

Week 6 – Chronological New Testament

God Knows and Cares

Luke 12:1 Under these circumstances, after so many thousands of people had gathered together that they were stepping on one another, He began saying to His disciples first *of all*, “Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy.”² “But there is nothing covered up that will not be revealed, and hidden that will not be known.”³ “Accordingly, whatever you have said in the dark will be heard in the light, and what you have whispered in the inner rooms will be proclaimed upon the housetops.

Luke 12:4 “I say to you, My friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body and after that have no more that they can do.”⁵ “But I will warn you whom to fear: fear the One who, after He has killed, has authority to cast into hell; yes, I tell you, fear Him!”⁶ “Are not five sparrows sold for two cents? Yet not one of them is forgotten before God.”⁷ “Indeed, the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not fear; you are more valuable than many sparrows.

Luke 12:8 “And I say to you, everyone who confesses Me before men, the Son of Man will confess him also before the angels of God;”⁹ but he who denies Me before men will be denied before the angels of God.”¹⁰ “And everyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man, it will be forgiven him; but he who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven him.”¹¹ “When they bring you before the synagogues and the rulers and the authorities, do not worry about how or what you are to speak in your defense, or what you are to say;”¹² for the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you ought to say.”

Covetousness Denounced

Luke 12:13 Someone in the crowd said to Him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the *family* inheritance with me.”¹⁴ But He said to him, “Man, who appointed Me a judge or arbitrator over you?”¹⁵ Then He said to them, “Beware, and be on your guard against every form of greed; for not *even* when one has an abundance does his life consist of his possessions.”¹⁶ And He told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man was very productive.”¹⁷ “And he began reasoning to himself, saying, ‘What shall I do, since I have no place to store my crops?’”¹⁸ “Then he said, ‘This is what I will do: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.’”¹⁹ “And I will say to my soul, ‘Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years *to come*; take your ease, eat, drink *and* be merry.’”²⁰ “But God said to him, ‘You fool! This *very* night your soul is required of you; and *now* who will own what you have prepared?’”²¹ “So is the man who stores up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.”

Luke 12:22 And He said to His disciples, “For this reason I say to you, do not worry about *your* life, *as to* what you will eat; nor for your body, *as to* what you will put on.”²³ “For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing.”²⁴ “Consider the ravens, for they neither sow nor

reap; they have no storeroom nor barn, and *yet* God feeds them; how much more valuable you are than the birds! ²⁵ “And which of you by worrying can add a *single* hour to his life’s span? ²⁶ “If then you cannot do even a very little thing, why do you worry about other matters? ²⁷ “Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; but I tell you, not even Solomon in all his glory clothed himself like one of these. ²⁸ “But if God so clothes the grass in the field, which is *alive* today and tomorrow is thrown into the furnace, how much more *will He clothe* you? You men of little faith! ²⁹ “And do not seek what you will eat and what you will drink, and do not keep worrying. ³⁰ “For all these things the nations of the world eagerly seek; but your Father knows that you need these things. ³¹ “But seek His kingdom, and these things will be added to you. ³² “Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has chosen gladly to give you the kingdom.

Luke 12:33 “Sell your possessions and give to charity; make yourselves money belts which do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near nor moth destroys. ³⁴ “For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Be in Readiness

Luke 12:35 “Be dressed in readiness, and *keep* your lamps lit. ³⁶ “Be like men who are waiting for their master when he returns from the wedding feast, so that they may immediately open *the door* to him when he comes and knocks. ³⁷ “Blessed are those slaves whom the master will find on the alert when he comes; truly I say to you, that he will gird himself *to serve*, and have them recline *at the table*, and will come up and wait on them. ³⁸ “Whether he comes in the second watch, or even in the third, and finds *them* so, blessed are those *slaves*.

Luke 12:39 “But be sure of this, that if the head of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have allowed his house to be broken into. ⁴⁰ “You too, be ready; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour that you do not expect.”

Luke 12:41 Peter said, “Lord, are You addressing this parable to us, or to everyone *else* as well?” ⁴² And the Lord said, “Who then is the faithful and sensible steward, whom his master will put in charge of his servants, to give them their rations at the proper time? ⁴³ “Blessed is that slave whom his master finds so doing when he comes. ⁴⁴ “Truly I say to you that he will put him in charge of all his possessions. ⁴⁵ “But if that slave says in his heart, ‘My master will be a long time in coming,’ and begins to beat the slaves, *both* men and women, and to eat and drink and get drunk; ⁴⁶ the master of that slave will come on a day when he does not expect *him* and at an hour he does not know, and will cut him in pieces, and assign him a place with the unbelievers. ⁴⁷ “And that slave who knew his master’s will and did not get ready or act in accord with his will, will receive many lashes, ⁴⁸ but the one who did not know *it*, and committed deeds worthy of a flogging, will receive but few. From everyone who has been given much, much will be required; and to whom they entrusted much, of him they will ask all the more.

Christ Divides Men

Luke 12:49 “I have come to cast fire upon the earth; and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰ “But I have a baptism to undergo, and how distressed I am until it is accomplished! ⁵¹ “Do you suppose that I came to grant peace on earth? I tell you, no, but rather division; ⁵² for from now on five *members* in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three. ⁵³ “They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

Luke 12:54 And He was also saying to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, immediately you say, ‘A shower is coming,’ and so it turns out. ⁵⁵ “And when *you see* a south wind blowing, you say, ‘It will be a hot day,’ and it turns out *that way*. ⁵⁶ “You hypocrites! You know how to analyze the appearance of the earth and the sky, but why do you not analyze this present time?

Luke 12:57 “And why do you not even on your own initiative judge what is right? ⁵⁸ “For while you are going with your opponent to appear before the magistrate, on *your way there* make an effort to settle with him, so that he may not drag you before the judge, and the judge turn you over to the officer, and the officer throw you into prison. ⁵⁹ “I say to you, you will not get out of there until you have paid the very last cent.”

Call to Repent

Luke 13:1 Now on the same occasion there were some present who reported to Him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. ² And Jesus said to them, “Do you suppose that these Galileans were *greater* sinners than all *other* Galileans because they suffered this *fate*? ³ “I tell you, no, but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. ⁴ “Or do you suppose that those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them were *worse* culprits than all the men who live in Jerusalem? ⁵ “I tell you, no, but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.”

Luke 13:6 And He *began* telling this parable: “A man had a fig tree which had been planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and did not find any. ⁷ “And he said to the vineyard-keeper, ‘Behold, for three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree without finding any. Cut it down! Why does it even use up the ground?’ ⁸ “And he answered and said to him, ‘Let it alone, sir, for this year too, until I dig around it and put in fertilizer; ⁹ and if it bears fruit next year, *fine*; but if not, cut it down.’”

Healing on the Sabbath

Luke 13:10 And He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. ¹¹ And there was a woman who for eighteen years had had a sickness caused by a spirit; and she was bent double, and could not straighten up at all. ¹² When Jesus saw her, He called her over and said to her, “Woman, you are freed from your sickness.” ¹³ And He laid His hands on her; and immediately she was made erect again and *began* glorifying God. ¹⁴ But the synagogue official, indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, *began* saying to the crowd in response, “There are six days in which work should be done; so come during them and get healed, and not on the Sabbath day.” ¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites, does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the stall and lead him away to water *him*? ¹⁶ “And this woman, a daughter of Abraham as she is, whom Satan has bound for eighteen long years, should she not have been released from this bond on the Sabbath day?” ¹⁷ As He said this, all His opponents were being humiliated; and the entire crowd was rejoicing over all the glorious things being done by Him.

Parables of Mustard Seed and Leaven

Luke 13:18 So He was saying, “What is the kingdom of God like, and to what shall I compare it? ¹⁹ “It is like a mustard seed, which a man took and threw into his own garden; and it grew and became a tree, and THE BIRDS OF THE AIR NESTED IN ITS BRANCHES.”

Luke 13:20 And again He said, “To what shall I compare the kingdom of God? ²¹ “It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three pecks of flour until it was all leavened.”

Teaching in the Villages

Luke 13:22 And He was passing through from one city and village to another, teaching, and proceeding on His way to Jerusalem. ²³ And someone said to Him, “Lord, are there *just* a few who are being saved?” And He said to them, ²⁴ “Strive to enter through the narrow door; for many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. ²⁵ “Once the head of the house gets up and shuts the door, and you begin to stand outside and knock on the door, saying, ‘Lord, open up to us!’ then He will answer and say to you, ‘I do not know where you are from.’ ²⁶ “Then you will begin to say, ‘We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets’; ²⁷ and He will say, ‘I tell you, I do not know where you are from; DEPART FROM ME, ALL YOU EVILDOERS.’ ²⁸ “In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, but yourselves being thrown out. ²⁹ “And they will come from east and west and from north and south, and will recline *at the table* in the kingdom of God. ³⁰ “And behold, *some* are last who will be first and *some* are first who will be last.”

Luke 13:31 Just at that time some Pharisees approached, saying to Him, “Go away, leave here, for Herod wants to kill You.” ³² And He said to them, “Go and tell that fox, ‘Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third *day* I reach My goal.’ ³³

“Nevertheless I must journey on today and tomorrow and the next *day*; for it cannot be that a prophet would perish outside of Jerusalem. ³⁴ “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, *the city* that kills the prophets and stones those sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, just as a hen *gathers* her brood under her wings, and you would not *have it*! ³⁵ “Behold, your house is left to you *desolate*; and I say to you, you will not see Me until *the time* comes when you say, ‘BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!’”

Jesus Heals on the Sabbath

Luke 14:1 It happened that when He went into the house of one of the leaders of the Pharisees on *the Sabbath* to eat bread, they were watching Him closely. ² And there in front of Him was a man suffering from dropsy. ³ And Jesus answered and spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, “*Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?*” ⁴ But they kept silent. And He took hold of him and healed him, and sent him away. ⁵ And He said to them, “*Which one of you will have a son or an ox fall into a well, and will not immediately pull him out on a Sabbath day?*” ⁶ And they could make no reply to this.

Parable of the Guests

Luke 14:7 And He *began* speaking a parable to the invited guests when He noticed how they had been picking out the places of honor *at the table*, saying to them, ⁸ “*When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for someone more distinguished than you may have been invited by him, ⁹ and he who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give your place to this man,’ and then in disgrace you proceed to occupy the last place. ¹⁰ “But when you are invited, go and recline at the last place, so that when the one who has invited you comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will have honor in the sight of all who are at the table with you. ¹¹ “For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”*

Luke 14:12 And He also went on to say to the one who had invited Him, “*When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, otherwise they may also invite you in return and that will be your repayment. ¹³ “But when you give a reception, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴ and you will be blessed, since they do not have the means to repay you; for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”*

Luke 14:15 When one of those who were reclining *at the table* with Him heard this, he said to Him, “Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!” ¹⁶ But He said to him, “A man was giving a big dinner, and he invited many; ¹⁷ and at the dinner hour he sent his slave to say to those who had been invited, ‘Come; for everything is ready now.’ ¹⁸ “But they all alike began to make excuses. The first one said to him, ‘I have bought a piece of land and I need to go out and look at it; please consider me excused.’ ¹⁹ “Another one said, ‘I have bought five yoke of

oxen, and I am going to try them out; please consider me excused.’²⁰ “Another one said, ‘I have married a wife, and for that reason I cannot come.’²¹ “And the slave came *back* and reported this to his master. Then the head of the household became angry and said to his slave, ‘Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the city and bring in here the poor and crippled and blind and lame.’²² “And the slave said, ‘Master, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.’²³ “And the master said to the slave, ‘Go out into the highways and along the hedges, and compel *them* to come in, so that my house may be filled.’²⁴ ‘For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste of my dinner.’”

Discipleship Tested

Luke 14:25 Now large crowds were going along with Him; and He turned and said to them,²⁶ “If anyone comes to Me, and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be My disciple.²⁷ “Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple.²⁸ “For which one of you, when he wants to build a tower, does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if he has enough to complete it?²⁹ “Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who observe it begin to ridicule him,³⁰ saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’³¹ “Or what king, when he sets out to meet another king in battle, will not first sit down and consider whether he is strong enough with ten thousand *men* to encounter the one coming against him with twenty thousand?³² “Or else, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace.³³ “So then, none of you can be My disciple who does not give up all his own possessions.

Luke 14:34 “Therefore, salt is good; but if even salt has become tasteless, with what will it be seasoned?³⁵ “It is useless either for the soil or for the manure pile; it is thrown out. He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

The Lost Sheep

Luke 15:1 Now all the tax collectors and the sinners were coming near Him to listen to Him.² Both the Pharisees and the scribes *began* to grumble, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

Luke 15:3 So He told them this parable, saying,⁴ “What man among you, if he has a hundred sheep and has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open pasture and go after the one which is lost until he finds it?⁵ “When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing.⁶ “And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost!’⁷ “I tell you that in the same way, there will be *more* joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

The Lost Coin

Luke 15:8 “Or what woman, if she has ten silver coins and loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ “When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin which I had lost!’ ¹⁰ “In the same way, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

The Prodigal Son

Luke 15:11 And He said, “A man had two sons. ¹² “The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the estate that falls to me.’ So he divided his wealth between them. ¹³ “And not many days later, the younger son gathered everything together and went on a journey into a distant country, and there he squandered his estate with loose living. ¹⁴ “Now when he had spent everything, a severe famine occurred in that country, and he began to be impoverished. ¹⁵ “So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. ¹⁶ “And he would have gladly filled his stomach with the pods that the swine were eating, and no one was giving *anything* to him. ¹⁷ “But when he came to his senses, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired men have more than enough bread, but I am dying here with hunger! ¹⁸ ‘I will get up and go to my father, and will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in your sight; ¹⁹ I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me as one of your hired men.”’ ²⁰ “So he got up and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion *for him*, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. ²¹ “And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ ²² “But the father said to his slaves, ‘Quickly bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet; ²³ and bring the fattened calf, kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; ²⁴ for this son of mine was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.’ And they began to celebrate.

Luke 15:25 “Now his older son was in the field, and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶ “And he summoned one of the servants and *began* inquiring what these things could be. ²⁷ “And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has received him back safe and sound.’ ²⁸ “But he became angry and was not willing to go in; and his father came out and *began* pleading with him. ²⁹ “But he answered and said to his father, ‘Look! For so many years I have been serving you and I have never neglected a command of yours; and *yet* you have never given me a young goat, so that I might celebrate with my friends; ³⁰ but when this son of yours came, who has devoured your wealth with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him.’ ³¹ “And he said to him, ‘Son, you have always been with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³² ‘But we had to celebrate and rejoice, for this brother of yours was dead and *has begun* to live, and *was* lost and has been found.’”

The Unrighteous Steward

Luke 16:1 Now He was also saying to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and this *manager* was reported to him as squandering his possessions. ² “And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this I hear about you? Give an accounting of your management, for you can no longer be manager.’ ³ “The manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig; I am ashamed to beg. ⁴ ‘I know what I shall do, so that when I am removed from the management people will welcome me into their homes.’ ⁵ “And he summoned each one of his master’s debtors, and he *began* saying to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶ “And he said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ And he said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ ⁷ “Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ And he said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He *said* to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ ⁸ “And his master praised the unrighteous manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the sons of this age are more shrewd in relation to their own kind than the sons of light. ⁹ “And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by means of the wealth of unrighteousness, so that when it fails, they will receive you into the eternal dwellings.

Luke 16:10 “He who is faithful in a very little thing is faithful also in much; and he who is unrighteous in a very little thing is unrighteous also in much. ¹¹ “Therefore if you have not been faithful in the *use of* unrighteous wealth, who will entrust the true *riches* to you? ¹² “And if you have not been faithful in *the use of* that which is another’s, who will give you that which is your own? ¹³ “No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

Luke 16:14 Now the Pharisees, who were lovers of money, were listening to all these things and were scoffing at Him. ¹⁵ And He said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves in the sight of men, but God knows your hearts; for that which is highly esteemed among men is detestable in the sight of God.

Luke 16:16 “The Law and the Prophets *were proclaimed* until John; since that time the gospel of the kingdom of God has been preached, and everyone is forcing his way into it. ¹⁷ “But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for one stroke of a letter of the Law to fail.

Luke 16:18 “Everyone who divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery, and he who marries one who is divorced from a husband commits adultery.

The Rich Man and Lazarus

Luke 16:19 “Now there was a rich man, and he habitually dressed in purple and fine linen, joyously living in splendor every day. ²⁰ “And a poor man named Lazarus was laid at his gate, covered with sores, ²¹ and longing to be fed with the *crumbs* which were falling from the rich man’s table; besides, even the dogs were coming and licking his sores. ²² “Now the poor man

died and was carried away by the angels to Abraham's bosom; and the rich man also died and was buried. ²³ "In Hades he lifted up his eyes, being in torment, and *saw Abraham far away and Lazarus in his bosom. ²⁴ "And he cried out and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus so that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool off my tongue, for I am in agony in this flame.' ²⁵ "But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your life you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus bad things; but now he is being comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶ 'And besides all this, between us and you there is a great chasm fixed, so that those who wish to come over from here to you will not be able, and *that* none may cross over from there to us.' ²⁷ "And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, that you send him to my father's house — ²⁸ for I have five brothers — in order that he may warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.' ²⁹ "But Abraham *said, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.' ³⁰ "But he said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent!' ³¹ "But he said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be persuaded even if someone rises from the dead.'"

Instructions

Luke 17:1 He said to His disciples, "It is inevitable that stumbling blocks come, but woe to him through whom they come! ² "It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea, than that he would cause one of these little ones to stumble. ³ "Be on your guard! If your brother sins, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him. ⁴ "And if he sins against you seven times a day, and returns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' forgive him."

Luke 17:5 The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" ⁶ And the Lord said, "If you had faith like a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and be planted in the sea'; and it would obey you."

Luke 17:7 "Which of you, having a slave plowing or tending sheep, will say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come immediately and sit down to eat'? ⁸ "But will he not say to him, 'Prepare something for me to eat, and *properly* clothe yourself and serve me while I eat and drink; and afterward you may eat and drink'? ⁹ "He does not thank the slave because he did the things which were commanded, does he? ¹⁰ "So you too, when you do all the things which are commanded you, say, 'We are unworthy slaves; we have done *only* that which we ought to have done.'"

The Death and Resurrection of Lazarus

John 11:1 Now a certain man was sick, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ² It was the Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped His feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick. ³ So the sisters sent *word* to Him, saying, "Lord, behold, he whom You love is sick." ⁴ But when Jesus heard *this*, He said, "**This sickness is not to end in**

death, but for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified by it.”⁵ Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus.⁶ So when He heard that he was sick, He then stayed two days longer in the place where He was.⁷ Then after this He *said to the disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.”⁸ The disciples *said to Him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone You, and are You going there again?”⁹ Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world.¹⁰ “But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him.”¹¹ This He said, and after that He *said to them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep; but I go, so that I may awaken him out of sleep.”¹² The disciples then said to Him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover.”¹³ Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that He was speaking of literal sleep.¹⁴ So Jesus then said to them plainly, “Lazarus is dead,¹⁵ and I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, so that you may believe; but let us go to him.”¹⁶ Therefore Thomas, who is called Didymus, said to *his* fellow disciples, “Let us also go, so that we may die with Him.”

John 11:17 So when Jesus came, He found that he had already been in the tomb four days.¹⁸ Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off;¹⁹ and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary, to console them concerning *their* brother.²⁰ Martha therefore, when she heard that Jesus was coming, went to meet Him, but Mary stayed at the house.²¹ Martha then said to Jesus, “Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died.²² “Even now I know that whatever You ask of God, God will give You.”²³ Jesus *said to her, “Your brother will rise again.”²⁴ Martha *said to Him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.”²⁵ Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies,²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?”²⁷ She *said to Him, “Yes, Lord; I have believed that You are the Christ, the Son of God, even He who comes into the world.”

John 11:28 When she had said this, she went away and called Mary her sister, saying secretly, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.”²⁹ And when she heard it, she *got up quickly and was coming to Him.

John 11:30 Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha met Him.³¹ Then the Jews who were with her in the house, and consoling her, when they saw that Mary got up quickly and went out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there.³² Therefore, when Mary came where Jesus was, she saw Him, and fell at His feet, saying to Him, “Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died.”³³ When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her *also* weeping, He was deeply moved in spirit and was troubled,³⁴ and said, “Where have you laid him?” They *said to Him, “Lord, come and see.”³⁵ Jesus wept.³⁶ So the Jews were saying, “See how He loved him!”³⁷ But some of them said, “Could not this man, who opened the eyes of the blind man, have kept this man also from dying?”

John 11:38 So Jesus, again being deeply moved within, *came to the tomb. Now it was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹ Jesus *said, “**Remove the stone.**” Martha, the sister of the deceased, *said to Him, “Lord, by this time there will be a stench, for he has been *dead* four days.” ⁴⁰ Jesus *said to her, “**Did I not say to you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?**” ⁴¹ So they removed the stone. Then Jesus raised His eyes, and said, “**Father, I thank You that You have heard Me.**” ⁴² “**I knew that You always hear Me; but because of the people standing around I said it, so that they may believe that You sent Me.**” ⁴³ When He had said these things, He cried out with a loud voice, “**Lazarus, come forth.**” ⁴⁴ The man who had died came forth, bound hand and foot with wrappings, and his face was wrapped around with a cloth. Jesus *said to them, “**Unbind him, and let him go.**”

John 11:45 Therefore many of the Jews who came to Mary, and saw what He had done, believed in Him. ⁴⁶ But some of them went to the Pharisees and told them the things which Jesus had done.

Conspiracy to Kill Jesus

John 11:47 Therefore the chief priests and the Pharisees convened a council, and were saying, “What are we doing? For this man is performing many signs. ⁴⁸ “If we let Him *go on* like this, all men will believe in Him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation.” ⁴⁹ But one of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, said to them, “You know nothing at all, ⁵⁰ nor do you take into account that it is expedient for you that one man die for the people, and that the whole nation not perish.” ⁵¹ Now he did not say this on his own initiative, but being high priest that year, he prophesied that Jesus was going to die for the nation, ⁵² and not for the nation only, but in order that He might also gather together into one the children of God who are scattered abroad. ⁵³ So from that day on they planned together to kill Him.

John 11:54 Therefore Jesus no longer continued to walk publicly among the Jews, but went away from there to the country near the wilderness, into a city called Ephraim; and there He stayed with the disciples.

John 11:55 Now the Passover of the Jews was near, and many went up to Jerusalem out of the country before the Passover to purify themselves. ⁵⁶ So they were seeking for Jesus, and were saying to one another as they stood in the temple, “What do you think; that He will not come to the feast at all?” ⁵⁷ Now the chief priests and the Pharisees had given orders that if anyone knew where He was, he was to report it, so that they might seize Him.

Ten Lepers Cleansed

Luke 17:11 While He was on the way to Jerusalem, He was passing between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As He entered a village, ten leprous men who stood at a distance met Him; ¹³ and they raised their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” ¹⁴ When He saw them, He said to

them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they were going, they were cleansed. ¹⁵ Now one of them, when he saw that he had been healed, turned back, glorifying God with a loud voice, ¹⁶ and he fell on his face at His feet, giving thanks to Him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus answered and said, “Were there not ten cleansed? But the nine — where are they? ¹⁸ “Was no one found who returned to give glory to God, except this foreigner?” ¹⁹ And He said to him, “Stand up and go; your faith has made you well.”

Luke 17:20 Now having been questioned by the Pharisees as to when the kingdom of God was coming, He answered them and said, “The kingdom of God is not coming with signs to be observed; ²¹ nor will they say, ‘Look, here *it is!*’ or, ‘There *it is!*’ For behold, the kingdom of God is in your midst.”

Second Coming Foretold

Luke 17:22 And He said to the disciples, “The days will come when you will long to see one of the days of the Son of Man, and you will not see it. ²³ “They will say to you, ‘Look there! Look here!’ Do not go away, and do not run after *them*. ²⁴ “For just like the lightning, when it flashes out of one part of the sky, shines to the other part of the sky, so will the Son of Man be in His day. ²⁵ “But first He must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation. ²⁶ “And just as it happened in the days of Noah, so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man: ²⁷ they were eating, they were drinking, they were marrying, they were being given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all. ²⁸ “It was the same as happened in the days of Lot: they were eating, they were drinking, they were buying, they were selling, they were planting, they were building; ²⁹ but on the day that Lot went out from Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all. ³⁰ “It will be just the same on the day that the Son of Man is revealed. ³¹ “On that day, the one who is on the housetop and whose goods are in the house must not go down to take them out; and likewise the one who is in the field must not turn back. ³² “Remember Lot’s wife. ³³ “Whoever seeks to keep his life will lose it, and whoever loses *his life* will preserve it. ³⁴ “I tell you, on that night there will be two in one bed; one will be taken and the other will be left. ³⁵ “There will be two women grinding at the same place; one will be taken and the other will be left. ³⁶ [“Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other will be left.”] ³⁷ And answering they *said to Him, “Where, Lord?” And He said to them, “Where the body *is*, there also the vultures will be gathered.”

Parables on Prayer

Luke 18:1 Now He was telling them a parable to show that at all times they ought to pray and not to lose heart, ² saying, “In a certain city there was a judge who did not fear God and did not respect man. ³ “There was a widow in that city, and she kept coming to him, saying, ‘Give me legal protection from my opponent.’ ⁴ “For a while he was unwilling; but afterward he said to himself, ‘Even though I do not fear God nor respect man, ⁵ yet because this widow bothers me, I will give her legal protection, otherwise by continually coming she will wear me out.’” ⁶ And the

Lord said, “Hear what the unrighteous judge *said; ⁷ now, will not God bring about justice for His elect who cry to Him day and night, and will He delay long over them? ⁸ “I tell you that He will bring about justice for them quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on the earth?”

The Pharisee and the Publican

Luke 18:9 And He also told this parable to some people who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and viewed others with contempt: ¹⁰ “Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ “The Pharisee stood and was praying this to himself: ‘God, I thank You that I am not like other people: swindlers, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹² ‘I fast twice a week; I pay tithes of all that I get.’ ¹³ “But the tax collector, standing some distance away, was even unwilling to lift up his eyes to heaven, but was beating his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, the sinner!’ ¹⁴ “I tell you, this man went to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted.”