old, men of renown.

<sup>5</sup>And GOD saw that the wickedness of man *was* great in the earth, and *that* every imagination of the thoughts of his heart *was* only evil continually. <sup>6</sup>And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart. <sup>7</sup>And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them. <sup>8</sup>But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

<sup>9</sup>These *are* the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man *and* perfect in his generations, *and* Noah walked with God. <sup>10</sup>And Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. <sup>11</sup>The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. <sup>12</sup>And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth. <sup>13</sup>And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth.

<sup>14</sup>Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch. <sup>15</sup>And this *is the fashion* which thou shalt make it *of*: The length of the ark *shall be* three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits. <sup>16</sup>A window shalt thou make to the ark, and in a cubit shalt thou finish it above; and the door of the ark shalt thou set in the side thereof; *with* lower, second, and third *stories* shalt thou make it. <sup>17</sup>And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein *is* the breath of life, from under heaven; *and* every thing that *is* in the earth shall die. <sup>18</sup>But with thee will I establish my covenant; and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee. <sup>19</sup>And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every *sort* shalt thou bring into the ark, to keep *them* alive with thee; they shall be male and female. <sup>20</sup>Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, and of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every *sort* shall come unto thee, to keep *them* alive. <sup>21</sup>And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten, and thou shalt gather *it* to thee; and it shall be for food for thee, and for them. <sup>22</sup>Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he.

7 And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation. <sup>2</sup>Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that *are* not clean by two, the male and his female. <sup>3</sup>Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth. <sup>4</sup>For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I destroy from off the face of the earth. <sup>5</sup>And Noah did according unto all that the LORD commanded him. <sup>6</sup>And Noah *was* six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth.

<sup>7</sup>And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood. <sup>8</sup>Of clean beasts, and of beasts that *are* not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth, <sup>9</sup>There went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah. <sup>10</sup>And it came to pass after seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon the earth.

<sup>11</sup>In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened. <sup>12</sup>And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights. <sup>13</sup>In the selfsame day entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife, and the three wives of his sons with them, into the ark; <sup>14</sup>They, and every beast after his kind, and all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind, and every fowl after his kind, every bird of every sort. <sup>15</sup>And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh, wherein *is* the breath of life. <sup>16</sup>And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the LORD shut him in. <sup>17</sup>And the flood was forty days upon the earth; and the waters increased, and bare up the ark, and it was lift up above the earth. <sup>18</sup>And the waters prevailed, and were increased greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon the face of the waters. <sup>19</sup>And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that *were* under the whole heaven, were covered. <sup>20</sup>Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered. <sup>21</sup>And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man: <sup>22</sup>All in whose nostrils *was* the breath of life, of all that *was* in the dry *land*, died. <sup>23</sup>And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things,

and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained *alive*, and they that *were* with him in the ark. <sup>24</sup>And the waters prevailed upon the earth an hundred and fifty days.

8 And God remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the cattle that *was* with him in the ark: and God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters asswaged; <sup>2</sup>The fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained; <sup>3</sup>And the waters returned from off the earth continually: and after the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters were abated. <sup>4</sup>And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ararat. <sup>5</sup>And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month: in the tenth *month*, on the first *day* of the month, were the tops of the mountains seen.

<sup>6</sup>And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made: <sup>7</sup>And he sent forth a raven, which went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth. <sup>8</sup>Also he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground; <sup>9</sup>But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for the waters *were* on the face of the whole earth: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark. <sup>10</sup>And he stayed yet other seven days; and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark; <sup>11</sup>And the dove came in to him in the evening; and, lo, in her mouth *was* an olive leaf plucked off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth. <sup>12</sup>And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again unto him any more.

<sup>13</sup>And it came to pass in the six hundredth and first year, in the first *month*, the first *day* of the month, the waters were dried up from off the earth: and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry. <sup>14</sup>And in the second month, on the seven and twentieth day of the month, was the earth dried.

<sup>15</sup>And God spake unto Noah, saying, <sup>16</sup>Go forth of the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee. <sup>17</sup>Bring forth with thee every living thing that *is* with thee, of all flesh, *both* of fowl, and of cattle, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth; that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth. <sup>18</sup>And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him: <sup>19</sup>Every beast, every creeping thing, and every fowl, *and* whatsoever creepeth upon the earth, after their kinds, went forth out of the ark.

<sup>20</sup>And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar. <sup>21</sup>And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart *is* evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done. <sup>22</sup>While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

9 And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

<sup>2</sup>And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth *upon* the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered. <sup>3</sup>Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you; even as the green herb have I given you all things. <sup>4</sup>But flesh with the life thereof, *which is* the blood thereof, shall ye not eat. <sup>5</sup>And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man. <sup>6</sup>Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man. <sup>7</sup>And you, be ye fruitful, and multiply; bring forth abundantly in the earth, and multiply therein.

<sup>8</sup>And God spake unto Noah, and to his sons with him, saying, <sup>9</sup>And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you; <sup>10</sup>And with every living creature that *is* with you, of the fowl, of the cattle, and of every beast of the earth with you; from all that go out of the ark, to every beast of the earth. <sup>11</sup>And I will establish my covenant with you; neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the waters of a flood; neither shall there any more be a flood to destroy the earth. <sup>12</sup>And God said, This *is* the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that *is* with you, for perpetual generations: <sup>13</sup>I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth. <sup>14</sup>And it shall come to pass, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow shall be seen in the cloud: <sup>15</sup>And I will remember my covenant, which *is* between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh. <sup>16</sup>And the bow shall be in the cloud; and I will look upon it, that I may remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that *is* upon the earth. <sup>17</sup>And God said unto Noah, This *is* the token of the covenant, which I have established between me and all flesh that *is* upon the earth.

<sup>18</sup>And the sons of Noah, that went forth of the ark, were Shem, and Ham, and Japheth: and Ham is the father of Canaan. <sup>19</sup>These *are* the three sons of Noah: and of them was the whole earth overspread. <sup>20</sup>And Noah



began *to be* an husbandman, and he planted a vineyard: <sup>21</sup>And he drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered within his tent. <sup>22</sup>And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brethren without. <sup>23</sup>And Shem and Japheth took a garment, and laid *it* upon both their shoulders, and went backward, and covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces *were* backward, and they saw not their father's nakedness. <sup>24</sup>And Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his younger son had done unto him. <sup>25</sup>And he said, Cursed *be* Canaan; a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren. <sup>26</sup>And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant. <sup>27</sup>God shall enlarge Japheth, and he shall dwell in the tents of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant. <sup>28</sup>And Noah lived after the flood three hundred and fifty years. <sup>29</sup>And all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years: and he died.

10 Now these *are* the generations of the sons of Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth: and unto them were sons born after the flood. <sup>2</sup>The sons of Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras. <sup>3</sup>And the sons of Gomer; Ashkenaz, and Riphath, and Togarmah. <sup>4</sup>And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim. <sup>5</sup>By these were the isles of the Gentiles divided in their lands; every one after his tongue, after their families, in their nations.

<sup>6</sup>And the sons of Ham; Cush, and Mizraim, and Phut, and Canaan. <sup>7</sup>And the sons of Cush; Seba, and Havilah, and Sabtah, and Raamah, and Sabtechah: and the sons of Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan. <sup>8</sup>And Cush begat Nimrod: he began to be a mighty one in the earth. <sup>9</sup>He was a mighty hunter before the LORD: wherefore it is said, Even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the LORD. <sup>10</sup>And the beginning of his kingdom was Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar. <sup>11</sup>Out of that land went forth Asshur, and builded Nineveh, and the city Rehoboth, and Calah, <sup>12</sup>And Resen between Nineveh and Calah: the same *is* a great city. <sup>13</sup>And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Ananim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim, <sup>14</sup>And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (out of whom came Philistim,) and Caphtorim.

<sup>15</sup>And Canaan begat Sidon his firstborn, and Heth, <sup>16</sup>And the Jebusite, and the Amorite, and the Girgasite, <sup>17</sup>And the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite, <sup>18</sup>And the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite: and afterward were the families of the Canaanites spread abroad. <sup>19</sup>And the border of the Canaanites was from Sidon, as thou comest to Gerar, unto Gaza; as thou goest, unto Sodom, and Gomorrah, and Admah, and Zeboim, even unto Lasha. <sup>20</sup>These *are* the sons of Ham, after their families, after their tongues, in their countries, *and* in their nations.

<sup>21</sup>Unto Shem also, the father of all the children of Eber, the brother of Japheth the elder, even to him were *children* born. <sup>22</sup>The children of Shem; Elam, and Asshur, and Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram. <sup>23</sup>And the children of Aram; Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and Mash. <sup>24</sup>And Arphaxad begat Salah; and Salah begat Eber. <sup>25</sup>And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of one *was* Peleg; for in his days was the earth divided; and his brother's name *was* Joktan. <sup>26</sup>And Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazar-maveth, and Jerah, <sup>27</sup>And Hadoram, and Uzal, and Diklah, <sup>28</sup>And Obal, and Abimael, and Sheba, <sup>29</sup>And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab: all these *were* the sons of Joktan. <sup>30</sup>And their dwelling was from Mesha, as thou goest unto Sephar a mount of the east. <sup>31</sup>These *are* the sons of Shem, after their families, after their tongues, in their lands, after their nations. <sup>32</sup>These *are* the families of the sons of Noah, after their generations, in their nations: and by these were the nations divided in the earth after the flood.

11 And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech. <sup>2</sup>And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there. <sup>3</sup>And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them thoroughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar. <sup>4</sup>And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top *may reach* unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth. <sup>5</sup>And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded. <sup>6</sup>And the LORD said, Behold, the people *is* one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do. <sup>7</sup>Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech. <sup>8</sup>So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city. <sup>9</sup>Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.

<sup>10</sup>These *are* the generations of Shem: Shem *was* an hundred years old, and begat Arphaxad two years after the flood: <sup>11</sup>And Shem lived after he begat Arphaxad five hundred years, and begat sons and daughters. <sup>12</sup>And Arphaxad lived five and thirty years, and begat Salah: <sup>13</sup>And Arphaxad lived after he begat Salah four hundred and three years, and begat sons and daughters. <sup>14</sup>And Salah lived thirty years, and begat Eber: <sup>15</sup>And Salah lived after he begat Eber four hundred and three years, and begat sons and daughters. <sup>16</sup>And Eber lived four and thirty years, and begat Peleg: <sup>17</sup>And Eber lived after he begat Peleg four hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters. <sup>18</sup>And Peleg lived thirty years, and begat Reu: <sup>19</sup>And Peleg lived after he begat Reu two hundred and nine years, and begat sons and daughters. <sup>20</sup>And Reu lived two and thirty years, and begat

Serug: <sup>21</sup>And Reu lived after he begat Serug two hundred and seven years, and begat sons and daughters. <sup>22</sup>And Serug lived thirty years, and begat Nahor: <sup>23</sup>And Serug lived after he begat Nahor two hundred years, and begat sons and daughters. <sup>24</sup>And Nahor lived nine and twenty years, and begat Terah: <sup>25</sup>And Nahor lived after he begat Terah an hundred and nineteen years, and begat sons and daughters. <sup>26</sup>And Terah lived seventy years, and begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran.

<sup>27</sup>Now these *are* the generations of Terah: Terah begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran begat Lot. <sup>28</sup>And Haran died before his father Terah in the land of his nativity, in Ur of the Chaldees. <sup>29</sup>And Abram and Nahor took them wives: the name of Abram's wife *was* Sarai; and the name of Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran, the father of Milcah, and the father of Iscah. <sup>30</sup>But Sarai was barren; she *had* no child. <sup>31</sup>And Terah took Abram his son, and Lot the son of Haran his son's son, and Sarai his daughter in law, his son Abram's wife; and they went forth with them from Ur of the Chaldees, to go into the land of Canaan; and they came unto Haran, and dwelt there. <sup>32</sup>And the days of Terah were two hundred and five years: and Terah died in Haran.

12 Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: <sup>2</sup>And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: <sup>3</sup>And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed. <sup>4</sup>So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram *was* seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran. <sup>5</sup>And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came.

<sup>6</sup>And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Sichem, unto the plain of Moreh. And the Canaanite *was* then in the land. <sup>7</sup>And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him. <sup>8</sup>And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, *having* Bethel on the west, and Hai on the east: and there he builded an altar unto the LORD, and called upon the name of the LORD. <sup>9</sup>And Abram journeyed, going on still toward the south.

<sup>10</sup>And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine *was* grievous in the land. <sup>11</sup>And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that thou *art* a fair woman to look upon: <sup>12</sup>Therefore it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians shall see thee, that they shall say, This *is* his wife: and they will kill me, but they will save thee alive. <sup>13</sup>Say, I pray thee, thou *art* my sister: that it may be well with me for thy sake; and my soul shall live because of thee.

<sup>14</sup>And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld the woman that she *was* very fair. <sup>15</sup>The princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house. <sup>16</sup>And he entreated Abram well for her sake: and he had sheep, and oxen, and he asses, and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses, and camels. <sup>17</sup>And the LORD plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai Abram's wife. <sup>18</sup>And Pharaoh called Abram, and said, What *is* this *that* thou hast done unto me? why didst thou not tell me that she *was* thy wife? <sup>19</sup>Why saidst thou, She *is* my sister? so I might have taken her to me to wife: now therefore behold thy wife, take *her*, and go thy way. <sup>20</sup>And Pharaoh commanded *his* men concerning him: and they sent him away, and his wife, and all that he had.

13 And Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the south. <sup>2</sup>And Abram *was* very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold. <sup>3</sup>And he went on his journeys from the south even to Bethel, unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Hai; <sup>4</sup>Unto the place of the altar, which he had made there at the first: and there Abram called on the name of the LORD.

<sup>5</sup>And Lot also, which went with Abram, had flocks, and herds, and tents. <sup>6</sup>And the land was not able to bear them, that they might dwell together: for their substance was great, so that they could not dwell together. <sup>7</sup>And there was a strife between the herdmen of Abram's cattle and the herdmen of Lot's cattle: and the Canaanite and the Perizzite dwelled then in the land. <sup>8</sup>And Abram said unto Lot, Let there be no strife, I pray thee, between me and thee, and between my herdmen and thy herdmen; for we *be* brethren. <sup>9</sup>*Is* not the whole land before thee? separate thyself, I pray thee, from me: if *thou wilt take* the left hand, then I will go to the right; or if *thou depart* to the right hand, then I will go to the left. <sup>10</sup>And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the plain of Jordan, that it *was* well watered every where, before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, *even* as the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt, as thou comest unto Zoar. <sup>11</sup>Then Lot chose him all the plain of Jordan; and Lot journeyed east: and they separated themselves the one from the other. <sup>12</sup>Abram dwelled in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelled in the cities of the plain, and pitched *his* tent toward Sodom. <sup>13</sup>But the men of Sodom *were* wicked and sinners before the LORD exceedingly.

<sup>14</sup>And the LORD said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward: <sup>15</sup>For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever. <sup>16</sup>And I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth: so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, *then* shall thy seed also be numbered. <sup>17</sup>Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for I will give it unto thee. <sup>18</sup>Then Abram removed *his* tent, and came and dwelt in the plain of Mamre, which *is* in Hebron, and built there an altar unto the LORD.

14 And it came to pass in the days of Amraphel king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of nations; <sup>2</sup>*That these* made war with Bera king of Sodom, and with Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab king of Admah, and Shemeber king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela, which *is* Zoar. <sup>3</sup>All these were joined together in the vale of Siddim, which *is* the salt sea. <sup>4</sup>Twelve years they served Chedorlaomer, and in the thirteenth year they rebelled. <sup>5</sup>And in the fourteenth year came Chedorlaomer, and the kings that *were* with him, and smote the Rephaims in Ashteroth Karnaim, and the Zuzims in Ham, and the Emims in Shaveh Kiriathaim, <sup>6</sup>And the Horites in their mount Seir, unto El-paran, which *is* by the wilderness. <sup>7</sup>And they returned, and came to En-mishpat, which *is* Kadesh, and smote all the country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites that dwelt in Hazezon-tamar. <sup>8</sup>And there went out the king of Sodom, and the king of Gomorrah, and the king of Admah, and the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (the same *is* Zoar); and they joined battle with them in the vale of Siddim; <sup>9</sup>With Chedorlaomer the king of Elam, and with Tidal king of nations, and Amraphel king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar; four kings with five. <sup>10</sup>And the vale of Siddim *was full of* slimepits; and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled, and fell there; and they that remained fled to the mountain. <sup>11</sup>And they took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their victuals, and went their way. <sup>12</sup>And they took Lot, Abram's brother's son, who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods, and departed.

<sup>13</sup>And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew; for he dwelt in the plain of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner: and these *were* confederate with Abram. <sup>14</sup>And when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he armed his trained *servants*, born in his own house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued *them* unto Dan. <sup>15</sup>And he divided himself against them, he and his servants, by night, and smote them, and pursued them unto Hobah, which *is* on the left hand of Damascus. <sup>16</sup>And he brought back all the goods, and also brought again his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people.

<sup>17</sup>And the king of Sodom went out to meet him after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that *were* with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which *is* the king's dale. <sup>18</sup>And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he *was* the priest of the most high God. <sup>19</sup>And he blessed him, and said, Blessed *be* Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth: <sup>20</sup>And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all. <sup>21</sup>And the king of Sodom said unto Abram, Give me the persons, and take the goods to thyself. <sup>22</sup>And Abram said to the king of Sodom, I have lift up mine hand unto the LORD, the most high God, the possessor of heaven and earth, <sup>23</sup>That I will not *take* from a thread even to a shoelatchet, and that I will not take any thing that *is* thine, lest thou shouldest say, I have made Abram rich: <sup>24</sup>Save only that which the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men which went with me, Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; let them take their portion.

15 After these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I *am* thy shield, *and* thy exceeding great reward. <sup>2</sup>And Abram said, Lord GOD, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of my house *is* this Eliezer of Damascus? <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, Behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, lo, one born in my house *is* mine heir. <sup>4</sup>And, behold, the word of the LORD *came* unto him, saying, This shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir. <sup>5</sup>And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be. <sup>6</sup>And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness. <sup>7</sup>And he said unto him, I *am* the LORD that brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees, to give thee this land to inherit it. <sup>8</sup>And he said, Lord GOD, whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it? <sup>9</sup>And he said unto him, Take me an heifer of three years old, and a she goat of three years old, and a ram of three years old, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon. <sup>10</sup>And he took unto him all these, and divided them in the midst, and laid each piece one against another: but the birds divided he not. <sup>11</sup>And when the fowls came down upon the carcasses, Abram drove them away. <sup>12</sup>And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, lo, an horror of great darkness fell upon him. <sup>13</sup>And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land *that is* not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years; <sup>14</sup>And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance. <sup>15</sup>And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age. <sup>16</sup>But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites *is* not yet full. <sup>17</sup>And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold a smoking furnace, and a burning lamp that passed between those pieces. <sup>18</sup>In the same

day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates: <sup>19</sup>The Kenites, and the Kenizzites, and the Kadmonites, <sup>20</sup>And the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Rephaims, <sup>21</sup>And the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites.

16 Now Sarai Abram's wife bare him no children: and she had an handmaid, an Egyptian, whose name was Hagar. <sup>2</sup>And Sarai said unto Abram, Behold now, the LORD hath restrained me from bearing: I pray thee, go in unto my maid; it may be that I may obtain children by her. And Abram hearkened to the voice of Sarai. <sup>3</sup>And Sarai Abram's wife took Hagar her maid the Egyptian, after Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Canaan, and gave her to her husband Abram to be his wife.

<sup>4</sup>And he went in unto Hagar, and she conceived: and when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress was despised in her eyes. <sup>5</sup>And Sarai said unto Abram, My wrong *be* upon thee: I have given my maid into thy bosom; and when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised in her eyes: the LORD judge between me and thee. <sup>6</sup>But Abram said unto Sarai, Behold, thy maid *is* in thy hand; do to her as it pleaseth thee. And when Sarai dealt hardly with her, she fled from her face.

<sup>7</sup>And the angel of the LORD found her by a fountain of water in the wilderness, by the fountain in the way to Shur. <sup>8</sup>And he said, Hagar, Sarai's maid, whence camest thou? and whither wilt thou go? And she said, I flee from the face of my mistress Sarai. <sup>9</sup>And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Return to thy mistress, and submit thyself under her hands. <sup>10</sup>And the angel of the LORD said unto her, I will multiply thy seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbered for multitude. <sup>11</sup>And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Behold, thou *art* with child, and shalt bear a son, and shalt call his name Ishmael; because the LORD hath heard thy affliction. <sup>12</sup>And he will be a wild man; his hand *will be* against every man, and every man's hand against him; and he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren. <sup>13</sup>And she called the name of the LORD that spake unto her, Thou God seest me: for she said, Have I also here looked after him that seeth me? <sup>14</sup>Wherefore the well was called Beer-lahai-roi; behold, *it is* between Kadesh and Bered.

<sup>15</sup>And Hagar bare Abram a son: and Abram called his son's name, which Hagar bare, Ishmael. <sup>16</sup>And Abram was fourscore and six years old, when Hagar bare Ishmael to Abram.

17 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, *I am* the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect. <sup>2</sup>And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly. <sup>3</sup>And Abram fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying, <sup>4</sup>As for me, behold, my covenant *is* with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations. <sup>5</sup>Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee. <sup>6</sup>And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee. <sup>7</sup>And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee. <sup>8</sup>And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.

<sup>9</sup>And God said unto Abraham, Thou shalt keep my covenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee in their generations. <sup>10</sup>This *is* my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised. <sup>11</sup>And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant betwixt me and you. <sup>12</sup>And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which *is* not of thy seed. <sup>13</sup>He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant. <sup>14</sup>And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he hath broken my covenant.

<sup>15</sup>And God said unto Abraham, As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but Sarah *shall* her name *be*. <sup>16</sup>And I will bless her, and give thee a son also of her: yea, I will bless her, and she shall be a *mother* of nations; kings of people shall be of her. <sup>17</sup>Then Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall a *child* be born unto him that is an hundred years old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear? <sup>18</sup>And Abraham said unto God, O that Ishmael might live before thee! <sup>19</sup>And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, *and* with his seed after him. <sup>20</sup>And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee: Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly; twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation. <sup>21</sup>But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year. <sup>22</sup>And he left off talking with him, and God went up from Abraham.

<sup>23</sup>And Abraham took Ishmael his son, and all that were born in his house, and all that were bought with his money, every male among the men of Abraham's house; and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in the selfsame day, as God had said unto him. <sup>24</sup>And Abraham was ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin. <sup>25</sup>And Ishmael his son was thirteen years old, when he was circumcised

in the flesh of his foreskin. <sup>26</sup>In the selfsame day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his son. <sup>27</sup>And all the men of his house, born in the house, and bought with money of the stranger, were circumcised with him.

18 And the LORD appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: and he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day; <sup>2</sup>And he lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw *them*, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground, <sup>3</sup>And said, My Lord, if now I have found favour in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant: <sup>4</sup>Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree: <sup>5</sup>And I will fetch a morsel of bread, and comfort ye your hearts; after that ye shall pass on: for therefore are ye come to your servant. And they said, So do, as thou hast said. <sup>6</sup>And Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah, and said, Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead *it*, and make cakes upon the hearth. <sup>7</sup>And Abraham ran unto the herd, and fetcht a calf tender and good, and gave *it* unto a young man; and he hastened to dress it. <sup>8</sup>And he took butter, and milk, and the calf which he had dressed, and set *it* before them; and he stood by them under the tree, and they did eat.

<sup>9</sup>And they said unto him, Where *is* Sarah thy wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent. <sup>10</sup>And he said, I will certainly return unto thee according to the time of life; and, lo, Sarah thy wife shall have a son. And Sarah heard *it* in the tent door, which *was* behind him. <sup>11</sup>Now Abraham and Sarah *were* old *and* well stricken in age; *and* it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. <sup>12</sup>Therefore Sarah laughed within herself, saying, After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also? <sup>13</sup>And the LORD said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of a surety bear a child, which am old? <sup>14</sup>Is any thing too hard for the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son. <sup>15</sup>Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for she was afraid. And he said, Nay; but thou didst laugh.

<sup>16</sup>And the men rose up from thence, and looked toward Sodom: and Abraham went with them to bring them on the way. <sup>17</sup>And the LORD said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do; <sup>18</sup>Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? <sup>19</sup>For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him. <sup>20</sup>And the LORD said, Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous; <sup>21</sup>I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which is come unto me; and if not, I will know. <sup>22</sup>And the men turned their faces from thence, and went toward Sodom: but Abraham stood yet before the LORD. <sup>23</sup>And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup>Peradventure there be fifty righteous within the city: wilt thou also destroy and not spare the place for the fifty righteous that *are* therein? <sup>25</sup>That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right? <sup>26</sup>And the LORD said, If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes. <sup>27</sup>And Abraham answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, which *am* but dust and ashes: <sup>28</sup>Peradventure there shall lack five of the fifty righteous: wilt thou destroy all the city for *lack* of five? And he said, If I find there forty and five, I will not destroy *it*. <sup>29</sup>And he spake unto him yet again, and said, Peradventure there shall be forty found there. And he said, I will not do *it* for forty's sake. <sup>30</sup>And he said *unto* him, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak: Peradventure there shall thirty be found there. And he said, I will not do *it*, if I find thirty there. <sup>31</sup>And he said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord: Peradventure there shall be twenty found there. And he said, I will not destroy *it* for twenty's sake. <sup>32</sup>And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy *it* for ten's sake. <sup>33</sup>And the LORD went his way, as soon as he had left communing with Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place.

19 And there came two angels to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot seeing *them* rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground; <sup>2</sup>And he said, Behold now, my lords, turn in, I pray you, into your servant's house, and tarry all night, and wash your feet, and ye shall rise up early, and go on your ways. And they said, Nay; but we will abide in the street all night. <sup>3</sup>And he pressed upon them greatly; and they turned in unto him, and entered into his house; and he made them a feast, and did bake unleavened bread, and they did eat.

<sup>4</sup>But before they lay down, the men of the city, *even* the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter: <sup>5</sup>And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where *are* the men which came in to thee this night? bring them out unto us, that we may know them. <sup>6</sup>And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him, <sup>7</sup>And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly. <sup>8</sup>Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as *is* good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came they under the shadow of my roof. <sup>9</sup>And they said, Stand back. And they said *again*, This one *fellow* came in to sojourn, and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, *even* Lot, and

came near to break the door. <sup>10</sup>But the men put forth their hand, and pulled Lot into the house to them, and shut to the door. <sup>11</sup>And they smote the men that *were* at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door.

<sup>12</sup>And the men said unto Lot, Hast thou here any besides? son in law, and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the city, bring *them* out of this place: <sup>13</sup>For we will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of the LORD; and the LORD hath sent us to destroy it. <sup>14</sup>And Lot went out, and spake unto his sons in law, which married his daughters, and said, Up, get you out of this place; for the LORD will destroy this city. But he seemed as one that mocked unto his sons in law.

<sup>15</sup>And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here; lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city. <sup>16</sup>And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; the LORD being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him without the city.

<sup>17</sup>And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed. <sup>18</sup>And Lot said unto them, Oh, not so, my Lord: <sup>19</sup>Behold now, thy servant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which thou hast shewed unto me in saving my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest some evil take me, and I die: <sup>20</sup>Behold now, this city is near to flee unto, and it is a little one: Oh, let me escape thither, (*is it not a little one?*) and my soul shall live. <sup>21</sup>And he said unto him, See, I have accepted thee concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow this city, for the which thou hast spoken. <sup>22</sup>Haste thee, escape thither; for I cannot do any thing till thou be come thither. Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar.

<sup>23</sup>The sun was risen upon the earth when Lot entered into Zoar. <sup>24</sup>Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven; <sup>25</sup>And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.

<sup>26</sup>But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.

<sup>27</sup>And Abraham gat up early in the morning to the place where he stood before the LORD: <sup>28</sup>And he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the plain, and beheld, and, lo, the smoke of the country went up as the smoke of a furnace.

<sup>29</sup>And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in the which Lot dwelt.

<sup>30</sup>And Lot went up out of Zoar, and dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters. <sup>31</sup>And the firstborn said unto the younger, Our father *is* old, and *there is* not a man in the earth to come in unto us after the manner of all the earth: <sup>32</sup>Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father. <sup>33</sup>And they made their father drink wine that night: and the firstborn went in, and lay with her father; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose. <sup>34</sup>And it came to pass on the morrow, that the firstborn said unto the younger, Behold, I lay yesternight with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also; and go thou in, *and* lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father. <sup>35</sup>And they made their father drink wine that night also: and the younger arose, and lay with him; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose. <sup>36</sup>Thus were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father. <sup>37</sup>And the firstborn bare a son, and called his name Moab: the same *is* the father of the Moabites unto this day. <sup>38</sup>And the younger, she also bare a son, and called his name Benammi: the same *is* the father of the children of Ammon unto this day.

20 And Abraham journeyed from thence toward the south country, and dwelled between Kadesh and Shur, and sojourned in Gerar. <sup>2</sup>And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, She *is* my sister: and Abimelech king of Gerar sent, and took Sarah. <sup>3</sup>But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night, and said to him, Behold, thou *art but* a dead man, for the woman which thou hast taken; for she *is* a man's wife. <sup>4</sup>But Abimelech had not come near her: and he said, Lord, wilt thou slay also a righteous nation? <sup>5</sup>Said he not unto me, She *is* my sister? and she, even she herself said, He *is* my brother: in the integrity of my heart and innocency of my hands have I done this. <sup>6</sup>And God said unto him in a dream, Yea, I know that thou didst this in the integrity of thy heart; for I also withheld thee from sinning against me: therefore suffered I thee not to touch her. <sup>7</sup>Now therefore restore the man *his* wife; for he *is* a prophet, and he shall pray for thee, and thou shalt live: and if thou restore *her* not, know thou that thou shalt surely die, thou, and all that *are* thine. <sup>8</sup>Therefore Abimelech rose early in the morning, and called all his servants, and told all these things in their ears: and the men were sore afraid. <sup>9</sup>Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said unto him, What hast thou done unto us? and what have I offended thee, that thou hast brought on me and on my kingdom a great sin? thou hast done deeds unto me that ought not to be done. <sup>10</sup>And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What sawest thou, that thou hast done this thing? <sup>11</sup>And Abraham said, Because I thought, Surely the fear of God *is* not in this place; and they will slay me for my wife's sake. <sup>12</sup>And yet indeed *she is* my sister; she *is* the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife. <sup>13</sup>And it came to

pass, when God caused me to wander from my father's house, that I said unto her, This *is* thy kindness which thou shalt shew unto me; at every place whither we shall come, say of me, He *is* my brother. <sup>14</sup>And Abimelech took sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and womenservants, and gave *them* unto Abraham, and restored him Sarah his wife. <sup>15</sup>And Abimelech said, Behold, my land *is* before thee: dwell where it pleaseth thee. <sup>16</sup>And unto Sarah he said, Behold, I have given thy brother a thousand *pieces* of silver: behold, he *is* to thee a covering of the eyes, unto all that *are* with thee, and with all *other*: thus she was reproved.

<sup>17</sup>So Abraham prayed unto God: and God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maidservants; and they bare *children*. <sup>18</sup>For the LORD had fast closed up all the wombs of the house of Abimelech, because of Sarah Abraham's wife.

## Psalm

1 <sup>1</sup>Blessed *is* the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

<sup>2</sup>But his delight *is* in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

<sup>3</sup>And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

<sup>4</sup>The ungodly *are* not so: but *are* like the chaff which the wind driveth away.

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

<sup>6</sup>For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

2 <sup>1</sup>Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?

<sup>2</sup>The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, *saying*,

<sup>3</sup>Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.

<sup>4</sup>He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.

<sup>5</sup>Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure.

<sup>6</sup>Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.

<sup>7</sup>I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou *art* my Son; this day have I begotten thee.

<sup>8</sup>Ask of me, and I shall give *thee* the heathen *for* thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth *for* thy possession.

<sup>9</sup>Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

<sup>10</sup>Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth.

<sup>11</sup>Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

<sup>12</sup>Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish *from* the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed *are* all they that put their trust in him.

3 *A Psalm of David, when he fled from Absalom his son.*

<sup>1</sup>LORD, how are they increased that trouble me! many *are* they that rise up against me.

<sup>2</sup>Many *there be* which say of my soul, *There is* no help for him in God. Selah.

<sup>3</sup>But thou, O LORD, *art* a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head.

<sup>4</sup>I cried unto the LORD with my voice, and he heard me out of his holy hill. Selah.

<sup>5</sup>I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the LORD sustained me.

<sup>6</sup>I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set *themselves* against me round about.

<sup>7</sup>Arise, O LORD; save me, O my God: for thou hast smitten all mine enemies *upon* the cheek bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.

<sup>8</sup>Salvation *belongeth* unto the LORD: thy blessing *is* upon thy people. Selah.

4 *To the chief Musician on Neginoth, A Psalm of David.*

<sup>1</sup>Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness: thou hast enlarged me *when I was* in distress; have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer.

<sup>2</sup>O ye sons of men, how long *will ye turn* my glory into shame? *how long* will ye love vanity, *and* seek after leasing? Selah.

<sup>3</sup>But know that the LORD hath set apart him that is godly for himself: the LORD will hear when I call unto him.

<sup>4</sup>Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah.

<sup>5</sup>Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the LORD.

<sup>6</sup>*There be* many that say, Who will shew us *any* good? LORD, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us.

<sup>7</sup>Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time *that* their corn and their wine increased.

<sup>8</sup>I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, LORD, only makest me dwell in safety.

5 *To the chief Musician upon Nehiloth, A Psalm of David.*

<sup>1</sup>Give ear to my words, O LORD, consider my meditation.

<sup>2</sup>Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God: for unto thee will I pray.

<sup>3</sup>My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O LORD; in the morning will I direct *my prayer* unto thee, and will look up.

<sup>4</sup>For thou *art* not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness: neither shall evil dwell with thee.

<sup>5</sup>The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity.

<sup>6</sup>Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing: the LORD will abhor the bloody and deceitful man.

<sup>7</sup>But as for me, I will come *into* thy house in the multitude of thy mercy: *and* in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.

<sup>8</sup>Lead me, O LORD, in thy righteousness because of mine enemies; make thy way straight before my face.

<sup>9</sup>For *there is* no faithfulness in their mouth; their inward part *is* very wickedness; their throat *is* an open sepulchre; they flatter with their tongue.

<sup>10</sup>Destroy thou them, O God; let them fall by their own counsels; cast them out in the multitude of their transgressions; for they have rebelled against thee.

<sup>11</sup>But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because thou defendest them: let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee.

<sup>12</sup>For thou, LORD, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as *with* a shield.

6 *To the chief Musician on Neginoth upon Sheminith, A Psalm of David.*

<sup>1</sup>O LORD, rebuke me not in thine anger, neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.

<sup>2</sup>Have mercy upon me, O LORD; for *I am* weak: O LORD, heal me; for my bones are vexed.

<sup>3</sup>My soul is also sore vexed: but thou, O LORD, how long?

<sup>4</sup>Return, O LORD, deliver my soul: oh save me for thy mercies' sake.

<sup>5</sup>For in death *there is* no remembrance of thee: in the grave who shall give thee thanks?

<sup>6</sup>I am weary with my groaning; all the night make I my bed to swim; I water my couch with my tears.

<sup>7</sup>Mine eye is consumed because of grief; it waxeth old because of all mine enemies.

<sup>8</sup>Depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity; for the LORD hath heard the voice of my weeping.

<sup>9</sup>The LORD hath heard my supplication; the LORD will receive my prayer.

<sup>10</sup>Let all mine enemies be ashamed and sore vexed: let them return *and* be ashamed suddenly.

## Prov

1 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel; <sup>2</sup>To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding; <sup>3</sup>To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity; <sup>4</sup>To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion. <sup>5</sup>A wise *man* will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels: <sup>6</sup>To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.

<sup>7</sup>The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of knowledge: *but* fools despise wisdom and instruction. <sup>8</sup>My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother: <sup>9</sup>For they *shall be* an ornament of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck.

<sup>10</sup>My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not. <sup>11</sup>If they say, Come with us, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without cause: <sup>12</sup>Let us swallow them up alive as the grave; and whole, as those that go down into the pit: <sup>13</sup>We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil: <sup>14</sup>Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse: <sup>15</sup>My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path: <sup>16</sup>For their feet run to evil, and make haste to shed blood. <sup>17</sup>Surely in vain the net is spread in the sight of any bird. <sup>18</sup>And they lay wait for their *own* blood; they lurk privily for their *own* lives. <sup>19</sup>So *are* the ways of every one that is greedy of gain; *which* taketh away the life of the owners thereof.

<sup>20</sup>Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets: <sup>21</sup>She crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the gates: in the city she uttereth her words, *saying*, <sup>22</sup>How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? and the scorners delight in their scorning, and fools hate knowledge? <sup>23</sup>Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.

<sup>24</sup>Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded; <sup>25</sup>But ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof: <sup>26</sup>I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh; <sup>27</sup>When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you. <sup>28</sup>Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me



early, but they shall not find me: <sup>29</sup>For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the LORD:  
<sup>30</sup>They would none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof. <sup>31</sup>Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their  
own way, and be filled with their own devices. <sup>32</sup>For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the  
prosperity of fools shall destroy them. <sup>33</sup>But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet  
from fear of evil.

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# New Testament Day 1 of 28

Reading Time: Around 68 minutes

## Matthew 1 – 15

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1 The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. <sup>2</sup>Abraham begat Isaac; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat Judas and his brethren; <sup>3</sup>And Judas begat Phares and Zara of Thamar; and Phares begat Esrom; and Esrom begat Aram; <sup>4</sup>And Aram begat Aminadab; and Aminadab begat Naasson; and Naasson begat Salmon; <sup>5</sup>And Salmon begat Booz of Rachab; and Booz begat Obed of Ruth; and Obed begat Jesse; <sup>6</sup>And Jesse begat David the king; and David the king begat Solomon of her *that had been the wife of* Urias; <sup>7</sup>And Solomon begat Roboam; and Roboam begat Abia; and Abia begat Asa; <sup>8</sup>And Asa begat Josaphat; and Josaphat begat Joram; and Joram begat Ozias; <sup>9</sup>And Ozias begat Joatham; and Joatham begat Achaz; and Achaz begat Ezekias; <sup>10</sup>And Ezekias begat Manasses; and Manasses begat Amon; and Amon begat Josias; <sup>11</sup>And Josias begat Jechonias and his brethren, about the time they were carried away to Babylon: <sup>12</sup>And after they were brought to Babylon, Jechonias begat Salathiel; and Salathiel begat Zorobabel; <sup>13</sup>And Zorobabel begat Abiud; and Abiud begat Eliakim; and Eliakim begat Azor; <sup>14</sup>And Azor begat Sadoc; and Sadoc begat Achim; and Achim begat Eliud; <sup>15</sup>And Eliud begat Eleazar; and Eleazar begat Matthan; and Matthan begat Jacob; <sup>16</sup>And Jacob begat Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ. <sup>17</sup>So all the generations from Abraham to David *are* fourteen generations; and from David until the carrying away into Babylon *are* fourteen generations; and from the carrying away into Babylon unto Christ *are* fourteen generations.

<sup>18</sup>Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. <sup>19</sup>Then Joseph her husband, being a just *man*, and not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily. <sup>20</sup>But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. <sup>21</sup>And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. <sup>22</sup>Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, <sup>23</sup>Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. <sup>24</sup>Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife: <sup>25</sup>And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.

2 Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup>Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. <sup>3</sup>When Herod the king had heard *these things*, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. <sup>4</sup>And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. <sup>5</sup>And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, <sup>6</sup>And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. <sup>7</sup>Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. <sup>8</sup>And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found *him*, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. <sup>9</sup>When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. <sup>10</sup>When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

<sup>11</sup>And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. <sup>12</sup>And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way. <sup>13</sup>And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him. <sup>14</sup>When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt: <sup>15</sup>And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.

<sup>16</sup>Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth, and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men. <sup>17</sup>Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, <sup>18</sup>In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping *for* her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.

<sup>19</sup>But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, <sup>20</sup>Saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life. <sup>21</sup>And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel. <sup>22</sup>But when he heard that Archelaus did reign in Judaea in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go thither: notwithstanding, being warned of God in a dream, he turned aside into the parts of Galilee: <sup>23</sup>And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.

3 In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea, <sup>2</sup>And saying, Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. <sup>3</sup>For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. <sup>4</sup>And the same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins; and his meat was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup>Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judaea, and all the region round about Jordan, <sup>6</sup>And were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins.

<sup>7</sup>But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said unto them, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup>Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance: <sup>9</sup>And think not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to our father: for I say unto you, that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham. <sup>10</sup>And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. <sup>11</sup>I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and *with* fire: <sup>12</sup>Whose fan *is* in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

<sup>13</sup>Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. <sup>14</sup>But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? <sup>15</sup>And Jesus answering said unto him, **Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness.** Then he suffered him. <sup>16</sup>And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: <sup>17</sup>And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

4 Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. <sup>2</sup>And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred. <sup>3</sup>And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. <sup>4</sup>But he answered and said, **It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.** <sup>5</sup>Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup>And saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in *their* hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said unto him, **It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.** <sup>8</sup>Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; <sup>9</sup>And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. <sup>10</sup>Then saith Jesus unto him, **Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.** <sup>11</sup>Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him.

<sup>12</sup>Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, he departed into Galilee; <sup>13</sup>And leaving Nazareth, he came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim: <sup>14</sup>That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, <sup>15</sup>The land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, *by* the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles; <sup>16</sup>The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up. <sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, **Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.**

<sup>18</sup>And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers. <sup>19</sup>And he saith unto them, **Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.** <sup>20</sup>And they straightway left *their* nets, and followed him. <sup>21</sup>And going on from thence, he saw other two brethren, James *the son of* Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them. <sup>22</sup>And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him.

<sup>23</sup>And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people. <sup>24</sup>And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them. <sup>25</sup>And there followed him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and *from* Decapolis, and *from* Jerusalem, and *from* Judaea, and *from* beyond Jordan.

5 And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him: <sup>2</sup>And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying, <sup>3</sup>Blessed *are* the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>4</sup>Blessed *are* they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. <sup>5</sup>Blessed *are* the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. <sup>6</sup>Blessed *are* they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. <sup>7</sup>Blessed *are* the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. <sup>8</sup>Blessed *are* the pure in heart: for they shall see God. <sup>9</sup>Blessed *are* the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. <sup>10</sup>Blessed *are* they which are persecuted for righteousness sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>11</sup>Blessed are ye, when *men* shall revile you, and persecute *you*, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great *is* your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

<sup>13</sup>Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. <sup>14</sup>Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup>Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. <sup>16</sup>Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

<sup>17</sup>Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. <sup>18</sup>For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled. <sup>19</sup>Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach *them*, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed *the righteousness* of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>21</sup>Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment: <sup>22</sup>But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire. <sup>23</sup>Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee; <sup>24</sup>Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift. <sup>25</sup>Agree with thine adversary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison. <sup>26</sup>Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing.

<sup>27</sup>Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery: <sup>28</sup>But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart. <sup>29</sup>And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast *it* from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not *that* thy whole body should be cast into hell. <sup>30</sup>And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not *that* thy whole body should be cast into hell. <sup>31</sup>It hath been said, Whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement: <sup>32</sup>But I say unto you, That whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.

<sup>33</sup>Again, ye have heard that it hath been said by them of old time, Thou shalt not forswear thyself, but shalt perform unto the Lord thine oaths: <sup>34</sup>But I say unto you, Swear not at all; neither by heaven; for it is God's throne: <sup>35</sup>Nor by the earth; for it is his footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great King. <sup>36</sup>Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black. <sup>37</sup>But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil.

<sup>38</sup>Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth: <sup>39</sup>But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also. <sup>40</sup>And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have *thy* cloke also. <sup>41</sup>And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain. <sup>42</sup>Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away.

<sup>43</sup>Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy. <sup>44</sup>But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; <sup>45</sup>That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust. <sup>46</sup>For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same? <sup>47</sup>And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more *than others*? do not even the publicans so? <sup>48</sup>Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

6 Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven. <sup>2</sup>Therefore when thou doest *thine* alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They

have their reward. <sup>3</sup>But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth: <sup>4</sup>That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself shall reward thee openly.

<sup>5</sup>And when thou prayest, thou shalt 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 of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. <sup>6</sup>But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. <sup>7</sup>But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen *do*: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. <sup>8</sup>Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him. <sup>9</sup>After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. <sup>10</sup>Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as *it is* in heaven. <sup>11</sup>Give us this day our daily bread. <sup>12</sup>And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. <sup>13</sup>And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen. <sup>14</sup>For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: <sup>15</sup>But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

<sup>16</sup>Moreover when ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. <sup>17</sup>But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face; <sup>18</sup>That thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret: and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly.

<sup>19</sup>Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: <sup>20</sup>But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: <sup>21</sup>For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. <sup>22</sup>The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light. <sup>23</sup>But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great *is* that darkness!

<sup>24</sup>No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon. <sup>25</sup>Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? <sup>26</sup>Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they? <sup>27</sup>Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature? <sup>28</sup>And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: <sup>29</sup>And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>30</sup>Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, *shall he* not much more *clothe* you, O ye of little faith? <sup>31</sup>Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? <sup>32</sup>(For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. <sup>33</sup>But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. <sup>34</sup>Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day *is* the evil thereof.

7 Judge not, that ye be not judged. <sup>2</sup>For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again. <sup>3</sup>And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye? <sup>4</sup>Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam *is* in thine own eye? <sup>5</sup>Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.

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

<sup>7</sup>Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: <sup>8</sup>For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. <sup>9</sup>Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? <sup>10</sup>Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? <sup>11</sup>If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him? <sup>12</sup>Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.

<sup>13</sup>Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in therat: <sup>14</sup>Because strait *is* the gate, and narrow *is* the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

<sup>15</sup>Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. <sup>16</sup>Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? <sup>17</sup>Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. <sup>18</sup>A good tree cannot bring forth

evil fruit, neither *can* a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. <sup>19</sup>Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. <sup>20</sup>Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

<sup>21</sup>Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. <sup>22</sup>Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? <sup>23</sup>And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

<sup>24</sup>Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: <sup>25</sup>And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock. <sup>26</sup>And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: <sup>27</sup>And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it. <sup>28</sup>And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine: <sup>29</sup>For he taught them as *one* having authority, and not as the scribes.

8 When he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him. <sup>2</sup>And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. <sup>3</sup>And Jesus put forth *his* hand, and touched him, saying, **I will; be thou clean.** And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. <sup>4</sup>And Jesus saith unto him, See thou tell no man; but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.

<sup>5</sup>And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him, <sup>6</sup>And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. <sup>7</sup>And Jesus saith unto him, **I will come and heal him.** <sup>8</sup>The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. <sup>9</sup>For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this *man*, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth *it*. <sup>10</sup>When Jesus heard *it*, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, **Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.** <sup>11</sup>And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>12</sup>But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>13</sup>And Jesus said unto the centurion, **Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee.** And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.

<sup>14</sup>And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever. <sup>15</sup>And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them.

<sup>16</sup>When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with *his* word, and healed all that were sick: <sup>17</sup>That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare *our* sicknesses.

<sup>18</sup>Now when Jesus saw great multitudes about him, he gave commandment to depart unto the other side. <sup>19</sup>And a certain scribe came, and said unto him, Master, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest. <sup>20</sup>And Jesus saith unto him, **The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head.** <sup>21</sup>And another of his disciples said unto him, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father. <sup>22</sup>But Jesus said unto him, **Follow me; and let the dead bury their dead.**

<sup>23</sup>And when he was entered into a ship, his disciples followed him. <sup>24</sup>And, behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves: but he was asleep. <sup>25</sup>And his disciples came to *him*, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish. <sup>26</sup>And he saith unto them, **Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm.** <sup>27</sup>But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him!

<sup>28</sup>And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way. <sup>29</sup>And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? art thou come hither to torment us before the time? <sup>30</sup>And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine feeding. <sup>31</sup>So the devils besought him, saying, If thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine. <sup>32</sup>And he said unto them, **Go.** And when they were come out, they went into the herd of swine: and, behold, the whole herd of swine ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and perished in the waters. <sup>33</sup>And they that kept them fled, and went their ways into the city, and told every thing, and what was befallen to the possessed of the devils. <sup>34</sup>And, behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw him, they besought *him* that he would depart out of their coasts.

9 And he entered into a ship, and passed over, and came into his own city. <sup>2</sup>And, behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed: and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy; **Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee.** <sup>3</sup>And, behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, This *man*

blasphemeth. <sup>4</sup>And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, **Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts?** <sup>5</sup>For whether is easier, to say, *Thy sins be forgiven thee*; or to say, *Arise, and walk?* <sup>6</sup>But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) **Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house.** <sup>7</sup>And he arose, and departed to his house. <sup>8</sup>But when the multitudes saw *it*, they marvelled, and glorified God, which had given such power unto men.

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

<sup>10</sup>And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples. <sup>11</sup>And when the Pharisees saw *it*, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master with publicans and sinners? <sup>12</sup>But when Jesus heard *that*, he said unto them, **They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick.** <sup>13</sup>But go ye and learn what *that* meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: **for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.**

<sup>14</sup>Then came to him the disciples of John, saying, Why do we and the Pharisees fast oft, but thy disciples fast not? <sup>15</sup>And Jesus said unto them, **Can the children of the bridechamber mourn, as long as the bridegroom is with them? but the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken from them, and then shall they fast.** <sup>16</sup>No man putteth a piece of new cloth unto an old garment, for that which is put in to fill it up taketh from the garment, and the rent is made worse. <sup>17</sup>Neither do men put new wine into old bottles: else the bottles break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved.

<sup>18</sup>While he spake these things unto them, behold, there came a certain ruler, and worshipped him, saying, My daughter is even now dead: but come and lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live. <sup>19</sup>And Jesus arose, and followed him, and *so did* his disciples.

<sup>20</sup>And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind *him*, and touched the hem of his garment: <sup>21</sup>For she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole. <sup>22</sup>But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, **Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole.** And the woman was made whole from that hour. <sup>23</sup>And when Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw the minstrels and the people making a noise, <sup>24</sup>He said unto them, **Give place: for the maid is not dead, but sleepeth.** And they laughed him to scorn. <sup>25</sup>But when the people were put forth, he went in, and took her by the hand, and the maid arose. <sup>26</sup>And the fame hereof went abroad into all that land.

<sup>27</sup>And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, *Thou* Son of David, have mercy on us. <sup>28</sup>And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, **Believe ye that I am able to do this?** They said unto him, Yea, Lord. <sup>29</sup>Then touched he their eyes, saying, **According to your faith be it unto you.** <sup>30</sup>And their eyes were opened; and Jesus straitly charged them, saying, **See that no man know *it*.** <sup>31</sup>But they, when they were departed, spread abroad his fame in all that country.

<sup>32</sup>As they went out, behold, they brought to him a dumb man possessed with a devil. <sup>33</sup>And when the devil was cast out, the dumb spake: and the multitudes marvelled, saying, It was never so seen in Israel. <sup>34</sup>But the Pharisees said, He casteth out devils through the prince of the devils. <sup>35</sup>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.

<sup>36</sup>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. <sup>37</sup>Then saith he unto his disciples, **The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few;** <sup>38</sup>Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

10 And when he had called unto *him* his twelve disciples, he gave them power *against* unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease. <sup>2</sup>Now the names of the twelve apostles are these; The first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James *the son of* Zebedee, and John his brother; <sup>3</sup>Philip, and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the publican; James *the son of* Alphaeus, and Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup>Simon the Canaanite, and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed him. <sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, **Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into any city of the Samaritans enter ye not:** <sup>6</sup>But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup>And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. <sup>8</sup>Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give. <sup>9</sup>Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses, <sup>10</sup>Nor scrip for your journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor yet staves: for the workman is worthy of his meat. <sup>11</sup>And into whatsoever city or town ye shall enter, enquire who in it is worthy; and there abide till ye go thence. <sup>12</sup>And when ye come into an house, salute it. <sup>13</sup>And if the house be worthy, let your peace come upon it: but if it be not worthy, let your peace return to you. <sup>14</sup>And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear your words, when ye depart out of that house or city, shake off the dust of your feet. <sup>15</sup>Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment, than for that city.



<sup>16</sup>Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves. <sup>17</sup>But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues; <sup>18</sup>And ye shall be brought before governors and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them and the Gentiles. <sup>19</sup>But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak: for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak. <sup>20</sup>For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you. <sup>21</sup>And the brother shall deliver up the brother to death, and the father the child: and the children shall rise up against *their* parents, and cause them to be put to death. <sup>22</sup>And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved. <sup>23</sup>But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of man be come. <sup>24</sup>The disciple is not above *his* master, nor the servant above his lord. <sup>25</sup>It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master, and the servant as his lord. <sup>26</sup>It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master, and the servant as his lord. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more *shall they call* them of his household? <sup>26</sup>Fear them not therefore: for there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known. <sup>27</sup>What I tell you in darkness, *that* speak ye in light: and what ye hear in the ear, *that* preach ye upon the housetops. <sup>28</sup>And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father. <sup>30</sup>But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup>Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup>Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. <sup>33</sup>But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven. <sup>34</sup>Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. <sup>35</sup>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. <sup>36</sup>And a man's foes *shall be* they of his own household. <sup>37</sup>He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. <sup>38</sup>And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup>He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it. <sup>40</sup>He that receiveth you receiveth me, and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me. <sup>41</sup>He that receiveth a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward; and he that receiveth a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward. <sup>42</sup>And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold *water* only in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward.

11 And it came to pass, when Jesus had made an end of commanding his twelve disciples, he departed thence to teach and to preach in their cities. <sup>2</sup>Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples. <sup>3</sup>And said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another? <sup>4</sup>Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: <sup>5</sup>The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them. <sup>6</sup>And blessed is *he*, whosoever shall not be offended in me.

<sup>7</sup>And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind? <sup>8</sup>But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they that wear soft *clothing* are in kings' houses. <sup>9</sup>But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. <sup>10</sup>For this is *he*, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. <sup>11</sup>Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. <sup>12</sup>And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force. <sup>13</sup>For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. <sup>14</sup>And if ye will receive *it*, this is Elias, which was for to come. <sup>15</sup>He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

<sup>16</sup>But whereunto shall I liken this generation? It is like unto children sitting in the markets, and calling unto their fellows, <sup>17</sup>And saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned unto you, and ye have not lamented. <sup>18</sup>For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, He hath a devil. <sup>19</sup>The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners. But wisdom is justified of her children.

<sup>20</sup>Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not: <sup>21</sup>Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. <sup>22</sup>But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you. <sup>23</sup>And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. <sup>24</sup>But I say unto you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for thee.



<sup>25</sup>At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. <sup>26</sup>Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight. <sup>27</sup>All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and *he* to whomsoever the Son will reveal *him*.

<sup>28</sup>Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

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At that time Jesus went on the sabbath day through the corn; and his disciples were an hungred, and began to pluck the ears of corn, and to eat. <sup>2</sup>But when the Pharisees saw *it*, they said unto him, Behold, thy disciples do that which is not lawful to do upon the sabbath day. <sup>3</sup>But he said unto them, Have ye not read what David did, when he was an hungred, and they that were with him; <sup>4</sup>How he entered into the house of God, and did eat the shewbread, which was not lawful for him to eat, neither for them which were with him, but only for the priests? <sup>5</sup>Or have ye not read in the law, how that on the sabbath days the priests in the temple profane the sabbath, and are blameless? <sup>6</sup>But I say unto you, That in this place is *one* greater than the temple. <sup>7</sup>But if ye had known what *this* meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice, ye would not have condemned the guiltless. <sup>8</sup>For the Son of man is Lord even of the sabbath day. <sup>9</sup>And when he was departed thence, he went into their synagogue:

<sup>10</sup>And, behold, there was a man which had *his* hand withered. And they asked him, saying, Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath days? that they might accuse him. <sup>11</sup>And he said unto them, What man shall there be among you, that shall have one sheep, and if it fall into a pit on the sabbath day, will he not lay hold on it, and lift *it* out? <sup>12</sup>How much then is a man better than a sheep? Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the sabbath days. <sup>13</sup>Then saith he to the man, Stretch forth *thine* hand. And he stretched *it* forth; and it was restored whole, like as the other.

<sup>14</sup>Then the Pharisees went out, and held a council against him, how they might destroy him. <sup>15</sup>But when Jesus knew *it*, he withdrew himself from thence: and great multitudes followed him, and he healed them all; <sup>16</sup>And charged them that they should not make him known: <sup>17</sup>That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, <sup>18</sup>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 shew judgment to the Gentiles. <sup>19</sup>He shall not strive, nor cry; neither shall any man hear his voice in the streets. <sup>20</sup>A bruised reed shall he not break, and smoking flax shall he not quench, till he send forth judgment unto victory. <sup>21</sup>And in his name shall the Gentiles trust.

<sup>22</sup>Then was brought unto him one possessed with a devil, blind, and dumb: and he healed him, insomuch that the blind and dumb both spake and saw. <sup>23</sup>And all the people were amazed, and said, Is not this the son of David? <sup>24</sup>But when the Pharisees heard *it*, they said, This *fellow* doth not cast out devils, but by Beelzebub the prince of the devils. <sup>25</sup>And Jesus knew their thoughts, and said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself; how shall then his kingdom stand? <sup>27</sup>And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your children cast *them* out? therefore they shall be your judges. <sup>28</sup>But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you. <sup>29</sup>Or else how can one enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man? and then he will spoil his house. <sup>30</sup>He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.

<sup>31</sup>Wherefore I say unto you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: but the blasphemy *against* the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men. <sup>32</sup>And whosoever speaketh a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the *world* to come. <sup>33</sup>Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by *his* fruit. <sup>34</sup>O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. <sup>35</sup>A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things. <sup>36</sup>But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. <sup>37</sup>For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

<sup>38</sup>Then certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, saying, Master, we would see a sign from thee. <sup>39</sup>But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas: <sup>40</sup>For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. <sup>41</sup>The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here. <sup>42</sup>The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here. <sup>43</sup>When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none. <sup>44</sup>Then he saith, I will return into my house from

whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth *it* empty, swept, and garnished. <sup>45</sup>Then goeth he, and taketh 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 unto this wicked generation.

<sup>46</sup>While he yet talked to the people, behold, *his* mother and his brethren stood without, desiring to speak with him. <sup>47</sup>Then one said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to speak with thee. <sup>48</sup>But he answered and said unto him that told him, **Who is my mother? and who are my brethren?** <sup>49</sup>And he stretched forth his hand toward his disciples, and said, Behold my mother and my brethren! <sup>50</sup>For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

13 The same day went Jesus out of the house, and sat by the sea side. <sup>2</sup>And great multitudes were gathered together unto him, so that he went into a ship, and sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore. <sup>3</sup>And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow; <sup>4</sup>And when he sowed, some *seeds* fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up: <sup>5</sup>Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth: <sup>6</sup>And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away. <sup>7</sup>And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them: <sup>8</sup>But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold. <sup>9</sup>Who hath ears to hear, let him hear. <sup>10</sup>And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables? <sup>11</sup>He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given. <sup>12</sup>For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath. <sup>13</sup>Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not, and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand. <sup>14</sup>And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive: <sup>15</sup>For this people's heart is waxed 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. <sup>16</sup>But blessed *are* your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear. <sup>17</sup>For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous *men* have desired to see *those things* which ye see, and have not seen *them*; and to hear *those things* which ye hear, and have not heard *them*.

<sup>18</sup>Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower. <sup>19</sup>When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth *it* not, then cometh the wicked *one*, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side. <sup>20</sup>But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it; <sup>21</sup>Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended. <sup>22</sup>He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful. <sup>23</sup>But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth *it*; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

<sup>24</sup>Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: <sup>25</sup>But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. <sup>26</sup>But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. <sup>27</sup>So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? <sup>28</sup>He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? <sup>29</sup>But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. <sup>30</sup>Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

<sup>31</sup>Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field: <sup>32</sup>Which indeed is the least of all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.

<sup>33</sup>Another parable spake he unto them; The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened. <sup>34</sup>All these things spake Jesus unto the multitude in parables; and without a parable spake he not unto them: <sup>35</sup>That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world. <sup>36</sup>Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field. <sup>37</sup>He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man; <sup>38</sup>The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked *one*; <sup>39</sup>The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels. <sup>40</sup>As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. <sup>41</sup>The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; <sup>42</sup>And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be

wailing and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup>Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

<sup>44</sup>Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field.

<sup>45</sup>Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls: <sup>46</sup>Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.

<sup>47</sup>Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind: <sup>48</sup>Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away. <sup>49</sup>So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just, <sup>50</sup>And shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. <sup>51</sup>Jesus saith unto them, Have ye understood all these things? They say unto him, Yea, Lord. <sup>52</sup>Then said he unto them, Therefore every scribe *which is instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old.*

<sup>53</sup>And it came to pass, *that* when Jesus had finished these parables, he departed thence. <sup>54</sup>And when he was come into his own country, he taught them in their synagogue, inasmuch that they were astonished, and said, Whence hath this *man* this wisdom, and *these* mighty works? <sup>55</sup>Is not this the carpenter's son? is not his mother called Mary? and his brethren, James, and Joses, and Simon, and Judas? <sup>56</sup>And his sisters, are they not all with us? Whence then hath this *man* all these things? <sup>57</sup>And they were offended in him. But Jesus said unto them, **A prophet is not without honour, save in his own country, and in his own house.** <sup>58</sup>And he did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief.

14 At that time Herod the tetrarch heard of the fame of Jesus, <sup>2</sup>And said unto his servants, This is John the Baptist; he is risen from the dead; and therefore mighty works do shew forth themselves in him.

<sup>3</sup>For Herod had laid hold on John, and bound him, and put *him* in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife. <sup>4</sup>For John said unto him, It is not lawful for thee to have her. <sup>5</sup>And when he would have put him to death, he feared the multitude, because they counted him as a prophet. <sup>6</sup>But when Herod's birthday was kept, the daughter of Herodias danced before them, and pleased Herod. <sup>7</sup>Whereupon he promised with an oath to give her whatsoever she would ask. <sup>8</sup>And she, being before instructed of her mother, said, Give me here John Baptist's head in a charger. <sup>9</sup>And the king was sorry: nevertheless for the oath's sake, and them which sat with him at meat, he commanded *it* to be given *her*. <sup>10</sup>And he sent, and beheaded John in the prison. <sup>11</sup>And his head was brought in a charger, and given to the damsel: and she brought *it* to her mother. <sup>12</sup>And his disciples came, and took up the body, and buried it, and went and told Jesus.

<sup>13</sup>When Jesus heard *of it*, he departed thence by ship into a desert place apart: and when the people had heard *thereof*, they followed him on foot out of the cities. <sup>14</sup>And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and he healed their sick.

<sup>15</sup>And when it was evening, his disciples came to him, saying, This is a desert place, and the time is now past; send the multitude away, that they may go into the villages, and buy themselves victuals. <sup>16</sup>But Jesus said unto them, **They need not depart; give ye them to eat.** <sup>17</sup>And they say unto him, We have here but five loaves, and two fishes. <sup>18</sup>He said, **Bring them hither to me.** <sup>19</sup>And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the grass, and took the five loaves, and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake, and gave the loaves to *his* disciples, and the disciples to the multitude. <sup>20</sup>And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the fragments that remained twelve baskets full. <sup>21</sup>And they that had eaten were about five thousand men, beside women and children.

<sup>22</sup>And straightway Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a ship, and to go before him unto the other side, while he sent the multitudes away. <sup>23</sup>And when he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, he was there alone. <sup>24</sup>But the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was contrary. <sup>25</sup>And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea. <sup>26</sup>And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out for fear. <sup>27</sup>But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, **Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.** <sup>28</sup>And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water. <sup>29</sup>And he said, **Come.** And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me. <sup>31</sup>And immediately Jesus stretched forth *his* hand, and caught him, and said unto him, **O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?** <sup>32</sup>And when they were come into the ship, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup>Then they that were in the ship came and worshipped him, saying, Of a truth thou art the Son of God.

<sup>34</sup>And when they were gone over, they came into the land of Gennesaret. <sup>35</sup>And when the men of that place had knowledge of him, they sent out into all that country round about, and brought unto him all that were

diseased; <sup>36</sup>And besought him that they might only touch the hem of his garment: and as many as touched were made perfectly whole.

15 Then came to Jesus scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem, saying, <sup>2</sup>Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? for they wash not their hands when they eat bread. <sup>3</sup>But he answered and said unto them, **Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?** <sup>4</sup>For God commanded, saying, **Honour thy father and mother:** and, He that curseth father or mother, let him die the death. <sup>5</sup>But ye say, **Whosoever shall say to his father or his mother, It is a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me;** <sup>6</sup>And honour not his father or his mother, **he shall be free.** Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition. <sup>7</sup>*Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying,* <sup>8</sup>**This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.** <sup>9</sup>But in vain they do worship me, *teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.*

<sup>10</sup>And he called the multitude, and said unto them, **Hear, and understand:** <sup>11</sup>**Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man.** <sup>12</sup>Then came his disciples, and said unto him, Knowest thou that the Pharisees were offended, after they heard this saying? <sup>13</sup>But he answered and said, **Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up.** <sup>14</sup>**Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.** <sup>15</sup>Then answered Peter and said unto him, **Declare unto us this parable.** <sup>16</sup>And Jesus said, **Are ye also yet without understanding?** <sup>17</sup>**Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught?** <sup>18</sup>**But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man.** <sup>19</sup>**For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies:** <sup>20</sup>**These are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man.**

<sup>21</sup>Then Jesus went thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup>And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, **Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou Son of David;** my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil. <sup>23</sup>But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, **Send her away; for she crieth after us.** <sup>24</sup>But he answered and said, **I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel.** <sup>25</sup>Then came she and worshipped him, saying, **Lord, help me.** <sup>26</sup>But he answered and said, **It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs.** <sup>27</sup>And she said, **Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table.** <sup>28</sup>Then Jesus answered and said unto her, **O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.** <sup>29</sup>And Jesus departed from thence, and came nigh unto the sea of Galilee; and went up into a mountain, and sat down there. <sup>30</sup>And great multitudes came unto him, having with them *those that were* lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others, and cast them down at Jesus' feet; and he healed them: <sup>31</sup>Insomuch that the multitude wondered, when they saw the dumb to speak, the maimed to be whole, the lame to walk, and the blind to see: and they glorified the God of Israel.

<sup>32</sup>Then Jesus called his disciples *unto him*, and said, **I have compassion on the multitude, because they continue with me now three days, and have nothing to eat: and I will not send them away fasting, lest they faint in the way.** <sup>33</sup>And his disciples say unto him, **Whence should we have so much bread in the wilderness, as to fill so great a multitude?** <sup>34</sup>And Jesus saith unto them, **How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven, and a few little fishes.** <sup>35</sup>And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the ground. <sup>36</sup>And he took the seven loaves and the fishes, and gave thanks, and brake *them*, and gave to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude. <sup>37</sup>And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken *meat* that was left seven baskets full. <sup>38</sup>And they that did eat were four thousand men, beside women and children. <sup>39</sup>And he sent away the multitude, and took ship, and came into the coasts of Magdala,

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