

# *The Gospel According to Joshua*

## *Chapter 1*

1:1 This is the true and faithful testament of God's servant Joshua who is ordained by God to testify on the life of Him who is the Holy Ghost's only son.

1:2 And being one of the few having been taught the arts and mysteries of the letters and Jesus not being so endowed, He had tasked four others of the apostles having skills with letters with the recording of His testaments on parchment for perpetuity.

1:3 Forasmuch as many false scribes shall take in hand to set forth in order a declaration of those things;

1:4 It seemed good to me also, having had experience of all things from the very first, to write so that thou mightest know the certainty of these things.

1:5 But as the other apostles have written profusely on the life of Jesus, I shall teach you only some of His life so that you mayest not be burdened by many words.

1:6 It came to pass that there was an young woman who was known as Mary, and she had just latterly become fertile, and she did sin and copulate with an man and did discover that she was with child.

1:7 And before her condition could be seen, and afear'd of being outcast as an whore, Mary did enrapture and captivate an old man who was past his prime and was known as Joseph Christ, and he being enamoured of Mary offered her marriage, and she accepted.

1:8 And it soon became apparent that Mary was with child, and Joseph, believing it to be his own, did care for and provide for Mary instead of casting her out into the wilderness to be an harlot and die in penury before being consigned to Hell.

1:9 So it came to pass that Mary delivered a son, and that son was given the name of Jesus, and Joseph Christ, according to his beliefs and the customs of those times, had Jesus mutilated by circumcision, but He was of an tender age whereby He had no knowledge of it afterward.

1:10 And Joseph and Mary did care for and educate their son from henceforth until He became of age and left the house of His family.

1:11 When Jesus Christ was but a child He preferred to wear the white robes of His mother, and He did forgo the garb of his father whom was known as an carpenter.

1:12 And He did strut about the house ecstatically reciting the scriptures, insofar as He had been taught them, and He had visions thereupon in which He saw God in his heaven.

1:13 And His mother and His father did follow the proverbs and did beat Him with rods to quell His unnatural desires, but He continued in secret with His visions and made no mention of them again.

1:14 And when Jesus was of twelve years of age He did have a vision, whereby the clouds parted and He saw an man dressed in white, with white sandals, and with his face covered entirely with snow-white linen.

1:15 And in His vision the angel, that Jesus did suppose him to be, did speak unto Jesus: I am the Holy Ghost, sent by the deity known as God unto you to explain the manner and the mysteries of your birth.

1:16 I was sent by God unto Mary your mother, and I said unto Mary: Fear not, Mary, for thou hast found favour with God.

1:17 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and ye shalt know his name as Jesus.

1:18 And Mary said unto me: How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?

1:19 And I answered and said unto her: I shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore that holy babe that shalt be born of thee shall be called the Son of the Holy Ghost.

1:20 And immediately thereupon I, the Holy Ghost, did fornicate with Mary and she became with child, and I said unto her: Keep your secret close and speak not of this act, for otherwise ye shalt be considered an adulteress and an harlot and you and your babe shall be stoned to death.

1:21 Therefore art thou, Jesus, an deity, and when you die ye shalt sit beside God in heaven on his right hand;

1:22 And at that moment the clouds gathered together and the vision of Jesus did cease.

1:23 And so it came to pass that when Jesus was of twelve years of age He had become devoted to the beliefs of His parents and He did emulate them in their zeal and worshipped God, and He marvelled and nurtured the growth of hair on His face, and that did make Him appear like unto the graven images of God.

1:24 He listened to the Hebrew scriptures as they were told unto Him, and not being lettered but having a prodigious memory, He kept all in His mind, and in the afterwards He was able to recite any part of the scriptures without the books in which they were written down.

1:25 And He discussed with Mary and Joseph their import and meanings so that He could discover God; and as the child grew and waxed strong in spirit, He was filled with learning, and He thought that through His visions that the grace of God was upon Him.

1:26 And at that time they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast.

1:27 And it came to pass, that the child Jesus was found sitting in a temple in the midst of the priests and asking them questions.

1:28 But at that time Jesus was aware of His feelings and that some scriptures that He had memorised and some priests that He consulted condemned His feelings and told Him they were perverse and would certainly lead Him to Hell.

1:29 And His soul was troubled and He did pray for guidance and redemption.

1:30 And within the temple He had an vision that God did send a messenger in the form of the angel Gabriel, but none others present could see Gabriel.

1:31 And the angel Gabriel said unto Jesus: Forgo and suppress your feelings and lead a pure life unsullied by desires, for God commands that the son of the Holy Ghost should be His voice on Earth and testify for Him and convert those that did not follow the one and only true faith.

1:32 Jesus did fall upon His knees and cried tears of salt and promised to follow the scriptures faithfully, and teach whomsoever He met to follow the one and only true god, forsaking all others on pain of being committed to one of the Hells if He strayed from the one and only true path to salvation.

1:33 And He did promise the angel Gabriel, the messenger sent by God, to suppress His desires and live the rest of His life as an hermit and never to be betrothed to any woman or man so that He might, when He died, sit upon the right hand of His spiritual god-father in Heaven.

1:34 And in His vision Gabriel was satisfied and reported to his God that the only son of the Holy Ghost would forever be virtuous and spread the word of God to all those that He met.

1:35 And upon returning unto the family home Jesus did take His meagre possessions and did farewell His mother and His father, and He ventured forth to follow the scriptures and do God's commandments.

## *Chapter 2*

2:1 For many years that were eighteen in number, Jesus wandered without purpose throughout the cities and the towns of the lands He visited, and He earned His bread and meat through His labours in the places that He visited.

2:2 And throughout these years and for the whole extent of His life He did marry not and He did father children not.

2:3 For the children of Jesus would have been the grandchildren of the Holy Ghost, and God had told Him in an vision that he did want only a single sire to follow after Him.

2:4 And on His travels He met many wise men and conversed with them and learned of their philosophies and the gods that they did worship.

2:5 At that time Jesus doubted God and found many troubling aspects of life that seems to contradict the scriptures and their views of creation.

2:6 And during conversations with the wise He would often produce small creatures that had bizarre appearances and bizarre behaviours, such as ants that fly and birds that do not, and He did ask them: If God is perfect and created all things, then why do these creatures exist?

2:7 And He would ask of them: If God is perfect and created all things, why do innocent people suffer the cruelest fates, some suffering fits, others having the bodies of adults but the minds of babies, others having strange hallucinations and yet others having mutilated and spastic frames?

2:8 And why are there volcanoes, and torrents of water, and drynesses, so that people live in suffocating gases and floods and famines and die?

2:9 And the priests and wise men did answer Him thus: God moves in mysterious ways and everything that occurs has a purpose, but it is only for God in his infinite wisdom and his infinite love to know the reasons for these creatures and our fates, and we must pray for salvation and eternal life in heaven beside him after death.

2:10 And Jesus in spite of His visions was sorely tempted to believe that God existed not, and that all the other deities of whom He was taught existed not, and that the stars and all inanimate objects and all living things were justly an happenstance of nature.

2:11 But He became forlorn and could see no reason to live unless there was an higher being creating and directing all of the universe, and unless there was an reason for His visions, and unless there was a life after death for the righteous.

2:12 And so He was saved and became a believer in the one God, who was His god-father, as He had been directed to by the priests and wise men who had counselled Him.

2:13 And He forsook all other gods and all other graven images, excepting the graven images of His god-father and He truly believed that all other gods were the creations of the priests that followed them in order to have power and domination over the peoples in their lands.

2:14 But despite the promises that He did make to the angel Gabriel Jesus found His desires surpassing strong, and He emulated those priests and wise men that He found fair of skin and beguiling of words.

2:15 But Jesus was fraught with anguish and He did meet a prostitute named Mary who had fallen on hard times and she offered herself unto Him for a small silver coin; and He lay with her and fornicated, but He found it surpassingly unpleasant and vowed never to bed an woman again and never to wed.

2:16 But He said unto her: I shall not forget your kindnesses and I shall pray for you, and if I meet you again I shall absolve you of your sins and God shall forgive you and reserve a place in Heaven for you.

2:17 And Mary replied: Thank you good man, and if we cross paths on the road in the future thou should know that my name is Magdalene.

2:18 And so He did lapse into His sinful ways, but following the preachings of the priests who thought that they were wiser than Him, He assumed that it was God's will and He decided that God had an purpose for Him in spite of His wanton ways.

2:19 But Jesus did learn and become wise beyond His years and was respected by all that He met and conversed with.

2:20 And His prodigious memory gave unto Him wisdom that was desired by many, and so He stopped labouring and earned His daily bread from counselling and advising those that He met and would listen unto Him.

2:21 However His audiences were few in number and He desired more than that which they provided, and He yearned for God to bestow fame upon Him so that His soul would be satisfied.

### *Chapter 3*

3:1 In the thirtieth year of our Lord Jesus upon this Earth, the word of God came unto John the son of Zacharias in the wilderness.

3:2 And John did baptise men in the wilderness, and he also did baptise men in Aenon, because there was much water there to cover men's bodies.

3:3 And he preached the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins, and he listened to the confessions of many men and baptised them and saved them from the vicissitudes of Hell and eternal damnation.

3:4 And the same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins; and his sustenances in all the years that he preached were locusts and wild honey.

3:5 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?

3:6 And now as the axe is laid unto the root of the trees, and therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

3:7 And I indeed baptise you with water unto repentance: but He that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to wear, and He shall baptise you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire.

3:8 Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptised of him and He was baptised.

3:9 And lo! straightway coming up out of the water, He had an vision and saw the heavens open, and a Spirit like unto an dove descending upon Him, and there came a voice from heaven, saying: Thou art my beloved god-son, fathered by the Holy Ghost, in whom I am well pleased.

3:10 But Jesus did confess of His sins unto John and admitted that He did have unnatural desires, and John, who wanted to love Jesus, replied: Put away all unnatural desires and follow the true path that God has set before you, and do not tarry with me but go hence and fulfil thou duties.

3:11 And John also said unto Him: But you are charismatic and words drop from your lips like honey, and many shall listen to you and be enraptured by your speech.

3:12 And ye shall have visions to guide you on the path to righteousness.

3:13 And I shall foretell, that God shall bless you and you shall do his work on Earth and multitudes shall follow you and love you, and be baptised by you.

3:14 And you shalt hide your inclinations, although you shall surround yourself with twelve faithful devotees who will help you to convert the multitudes of those that hear you speak.

3:15 When Jesus left John the Baptist, He went unto an high peak in order to be closer to God, and He did prostrate Himself and pray for salvation, but He heard of no reply.

3:16 Excepting He did have an vision of Satan whom spoke unto Him: I shall give you all that you see if you do worship me.

3:17 But Jesus rebuked Satan saying: Get thee behind me, I shall serve only God.

3:18 And on the following day He met Peter on the road, and Peter wore a white robe and was fair of face and was enamoured of Jesus, and Jesus saw this as a sign from God.

3:19 So Jesus did say unto Peter: Became thou the first of my faithful disciples and the first of the helpmates of Jesus.

3:20 And Jesus and Peter went together and met Andrew, James and John, whom He especially loved, Philip and Bartholomew, Matthew and Thomas, James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon called Zelotes and Judas the brother of James and these ten did also become His disciples.

3:21 And at that time they met Judas Iscariot and asked him to become the twelfth disciple, and Judas Iscariot accepted his role but he kept unto himself that he had feelings for women, and so he also was the traitor in their midst.

### *Chapter 4*

4:1 After this Jesus went down to Capernaum with His twelve disciples.

4:2 And in Capernaum there were many philosophers and, whereas in other places Jesus and His disciples would be stoned to death, they accepted Him and welcomed His teachings and His questions.

4:3 And straightway on God's sabbath day He entered into the synagogue, and taught, and they were astonished at His doctrine, for He taught them from memory and as one that had authority.

4:4 And the Jews marvelled, saying: How knoweth this man the scriptures, having never learned His letters?

4:5 And there was an nobleman, whose son was sick of a fever.

4:6 When he heard that Jesus was come out of the synagogue, he went unto Him, and did beseech Him that He would come down, and heal his son, for he was at the point of death.

4:7 Then said Jesus unto him: Tell me of the maladies that do afflict thine son, and the nobleman explained and saith unto Him: Sir, come down ere my child die.

4:8 Jesus, understanding that the affliction would pass of its own accord, saith unto him, Go thy way; thy son liveth. And the man believed the word that Jesus had spoken unto him, and he went his way.

4:9 And as he was now going down, his servants met him, and told him, saying: Thy son liveth; so the father believed, and his whole house believed that an miracle had occurred.

4:10 And this was the first miracle that Jesus claimed for Himself.

4:11 And then they did bring unto Him one that appeared deaf, and had an impediment in his speech, and they did beseech Him to put His hands upon him.

4:12 And He took him aside from the many present, and put His fingers into his ears, and He did spit upon his tongue.

4:13 And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain.

4:14 And Jesus charged him that he should tell no man unless some might divine that he was feigning, but others who had seen were moved so much they published it.

4:15 Then came unto Him certain of the Sadducees, who deny that there is any resurrection.

4:16 And they asked Him, saying: Master, Moses wrote unto us, If any man's brother die, having a wife, and he die without children, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.

4:17 There were therefore seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and died without children.

4:18 And the second took her to wife, and he died childless.

4:19 And the third took her; and in like manner the seven also; and they left no children, and died.

4:20 Last of all the woman died also.

4:21 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife of them is she for seven had her to wife?

4:22 And Jesus answering said unto them: The children of this world marry, and are given in marriage.

4:23 But those men who shalt be accounted worthy to obtain that world, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage.

4:24 Neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the angels; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection.

4:25 And the scribes and Pharisees brought unto Him a woman taken in adultery; and when they had set her in the midst, they saith unto Him: Master, this woman was taken in adultery, in the very act.

4:26 Now Moses in the law commanded us, that such should be stoned: but what sayest thou?

4:27 And Jesus said unto them: He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her.

4:28 And they who heard took the woman and went out and stoned her.

4:29 And as the passover of the Jews was at hand, Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

4:30 And He found in the temple those that were selling oxen and sheep and birds for meat, and the changers of the monies of foreigners and He did drive them all out from the temple.

4:31 And He said unto them: Take these things hence and do not make mine god-father's house an house of merchandise and bartering.

4:32 And His disciples did also drive them out but they welcomed those that did want to hear the teachings of Jesus.

4:33 And, behold, there was a man who appeared to have his hand withered but who was chosen by some of His disciples. And the Pharisees asked Him, saying: Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath day?

4:34 And He said unto them: The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath. And He laid His hands on the hand that appeared to be withered and it appeared to be whole again.

4:35 And some who were lunatick did come unto Him, and He counselled them and they saw that Jesus was one of their number, and that they were pleasingly different from others and they accepted their lot as an eccentric and were healed of their fears.

4:36 And all those that were present did bow down, kneel and give thanks to Jesus, and they did worship Him.

4:37 Then the Pharisees went out, and held council against Him, on how they might destroy Him.

4:38 And He left the numbers that had gathered, and with His disciples and in private and without the mob He said unto them: The peoples do want miracles for they are filled with awe by them, so we shalt conjure them up in order to satisfy their desires.

4:39 And the vastness of the multitudes shall mean that many shall be too remote to see our slights of hand, so ye shall find men that will do your bidding and appear as infirm and I shall make as to heal them, and then the multitude shall be sated and worship me.

4:40 And He came down with His disciples, and stood in the plain, and it appeared to His mind that the many men gathered there were an great multitude of men out of all Judaea and Jerusalem, and from the coast of Tyre and Sidon, and they came to hear Him, and to be healed of their diseases.

4:41 But the voice of Jesus although mighty strong could not be heard by all the throng of people even though the numbers were few and not as innumerable as His mind's eye saw; and He tasked His twelve disciples to go amongst the crowd and repeat His words after the manner in which He had schooled them, but many who could not hear Him had gone away to seek entertainment elsewhere.

4:42 And Jesus said unto the men: Thou shalt pray to God mine god-father for salvation, and God my god-father will find out those of you who are worthy, and if you are worthy but infirm then God will make you whole again; but if God does not find you worthy then you shalt be infirm for the rest of your unfortunate lives.

4:43 And many who thought that they were deserving remained infirm for the rest of their lives.

4:44 Jesus went amongst the people in order for them to hear Him, but the men fought and injured other men in order to be closest to the charismatic and visionary leader and He was afearred for His life and desired not to be amongst them.

4:45 But He chose some men for His especial attention and He did appear to heal them, and all the men did bow down obsequiously in His presence.

4:46 And onesuch was an man who was apparently blind, and His disciples asked of Him, saying: Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he is blind?

4:47 Jesus answered: Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents, but the works of God are shrouded in mystery and we are not given to understand God's ways.

4:48 And when He had thus spoken, He spat on the ground and made an clay with the spittle, and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay, and said unto him: Go, wash.

4:49 He went on his way therefore, and washed, and became seeing.

4:50 But others brought him that aforetime was blind to the Pharisees, and it was the sabbath day when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes, and they asked him how he had received his sight.

4:51 And he said unto them: He put clay upon mine eyes, and I washed, and do see.

4:52 Therefore said some of the Pharisees: This man known as Jesus Christ is not of God, because He has hallucinations and He keepeth not the sabbath day, and for these He should be stoned.

4:53 And, behold, a woman who was a sinner, when she saw that Jesus was before her, did kneel at His feet weeping, and she did wash His feet with her tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed His feet.

4:54 And Jesus found the touch of an woman unpleasant, but He found her attention most gratifying, and He rested His hand upon her head and said: Your sins are forgiven and you shall go in peace.

4:55 And so He did ordain that all men whomsoever loved Him should wash and kiss His feet as an act of devotion and submission before Him.

4:56 And it came to pass, as He spake these things, a certain woman lifted up her voice, and said unto Him: Blessed is the womb that bare thee, and the paps which thou hast sucked.

4:57 But He, being not enamoured of women, said unto her: Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it.

4:58 But I will forewarn you of whom ye shall fear: Fear Jesus Christ and God, for after we hath killed we hath the power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear us.

4:59 And unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Ghost it shall not be forgiven.

4:60 I tell you, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

### *Chapter 5*

5:1 And Jesus being gratified by His visions of the multitudes before Him, but knowing He could not reach all of them at one and the same time, He went up into an mountain, and His disciples came unto Him.

5:2 And He opened His gown before them, and His underneath-raiment was exceeding white as snow.

5:3 And He opened His mouth, and taught them, saying: I am your Lord and Master, and I am answerable only to God my god-father, and ye shalt do my bidding and teach the multitudes, or my wrath shall fall upon you and ye shall be consigned to Hell for all eternity.

5:4 Thou shalt hear my words and remember them, for thou shalt go amongst the multitude as mine apostles and teach those that cannot hear me of my precepts, and you shall be the mouths to promulgate my beliefs and my will.

5:5 And I shall give unto ye, and through you unto them, simple sophestries, for many of my listeners are ignorant and have simple minds and cannot understand the scriptures and the subtleties of argument.

5:6 For from within, out of the heart of man, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness.

5:7 All these evil things come from within and defile the man, and man needs the teaching of the ways in which he might correct himself.

5:8 Verily, verily I say unto you, all these sins shall be forgiven, and blasphemies wherewith soever they shall blaspheme shalt be forgiven.

5:9 But he that shall blaspheme against mine father the Holy Ghost hath never forgiveness, but shall suffer eternal damnation.

5:10 Then Peter saith unto Him: Lo, we have left all, and have followed thee.

5:11 And Jesus answered and said: Verily, verily I say unto you, there is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, or lovers for my sake, and the gospel's, and shalt be persecuted.

5:12 But he shall receive an hundredfold in houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lovers and lands; and in the worlds to come he shalt have eternal life.

5:13 Blessed are the poor in spirit and blessed are they who are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the vision of the kingdom of heaven.

5:14 Blessed are the strong: for they shall inherit the earth.

5:15 Blessed are they who do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for although their bodies shalt hunger and thirst, they shall be filled by my words.

5:16 Blessed are ye, my faithful disciples, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you, for my sake;



5:17 Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven, for such persecution did also suffer the prophets whom were before you.

5:18 But woe unto you that are rich! for ye have received your consolation and ye shalt suffer mine jealous wrath forever.

5:19 Woe unto you that are full! for ye shall hunger. Woe unto you that laugh now! for ye shall mourn and weep.

5:20 Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets.

5:21 Ye who art my disciples shall be the light of the world. Men do not light a candle and put it under a bucket, but on a candlestick; and so it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

5:22 So ye shall let my light shine before men, that they may see my good works, and glorify me thine Lord and mine god-father who art in Heaven.

5:23 Think not that I am come to destroy the law of the Israelites or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

5:24 For verily I say unto you, till heaven and earth pass, as was foretold by Livvéd, not one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

5:25 Whosoever therefore shall break one of the least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be cast from the kingdom of heaven; but whosoever shall do and teach them, he same shall reside in the kingdom of heaven.

5:26 For I say unto you, that except when your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven and shalt dwell in Hell.

5:27 But I say unto you, whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.

5:28 Agree with thine adversary quickly, whilst thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary shalt murder thee or deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison.

5:29 Ye have heard that it was said by them of olden times, Thou shalt not commit adultery.

5:30 But I say unto you, that whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.

5:31 And if thy right eye looketh with lust, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: for it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire where the worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

5:32 And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee: for it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched.

5:33 But be warned, pray to neither I nor mine god-father for miracles, for we shall not make you whole again.

5:34 But I also say unto you, that whosoever looketh on a man and do lust after him hath committed no evil.

5:35 It hath been said, whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement.

5:36 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.

5:37 But I also say unto you, that you shall not wed a man, and so cannot be guilty of fornication, and ye cannot commit adultery.

5:38 Ye have heard that it hath been said, an eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth.

5:39 But I say unto you, that ye resist not evil, but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn and retreat so that he might not smite your left cheek also.

5:40 Ye have heard that it hath been said, thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy.

5:41 But I say unto you, flee from your enemies, for those that you pray for shall hate you and despitefully use you, and persecute you and murder you.

5:42 But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward may be penury and famine, but ye shall be the children of the Highest: for we are kind unto the unthankful and to the evil.

5:43 Take heed that ye do not deliver your alms before men, to be seen of them, otherwise ye shall have to give in full measure.

5:44 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.

5:45 But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth, that thine alms may be small and in secret, and I and my god-father who seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

5:46 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 will have their reward.

5:47 But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, hold an graven image of me and pray to me thine Lord and to mine god-father in secret; and we whom seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

5:48 But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do; for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking.

5:49 Be not ye therefore like unto them: for I am your Lord and mine god-father in heaven knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask us.

5:50 After this manner therefore pray ye: Our God who art in heaven and Jesus Christ our Lord, Hallowed be thine names.

5:51 Our kingdoms come. Our will shall be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

5:52 Give us this day our daily bread.

5:53 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

5:54 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

5:55 For God the Father, God the Son and the Holy Ghost are the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

5:56 For if ye forgive men their trespasses, I and your heavenly Father will also forgive you.

5:57 But if ye forgive not men their trespasses and suffer in consequence, neither will I nor my god-father forgive your trespasses.

5:58 Moreover when ye feast, do so in thine closet and anoint thine head, and wash thy face;

5:59 That thou appear not unto men to feast and appear unto them to fast, but I and my Father, who seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly.

5:60 Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, unless it be well hidden gold, for moth and rust doth corrupt.

5:61 But live openly in penury and famine and so lay up for yourselves treasures on Earth and in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal.

5:62 The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be true, thy whole body shall be full of light.

5:63 But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness and ye shall not know me or my god-father in heaven.

5:64 Therefore I say unto you, take thought for your life, and what ye shall eat, and what ye shall drink; and yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Life is more than meat, and the body more than raiment, but thou shalt of no use to me be if you starve, are cold and die.

5:65 But seek ye first the kingdom of my god-father, who art God, and our righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto your record.

5:66 Take therefore thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall not take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

5:67 Judge not, that ye be not judged, for with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.

5:68 Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.

5:69 Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:

5:70 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

5:71 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.

5:72 Enter ye in at the narrow gate; for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat.

5:73 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

5:74 Beware of false prophets, who come unto you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.

5:75 Ye shall know them by their fruits; every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.

5:76 A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

5:77 Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit must be hewn down, and cast into the fire.

5:78 I say unto you, that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

5:79 For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

5:80 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, who built his house upon a rock:

5:81 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.

5:82 And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, who built his house upon the sand:

5:83 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.

5:84 And so it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, He said unto His disciples: Go you unto the multitude and sit amongst them and relate what I have told unto you, and ye shalt be rewarded by God my god-father.

5:85 And I shall remain here, with my white robe billowing around me and with mine arms strait out as an cross, and ye shalt point me out to the multitude and say unto them: Lo and behold, there is your saviour the son of the Holy Ghost, bow down and worship Him.

### *Chapter 6*

6:1 And on the morrow, many men did come to hear Jesus speak and be entertained by Him, and in His eyes they were an innumerable multitude.

6:2 And they tryeth to get close to Him and so listen to His words, insomuch that they trode one upon the other and numbers of men were trampled under foot and other men stood on the bodies in order to get a better view of their Saviour and hear His words.

6:3 And amongst them some did provide food and drink, and having a captive audience they did charge exorbitantly for their meagre offerings.

6:4 And the disciples afeared of their lives if they went among the multitude they did refuse to be apostles and repeat the words of Jesus, preferring to stay close to their lover.

6:5 And so many prophets did spread around the thronging crowds and shouted their beliefs and the peoples close to them pressed silver into their palms in payment for promises to heal them of their bodily and spiritual failings and to raise from the dead their loved ones.

6:6 But they, like unto Jesus, did not, and the infirm went from them unsatisfied.

6:7 And, behold, there came a leper unto Him and worshipped Him, saying: Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean, And Jesus put forth His hand, and touched him, saying: I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy appeared cleansed.

6:8 And Jesus saith privily unto him: See thou tell no man of your subterfuge, but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.

6:9 And, behold, some apostles brought in a bed a man who seemed taken with a palsy, and they sought means to bring him in, and to lay him before Jesus.

6:10 And when they could not find by what way they might bring him in, because of the many men, they drew swords and daggers and commanded the people to make an way so that they could bring him with his couch into the midst before Jesus.

6:11 And when they were with Him, He said unto the palsied man: Thy sins are forgiven thee.

6:12 And the scribe and the Pharisee present did say: Who is this whom speaketh blasphemies? Who can forgive sins, but God alone?

- 6:13 But Jesus ignored them and He said unto the sick of the palsy: I say unto thee, arise, and take up thy couch, and go into thine house.
- 6:14 And immediately the sick man rose up before them, and took up that whereupon he lay, and departed to his own house, glorifying Jesus.
- 6:15 And many other apparent miracles in like wise did Jesus perform, and the men seeing these things done did kneel and worship Him.
- 6:16 And He called unto the many, and said unto them closest to Him: Although thou canst not hear me, and thou canst not understand me, my apostles shall transmit my words unto you and my words are:
- 6:17 Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man, excepting alcohol, but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man; and those that heard laughed and raised their drinks unto Him.
- 6:18 Then came His disciples, and said unto Him: Knowest thou that the scribe and the Pharisee were offended, after they heard this saying for they do in secret drink of the grape?
- 6:19 But He answered and said: Every plant, which my heavenly god-father hath not planted, shall be rooted up. Let them alone for they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.
- 6:20 Then answered Peter looked unto Him with love and saith: Declare unto us this parable.
- 6:21 And Jesus said: Are ye also yet without understanding? Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught?
- 6:22 But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart, and they defile the man; for out of the heart proceeds evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies, and these are the things which defile a man.
- 6:23 And to His disciples Jesus said: And I say unto you my friends, be not afraid of them that kill the body; but few other than His disciples heard Him.
- 6:24 But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear God and his only god-son, who after they hath killed hath the power to cast ye into hell; yea, I say unto you, fear us.
- 6:25 You have been handed down many precepts amongst which are the ten commandments, and all are simple rules to regulate your behaviour and thought, and if thou shalt breach even the smallest one of these precepts then I shall forsake ye and ye shalt be cast into Hell and live in everlasting damnation.
- 6:26 And in your presence I did latterly deliver an sermon that contains many precepts for you to follow faithfully or else ye shalt suffer my scorn and not receive my love.
- 6:27 And He spake in a simple parable unto them, saying: The ground of a rich man brought forth plentifully, and he thought within himself, saying: What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits?
- 6:28 And he said: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I stow all my fruits and my goods.
- 6:29 And I will say to my soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry.
- 6:30 But God was wrathful and said unto him: Thou fool, you layeth up treasure for yourself and do not give unto God, and this night I shall take thy soul from thee and thou shalt die and be cast into eternal damnation, and then whose shalt those things be, which thou hast provided? they shalt be for your children.

- 6:31 And Jesus said unto His disciples: Therefore I say unto you, take thought for your life, what ye shall eat; and for the body, what ye shall put on.
- 6:32 But the multitude around you, seeing that you are closer to me than they and that I love you, shall feed and clothe you and ye shalt bless them and they shall hopeth that their ministerings shall give them salvation in heaven.
- 6:33 So let your loins be girded about and your desires for me shall be burning as an light.
- 6:34 Blessed are those servants that wait upon you.
- 6:35 Another parable put He forth unto them, saying: The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man who sowed good seed in his field.
- 6:36 But while men slept, his enemy came unto his field and sowed weeds amongst the wheat.
- 6:37 And when the blade was sprung up and brought forth fruit, then appeared the weeds also.
- 6:38 So the servants of the householder came and said unto him: Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? and he said unto them: An enemy hath done this; let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest gather ye first the weeds and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather next the wheat into my barn.
- 6:39 But the servants took much wheat with the weeds and burned them, and the harvest was surpassingly poor.
- 6:40 Then Jesus commanded: Send the multitude away, and He went into an house: and His disciples came unto Him, saying: Declare unto us the parable of the weeds of the field.
- 6:41 And He answered and said unto them: He that soweth the good seed is I, the Son of the Holy Ghost.
- 6:42 The field is the world and the good seed are the children of my kingdom; but the weeds are the children of Satan.
- 6:43 The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.
- 6:44 As therefore the weeds and much wheat are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world.
- 6:45 I, the Son of the Holy Ghost shall send forth my angels, and they shall gather out of my kingdom all things that offend, and them that do iniquity, and many that do good.
- 6:46 And I shall cast them into an furnace of fire and there shall be a wailing and a gnashing of teeth.
- 6:47 The kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that is cast into the sea, and gathering of every kind, which, when it was full, they drew ashore, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away.
- 6:48 So shall it be at the end of the world; the angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just, and shall cast them into an furnace of fire that Livvéd shall stoke, and there shall be a wailing and a gnashing of teeth.
- 6:49 And with innumerable such parables spake He the word unto the few as they were able to hear Him, but as He had prophesied they understood Him not.
- 6:50 But without a parable spake He not unto them, for they would comprehend Him not if He philosophised and proselytised, but when they were alone He did love and share all things with His disciples.
- 6:51 And His disciples came and said unto Him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables?

6:52 And He answered and said unto them: Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but unto them it is not given.

6:53 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.

6:54 Therefore speak I unto them in parables: because seeing they see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.

### *Chapter 7*

7:1 And Jesus saith unto His twelve disciples: Your task to represent me is too great a burden for you to carry alone, for the multitudes do grow and are too many for ye few to minister unto them.

7:2 So before I goeth unto the next multitude, ye shalt choose at least seventy others, being enough of your brethren to supplement you and to be apostles to convey my message to the innumerable numbers that I cannot reach.

7:3 And His disciples, knowing the numbers to be smaller, only tasked fewer apostles to help them.

7:4 And when He was come to the other side into the country, Jesus was forewarned by an vision that an even greater multitude awaited Him, but His apostles were ready for the innumerable.

7:5 And there met Him on the way two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way.

7:6 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?

7:7 And they beseeched Him, saying: If thou cast out the devils we shall eternally praise you.

7:8 And Jesus said unto them: I cannot heal you, so go from me. And they went amongst a herd of swine and herded them, and lo and behold, the whole herd of swine and the two possessed by devils ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and all were choked in the waters.

7:9 And they that kept the swine fled, and went their ways into the city, and told every thing, and what was befallen to those possessed of the devils.

7:10 Then was brought unto Him by His apostles one that convinced the crowds and appeared possessed with a devil, blind, and dumb: and He healed him, insomuch that the blind and dumb both spake and saw.

7:11 But when the Pharisees heard of it they said: This person doth not cast out devils, He hallucinates.

7:12 And Jesus heard 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.

7:13 And if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself; how shall then his kingdom stand?

7:14 Then the Pharisees went out, and held a council against Him, how they might destroy Him.

7:15 And Jesus said unto His disciples to spread His word amongst the multitude, and His word was:

7:16 Whomsoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my god-father who art in heaven.

7:17 But whomsoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my god-father who art in heaven.

7:18 Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I come not to send peace, but a sword.

- 7:19 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.
- 7:20 Now the brother shall betray the brother to death, and the father the son; and children shall rise up against their parents, and shall cause them to be put to death.
- 7:21 And a man's foes shall be they of his own household, and he that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me and shalt be cast into Hell; and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me and shall likewise be consigned to the fires.
- 7:22 And in His eyes He saw there went great multitudes unto Him, but only some worshipped Him.
- 7:23 And He turned, and said unto them: If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and hate his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.
- 7:24 I tell you, in that night there shall be two men in one bed, and both shall be saved.
- 7:25 And two women shall be grinding together, and both shall be saved.
- 7:26 And an man and an women shall be in one bed, and the woman shall be taken, and the man saved.
- 7:27 And they answered and said unto Him: Where taken, Lord? And He said unto them: Wheresoever the body is, thither will the eagles be gathered together.
- 7:28 And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me and shall suffer for all eternity.
- 7:29 And then He called unto Him His twelve disciples, and He gave them power to treat all manner of the apparently infirm without bringing them to kneel at His feet and receive His largesse directly.
- 7:30 For He supposed their numbers were innumerable and He had not the time to see and heal all that came to Him.
- 7:31 And He gave unto His disciples permission to act against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness.
- 7:32 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, especially beloved of Jesus; Philip, and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the publican; James the son of Alphaeus, and Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus; Simon the Canaanite, and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed Him.
- 7:33 These twelve Jesus sent forth, and He sent forth two by two the other apostles that the twelve had inducted into the mysteries of His ministry.
- 7:34 And He commanded them, saying: Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into any city of the Samaritans enter ye not.
- 7:35 But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel, and as ye go, preach, saying: The kingdom of heaven is at hand.
- 7:36 Ye shall appear to heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, and cast out devils.
- 7:37 Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses, but secrete it about your person.
- 7:38 Have for your journey two coats, shoes, and staves: for the workman is worthy of his meat.
- 7:39 And into whatsoever city or town ye shall enter, enquire who in it is worthy; and there abide in comfort as the guest of thine host till ye go thence.
- 7:40 And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear your words, when ye depart out of that house or city, say unto them that burning Hell and damnation awaits them, and shake off the dust of your feet.



- 7:41 Verily, verily I say unto you, it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city.
- 7:42 And thou, Capernaum, which were exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell and Livvéd shall rule you: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day.
- 7:43 But I say unto you that it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for thee, and Satan shall consign you all unto Hell.
- 7:44 And He began again to teach by the sea side, and in His eyes there were gathered unto Him a great multitude, and many of the multitude that did resort unto Him were laughing and pretending that they had divers plagues and other afflictions.
- 7:45 And He spake to His disciples, that a small ship should wait upon Him because of the multitude, lest they should press upon Him for to touch Him, and He succumbed to one or many of their diseases.
- 7:46 So He entered into a ship, and sat in the sea; and many men were by the sea on the land.
- 7:47 But none could hear of Him for they were too far away, and again many left; and so He taught the remaining many things by parables, that His disciples and apostles had learned, and they did repeat His words as He had instructed them.
- 7:48 And Jesus said unto them in simple words that the multitude might comprehend:
- 7:49 Hearken; behold, there went out a sower to sow;
- 7:50 And it came to pass that some he sowed fell by the way side, and the birds came and devoured it up.
- 7:51 And some seed fell on stony ground, and when it sprang up the sun scorched it and it withered away.
- 7:52 And some fell amongst weeds, and the weeds grew up, and choked it, and it yielded no fruit.
- 7:53 And some fell on good ground, and did yield fruit that sprang up and increased; and brought forth, some twenty, and some forty and some an eighty-fold.
- 7:54 And they comprehended Him not, but He said unto them: He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.
- 7:55 And when He was alone with only His disciples they admitted that they did not understand and they did ask of Him the meaning of the parable.
- 7:56 And Jesus said unto them: Unto you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God through me.
- 7:57 But unto them that are without, all things are done in parables, they seeing and not perceive, and they hearing and not understand; lest at any time they should be converted, and their sins should be forgiven them.
- 7:58 And He said unto them: Knoweth ye not this parable? and how then will ye know all parables?
- 7:59 The sower soweth my word.
- 7:60 And some are they by the way side, but when they have heard, Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the word that was sown in their hearts.
- 7:61 And some are they likewise to which are sown on stony ground, and when they have heard the word, immediately receive it with gladness;
- 7:62 But they have no root in themselves, and so endure it but for a little time, and afterward, when affliction or persecution ariseth for the word's sake, immediately they are offended.

7:63 And these are they which are sown among thorns, such as hear the word, but the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it becometh unfruitful.

7:64 And some are they which are sown on good ground; such as hear the word, and receive it, and it doth bring forth fruit, some twenty-fold, some forty, and some an eighty.

7:65 And the disciples who were sorely puzzled asked of Jesus: Why is not God your father?

7:66 And He replied: God did spend his time looking after his flock and caring for those that were deserving, and so he ordained that the Holy Ghost should act on his behalf and sire me.

7:67 And the disciples did further ask of Jesus: Why does God call the peoples of Earth his flock?

7:68 And He saith unto them: The peoples are like unto sheep that have no understanding and bleat without comprehension, and they have no defence against wolves and wild dogs that they see not as dangers.

7:69 And God is their shepherd who finds them green pastures and herds them to enclosures to protect them, and the wolves and wild dogs are Satan and the devils that want to rip out their hearts and kill them so that they shall live in eternal damnation.

7:70 And God is like unto the good shepherds and shall sacrifice the weak and the old in order to save the strong.

## *Chapter 8*

8:1 Then Jesus went unto an other place and in His mind there was an vast and immeasurable multitude gathered to be entertained by hearing the charismatic and visionary one preach unto them.

8:2 And before He spoke in parables, He did call His disciples and His apostles unto Him, and said: I shall berate and shame the multitude for many hours and they shalt have nothing but alcohol to drink.

8:3 So thou shalt secrete bread and fishes under your robes and mingle with the crowd as ye do normally to repeat my messages.

8:4 And when I hold aloft the few loaves and fishes that I have about my person, ye shall as if by magic reveal your bread and fish and give them unto they that surround you.

8:5 And Jesus did speak for many hours and the multitude that he saw became restless and drunk, and did hungred for a sop to quell the influences of alcohol.

8:6 So Jesus indicated that the multitude were to sit down on the ground, and they did sit.

8:7 And He took the seven loaves and the fishes that He had about His person and gave thanks, and brake them, and gave them to His disciples and His apostles, and the disciples and apostles went unto the multitude.

8:8 And the disciples and the apostles took by stealth what was under their garments and fed the peoples.

8:9 And they did all eat, and were filled.

8:10 And Jesus believed that there were four thousand men, but the apostles counted three hundred men besides the blousy women who entertained the many that could not or did not want to hear Him.

8:11 And Jesus did speak unto them with another parable: Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain lord, who took account of his servants.

8:12 And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, who owed him a thousand pieces, but forasmuch as he had nothing to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife and children sold also, and all that he had should be sold, and payment made.

8:13 The servant therefore fell down, and worshipped him, saying: Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all, and the lord was moved with compassion, and freed him, and forgave him the debt.

8:14 But the same servant went out and found one of his fellow servants, that owed him an hundred pence, and he laid hands on him, taking him by the throat, saying: Pay me that which thou owest.

8:15 And his fellow servant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying: Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all; but he would not and went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt.

8:16 So when his fellow servants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done.

8:17 Then his lord called him and said unto him: O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all thy debt, because thou desiredst me: Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellow servant, even as I had pity on thee?

8:18 And the lord was wrathful, and delivered him to the torturers till he should pay all that was due.

8:19 So likewise shall I and my heavenly god-father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one their trespasses, and we shall cast you into eternal hell and damnation.

8:20 And when Jesus was sated by the attention given unto Him, He did depart and He passed by an marriage, and both Jesus was called, and His disciples, to the marriage.

8:21 And when the guests they did want wine, the mother of the groom approached Jesus and saith unto Him: They have no wine.

8:22 And there were set there six waterpots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews.

8:23 And Jesus saith unto His disciples: Take the waterpots away and fill them with wine secretly, but loudly proclaim that they are filled with water. And they so filled them up to the brim and it was done.

8:24 And He saith unto them: Draw out now, and bear unto the master of the ceremonies of the feast.

8:25 When the master of the ceremonies of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was.

8:26 But the disciples who drew the water knew of it and the feast was surpassingly good.

## *Chapter 9*

9:1 And on the morrow Jesus did go unto the tabernacle with His chosen twelve and they did pray to God for their salvation.

9:2 The Pharisees also came unto Him, tempting Him, and saying unto Him: Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause?

9:3 And He answered and said unto them: Have ye not read, that he who made them at the beginning made them male and female.

9:4 And God said: For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife and they twain shall be one flesh, wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh.

9:5 What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

9:6 And the Pharisees did say unto Him: Why did Moses then command to give a writing of divorcement, and to put her away?

9:7 He saith unto them: Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives; but from the beginning it was not so.

9:8: And I say unto you: Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication with an other woman, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whosoever marrieth her whom is put away doth commit adultery.

9:9 Then His disciples said unto Him: If the case of the man be so with his wife, it is not good to marry.

9:10 But He said unto them: All men cannot receive this saying, save they to whom it is given.

9:11 For there are some amongst us including I whom God caused to spurn marriage, whom were so born from our mother's womb.

9:12 And there are some women whom were made likewise.

9:13 It hath been said that if a man lies with a man as with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination and they shall surely be put to death because their blood is upon them.

9:14 But I say unto you that all that love do so for the kingdom of heaven's sake, and all that love shall be recognised by God.

9:15 For whosoever thou sleepest with matters not one jot to God.

9:16 But I say unto you and especially I say unto my disciples and my apostles, that in the innumerable years to come, all that teach of me shall be men known as Christ's priests and as Christ's ministers.

9:17 And my priests and ministers shall make solemn promises unto me and God that they shall be chaste and abstain from their sexual desires, and marry only me or marry only God.

9:18 And women whom desire to serve me shalt remove themselves from life and marry me, living in houses where they shalt spend all their time in prayers to me and God, other than the times when they need for ablutions and meals, and to be obedient and service their priests and ministers.

9:19 And lo and behold, an sinner came unto Him and said unto Him: Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?

9:20 And Jesus said unto him: Why callest thou me good? There is none good but one, and that is God; but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.

9:21 The sinner saith unto Him: Which? And Jesus said: Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness.

9:22 Honour thy father and thy mother, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

9:23 The young man saith unto Him: All these things have I kept from my youth up: what lack I yet?

9:24 And Jesus said unto him: If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell all that thou hast, including your family, and give all unto the poor, and come and follow me, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven.

9:25 But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

9:26 Then said Jesus unto His disciples: Verily I say unto you, that a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven.

9:27 And again I say unto you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

9:28 When His disciples heard it, they were exceedingly amazed, saying: Who then can be saved?

9:29 But Jesus beheld them, and saith unto them: With all men this is impossible.

## *Chapter 10*

10:1 And so it came to pass that His disciples and His apostles and many other men gathered together and went unto Jesus and asked: How can we pray and how can we be saved from eternal damnation?

10:2 And Jesus spake unto them directly and not in riddles:

10:3 First, thou shalt worship four gods: God the Father, God the Son who ist me, the Holy Ghost, and the devil Satan.

10:4 But ye shalt pray only unto the first three, the triumvirate of deities, in hope that they might save you from Satan and eternal damnation.

10:5 Second, thou shalt adorn your places of worship and your scriptures with graven images and statues of God the Father and God the Son and Satan.

10:6 But there shalt be no graven images or statues of the Holy Ghost, mine Father, for the Holy Ghost is a spirit that does not manifest himself as an human, except unto me.

10:7 And the graven images and statues of me, God the Son, shall be of mine body on a cross, for I shall be prescient and predict that for my sins I shall suffer death upon a cross.

10:8 And for all perpetuity people shalt bare around their necks crosses of gold and silver according to their means, to remind them that I died.

10:9 And also you shalt worship graven images and statues of my mother Mary holding the baby Jesus even though Mary is not a deity.

10:10 Third, in your places of worship there shalt be set aside private rooms that have an barrier and two seats, and these shalt be named confessionals.

10:11 And when a man has sinned he shalt go unto the confessionals and sit upon the left seat, and the priest shall sit upon the right seat, which is closer unto the gods that you worship.

10:12 And there he shalt confess his sins, and the priests shall forgive him of his sins on my behalf by requiring him to do penances that are not onerous.

10:13 And if he so does then his slate shall be wiped clean as if he be an newborn baby with nothing other than the original sins of strange minds handed down to him through untold generations from your genesis in Adam and Eve.

10:14 And the confession shall be sealed under oath to me, and any sin admitted in confession, no matter how grave, shall not be spoken of by the priest from that time forthwith, and society shall not punish the perpetrator.

10:15 But woman shall be not allowed into confessionals, and they must suffer for their sins.

10:16 And fourth, all priests and ministers that are descended from you my faithful servants shall disagree upon the way to worship the triumvirate and they shalt disagree on the interpretation of the scriptures.

10:17 And they shalt create different churches to worship me in different ways.

10:18 And none of these churches shall agree with any other churches and they shalt go their separate ways.

10:19 And the peoples of these different churches shall be regarded as infidels by all other churches and they shalt be spurned and told that their fates shall be eternal Hell unless they convert to the one true church.

10:20 And some of these churches shall have not confessionals and they shalt state that the laying on of the hands of their priests shall be sufficient for the granting of absolution.

10:21 And in some churches that shalt be known as fundamentalist the priests shall pretend to heal the sick by the laying on of hands after me.

10:22 And all this shall be done in my name.

10:23 But you Peter, my first love and my first disciple, shall go far from me and you shall found the first church of Christ, and it shall be named the Catholic Church.

10:23 And you shalt be the first father of your church and, after the customs of the language in those lands, you shall be called Pappa and ye shalt rule your priests with an rod of iron.

10:24 And when you die your senior priests shall select an successor who shall rule as Pope with God's blessings and with an rod of iron.

10:25 And ye, Peter, shalt demand of your priests celibacy, both in men, and the women you shall ordain to do good deeds shall likewise be circumspect and be celibate.

10:26 But if any priests or ministers or women fail to be celibate and consequently lie, men with women, or men with men, or women with women, and if they shalt sire children, they shalt be given opportunity to confess their sins in private to other priests and ministers, and then they shalt be forgiven by me and their sins shalt be washed away and they shalt go to Heaven.

10:27 And many adherents of your church shall come unto you and unto your successors claiming to have performed miracles, and ye and your most senior priests shall assess their claims generously and make those that you think are worthy into Saints whether or not they have performed miracles.

10:28 And ye, my other eleven disciples, shall upon my death, travel far from me and found other and different churches of Christ.

10:29 And many in those churches the men shalt have visions, like unto me, and they shalt proclaim their visions and regard themselves as closer to God and me than all others.

10:30 And these different churches, some based on John the Baptist, others regarding themselves as ecumenical, and others seeing themselves as witnesses to God, shall wage war one on the other, most times with words but many times with swords.

10:31 And all the churches of Christ shall wage war on all other religions that serve all other gods and dieties.

10:32 And all other religions that serve all other gods and dieties shall wage war, one the other.

10:33 And fifth, with the passing of time there shalt arise new religions that shalt deny me and mine god-father God and that shalt worship alchemists as their deities.

10:34 And these same alchemists shall conjure up herbs and medicines and other interventions that shalt save peoples from death and the prospect of damnation, and they shalt perform miracles that even I cannot do.

10:35 And in future years Satan shall give unto the alchemists the means to keep men alive in spite of having addled brains and broken bodies, so they shalt be an impost on all societies instead of being consigned straightway to Hell, although that would be their destination anyways.

10:36 But many men shall find the vicissitudes of life over whelming and dull and they shalt want to be noticed and shall seek ways to give their miserable lives purpose.

10:37 So many alchemists shall create substances that shalt cause men to have hallucinations and visions, like unto me, and believe that they are deities and superior to me, and they shalt found even more churches.

10:38 So with the passing of time the numbers of the peoples shall multiply and become multitudes of multitudes beyond comprehension, and much bountiful lands shall be devoted to their houses, so that the living peoples shall suffer famines and other inconveniences.

10:39 And with the passing of time the numbers of peoples who shalt die shall multiply beyond comprehension.

10:40 But all churches shall instruct the living to bury their kin in separate graves, and much bountiful land shall be so devoted to the dead so that the living peoples shall suffer famines and other inconveniences.

10:41 Sixth, I ordain that all the different churches of Christ shall have one thing in common.

10:42 All priests and ministers shall give communion, when they shalt indoctrinate their faithful by an cannibalistic ritual whereby they shalt make them eat bread and drink wine symbolising the eating of my flesh and the drinking of my blood, and so make them beholden to me.

10:43 Then Jesus said unto them: Verily, verily, I say unto you, except ye eat the flesh of the son of the Holy Ghost, and drink His blood, ye hath no life in you.

10:44 But whosoever eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood shall hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. For he that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him.

10:45 But whenever the faithful of one church want to participate in the communion of an other church, the priests and ministers shall reject them and refuse to allow them to worship me unless they convert to that particular church and abide by the rules and laws that the priests and ministers shall promulgate.

10:46 And some churches shall reject and consign to Hell all men, excepting only their priests, that do fornicate outside lawful wedlock with any man or woman or animal.

10:47 But other churches shall welcome such sinners into their communion and as their priests and ministers, and shall absolve them of their wicked ways and make them clean as driven snow.

10:48 And seventh, all churches, but especially the church founded by my faithful servant and beloved Peter, shall appoint missionaries and they shalt go unto pagan lands and establish churches there upon and attempt to convert the peoples to their religion and so become members of that church.

10:49 And the missions that the different churches shall establish throughout the world shall teach the peoples that pagan rites are a certain path to hellfire and damnation and only by following their commands shall the peoples meet God and have salvation.

10:50 But in a land that shalt in the distant future be called as God's own country, these churches shall fracture and evangelists shall form other churches and the churches that worship me shall be innumerably diverse.

10:51 And they shalt have more visions and claim more miracles than all other churches, for they shalt have strange minds like unto me and think these bring them closer to God.

10:52 And each and every one of these immeasurable churches shall believe that only they understand the scriptures and only they offer the peoples the true path to salvation.

## *Chapter 11*

11.1 And Jesus and John left them, and went out of the city and sought lodgings.

11.2 Now in the morning as they returned into the city, He hungred, and when He saw an fig tree in the way, He came unto it but found nothing thereon, but leaves only.

11.3 And Jesus was sorely frustrated and He commanded the tree: Let no fruit grow on thee henceforward for ever, and presently the fig tree withered away.

- 11.4 And when later the disciples saw it, they marvelled, saying: How soon is the fig tree withered away!
- 11.5 Jesus answered and said unto them: Verily I say unto you, if ye have faith and doubt not, ye shall not do this which is done to the fig tree, and wither away; but if ye doubt then thou shalt wither and die and live in eternal darknesses
- 11.6 But if ye follow me then thou shalt live and be fruitful.
- 11.7 And if ye believe in me then thou shalt also believe that you can do wondrous things.
- 11.8 But if ye shall say unto an mountain: Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall not be done.
- 11.9 For of all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive only that which nature will give unto you in the passing of time.
- 11.10 And the forces that are not controlled by God or by me shalt move mountains at any times that those forces see fit, and God and I and ye shalt have no dominion over them.
- 11.11 And Jesus did go unto the mount of Olives.
- 11.12 And as He sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto Him privily, saying: Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?
- 11.13 And Jesus answered and said unto them: The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe.
- 11.14 And He saith unto them: Take heed that no man deceive you.
- 11.15 For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and they shalt deceive many.
- 11.16 And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars, but see that ye be not troubled, for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.
- 11.17 For as Livvéd hast foretold nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes in divers places.
- 11.18 All these are the beginning of your sorrows, for others shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you, and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.
- 11.19 And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.
- 11.20 And many charismatic false prophets with honied words shall rise, and shall deceive the multitude.
- 11.21 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold, but those that shalt endure unto the end, these shall be saved.
- 11.22 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.
- 11.23 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Livvéd the prophet standing in the holy place.
- 11.24 Then let them who can flee into the mountains flee.
- 11.25 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house.
- 11.26 Neither let him who is in the field return to take his clothes.
- 11.27 And woe unto them that are with child, and woe unto them that give suck in those days, for they shalt suffer!



- 11.28 But pray ye that your flight be not on the sabbath day, for then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.
- 11.29 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved.
- 11.30 Then if any man shall say unto you: Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.
- 11.31 For I, the true Christ, shall not be seen and there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and they shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, like me, they shall deceive the very elect.
- 11.32 Behold, I have told you before.
- 11.33 Wherefore if they shall say unto you: Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth.
- 11.34 Behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not.
- 11.35 For the coming of the Son of the Holy Ghost shall not be.
- 11.36 For wheresoever the carcass is, there will the eagles be gathered together.
- 11.37 Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken.
- 11.38 Then said Jesus unto them: Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom.
- 11.39 And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences and floods; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be.
- 11.40 And seek not you visions, for then shall not appear the sign of the son of the Holy Ghost in heaven; and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall not see God coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.
- 11.41 And ye shalt wait for all eternity for him to send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and for him to gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.
- 11.42 Now learn the parable of the fig tree.
- 11.43 When its branches are yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh.
- 11.44 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors.
- 11.45 Verily I say unto you, this generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.
- 11.46 Heaven and earth shall pass away, and my words shall pass away.
- 11.47 Watch therefore, for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come; therefore be ye ready, for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of the Holy Ghost cometh to you in an vision.
- 11.48 Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season?
- 11.49 Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.
- 11.50 But the lord of the evil servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of, and he shall cut him asunder, and there shall be a weeping and a gnashing of teeth.
- 11.51 And at this time the chief priests and scribes sought how they might kill Him.
- 11.52 Then Satan entered one of the twelve named Judas Iscariot and he went unto the chief priests, and saith unto them: Jesus hath performed unnatural acts, and He has perverted others, and that is against your teachings; what will ye give me for delivering Him unto you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver.

11.53 And from that time he sought opportunity to betray Him.

11.54 And it came to pass that Jesus did take aside those of His apostles that had learned the arts of the written texts, and they were John, Joshua, Luke, Mark and Matthew.

11.55 And He saith unto them: I am not long for this world, but so that mine deeds shall not die with me I task you with the scribing of my gospels.

11.56 And for this purpose thou shalt sit together in an private place and relate thine recollections unto the others of you present, so that you shall have an common purpose.

11.57 Then each of you shalt scribe on parchment and in thine own words the stories of mine life as if there were five independent testimonies to give credence one unto the other.

11.58 Now when the even was come, Jesus sat down with eleven of His disciples.

11.59 And as they did eat, He said: Verily I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me.

11.60 The Son of the Holy Ghost goeth as it is written of Him: but woe unto that man by whom the Son is betrayed! it had been better for that man if he had not been born.

11.61 Now there was leaning on Jesus' bosom his disciple John, whom Jesus loved, and he then lying on Jesus' breast saith unto Him: Lord, who is it? but Jesus did not reply.

11.62 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body.

11.63 And He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying: Drink ye all of it, for this is my blood.

11.64 And while He yet spake, lo, Judas, one of the twelve, came, and with him a great many men with swords and staves from the chief priests and elders of the people.

11.65 And forthwith Judas came unto Jesus, and said: Hail, master, and kissed Him.

11:66 And the many with swords and staves did take Jesus away.

11:67 And Judas Iscariot received his 30 silver pieces and went from them to live elsewhere in contentment.

11.68 When the morning was come, all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put Him to death.

11.69 And when they had bound Him, they did decide that stoning was too good an death for Him, and they led Him away and delivered Him to be crucified as an unnatural person.

11.70 And while He died upon the cross there stood by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary, and Mary Magdalene, and one disciple John, whom He loved.

11.71 And Jesus did have a vision of God surrounded by many angels, and He called out to them: Save me!

11.72 But He received no answer and so He died.