

## Week 2 – Chronological New Testament

### *Miracle at Cana*

**John 2:1** On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; <sup>2</sup> and both Jesus and His disciples were invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup> When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus \*said to Him, “They have no wine.” <sup>4</sup> And Jesus \*said to her, “**Woman, what does that have to do with us? My hour has not yet come.**” <sup>5</sup> His mother \*said to the servants, “Whatever He says to you, do it.” <sup>6</sup> Now there were six stone waterpots set there for the Jewish custom of purification, containing twenty or thirty gallons each. <sup>7</sup> Jesus \*said to them, “**Fill the waterpots with water.**” So they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup> And He \*said to them, “**Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter.**” So they took it *to him*. <sup>9</sup> When the headwaiter tasted the water which had become wine, and did not know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew), the headwaiter \*called the bridegroom, <sup>10</sup> and \*said to him, “Every man serves the good wine first, and when *the people* have drunk freely, *then he serves* the poorer wine; *but* you have kept the good wine until now.” <sup>11</sup> This beginning of *His* signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory, and His disciples believed in Him.

**John 2:12** After this He went down to Capernaum, He and His mother and *His* brothers and His disciples; and they stayed there a few days.

### *First Passover—Cleansing the Temple*

**John 2:13** The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> And He found in the temple those who were selling oxen and sheep and doves, and the money changers seated *at their tables*. <sup>15</sup> And He made a scourge of cords, and drove *them* all out of the temple, with the sheep and the oxen; and He poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables; <sup>16</sup> and to those who were selling the doves He said, “**Take these things away; stop making My Father’s house a place of business.**” <sup>17</sup> His disciples remembered that it was written, “ZEAL FOR YOUR HOUSE WILL CONSUME ME.” <sup>18</sup> The Jews then said to Him, “What sign do You show us as your authority for doing these things?” <sup>19</sup> Jesus answered them, “**Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.**” <sup>20</sup> The Jews then said, “It took forty-six years to build this temple, and will You raise it up in three days?” <sup>21</sup> But He was speaking of the temple of His body. <sup>22</sup> So when He was raised from the dead, His disciples remembered that He said this; and they believed the Scripture and the word which Jesus had spoken.

**John 2:23** Now when He was in Jerusalem at the Passover, during the feast, many believed in His name, observing His signs which He was doing. <sup>24</sup> But Jesus, on His part, was not entrusting Himself to them, for He knew all men, <sup>25</sup> and because He did not need anyone to testify concerning man, for He Himself knew what was in man.

### *The New Birth*

**John 3:1** Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews; <sup>2</sup> this man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, “Rabbi, we know that You have come from God *as* a teacher; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him.” <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered and said to him, “**Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.**”

**John 3:4** Nicodemus *\*said* to Him, “How can a man be born when he is old? He cannot enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born, can he?” <sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, “**Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.** <sup>6</sup> “That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup> “Do not be amazed that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ <sup>8</sup> “The wind blows where it wishes and you hear the sound of it, but do not know where it comes from and where it is going; so is everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

**John 3:9** Nicodemus said to Him, “How can these things be?” <sup>10</sup> Jesus answered and said to him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and do not understand these things? <sup>11</sup> “Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know and testify of what we have seen, and you do not accept our testimony. <sup>12</sup> “If I told you earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things? <sup>13</sup> “No one has ascended into heaven, but He who descended from heaven: the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup> “As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up; <sup>15</sup> so that whoever believes will in Him have eternal life.

**John 3:16** “For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> “For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. <sup>18</sup> “He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. <sup>19</sup> “This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup> “For everyone who does evil hates the Light, and does not come to the Light for fear that his deeds will be exposed. <sup>21</sup> “But he who practices the truth comes to the Light, so that his deeds may be manifested as having been wrought in God.”

### *John’s Last Testimony*

**John 3:22** After these things Jesus and His disciples came into the land of Judea, and there He was spending time with them and baptizing. <sup>23</sup> John also was baptizing in Aenon near Salim, because there was much water there; and *people* were coming and were being baptized — <sup>24</sup> for John had not yet been thrown into prison.

**John 3:25** Therefore there arose a discussion on the part of John’s disciples with a Jew about purification. <sup>26</sup> And they came to John and said to him, “Rabbi, He who was with you beyond the

Jordan, to whom you have testified, behold, He is baptizing and all are coming to Him.” <sup>27</sup> John answered and said, “A man can receive nothing unless it has been given him from heaven. <sup>28</sup> “You yourselves are my witnesses that I said, ‘I am not the Christ,’ but, ‘I have been sent ahead of Him.’” <sup>29</sup> “He who has the bride is the bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom’s voice. So this joy of mine has been made full. <sup>30</sup> “He must increase, but I must decrease.

**John 3:31** “He who comes from above is above all, he who is of the earth is from the earth and speaks of the earth. He who comes from heaven is above all. <sup>32</sup> “What He has seen and heard, of that He testifies; and no one receives His testimony. <sup>33</sup> “He who has received His testimony has set his seal to *this*, that God is true. <sup>34</sup> “For He whom God has sent speaks the words of God; for He gives the Spirit without measure. <sup>35</sup> “The Father loves the Son and has given all things into His hand. <sup>36</sup> “He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.”

### *Jesus Goes to Galilee*

**John 4:1** Therefore when the Lord knew that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John <sup>2</sup> (although Jesus Himself was not baptizing, but His disciples were), <sup>3</sup> He left Judea and went away again into Galilee. <sup>4</sup> And He had to pass through Samaria. <sup>5</sup> So He \*came to a city of Samaria called Sychar, near the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph; <sup>6</sup> and Jacob’s well was there. So Jesus, being wearied from His journey, was sitting thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour.

### *The Woman of Samaria*

**John 4:7** There \*came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus \*said to her, “**Give Me a drink.**” <sup>8</sup> For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. <sup>9</sup> Therefore the Samaritan woman \*said to Him, “How is it that You, being a Jew, ask me for a drink since I am a Samaritan woman?” (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) <sup>10</sup> Jesus answered and said to her, “**If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, ‘Give Me a drink,’ you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water.**” <sup>11</sup> She \*said to Him, “Sir, You have nothing to draw with and the well is deep; where then do You get that living water? <sup>12</sup> “You are not greater than our father Jacob, are You, who gave us the well, and drank of it himself and his sons and his cattle?” <sup>13</sup> Jesus answered and said to her, “**Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again; <sup>14</sup> but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall never thirst; but the water that I will give him will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life.**”

**John 4:15** The woman \*said to Him, “Sir, give me this water, so I will not be thirsty nor come all the way here to draw.” <sup>16</sup> He \*said to her, “**Go, call your husband and come here.**” <sup>17</sup> The woman answered and said, “I have no husband.” Jesus \*said to her, “**You have correctly said, ‘I have no husband’; <sup>18</sup> for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not**

your husband; this you have said truly.”<sup>19</sup> The woman \*said to Him, “Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet.”<sup>20</sup> “Our fathers worshiped in this mountain, and you *people* say that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.”<sup>21</sup> Jesus \*said to her, “Woman, believe Me, an hour is coming when neither in this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father.”<sup>22</sup> “You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.”<sup>23</sup> “But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers.”<sup>24</sup> “God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”<sup>25</sup> The woman \*said to Him, “I know that Messiah is coming (He who is called Christ); when that One comes, He will declare all things to us.”<sup>26</sup> Jesus \*said to her, “I who speak to you am *He*.”

**John 4:27** At this point His disciples came, and they were amazed that He had been speaking with a woman, yet no one said, “What do You seek?” or, “Why do You speak with her?”<sup>28</sup> So the woman left her waterpot, and went into the city and \*said to the men,<sup>29</sup> “Come, see a man who told me all the things that I *have* done; this is not the Christ, is it?”<sup>30</sup> They went out of the city, and were coming to Him.

**John 4:31** Meanwhile the disciples were urging Him, saying, “Rabbi, eat.”<sup>32</sup> But He said to them, “I have food to eat that you do not know about.”<sup>33</sup> So the disciples were saying to one another, “No one brought Him *anything* to eat, did he?”<sup>34</sup> Jesus \*said to them, “My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me and to accomplish His work.”<sup>35</sup> “Do you not say, ‘There are yet four months, and *then* comes the harvest’? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields, that they are white for harvest.”<sup>36</sup> “Already he who reaps is receiving wages and is gathering fruit for life eternal; so that he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together.”<sup>37</sup> “For in this *case* the saying is true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’”<sup>38</sup> “I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored; others have labored and you have entered into their labor.”

### *The Samaritans*

**John 4:39** From that city many of the Samaritans believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, “He told me all the things that I *have* done.”<sup>40</sup> So when the Samaritans came to Jesus, they were asking Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days.<sup>41</sup> Many more believed because of His word;<sup>42</sup> and they were saying to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves and know that this One is indeed the Savior of the world.”

**John 4:43** After the two days He went forth from there into Galilee.<sup>44</sup> For Jesus Himself testified that a prophet has no honor in his own country.<sup>45</sup> So when He came to Galilee, the Galileans received Him, having seen all the things that He did in Jerusalem at the feast; for they themselves also went to the feast.

### *Healing a Nobleman’s Son*

**John 4:46** Therefore He came again to Cana of Galilee where He had made the water wine. And there was a royal official whose son was sick at Capernaum. <sup>47</sup> When he heard that Jesus had come out of Judea into Galilee, he went to Him and was imploring *Him* to come down and heal his son; for he was at the point of death. <sup>48</sup> So Jesus said to him, “**Unless you people see signs and wonders, you simply will not believe.**” <sup>49</sup> The royal official \*said to Him, “Sir, come down before my child dies.” <sup>50</sup> Jesus \*said to him, “**Go; your son lives.**” The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and started off. <sup>51</sup> As he was now going down, *his* slaves met him, saying that his son was living. <sup>52</sup> So he inquired of them the hour when he began to get better. Then they said to him, “Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him.” <sup>53</sup> So the father knew that *it was* at that hour in which Jesus said to him, “**Your son lives**”; and he himself believed and his whole household. <sup>54</sup> This is again a second sign that Jesus performed when He had come out of Judea into Galilee.

### *The Paralytic Healed*

**Mark 2:1** When He had come back to Capernaum several days afterward, it was heard that He was at home. <sup>2</sup> And many were gathered together, so that there was no longer room, not even near the door; and He was speaking the word to them. <sup>3</sup> And they \*came, bringing to Him a paralytic, carried by four men. <sup>4</sup> Being unable to get to Him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above Him; and when they had dug an opening, they let down the pallet on which the paralytic was lying. <sup>5</sup> And Jesus seeing their faith \*said to the paralytic, “**Son, your sins are forgiven.**” <sup>6</sup> But some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, <sup>7</sup> “Why does this man speak that way? He is blaspheming; who can forgive sins but God alone?” <sup>8</sup> Immediately Jesus, aware in His spirit that they were reasoning that way within themselves, \*said to them, “**Why are you reasoning about these things in your hearts?**” <sup>9</sup> “**Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven’; or to say, ‘Get up, and pick up your pallet and walk’?**” <sup>10</sup> “**But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins**” — He \*said to the paralytic, <sup>11</sup> “**I say to you, get up, pick up your pallet and go home.**” <sup>12</sup> And he got up and immediately picked up the pallet and went out in the sight of everyone, so that they were all amazed and were glorifying God, saying, “We have never seen anything like this.”

**Mark 2:13** And He went out again by the seashore; and all the people were coming to Him, and He was teaching them. <sup>14</sup> As He passed by, He saw Levi the *son* of Alphaeus sitting in the tax booth, and He \*said to him, “**Follow Me!**” And he got up and followed Him.

**Mark 2:15** And it \*happened that He was reclining *at the table* in his house, and many tax collectors and sinners were dining with Jesus and His disciples; for there were many of them, and they were following Him. <sup>16</sup> When the scribes of the Pharisees saw that He was eating with the sinners and tax collectors, they said to His disciples, “Why is He eating and drinking with tax collectors and sinners?” <sup>17</sup> And hearing *this*, Jesus \*said to them, “**It is not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick; I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners.**”

**Mark 2:18** John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting; and they \*came and \*said to Him, "Why do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but Your disciples do not fast?"<sup>19</sup> And Jesus said to them, "While the bridegroom is with them, the attendants of the bridegroom cannot fast, can they? So long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast."<sup>20</sup> "But the days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast in that day."

**Mark 2:21** "No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment; otherwise the patch pulls away from it, the new from the old, and a worse tear results."<sup>22</sup> "No one puts new wine into old wineskins; otherwise the wine will burst the skins, and the wine is lost and the skins *as well*; but *one puts* new wine into fresh wineskins."

### *Question of the Sabbath*

**Mark 2:23** And it happened that He was passing through the grainfields on the Sabbath, and His disciples began to make their way along while picking the heads *of grain*.<sup>24</sup> The Pharisees were saying to Him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?"<sup>25</sup> And He \*said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he was in need and he and his companions became hungry;<sup>26</sup> how he entered the house of God in the time of Abiathar *the* high priest, and ate the consecrated bread, which is not lawful for *anyone* to eat except the priests, and he also gave it to those who were with him?"<sup>27</sup> Jesus said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath."<sup>28</sup> "So the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath."

### *The Healing at Bethesda*

**John 5:1** After these things there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

**John 5:2** Now there is in Jerusalem by the sheep *gate* a pool, which is called in Hebrew Bethesda, having five porticoes.<sup>3</sup> In these lay a multitude of those who were sick, blind, lame, and withered, [waiting for the moving of the waters;<sup>4</sup> for an angel of the Lord went down at certain seasons into the pool and stirred up the water; whoever then first, after the stirring up of the water, stepped in was made well from whatever disease with which he was afflicted.]<sup>5</sup> A man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years.<sup>6</sup> When Jesus saw him lying *there*, and knew that he had already been a long time *in that condition*, He \*said to him, "Do you wish to get well?"<sup>7</sup> The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, but while I am coming, another steps down before me."<sup>8</sup> Jesus \*said to him, "Get up, pick up your pallet and walk."<sup>9</sup> Immediately the man became well, and picked up his pallet and *began* to walk.

Now it was the Sabbath on that day.<sup>10</sup> So the Jews were saying to the man who was cured, "It is the Sabbath, and it is not permissible for you to carry your pallet."<sup>11</sup> But he answered them, "He



who made me well was the one who said to me, ‘Pick up your pallet and walk.’” <sup>12</sup> They asked him, “Who is the man who said to you, ‘Pick up your pallet and walk?’” <sup>13</sup> But the man who was healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had slipped away while there was a crowd in *that* place. <sup>14</sup> Afterward Jesus \*found him in the temple and said to him, “Behold, you have become well; do not sin anymore, so that nothing worse happens to you.” <sup>15</sup> The man went away, and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well. <sup>16</sup> For this reason the Jews were persecuting Jesus, because He was doing these things on the Sabbath. <sup>17</sup> But He answered them, “My Father is working until now, and I Myself am working.” <sup>18</sup> For this reason therefore the Jews were seeking all the more to kill Him, because He not only was breaking the Sabbath, but also was calling God His own Father, making Himself equal with God.

**John 5:19** Therefore Jesus answered and was saying to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, unless *it is* something He sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, these things the Son also does in like manner. <sup>20</sup> “For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself is doing; and *the Father* will show Him greater works than these, so that you will marvel. <sup>21</sup> “For just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, even so the Son also gives life to whom He wishes. <sup>22</sup> “For not even the Father judges anyone, but He has given all judgment to the Son, <sup>23</sup> so that all will honor the Son even as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him.

**John 5:24** “Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life. <sup>25</sup> “Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. <sup>26</sup> “For just as the Father has life in Himself, even so He gave to the Son also to have life in Himself; <sup>27</sup> and He gave Him authority to execute judgment, because He is *the* Son of Man. <sup>28</sup> “Do not marvel at this; for an hour is coming, in which all who are in the tombs will hear His voice, <sup>29</sup> and will come forth; those who did the good *deeds* to a resurrection of life, those who committed the evil *deeds* to a resurrection of judgment.

**John 5:30** “I can do nothing on My own initiative. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is just, because I do not seek My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.

**John 5:31** “If I *alone* testify about Myself, My testimony is not true. <sup>32</sup> “There is another who testifies of Me, and I know that the testimony which He gives about Me is true. <sup>33</sup> “You have sent to John, and he has testified to the truth. <sup>34</sup> “But the testimony which I receive is not from man, but I say these things so that you may be saved. <sup>35</sup> “He was the lamp that was burning and was shining and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his light. <sup>36</sup> “But the testimony which I have is greater than *the testimony of* John; for the works which the Father has given Me to accomplish — the very works that I do — testify about Me, that the Father has sent Me. <sup>37</sup> “And the Father who sent Me, He has testified of Me. You have neither heard His voice at any time nor seen His form. <sup>38</sup> “You do not have His word abiding in you, for you do not believe Him whom He sent. <sup>39</sup> “You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal

life; it is these that testify about Me; <sup>40</sup> and you are unwilling to come to Me so that you may have life. <sup>41</sup> “I do not receive glory from men; <sup>42</sup> but I know you, that you do not have the love of God in yourselves. <sup>43</sup> “I have come in My Father’s name, and you do not receive Me; if another comes in his own name, you will receive him. <sup>44</sup> “How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and you do not seek the glory that is from the *one and only* God? <sup>45</sup> “Do not think that I will accuse you before the Father; the one who accuses you is Moses, in whom you have set your hope. <sup>46</sup> “For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me, for he wrote about Me. <sup>47</sup> “But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe My words?”

### *Sabbath Questions*

**Matt. 12:1** At that time Jesus went through the grainfields on the Sabbath, and His disciples became hungry and began to pick the heads *of grain* and eat. <sup>2</sup> But when the Pharisees saw *this*, they said to Him, “Look, Your disciples do what is not lawful to do on a Sabbath.” <sup>3</sup> But He said to them, “Have you not read what David did when he became hungry, he and his companions, <sup>4</sup> how he entered the house of God, and they ate the consecrated bread, which was not lawful for him to eat nor for those with him, but for the priests alone? <sup>5</sup> “Or have you not read in the Law, that on the Sabbath the priests in the temple break the Sabbath and are innocent? <sup>6</sup> “But I say to you that something greater than the temple is here. <sup>7</sup> “But if you had known what this means, ‘I DESIRE COMPASSION, AND NOT A SACRIFICE,’ you would not have condemned the innocent. <sup>8</sup> “For the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath.”

**Matt. 12:9** Departing from there, He went into their synagogue. <sup>10</sup> And a man *was there* whose hand was withered. And they questioned Jesus, asking, “Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?” — so that they might accuse Him. <sup>11</sup> And He said to them, “What man is there among you who has a sheep, and if it falls into a pit on the Sabbath, will he not take hold of it and lift it out? <sup>12</sup> “How much more valuable then is a man than a sheep! So then, it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath.” <sup>13</sup> Then He *said* to the man, “Stretch out your hand!” He stretched it out, and it was restored to normal, like the other. <sup>14</sup> But the Pharisees went out and conspired against Him, *as to* how they might destroy Him.

**Matt. 12:15** But Jesus, aware of *this*, withdrew from there. Many followed Him, and He healed them all, <sup>16</sup> and warned them not to tell who He was. <sup>17</sup> *This was* to fulfill what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet:

<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 PROCLAIM JUSTICE TO THE GENTILES.  
<sup>19</sup> “HE WILL NOT QUARREL, NOR CRY OUT;  
NOR WILL ANYONE HEAR HIS VOICE IN THE STREETS.  
<sup>20</sup> “A BATTERED REED HE WILL NOT BREAK OFF,  
AND A SMOLDERING WICK HE WILL NOT PUT OUT,



UNTIL HE LEADS JUSTICE TO VICTORY.

<sup>21</sup> “AND IN HIS NAME THE GENTILES WILL HOPE.”

### *Jesus Heals on the Sabbath*

**Mark 3:1** He entered again into a synagogue; and a man was there whose hand was withered. <sup>2</sup> They were watching Him *to see* if He would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse Him. <sup>3</sup> He \*said to the man with the withered hand, “**Get up and come forward!**” <sup>4</sup> And He \*said to them, “**Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the Sabbath, to save a life or to kill?**” But they kept silent. <sup>5</sup> After looking around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, He \*said to the man, “**Stretch out your hand.**” And he stretched it out, and his hand was restored. <sup>6</sup> The Pharisees went out and immediately *began* conspiring with the Herodians against Him, *as to* how they might destroy Him.

**Mark 3:7** Jesus withdrew to the sea with His disciples; and a great multitude from Galilee followed; and *also* from Judea, <sup>8</sup> and from Jerusalem, and from Idumea, and beyond the Jordan, and the vicinity of Tyre and Sidon, a great number of people heard of all that He was doing and came to Him. <sup>9</sup> And He told His disciples that a boat should stand ready for Him because of the crowd, so that they would not crowd Him; <sup>10</sup> for He had healed many, with the result that all those who had afflictions pressed around Him in order to touch Him. <sup>11</sup> Whenever the unclean spirits saw Him, they would fall down before Him and shout, “You are the Son of God!” <sup>12</sup> And He earnestly warned them not to tell who He was.

### *The Twelve Are Chosen*

**Mark 3:13** And He \*went up on the mountain and \*summoned those whom He Himself wanted, and they came to Him. <sup>14</sup> And He appointed twelve, so that they would be with Him and that He *could* send them out to preach, <sup>15</sup> and to have authority to cast out the demons. <sup>16</sup> And He appointed the twelve: Simon (to whom He gave the name Peter), <sup>17</sup> and James, the *son* of Zebedee, and John the brother of James (to them He gave the name Boanerges, which means, “Sons of Thunder”); <sup>18</sup> and Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus, and Simon the Zealot; <sup>19</sup> and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed Him.

**Mark 3:20** And He \*came home, and the crowd \*gathered again, to such an extent that they could not even eat a meal. <sup>21</sup> When His own people heard *of this*, they went out to take custody of Him; for they were saying, “He has lost His senses.” <sup>22</sup> The scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, “He is possessed by Beelzebul,” and “He casts out the demons by the ruler of the demons.” <sup>23</sup> And He called them to Himself and began speaking to them in parables, “**How can Satan cast out Satan?** <sup>24</sup> “**If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.** <sup>25</sup> “**If a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand.** <sup>26</sup> “**If Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but he is finished!** <sup>27</sup> “**But no one can**

enter the strong man's house and plunder his property unless he first binds the strong man, and then he will plunder his house.

**Mark 3:28** “Truly I say to you, all sins shall be forgiven the sons of men, and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup> but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin” — <sup>30</sup> because they were saying, “He has an unclean spirit.”

**Mark 3:31** Then His mother and His brothers \*arrived, and standing outside they sent *word* to Him and called Him. <sup>32</sup> A crowd was sitting around Him, and they \*said to Him, “Behold, Your mother and Your brothers are outside looking for You.” <sup>33</sup> Answering them, He \*said, “**Who are My mother and My brothers?**” <sup>34</sup> Looking about at those who were sitting around Him, He \*said, “Behold My mother and My brothers! <sup>35</sup> “For whoever does the will of God, he is My brother and sister and mother.”

### *Jesus Is Lord of the Sabbath*

**Luke 6:1** Now it happened that He was passing through *some* grainfields on a Sabbath; and His disciples were picking the heads of grain, rubbing them in their hands, and eating *the grain*. <sup>2</sup> But some of the Pharisees said, “Why do you do what is not lawful on the Sabbath?” <sup>3</sup> And Jesus answering them said, “**Have you not even read what David did when he was hungry, he and those who were with him, <sup>4</sup> how he entered the house of God, and took and ate the consecrated bread which is not lawful for any to eat except the priests alone, and gave it to his companions?**” <sup>5</sup> And He was saying to them, “The Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath.”

**Luke 6:6** On another Sabbath He entered the synagogue and was teaching; and there was a man there whose right hand was withered. <sup>7</sup> The scribes and the Pharisees were watching Him closely *to see* if He healed on the Sabbath, so that they might find *reason* to accuse Him. <sup>8</sup> But He knew what they were thinking, and He said to the man with the withered hand, “**Get up and come forward!**” And he got up and came forward. <sup>9</sup> And Jesus said to them, “**I ask you, is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the Sabbath, to save a life or to destroy it?**” <sup>10</sup> After looking around at them all, He said to him, “**Stretch out your hand!**” And he did *so*; and his hand was restored. <sup>11</sup> But they themselves were filled with rage, and discussed together what they might do to Jesus.

### *Choosing the Twelve*

**Luke 6:12** It was at this time that He went off to the mountain to pray, and He spent the whole night in prayer to God. <sup>13</sup> And when day came, He called His disciples to Him and chose twelve of them, whom He also named as apostles: <sup>14</sup> Simon, whom He also named Peter, and Andrew his brother; and James and John; and Philip and Bartholomew; <sup>15</sup> and Matthew and Thomas; James *the son* of Alphaeus, and Simon who was called the Zealot; <sup>16</sup> Judas *the son* of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

**Luke 6:17** Jesus came down with them and stood on a level place; and *there was* a large crowd of His disciples, and a great throng of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon,<sup>18</sup> who had come to hear Him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were being cured.<sup>19</sup> And all the people were trying to touch Him, for power was coming from Him and healing *them* all.

### *The Beatitudes*

**Luke 6:20** And turning His gaze toward His disciples, He *began* to say, “**Blessed are you who are poor**, for yours is the kingdom of God.”<sup>21</sup> “**Blessed are you who hunger now**, for you shall be satisfied. **Blessed are you who weep now**, for you shall laugh.”<sup>22</sup> “**Blessed are you when men hate you, and ostracize you, and insult you, and scorn your name as evil**, for the sake of the Son of Man.”<sup>23</sup> “**Be glad in that day and leap for joy**, for behold, your reward is great in heaven. For in the same way their fathers used to treat the prophets.”<sup>24</sup> “**But woe to you who are rich**, for you are receiving your comfort in full.”<sup>25</sup> “**Woe to you who are well-fed now**, for you shall be hungry. **Woe to you who laugh now**, for you shall mourn and weep.”<sup>26</sup> “**Woe to you when all men speak well of you**, for their fathers used to treat the false prophets in the same way.”

**Luke 6:27** “**But I say to you who hear**, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,”<sup>28</sup> bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.”<sup>29</sup> “**Whoever hits you on the cheek**, offer him the other also; and whoever takes away your coat, do not withhold your shirt from him either.”<sup>30</sup> “**Give to everyone who asks of you**, and whoever takes away what is yours, do not demand it back.”<sup>31</sup> “**Treat others the same way you want them to treat you.**”<sup>32</sup> “**If you love those who love you**, what credit is *that* to you? For even sinners love those who love them.”<sup>33</sup> “**If you do good to those who do good to you**, what credit is *that* to you? For even sinners do the same.”<sup>34</sup> “**If you lend to those from whom you expect to receive**, what credit is *that* to you? Even sinners lend to sinners in order to receive back the same *amount*.”<sup>35</sup> “**But love your enemies**, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He Himself is kind to ungrateful and evil *men*.”<sup>36</sup> “**Be merciful**, just as your Father is merciful.”

**Luke 6:37** “**Do not judge**, and you will not be judged; and do not condemn, and you will not be condemned; pardon, and you will be pardoned.”<sup>38</sup> “**Give**, and it will be given to you. They will pour into your lap a good measure — pressed down, shaken together, *and* running over. For by your standard of measure it will be measured to you in return.”

**Luke 6:39** And He also spoke a parable to them: “**A blind man cannot guide a blind man**, can he? Will they not both fall into a pit?”<sup>40</sup> “**A pupil is not above his teacher**; but everyone, after he has been fully trained, will be like his teacher.”<sup>41</sup> “**Why do you look at the speck that is in your brother’s eye**, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye?”<sup>42</sup> “**Or how can you say to your brother**, ‘Brother, let me take out the speck that is in your eye,’ when you yourself do not see the log that is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you

will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother's eye. <sup>43</sup> “For there is no good tree which produces bad fruit, nor, on the other hand, a bad tree which produces good fruit. <sup>44</sup> “For each tree is known by its own fruit. For men do not gather figs from thorns, nor do they pick grapes from a briar bush. <sup>45</sup> “The good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth what is good; and the evil *man* out of the evil *treasure* brings forth what is evil; for his mouth speaks from that which fills his heart.

### *Builders and Foundations*

**Luke 6:46** “Why do you call Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say? <sup>47</sup> “Everyone who comes to Me and hears My words and acts on them, I will show you whom he is like: <sup>48</sup> he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid a foundation on the rock; and when a flood occurred, the torrent burst against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built. <sup>49</sup> “But the one who has heard and has not acted *accordingly*, is like a man who built a house on the ground without any foundation; and the torrent burst against it and immediately it collapsed, and the ruin of that house was great.”

### *The Sermon on the Mount; The Beatitudes*

**Matt. 5:1** When Jesus saw the crowds, He went up on the mountain; and after He sat down, His disciples came to Him. <sup>2</sup> He opened His mouth and *began* to teach them, saying,

**Matt. 5:3** “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

**Matt. 5:4** “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

**Matt. 5:5** “Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the earth.

**Matt. 5:6** “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

**Matt. 5:7** “Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

**Matt. 5:8** “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

**Matt. 5:9** “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

**Matt. 5:10** “Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

**Matt. 5:11** “Blessed are you when *people* insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me. <sup>12</sup> “Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great; for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

## *Disciples and the World*

**Matt. 5:13** “You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt has become tasteless, how can it be made salty *again*? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled under foot by men.

**Matt. 5:14** “You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; <sup>15</sup> nor does *anyone* light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. <sup>16</sup> “Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.

**Matt. 5:17** “Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup> “For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass from the Law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup> “Whoever then annuls one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others *to do* the same, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever keeps and teaches *them*, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

**Matt. 5:20** “For I say to you that unless your righteousness surpasses *that* of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

## *Personal Relationships*

**Matt. 5:21** “You have heard that the ancients were told, ‘YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT MURDER’ and ‘Whoever commits murder shall be liable to the court.’ <sup>22</sup> “But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother shall be guilty before the court; and whoever says to his brother, ‘You good-for-nothing,’ shall be guilty before the supreme court; and whoever says, ‘You fool,’ shall be guilty *enough to go* into the fiery hell. <sup>23</sup> “Therefore if you are presenting your offering at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, <sup>24</sup> leave your offering there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and present your offering. <sup>25</sup> “Make friends quickly with your opponent at law while you are with him on the way, so that your opponent may not hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the officer, and you be thrown into prison. <sup>26</sup> “Truly I say to you, you will not come out of there until you have paid up the last cent.

**Matt. 5:27** “You have heard that it was said, ‘YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY’; <sup>28</sup> but I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart. <sup>29</sup> “If your right eye makes you stumble, tear it out and throw it from you; for it is better for you to lose one of the parts of your body, than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. <sup>30</sup> “If your right hand makes you stumble, cut it off and throw it from you;

for it is better for you to lose one of the parts of your body, than for your whole body to go into hell.

**Matt. 5:31** “It was said, ‘WHOEVER SENDS HIS WIFE AWAY, LET HIM GIVE HER A CERTIFICATE OF DIVORCE’; <sup>32</sup> but I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except for *the* reason of unchastity, makes her commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

**Matt. 5:33** “Again, you have heard that the ancients were told, ‘YOU SHALL NOT MAKE FALSE VOWS, BUT SHALL FULFILL YOUR VOWS TO THE LORD.’ <sup>34</sup> “But I say to you, make no oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, <sup>35</sup> or by the earth, for it is the footstool of His feet, or by Jerusalem, for it is THE CITY OF THE GREAT KING. <sup>36</sup> “Nor shall you make an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. <sup>37</sup> “But let your statement be, ‘Yes, yes’ *or* ‘No, no’; anything beyond these is of evil.

**Matt. 5:38** “You have heard that it was said, ‘AN EYE FOR AN EYE, AND A TOOTH FOR A TOOTH.’ <sup>39</sup> “But I say to you, do not resist an evil person; but whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also. <sup>40</sup> “If anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, let him have your coat also. <sup>41</sup> “Whoever forces you to go one mile, go with him two. <sup>42</sup> “Give to him who asks of you, and do not turn away from him who wants to borrow from you.

**Matt. 5:43** “You have heard that it was said, ‘YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR and hate your enemy.’ <sup>44</sup> “But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, <sup>45</sup> so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for He causes His sun to rise on *the* evil and *the* good, and sends rain on *the* righteous and *the* unrighteous. <sup>46</sup> “For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? <sup>47</sup> “If you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing *than others*? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? <sup>48</sup> “Therefore you are to be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

### *Giving to the Poor and Prayer*

**Matt. 6:1** “Beware of practicing your righteousness before men to be noticed by them; otherwise you have no reward with your Father who is in heaven.

**Matt. 6:2** “So when you give to the poor, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be honored by men. Truly I say to you, they have their reward in full. <sup>3</sup> “But when you give to the poor, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, <sup>4</sup> so that your giving will be in secret; and your Father who sees *what is done* in secret will reward you.

**Matt. 6:5** “When you pray, you are not to be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on the street corners so that they may be seen by men. Truly I say to you,



they have their reward in full. <sup>6</sup> “But you, when you pray, go into your inner room, close your door and pray to your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees *what is done* in secret will reward you.

**Matt. 6:7** “And when you are praying, do not use meaningless repetition as the Gentiles do, for they suppose that they will be heard for their many words. <sup>8</sup> “So do not be like them; for your Father knows what you need before you ask Him.

**Matt. 6:9** “Pray, then, in this way:

‘Our Father who is in heaven,  
Hallowed be Your name.  
<sup>10</sup> ‘Your kingdom come.  
Your will be done,  
On 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 also have forgiven our debtors.  
<sup>13</sup> ‘And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
[For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.]  
<sup>14</sup> “For if you forgive others for their transgressions, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.  
<sup>15</sup> “But if you do not forgive others, then your Father will not forgive your transgressions.

*Fasting; The True Treasure; Wealth (Mammon)*

**Matt. 6:16** “Whenever you fast, do not put on a gloomy face as the hypocrites *do*, for they neglect their appearance so that they will be noticed by men when they are fasting. Truly I say to you, they have their reward in full. <sup>17</sup> “But you, when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face <sup>18</sup> so that your fasting will not be noticed by men, but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees *what is done* in secret will reward you.

**Matt. 6:19** “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. <sup>20</sup> “But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; <sup>21</sup> for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

**Matt. 6:22** “The eye is the lamp of the body; so then if your eye is clear, your whole body will be full of light. <sup>23</sup> “But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light that is in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

**Matt. 6:24** “No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

*The Cure for Anxiety*

**Matt. 6:25** “For this reason I say to you, do not be worried about your life, *as to* what you will eat or what you will drink; nor for your body, *as to* what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup> “Look at the birds of the air, that they do not sow, nor reap nor gather into barns, and *yet* your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they? <sup>27</sup> “And who of you by being worried can add a *single* hour to his life? <sup>28</sup> “And why are you worried about clothing? Observe how the lilies of the field grow; they do not toil nor do they spin, <sup>29</sup> yet I say to you that not even Solomon in all his glory clothed himself like one of these. <sup>30</sup> “But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is *alive* today and tomorrow is thrown into the furnace, *will He* not much more *clothe* you? You of little faith! <sup>31</sup> “Do not worry then, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear for clothing?’ <sup>32</sup> “For the Gentiles eagerly seek all these things; for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. <sup>33</sup> “But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

**Matt. 6:34** “So do not worry about tomorrow; for tomorrow will care for itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

### *Judging Others*

**Matt. 7:1** “Do not judge so that you will not be judged. <sup>2</sup> “For in the way you judge, you will be judged; and by your standard of measure, it will be measured to you. <sup>3</sup> “Why do you look at the speck that is in your brother’s eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? <sup>4</sup> “Or how can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ and behold, the log is in your own eye? <sup>5</sup> “You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother’s eye.

**Matt. 7:6** “Do not give what is holy to dogs, and do not throw your pearls before swine, or they will trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you to pieces.

### *Prayer and the Golden Rule*

**Matt. 7:7** “Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. <sup>8</sup> “For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. <sup>9</sup> “Or what man is there among you who, when his son asks for a loaf, will give him a stone? <sup>10</sup> “Or if he asks for a fish, he will not give him a snake, will he? <sup>11</sup> “If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give what is good to those who ask Him!

**Matt. 7:12** “In everything, therefore, treat people the same way you want them to treat you, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

### *The Narrow and Wide Gates*

**Matt. 7:13** “Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it. <sup>14</sup> “For the gate is small and the way is narrow that leads to life, and there are few who find it.

### *A Tree and Its Fruit*

**Matt. 7:15** “Beware of the false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves. <sup>16</sup> “You will know them by their fruits. Grapes are not gathered from thorn bushes nor figs from thistles, are they? <sup>17</sup> “So every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit. <sup>18</sup> “A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, nor can a bad tree produce good fruit. <sup>19</sup> “Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. <sup>20</sup> “So then, you will know them by their fruits.

**Matt. 7:21** “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven *will enter*. <sup>22</sup> “Many will say to Me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?’ <sup>23</sup> “And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; DEPART FROM ME, YOU WHO PRACTICE LAWLESSNESS.’

### *The Two Foundations*

**Matt. 7:24** “Therefore everyone who hears these words of Mine and acts on them, may be compared to a wise man who built his house on the rock. <sup>25</sup> “And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and slammed against that house; and *yet* it did not fall, for it had been founded on the rock. <sup>26</sup> “Everyone who hears these words of Mine and does not act on them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. <sup>27</sup> “The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and slammed against that house; and it fell — and great was its fall.”

**Matt. 7:28** When Jesus had finished these words, the crowds were amazed at His teaching; <sup>29</sup> for He was teaching them as *one* having authority, and not as their scribes.