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## Matthew

### Chapter 1

**1** Ang basahon sa talaan sa kaliwatan ni Jesu-Cristo nga anak ni David nga anak ni Abraham. **2** Si Abraham ang amahan ni Isaac, ug si Isaac ang amahan ni Jacob, ug si Jacob ang amahan ni Juda ug sa iyang mga igsoon. **3** Si Juda ang amahan ni Perez ug ni Zerah pinaagi kang Tamar, si Perez ang amahan ni Hezron, ug si Hezron ang amahan ni Ram. **4** Si Ram ang amahan ni Amminadab, ug si Amminadab ang amahan ni Nahshon, ug si Nahshon ang amahan ni Salmon. **5** Si Salmon ang amahan ni Boaz pinaagi kang Rahab, ug si Boaz ang amahan ni Obed pinaagi kang Ruth, si Obed ang amahan ni Jesse, **6** si Jesse mao ang amahan ni David ang hari. Si David mao ang amahan ni Solomon pinaagi sa asawa ni Uriah. **7** Si Solomon ang amahan ni Rehoboam, ug si Rehoboam ang amahan ni Abijah, si Abijah ang amahan ni Asa. **8** Si Asa ang amahan ni Jehoshafat, si Jehoshafat ang amahan ni Joram, ug si Joram ang amahan ni Uzziah. **9** Si Uzziah ang amahan ni Jotham, si Jotham ang amahan ni Ahaz, ug si Ahaz ang amahan ni Hezekiah. **10** Si Hezekiah ang amahan ni Manasseh, si Manasseh ang amahan ni Amon, ug si Amon ang amahan ni Josiah. **11** Si Josiah ang amahan ni Jechoniah ug sa iyang mga igsoon sa panahon sa pagbiya ngadto sa Babilonia. **12** Ug human sa pagbiya ngadto sa Babilonia, si Jechoniah ang amahan ni Shealtiel, si Shealtiel mao ang kaliwat ni Zerubbabel. **13** Si Zerubbabel ang amahan ni Abiud, si Abiud ang amahan ni Eliakim, ug si Eliakim ang amahan ni Azor. **14** Si Azor ang amahan ni Zadok, si Zadok ang amahan ni Achim, si Achim ang amahan ni Eliud. **15** Si Eliud ang amahan ni Eleazar, si Eleazar ang amahan ni Matthan, ug si Matthan ang amahan ni Jacob. **16** Si Jacob ang amahan ni Jose nga bana ni Maria, pinaagi kaniya natawo si Jesus, nga gitawag ug Cristo. **17** Ang tanang kaliwatan gikan kang Abraham ngadto kang David kay napulo ug upat ka kaliwatan, gikan kang David hangtod sa pagbiya ngadto sa Babilonia napulo ug upat ka kaliwatan, ug gikan sa pagbiya ngadto sa Babilonia hangtod kang Cristo napulo ug upat ka kaliwatan. **18** Ang pagkatawo ni Jesu-Cristo nahitabo niining mosunod nga paagi. Ang iyang inahan, si Maria, kaslonon ngadto kang Jose, apan sa wala pa sila nagkahiusa, nakaplagan nga siya buntis pinaagi sa Balaang Espiritu. **19** Ang iyang bana, si Jose, usa ka matarong nga tawo, apan dili niya buot nga pakaulawan siya sa kadaghanan. Mao nga nakahukom siya nga taposon sa hilom ang iyang pagpakasal kaniya. **20** Samtang naghunahuna siya niining mga butanga, ang anghel sa Ginoo nagpakita kaniya sa damgo, nga nag-ingon, "Jose, anak ni David, ayaw kahadlok sa pagpangasawa kang Maria, kay ang gipanamkon niya gipanamkon pinaagi sa Balaang Espiritu. **21** Manganak siya ug usa ka anak nga lalaki, ug tawgon nimo ang iyang ngalan nga Jesus, kay iyang luwason ang iyang katawhan gikan sa ilang mga sala." **22** Kining tanan nahitabo aron matuman kung unsa ang gisulti sa Ginoo pinaagi sa propeta, nga nag-ingon, **23** "Tan-awa, ang ulay manamkon ug manganak ug anak nga lalaki, ug tawgon nila ang iyang ngalan nga Immanuel"--nga ang buot ipasabot, "Ang Dios uban kanato." **24** Si Jose nimata gikan sa iyang pagkatulog ug gibuhat ang gimando sa anghel sa Ginoo kaniya ug gikuha niya siya ingon nga iyang asawa. **25** Bisan pa niini, wala siya natulog uban kaniya hangtod nga nanganak siya ug usa ka anak nga lalaki. Ug iyang gitawag ang iyang ngalan nga Jesus.

### Chapter 2

**1** Human matawo si Jesus sa Betlehem sa Judea sa panahon ni Herodes nga hari, ang maalamon nga mga tawo gikan sa sidlakan nangabot sa Jerusalem nga nag-ingon, **2** "Diin man siya nga natawo nga Hari sa mga Judio? Kami nakakita sa iyang bituon sa sidlakan ug mianhi aron sa pagsimba kaniya." **3** Sa dihang si Herodes nga hari nakadungog niini, siya nabalaka, ug ang tibuok Jerusalem uban kaniya. **4** Si Herodes nagpatawag sa tanan nga mga pangulong pari ug mga eskriba sa katawhan, ug siya nangutana kanila, "Diin man ang Cristo matawo?" **5** Sila miingon kaniya, "Sa Betlehem sa Judea, tungod kay mao kini ang gisulat sa propeta, **6** 'Ug ikaw, Betlehem, sa yuta sa Juda, dili labing ubos taliwala sa mga pangulo sa Juda, kay gikan kanimo moabot ang usa ka magmamando nga maoy magbalantay sa akong mga katawhan nga Israel.'" **7** Unya si Herodes sa hilom gipatawag ang maalamon nga mga tawo aron sa pagpangutana kanila sa tukma kung unsa nga takna ang bituon nagpakita. **8** Siya nagpadala kanila sa Betlehem, nga nag-ingon, "Lakaw ug pangitaa ug maayo ang bata. Sa dihang inyo na siyang makita, padad-i ako ug pulong, aron ako usab moadto ug mosimba kaniya." **9** Human nila madungog ang hari, miadto sila sa ilang dalan, ug ang bituon nga ilang nakita sa sidlakan miuna kanila hangtod miabot kini ug nagpatungod kung asa dapit ang bata. **10** Sa dihang nakita nila ang bituon, nagmaya sila uban sa dakong kalipay. **11** Sila miadto sa balay ug nakita ang bata uban ni Maria nga iyang inahan. Sila miyukbo ug nagsimba kaniya. Giablihan nila ang ilang mga bahandi ug naghalad kaniya ug mga gasa nga bulawan, insenso, ug mira. **12** Ang Dios nagpahimangno kanila diha sa damgo nga dili mobalik kang Herodes, busa mibiya sila ngadto sa ilang kaugalingong nasod agi sa lahi nga dalan. **13** Human sila mibiya, ang anghel sa Ginoo nagpakita kang Jose diha sa damgo ug miingon, "Bangon, dad-a ang bata ug ang iyang inahan, ug ikyas paingon sa Ehipto. Pabilin didto hangtod nga mosulti ako kanimo, tungod kay pangitaon ni Herodes ang bata aron sa paglaglag kaniya." **14** Nianang gabhi-ona si Jose mibangon ug gikuha ang bata ug ang iyang inahan ug mibiya padulong sa Ehipto. **15** Siya nagpabilin didto hangtod sa kamatayon ni Herodes. Kini katumanan kung unsa ang gisulti sa Ginoo pinaagi sa propeta, "Gikan sa Ehipto gitawag ko ang akong anak nga lalaki." **16** Unya si Herodes, sa dihang nakita niya nga gibinuangan siya sa maalamon nga mga tawo, nasuko pag-ayo. Siya nagpadala ug gipapatay ang tanang batang lalaki nga anaa sa Betlehem ug sa tibuok niana nga rehiyon nga nagpanuigon ug duha ka tuig paubos, sumala sa takna nga iyang nahibaloan gikan sa maalamon nga mga tawo. **17** Unya katumanan kini kung unsa ang gisulti pinaagi kang propeta Jeremias, **18** "Ang tingog nadungog sa Rama, ang paghilak ug hilabihan nga pagbangotan, si Raquel naghilak sa iyang mga anak, ug nagdumili siya nga hupayon, tungod kay wala naman sila." **19** Sa dihang si Herodes namatay na, tan-awa, ang anghel sa Ginoo nagpakita sa usa ka damgo kang Jose didto sa Ehipto ug miingon, **20** "Bangon ug kuhaa ang bata ug ang iyang inahan ug adto sa yuta sa Israel tungod kay kadtong nangita sa kinabuhi sa bata patay na." **21** Si Jose mibangon, gikuha ang bata ug ang iyang inahan, ug miadto sa yuta sa Israel. **22** Apan sa dihang nadungog niya nga si Archelus na ang naghari sa Judea sa lugar sa iyang amahan nga si Herodes, siya nahadlok nga moadto didto. Human ang Dios nagpahimangno kaniya sa usa ka damgo, ug mibiya siya paingon sa rehiyon sa Galilea **23** ug miadto ug nagpuyo sa usa ka siyudad nga gitawag ug Nazaret. Kini katumanan kung unsa ang gisulti sa mga propeta, nga siya pagatawagon nga Nazareno.

### Chapter 3

**1** Niadtong mga adlawa si Juan nga Tigbawtismo miabot sa pagwali didto sa kamingawan sa Judea nga nag-ingon, **2** "Paghinulsol, kay ang gingharian sa Dios duol na." **3** Kay mao kini siya ang gisulti ni Isaias nga propeta, nga nag-ingon, "Ang tingog sa usa ka tawo nga mitawag didto sa kamingawan, 'Andama ang dalan sa Ginoo, himoa ang iyang agianan nga matul-id.'" **4** Karon si Juan nagsul-ob ug sinina nga balahibo sa kamelyo ug usa ka panit nga bakos libot sa iyang hawak. Ang iyang pagkaon mga dulon ug ihalas nga dugos. **5** Unya ang Jerusalem, tibuok Judea, ug ang tanan nga rehiyon palibot sa Suba sa Jordan miadto kaniya. **6** Sila gibawtismohan pinaagi kaniya didto sa Suba sa Jordan, samtang sila nagsugid sa ilang mga sala. **7** Apan sa dihang iyang nakita ang kadaghanan sa mga Pariseo ug mga Saduseo nga miduol kaniya alang sa pagpabawtismo, siya miingon ngadto kanila, "Kamo mga anak sa makahilo nga mga bitin, kinsa man ang nagpahimangno kaninyo sa pag-ikyas gikan sa kapungot nga moabot? **8** Pamunga ug angayan sa paghinulsol. **9** Ug ayaw paghunahuna sa pagsulti sa inyong kaugalingon, 'Kami adunay Abraham nga among amahan,' Kay ako mosulti kaninyo nga ang Dios makahimo sa pagtuboy ug mga anak alang kang Abraham bisan paman niining mga bato. **10** Ang atsa nahimutang batok sa gamot sa mga kahoy. Busa ang matag kahoy nga dili mohatag ug maayong bunga pagaputlon ug ilabay ngadto sa kalayo. **11** Ako magbawtismo kaninyo uban sa tubig sa paghinulsol. Apan siya nga moabot human kanako mas gamhanan pa kay kanako, ug dili ako takos bisan pa sa pagdala sa iyang mga sandalyas. Siya magabawtismo kaninyo uban sa Balaang Espiritu ug sa kalayo. **12** Ang iyang pangkahig anaa sa iyang kamot aron ihinlo sa hingpit sa iyang giokanang salog ug sa pagtigom sa iyang mga trigo ngadto sa bodega. Apan iyang pagasunogon ang mga uhot sa kalayo nga dili gayod mapalong." **13** Unya si Jesus miabot gikan sa Galilea ngadto sa Suba sa Jordan aron sa pagpabawtismo kang Juan. **14** Apan si Juan nagpugong kaniya, sa pag-ingon, "Ako kinahanglan nga imong bawtismohan, ug mianhi ka kanako?" **15** Si Jesus mitubag ug miingon ngadto kaniya, "Tugoti kini karon, kay kini husto kanato sa pagtuman sa tanang pagkamatarong." Unya si Juan mitugot kaniya. **16** Human siya nabawtismohan, si Jesus mihaw-as dayon gikan sa tubig, ug tan-awa, ang langit naabli alang kaniya. Iyang nakita ang Espiritu sa Dios mikanaog sama sa salampati ug mihayag kaniya. **17** Tan-awa, ang usa ka tingog migawas gikan sa langit nga nag-ingon, "Kini ang akong hinigugmang Anak. Ako nalipay pag-ayo kaniya."

### Chapter 4

**1** Unya si Jesus gigiyahan pinaagi sa Espiritu, ug gidala sa kamingawan aron tintalon sa yawa. **2** Sa dihang siya nagpuasa sa 40 ka adlaw ug 40 ka gabii, siya gigutom. **3** Ang maninintal niabot ug miingon kaniya, "Kung ikaw ang Anak sa Dios, mandoi kining mga bato aron mahimong tinapay." **4** Apan si Jesus mitubag ug miingon kaniya, "Kini nahisulat, 'Ang tawo dili mabuhi sa tinapay lamang, apan pinaagi sa matag pulong nga mogawas sa baba sa Dios.'" **5** Unya gidala siya sa yawa sa balaang siyudad ug gibutang siya sa pinakahabog nga bahin sa templo, **6** ug miingon kaniya, "Kung ikaw ang Anak sa Dios, ambak ngadto sa ubos, kay kini nahisulat, "Mandoan niya ang iyang mga anghel aron mag-amping kanimo,' ug, 'Pagasapnayon ka nila sa ilang mga kamot, aron nga ang imong mga tiil dili maigo sa bato.'" **7** Miingon si Jesus kaniya, "Nahisulat usab kini, 'Dili nimo kinahanglan nga sulayan ang Ginoo nga imong Dios.'" **8** Usab, ang yawa nagdala kaniya sa habog nga dapit ug gipakita kaniya ang tanang gingharian sa kalibotan uban sa ilang katahom. **9** Siya miingon kaniya, "Kining tanan nga mga butang ihatag ko kanimo, kung ikaw moyukbo ug mosimba kanako." **10** Unya si Jesus miingon kaniya, "Palayo gikan dinhi, Satanas! Kay kini nahisulat, 'Ikaw kinahanglan mosimba sa Ginoo nga imong Dios, ug ikaw kinahanglan nga moalagad kaniya lamang.'" **11** Unya ang yawa mibiya kaniya, ug tan-awa, ang mga anghel niabot ug nag-alagad kaniya. **12** Karon sa dihang nadungog ni Jesus nga si Juan gidakop, siya mibalik sa Galilea. **13** Mibiya siya sa Nasaret ug miadto ug mipuyo sa Capernaum, nga anaa duol sa Dagat sa Galilea, sa mga teritoryo sa Zebulun ug Naftali. **14** Kini nahitabo aron matuman ang giingon sa propeta nga si Isaias, **15** "Ang yuta sa Zebulun ug ang yuta sa Naftali, padulong sa dagat, tabok sa Jordan, Galilea sa mga Gentil! **16** Ang mga tawo nga naglingkod sa kangitngit nakakita sa dakong kahayag, ug kadtong mga tawo nga naglingkod sa rehiyon ug anino sa kamatayon, ngadto kanila adunay kahayag nga misubang." **17** Gikan niadtong panahona si Jesus misugod pagsangyaw ug miingon, "Paghinulsol, kay ang gingharian sa langit haduol na." **18** Sa dihang naglakaw siya sa daplin sa Dagat sa Galilea, nakita niya ang duha ka managsoon, si Simon nga gitawag ug Pedro, ug si Andres nga iyang igsoon, nga naglabay ug pukot sa dagat, kay sila mga mangingisda. **19** Si Jesus miingon kanila, "Dali, sunod kanako, ug himoon ko kamong mga mananagat ug mga tawo." **20** Dihadiha ilang gibiyaan ang mga pukot ug misunod kaniya. **21** Sa dihang si Jesus mipadayon gikan didto iyang nakita ang ubang duha ka managsoon, si Santiago nga anak ni Zebede, ug si Juan nga iyang igsoon. Sila anaa sa sakayan uban ni Zebede nga ilang amahan nga nag-ayo sa ilang mga pukot. Gitawag niya sila, **22** ug dihadiha mibiya sila sa sakayan ug sa ilang amahan ug misunod kaniya. **23** Si Jesus miadto sa tibuok Galilea, nagtudlo sa ilang mga sinagoga, nagsangyaw sa ebanghelyo sa gingharian, ug nag-ayo sa tanang matang sa balatian ug mga sakit sa mga tawo. **24** Ang balita mahitungod kaniya miabot sa tibuok Siria, ug ang mga tawo nagdala padulong kaniya sa tanan niadtong mga nagsakit, nagsakit sa nagkalainlaing balatian ug mga kasakit, kadtong mga giyawaan, ug ang patolon, ug paralitiko. Giayo sila ni Jesus. **25** Ang dakong panon misunod kaniya gikan sa Galilea, ang Decapolis, ang Jerusalem, ug ang Judea, ug gikan sa tabok sa Jordan.

### Chapter 5

**1** Sa dihang nakita ni Jesus ang panon sa mga katawhan, misaka siya ngadto sa bukid. Sa dihang siya naglingkod, ang iyang mga disipulo miduol kaniya. **2** Iyang gibuka ang iyang baba ug nagtudlo kanila, nga nag-ingon, **3** "Bulahan ang kabos sa espiritu, kay ila ang gingharian sa langit. **4** Bulahan kadtong nagbangutan, kay sila pagalipayon. **5** Bulahan ang maaghop, kay sila makapanunod sa yuta. **6** Bulahan kadtong gigutom ug gi-uhaw sa pagkamatarong, kay sila pagabusgon. **7** Bulahan kadtong maluloy-on, kay sila makabaton ug kalooy. **8** Bulahan ang putli ug kasing-kasing, kay sila makakita sa Dios. **9** Bulahan ang mga tigpasiugda sa kalinaw, kay sila pagatawgong mga anak sa Dios. **10** Bulahan kadtong gipanglutos tungod sa pagkamatarong, kay ila ang gingharian sa langit. **11** Bulahan kamo sa dihang bugalbugalan kamo sa mga tawo ug pagalutuson kamo, o magsulti sa tanang klase sa mga daotang butang batok kaninyo nga bakak alang sa akong katuyoan. **12** Pagmaya ug paglipay pag-ayo, tungod kay dako ang inyong ganti sa langit. Sa ingon niini nga paagi gilutos sa mga tawo ang mga propeta nga nagpuyo kaniadto una kaninyo. **13** Kamo mga asin sa yuta. Apan kung ang asin mawad-an sa iyang lami, unsaon man kini nga mahimong moparat pag-usab? Kini dili na gayod maayo alang sa bisan unsang butang, gawas nga ilabay ug pagatamaktamakan ilalom sa tiil sa mga tawo. **14** Kamo ang kahayag sa kalibotan. Usa ka siyudad nga nahimutang sa usa ka bungtod nga dili matago. **15** Walay tawo nga modagkot ug suga ug ibutang kini ilalom sa usa ka sudlanan, apan ngadto hinuon sa patunganan sa suga, ug kini modan-ag sa matag-usa sa panimalay. **16** Himoa ang inyong kahayag nga modan-ag atubangan sa mga tawo sa ingon niana nga paagi ilang makita ang inyong maayong mga binuhatan ug daygon ang inyong Amahan nga anaa sa langit. **17** Ayaw hunahunaa nga mianhi ako aron moguba sa balaod o sa mga propeta. Ako mianhi dili sa pagguba kanila, apan sa pagtuman kanila. **18** Sa pagkatinuod ako moingon kaninyo nga hangtod ang langit ug ang yuta mahanaw, walay bisan usa nga nahisulat o bisan usa ka kudlit sa bisan unsa nga paagi ang mawala gikan sa balaod, hangtod nga ang tanang mga butang matuman. **19** Busa bisan kinsa ang motuis sa usa nga labing ubos niining mga sugo ug nagtudlo sa uban sa pagbuhat niini mahimong tawgon nga labing ubos sa gingharian sa langit. Apan bisan kinsa nga nagtipig niini ug nagtudlo niini mahimong tawgong bantugan sa gingharian sa langit. **20** Kay ako moingon kaninyo nga gawas kung ang inyong pagkamatarong molabaw sa pagkamatarong sa mga escriba ug sa mga Pariseo, kamo dili makasulod sa gingharian sa langit. **21** Nakadungog kamo nga kini gisulti kanila sa karaang mga panahon, 'Ayaw pagpatay,' ug, 'bisan kinsa nga mopatay mahimong makuyaw sa paghukom.' **22** Apan ako moingon kaninyo nga ang matag-usa nga masuko sa iyang igsoon mahimong anaa sa makuyaw nga paghukom. Ug bisan kinsa nga moingon sa iyang igsoon nga lalaki, 'Wala kay pulos nga pagkatawo!' mahimong anaa sa kakuyaw sa konseho. Ug bisan kinsa nga moingon, 'Buang ka!' mahimong anaa sa kakuyaw sa kalayo sa impiyerno. **23** Busa kung kamo maghalad sa inyong gasa sa altar ug didto hinumdomi nga ang inyong igsoon adunay bisan unsang butang batok kaninyo, **24** biyai ang inyong gasa didto sa atubangan sa altar, ug lakaw sa inyong dalan. Una pagpasig-uli sa inyong igsoon ug unya adto ug ihalad ang inyong gasa. **25** Pagpakig-uli sa inyong magsusumbong samtang kamo uban kaniya padulong sa korte, o ang inyong magsusumbong motugyan kaninyo ngadto sa maghuhukom, ug ang maghuhukom motugyan kaninyo ngadto sa opisyales, ug kamo igabanlod ngadto sa prisohan. **26** Sa pagkatinuod ako moingon kaninyo, dili gayod kamo makagawas gikan didto hangtod inyong mabayran ang kataposang gamay nga salapi nga inyong nautang. **27** Inyong nadungog nga kini gisulti, 'Ayaw panapaw.' **28** Apan ako moingon kaninyo nga ang matag-usa nga motan-aw sa usa ka babaye uban ang kaibog diha kaniya nakabuhat na sa pagpanapaw uban kaniya diha sa iyang kasingkasing. **29** Ug kung ang inyong tuong mata mahimong hinungdan nga kamo mapandol, lugita kini ug ilabay palayo gikan kaninyo. Kay mas maayo pa alang kaninyo nga ang usa ka bahin sa inyong lawas kinahanglang mawala kaysa tibuok ninyong lawas ilabay ngadto sa impiyerno. **30** Ug kung ang inyong tuong kamot mahimong hinungdan sa inyong pagkapandol, putla kini ug ilabay palayo gikan kaninyo. Kay mas maayo pa alang kaninyo nga ang usa ka bahin sa inyong lawas kinahanglang mawala kaysa tibuok ninyong lawas mahiadto sa impiyerno. **31** Kini usab ang gisulti, 'Bisan kinsa ang magpadala sa iyang asawa sa layo, pahataga siya ug kasulatan kaniya sa panagbulag.' **32** Apan ako moingon kaninyo nga ang matag-usa nga makigbulag sa iyang asawa, gawas sa hinungdan sa makauulaw nga pagpakighilawas, nakapahimo kaniya nga babayeng mananapaw. Ug bisan kinsa nga makigminyo kaniya human siya nakigbulag nakabuhat ug pagpanapaw. **33** Usab, nakadungog kamo nga kini gisulti niadtong karaang mga panahon, 'Ayaw pagsaad sa bakak nga panumpa, apan dalha ang imong mga panaad ngadto sa Ginoo.' **34** Apan ako moingon kaninyo, ayaw na gayod pagpanumpa, bisan sa langit, kay mao kini ang trono sa Dios; **35** bisan sa yuta, kay mao kini ang tumbanan sa iyang tiil; bisan sa Jerusalem, kay mao kini ang siyudad sa bantogang Hari. **36** Ayaw panumpa pinaagi sa inyong ulo, kay dili kamo makahimo sa usa ka buhok nga moputi o moitom. **37** Apan himoa ang inyong pulong nga, 'Oo,' o 'Dili.' Ang bisan unsa nga labaw pa niini gikan sa usa nga daotan. **38** Inyong nadungog nga kini gisulti, 'Mata batok sa mata, ug ngipon batok sa ngipon.' **39** Apan moingon ako kaninyo, ayaw pagsukol sa usa nga daotan. Hinuon, bisan kinsa nga mosagpa kaninyo sa inyong tuong aping, ipasagpa usab kaniya ang pikas. **40** Ug kung bisan kinsa ang mangandoy sa pag-adto sa korte uban kaninyo ug mokuha sa inyong pangsulod nga bisti, pasagdi usab kanang tawhana nga kuhaon ang inyong kupo. **41** Ug bisan kinsa nga motukmod kaninyo sa pag-adto sa usa ka milya, adto usab uban kaniya sa duha. **42** Paghatag ngadto kang bisan kinsa nga mangayo kaninyo, ug ayaw pagtalikod gikan niadtong bisan kinsa nga nangandoy sa pagpanghulam gikan kaninyo. **43** Kamo nakadungog nga kini gisulti, 'Higugmaon ninyo ang inyong silingan ug dumti ang inyong kaaway.' **44** Apan ako moingon kaninyo, higugmaa ang inyong kaaway ug pag-ampo niadtong naglutos kaninyo, **45** aron nga kamo mahimong mga anak sa inyong Amahan nga anaa sa langit. Kay siya makapahimo sa iyang adlaw sa pagsubang sa daotan ug sa matarong, ug nagpadalag ulan sa matarong ug sa dili matarong. **46** Kay kung inyong higugmaon kadtong nahigugma kaninyo, unsang ganti ang inyong makuha? Dili ba nagabuhat man bisan ang tigkolekta ug buhis sa susamang butang? **47** Ug kung inyo lamang pangumustahon ang inyong mga igsoon, unsay inyong mabuhat nga labaw pa sa uban? Dili ba nagabuhat man bisan ang mga Gentil sa susamang butang? **48** Busa kamo kinahanglan mahingpit, sama kahingpit sa inyong langitnong Amahan.

### Chapter 6

**1** Pagbantay nga kamo dili magbuhat sa inyong buhat sa pagkamatarong atubangan sa mga tawo aron makita nila, kay kondili wala kamoy ganti gikan sa Amahan nga anaa sa langit. **2** Busa sa dihang maghatag kamo ug limos, ayaw pagpatingog ug trumpeta atubangan sa inyong kaugalingon sama sa gibuhat sa mga tigpakaaron-ingnon didto sa mga sinagoga ug sa kadalanan, aron nga maangkon nila ang pagdayeg sa mga tawo. Sa pagkatinuod sultihan ko kamo, nga nadawat na nila ang ilang ganti. **3** Apan sa dihang mohatag kamo ug limos, ayaw itugot nga ang inyong wala nga kamot masayod kung unsa ang gibuhat sa inyong tuo nga kamot, **4** aron nga ang inyong gasa mahimong ihatag sa tago. Unya ang inyong Amahan nga nakakita sa tago moganti kaninyo. **5** Ug sa dihang mag-ampo kamo, ayaw pahisama sa mga tigpakaaron-ingnon, kay sila mahigugmaon nga motindog ug mag-ampo didto sa mga sinagoga ug sa mga kilid sa dalan, aron nga sila makita sa mga tawo. Sa pagkatinuod sultihan ko kamo, nadawat na nila ang ilang ganti. **6** Apan kamo, sa dihang mag-ampo kamo, sulod kamo sa suok nga lawak. Sirad-i ang pultahan, ug pag-ampo sa inyong Amahan nga anaa sa tago. Unya ang inyong Amahan nga makakita sa tago moganti kaninyo. **7** Ug sa dihang mag-ampo kamo, ayaw pagbuhat sa walay pulos nga pagbalikbalik sama sa gibuhat sa mga Gentil, kay naghunahuna sila nga madunggan sila tungod sa ilang daghang gipangsulti. **8** Busa, ayaw pahisama kanila, kay ang inyong Amahan nasayod kung unsa ang mga butang nga inyong gikinahanglan sa dili pa kamo mangayo kaniya. **9** Busa pag-ampo sama niini: 'Amahan namo nga anaa sa langit, balaanon ang imong ngalan. **10** Moabot ang imong gingharian, matuman ang imong pagbuot sa yuta maingon sa langit. **11** Ihatag kanamo karong adlawa ang among tinapay sa matag-adlaw. **12** Pasayloa kami sa among mga utang, sama usab sa among pagpasaylo sa mga nakautang kanamo. **13** Ug ayaw kami dad-a ngadto sa tintasyon; hinuon luwasa kami gikan sa daotan.' **14** Kay kung inyong pasayloon ang mga tawo sa ilang kalapasan, ang inyong langitnong Amahan usab magapasaylo kaninyo. **15** Apan kung dili ninyo pasayloon ang ilang kalapasan, dili mopasaylo ang inyong Amahan sa inyong mga kalapasan. **16** Labaw pa niana, sa dihang magpuasa kamo, ayaw pagbaton sa masulub-on nga panagway sama sa gibuhat sa mga tigpakaaron-ingnon, kay magapadaotdaot sila sa ilang mga dagway aron mapakita nila sa mga tawo nga nagpuasa sila. Sa pagkatinuod sultihan ko kamo, nga nadawat na nila ang ilang ganti. **17** Apan kamo, sa dihang kamo magpuasa, dihogi ang inyong ulo ug hugasi ang inyong dagway. **18** Sa ingon dili kamo makita sa mga tawo nga nagpuasa, kondili ngadto lamang sa inyong Amahan nga anaa sa tago. Ug ang inyong Amahan nga makakita sa tago, moganti kaninyo. **19** Ayaw pagtigom alang sa inyong kaugalingong mga bahandi sa kalibotan, diin tayaan ug kutkuton sa anay, ug diin ang mga kawatan moguba ug mokawat. **20** Hinuon, pagtigom alang sa inyong kaugalingon ug mga bahandi didto sa langit, diin walay anay ni taya ang moguba, ug diin ang mga kawatan dili makaguba ug makakawat. **21** Kay kung diin ang imong bahandi, atua usab ang imong kasingkasing. **22** Ang mata mao ang suga sa lawas. Busa, kung ang inyong mata maayo, ang tibuok lawas mapuno sa kahayag. **23** Apan kung ang inyong mata daotan, ang inyong tibuok lawas mapuno sa kangitngit. Busa, kung ang kahayag nga anaa kaninyo kangitngit gayod, unsa kadako kana nga kangitngit! **24** Walay bisan usa nga makahimo sa pag-alagad sa duha ka agalon, kay pagadumtan niya ang usa ug higugmaon ang lain, o magmatinud-anon siya sa usa ug magtamay sa lain. Dili kamo makaalagad sa Dios ug sa bahandi. **25** Busa sultihan ko kamo, ayaw kabalaka mahitungod sa inyong kinabuhi, unsa ang inyong kaonon o unsa ang inyong imnon—o mahitungod sa inyong lawas, unsa gayod inyong suoton. Kay ang kinabuhi mas labaw pa kaysa pagkaon, ug ang lawas labaw pa kaysa mga bisti? **26** Tan-awa ang mga langgam sa kahanginan. Wala sila nagpugas o nag-ani o nagtigom sa mga kamalig, apan ang inyong langitnong Amahan nagpakaon kanila. Dili ba kamo labaw pa nga bililhon kay kanila? **27** Ug kinsa ang usa kaninyo nga nabalaka nga makadugang sa usa ka siko nga gitas-on sa iyang kinabuhi? **28** Ug nganong nabalaka man kamo mahitungod sa mga bisti? Hunahunaa ang mga lirio sa kaumahan, giunsa nila pagtubo. Wala sila motrabaho, ug wala sila manahi sa bisti. **29** Apan sultihan ko kamo, bisan si Solomon sa tanan niyang himaya wala makasul-ob sama sa usa niini. **30** Kung ang Dios nagbisti sa mga sagbot sa kaumahan, nga milungtad karon ug pagkaugma itambog didto sa hudno, dili ba kamo labaw pa nga iyang pagabistihan, kamo nga gamay ang pagtuo? **31** Busa ayaw kabalaka ug pagsulti, 'Unsa ang atong kaonon?' o, 'Unsa ang atong imnon?' o, 'Unsa nga bisti ang atong sul-ubon?' **32** Kay ang mga Gentil nangita niining mga butanga, ug ang inyong langitnong Amahan nasayod nga kamo nanginahanglan niini. **33** Apan unaha pagpangita ang iyang gingharian ug ang iyang pagkamatarong ug kining tanan nga mga butang igahatag kaninyo. **34** Busa, ayaw kabalaka alang sa ugma, kay ang ugma mabalaka alang sa iyang kaugalingon. Ang matag adlaw adunay igong suliran sa iyang kaugalingon.

### Chapter 7

**1** Ayaw paghukom, ug kamo dili pagahukman. **2** Kay ang paghukom nga inyong ihukom, kamo pagahukman. Ug sa sukdanan nga inyong gisukod, kini ang isukod kaninyo. **3** Ug nganong nagtan-aw kamo ngadto sa gamay nga tipik sa dagami nga anaa sa mata sa inyong mga igsoon, apan wala ninyo mamatikdi ang troso nga anaa sa inyong kaugalingong mata? **4** Giunsa ninyo sa pag-ingon ngadto sa inyong mga igsoon nga, 'Tugoti ako sa pagkuha sa tipik sa dagami nga anaa sa imong mata,' samtang ang troso anaa sa imong kaugalingong mata? **5** Tigpakaaron-ingnon kamo! Unaha pagkuha ang troso nga anaa sa inyong kaugalingong mata, ug unya makakita kamo sa klaro aron sa pagkuha sa tipik sa dagami nga anaa sa mata sa inyong igsoon. **6** Ayaw ihatag kung unsa ang balaan ngadto sa mga iro, ug ayaw ilabay ang inyong mga perlas ngadto sa atubangan sa mga baboy. Kung inyo kining buhaton sila magyatakyatak niini sa ilang mga tiil, ug unya mosumbalik ug magkuniskunis kaninyo sa pino. **7** Pangayo, ug kini ihatag kaninyo. Pangita, ug kamo makakaplag. Panuktok, ug kini pagaablihan kaninyo. **8** Kay ang tanan nga nangayo, makadawat. Ug ang matag-usa nga mangita, makakaplag. Ug ngadto sa tawo nga manuktok, kini pagaablihan. **9** O unsa nga tawo anaa taliwala kaninyo, kung ang iyang anak mangayo kaniya ug tinapay, hatagan ba niya ug bato? **10** O kung siya mangayo ug isda, hatagan ba niya ug bitin? **11** Busa, kung kamong mga daotan nasayod kung unsaon paghatag ug maayong mga gasa ngadto sa inyong mga anak, unsa pa kaha ang inyong Amahan nga gikan sa langit nga naghatag sa mga maayong butang niadtong nangayo kaniya? **12** Busa, bisan unsa nga mga butang nga buot ninyong ipabuhat sa mga tawo nganha kaninyo, kinahanglan kamo usab magbuhat ngadto kanila, tungod kay kini mao ang balaod ug mga propeta. **13** Sulod diha sa sigpit nga ganghaan. Kay luag ang ganghaan ug lapad ang dalan nga padulong sa kalaglagan, ug adunay daghang mga tawo ang misubay niini. **14** Kay sigpit ang ganghaan ug sigpit ang dalan nga padulong sa kinabuhi ug diyutay lamang ang nakakaplag niini. **15** Pagbantay sa mini nga mga propeta, nga moduol kaninyo nga nagbisti sa pangkarnero apan ang tinuod bangis nga mga lobo. **16** Pinaagi sa ilang mga bunga mailhan ninyo sila. Makabuhat ba ang mga tawo sa pagtapok sa ilang mga ubas nga gikan sa sampinit o mga igos nga gikan sa kadyapa? **17** Sa samang paagi, ang matag maayo nga kahoy mamunga ug maayong bunga, apan ang daot nga kahoy mamunga ug daot nga bunga. **18** Ang usa ka maayong kahoy dili mamunga ug daot nga bunga, ni bisan ang daot nga kahoy dili mamunga ug maayong bunga. **19** Ang matag kahoy nga dili mamunga ug maayong bunga pagaputlon ug ilabay ngadto sa kalayo. **20** Busa, mailhan ninyo sila pinaagi sa ilang mga bunga. **21** Dili tanan nga miingon kanako, 'Ginoo, Ginoo,' makasulod didto sa gingharian sa langit, apan kadto lamang si bisan kinsa nga nagbuhat sa kabubut-on sa akong Amahan nga anaa sa langit. **22** Daghang katawhan nga moingon kanako niadtong adlawa, 'Ginoo, Ginoo, dili ba nanagna man kami sa imong ngalan, sa imong ngalan naghingilin ug mga demonyo, ug sa imong ngalan nabuhat ang daghang gamhanan nga mga binuhatan?' **23** Unya ako moingon kanila sa dayag, 'Ako wala makaila kaninyo! Palayo gikan kanako, kamo nga nagabuhat ug daotan!' **24** Busa, ang tanan nga nakadungog sa akong mga pulong ug mituman niini mahisama sa usa ka maalamong tawo nga nagtukod sa iyang balay diha sa usa ka bato. **25** Ang ulan mibundak, ang baha miabot, ug ang hangin mihuros, ug mihampak niana nga balay, apan wala kini maguba, tungod kay kini natukod man sa bato. **26** Apan ang tanan nga nakadungog sa akong mga pulong ug wala motuman niini mahisama sa usa ka buangbuang nga tawo nga nagtukod sa iyang balay diha sa balas. **27** Ang ulan mibundak, ang baha miabot, ug ang hangin mihuros, ug mihampak niana nga balay. Ug naguba kini, ug hingpit kining pagkaguba." **28** Kini nahitabo nga sa dihang natapos na si Jesus sa pagsulti niining mga pulonga, ang panon sa katawhan natingala sa iyang gitudlo, **29** kay siya nanudlo kanila sama sa adunay katungod, ug dili sama sa ilang mga eskriba.

### Chapter 8

**1** Samtang si Jesus mikanaog gikan sa bungtod, baga nga panon sa katawhan ang misunod kaniya. **2** Tan-awa, usa ka sanglahon miyukbo kaniya, nga nag ingon. "Ginoo, kung buot mo, makahimo ka sa paghinlo kanako." **3** Gituy-od ni Jesus ang iyang kamot ug gihikap siya, nga nag-ingon. "Buot ko. Mahinlo ka." Dihadiha dayon siya nahinlo sa iyang sangla. **4** Si Jesus miingon kaniya, "Siguradoha nga dili mo kini isaba kang bisan kinsa nga tawo. Lakaw, ug ipakita ang imong kaugalingon sa pari ug paghalad ug gasa ingon sa kasugoan ni Moises, alang sa pagpamatuod kanila." **5** Samtang si Jesus miadto sa Capernaum, ang kapitan niadto kaniya ug nangutana kaniya, **6** nga nag-ingon, "Ginoo, ang akong sulugoon naghigda sa balay nga paralisado ug anaa sa hilabihan nga kasakit." **7** Si Jesus miingon kaniya, "Ako moadto ug ayohon siya." **8** Ang kapitan mitubag ug miingon, "Ginoo, ako dili takos nga ikaw mosulod ilalom sa akong silonganan, isulti lang ang pulong ug ang akong sulugoon mamaayo. **9** Kay ako usab usa ka tawo nga nabutang ilalom sa panggamhanan, ug ako adunay mga sundalo ilalom kanako. Kung akong ingnon ang usa, 'Lakaw,' siya molakaw, ug ngadto sa usa, 'Duol diri,' ug siya moduol, ug sa akong sulugoon, 'Buhata kini,' ug siya mobuhat niini." **10** Sa dihang nadungog kini ni Jesus, siya natingala ug miingon niadtong mga nagsunod kaniya, "Sa pagkatinuod ako moingon kaninyo, ako wala makakaplag ni bisan kinsa nga adunay pagtuo nga sama ani dinhi sa Israel. **11** Ako moingon kaninyo, daghan ang moabot gikan sa sidlakan ug kasadpan, ug sila nagpahayahay sa lamisa ni Abraham, Isaac, ug Jacob, ngadto sa gingharian sa langit. **12** Apan ang mga anak nga lalaki sa gingharian mahimong itambog ngadto sa kinahiladman sa kangitngit, kung asa didto adunay mga paghilak ug pagkagot sa mga ngipon." **13** Ug si Jesus miingon sa kapitan, "Lakaw! Sama sa imong gituohan, mao usab kini ang mahitabo kanimo." Ug ang sulugoon naulian niana gayod nga oras. **14** Sa dihang si Jesus miadto sa balay ni Pedro, iyang nakita ang ugangan nga babaye ni Pedro nga naghigda sa balatian tungod sa kalintura. **15** Gihikap ni Jesus ang iyang kamot, ug ang kalintura nihawa kaniya. Unya siya nitindog ug nagsugod pagsilbi kaniya. **16** Sa dihang mopadulong na ang kagabhion, ang mga tawo midala kang Jesus ug mga gidumalaan sa demonyo. Iyang giabog ang mga espiritu pinaagi sa usa ka pulong ug giayo ang tanang nga nagbalatian. **17** Niini nga paagi natuman kung unsa ang giingon ni Isaias nga propeta, nga nag-ingon, "Siya sa iyang kaugalingon nikuha sa atong mga sakit ug nagdala sa mga balatian." **18** Karon sa dihang nakita ni Jesus ang mga panon nga milibot kaniya, siya mihatag ug mga pagtudlo nga manabok paingon sa pikas bahin sa dagat sa Galilea. **19** Unya ang eskriba miduol kaniya ug miingon, "Magtutudlo, ako mosunod kanimo bisan asa ka moadto." **20** Si Jesus miingon kaniya, "Ang mga milo adunay mga lungag, ang mga langgam sa kawanangan adunay mga salag, apan ang Anak sa Tawo walay kapahulayan sa iyang ulo." **21** Laing mga disipulo na usab ang miingon kaniya, "Ginoo, tugoti una ako sa paglubong sa akong amahan." **22** Apan si Jesus miingon kaniya, "Sunod kanako, ug pasagdi ang mga patay nga molubong sa ilang kaugalingong patay." **23** Samtang si Jesus misakay sa bangka, ang iyang mga disipulo misunod kaniya didto. **24** Tan-awa, dihay dako nga bagyo sa dagat, mao nga ang bangka matabonan sa mga balod. Apan si Jesus natulog. **25** Ang mga disipulo miduol kaniya ug mipukaw kaniya, nga nag-ingon, "Luwasa kami, Ginoo; mahiagom na kita sa kamatayon!" **26** Si Jesus miingon kanila, "Nganong nangahadlok man kamo, kamo nga gamay ug pagtuo?" Unya siya mitindog ug iyang gibadlong ang hangin ug ang dagat, **27** Ug unya miabot ang dakong kalinaw. Ang mga kalalakin-an natingala ug miingon, "Unsa nga matang kini sa pagkatawo, nga bisan ang mga hangin ug ang dagat mituman man kaniya?" **28** Sa dihang si Jesus miadto sa pikas bahin ug ngadto sa nasod sa Gadarenes, duha ka tawo nga gidumalahan ug demonyo ang mitagbo kaniya. Sila migawas gikan sa lubnganan ug labihan ka pintas, mao nga walay magpapanaw nga moagi nianang dalana. **29** Tan-awa, sila misinggit ug miingon, "Unsay labot namo kanimo, Anak sa Dios? Mianhi kaba sa paglutos kanamo sa wala pa ang gitakda nga panahon?" **30** Karon adunay panon sa mga baboy nga nagkaon, sa dili layo gikan kanila. **31** Ang demonyo nagpadayon sa pagpakiluoy kang Jesus nga nag-ingon, "Kung imo kaming pagawson, ipadala lamang kami sa mga panon sa mga baboy." **32** Si Jesus miingon kanila, "Lakaw!" Ang mga demonyo migawas ug misulod sa mga baboy. Ug tan-awa, ang tibuok panon midali ug dagan paubos sa pangpang ngadto sa dagat ug silang tanan nangamatay sa tubig. **33** Ang mga tawo nga nag-atiman sa mga baboy nanagan palayo. Ug sa dihang miadto sila sa siyudad ilang gipanugilon ang tanan, ilabina kung unsa ang nahitabo sa kalalakin-an nga gidumalaan sa mga demonyo. **34** Tan-awa, ang tibuok siyudad niadto ug mitagbo kang Jesus. Sa dihang nakita nila siya, sila nagpakiluoy kaniya nga mobiya sa ilang rehiyon.

### Chapter 9

**1** Si Jesus misulod sa usa ka bangka, patabok, ug miadto sa iyang kaugalingon nga siyudad. **2** Tan-awa, sila midala ngadto kaniya ug usa ka paralisado nga tawo nga naghigda sa usa ka banig. Sa pagkakita sa ilang pagtuo, si Jesus misulti ngadto sa paralisado nga tawo, "Anak, pagmalipayon. Ang imong mga sala napasaylo na." **3** Tan-awa, pipila ka mga eskriba nagsulti sa ilang mga kaugalingon, "Kining tawhana nagpasipala." **4** Si Jesus nasayod sa ilang mga hunahuna ug miingon, "Nganong naghunahuna kamo ug daotan sa inyong mga kasingkasing? **5** Kay unsa ang mas sayon sa pagsulti, 'Ang imong mga sala napasaylo na.' o sa pagsulti 'Barog ug lakaw'? **6** Apan aron kamo masayod nga ang Anak sa Tawo adunay katungod sa kalibotan sa pagpasaylo sa mga sala,..." siya miingon sa parilitiko, 'Barog, punita ang imong banig, ug adto sa imong balay." **7** Unya mibarog ang tawo ug miadto palayo sa iyang balay. **8** Sa dihang ang mga panon nakakita niini, sila nahibulong ug nagdayeg sa Dios, nga naghatag sa maong katungod ngadto sa mga tawo. **9** Sa paglabay ni Jesus gikan didto, iyang nakita ang usa ka tawo nga ginganlan ug Mateo, nga naglingkod sa kolektahanan sa buhis. Siya miingon kaniya, "Sunod kanako." Siya mibarog ug misunod kaniya. **10** Sa paglingkod ni Jesus aron mokaon didto sa balay, tan-awa, daghan nga mga tigkolekta sa buhis ug mga makasasala nga tawo ang miabot ug mikaon uban kang Jesus ug sa iyang mga disipulo. **11** Sa dihang ang mga Pariseo nakakita niini, sila miingon sa iyang mga disipulo, "Nganong ang inyong magtutudlo nagkaon uban sa mga kubrador ug buhis ug sa mga makasasala nga tawo?" **12** Sa dihang si Jesus nakadungog niini, siya miingon, "Ang mga tawo nga lig-on ang lawas dili manginahanglan ug mananambal, kadto lamang nagsakit. **13** Kamo kinahanglan makakat-on kung unsa ang mga pasabot niini, 'Ako nagtinguha sa kalooy ug dili sa halad.' Kay ako miabot, dili sa pagtawag sa matarong aron sa paghinulsol, apan sa mga makasasala." **14** Unya ang mga disipulo ni Juan miadto kaniya ug miingon, "Nganong kami ug ang mga Pariseo kanunay nagapuasa, apan ang imong mga disipulo dili nagapuasa?" **15** Si Jesus miingon kanila, "Mahimo ba ang abay sa kasal nga magmasulob-on samtang ang pamanhonon kauban pa nila? Apan ang mga adlaw moabot sa dihang ang pamanhonon pagakuhaon gikan kanila, ug unya sila magpuasa. **16** Walay tawo nga mobutang sa usa ka bag-o nga panapton ngadto sa daang panapton, kay ang tinapak magisi gikan sa panapton, ug usa ka mas dako nga gisi ang mahimo. **17** Ni ang mga tawo mobutang ug bag-o nga bino ngadto sa daang sudlanan nga panit. Kung kini buhaton nila, ang mga panit magisi, ang bino mahimong mayabo, ug ang sudlanan nga panit madaot. Hinuon, sila mobutang sa bag-o nga bino sa bag-o nga mga sudlanan nga panit, ug ang duha matipigan." **18** Samtang si Jesus nagsulti niining mga butang ngadto kanila, tan-awa, usa ka opisyal ang miabot ug miluhod ngadto kaniya. Siya miingon, "Ang akong anak namatay karon lang, apan adto ug itapion ang imong kamot kaniya, ug siya mabuhi." **19** Unya si Jesus mibarog ug misunod kaniya, ug ang iyang mga disipulo usab. **20** Tan-awa, usa ka babaye nga hilabihan ang pagdugo sa dose ka tuig, miabot sa likod ni Jesus ug mihikap sa tumoy sa iyang sinina. **21** Kay siya misulti sa iyang kaugalingon, "Kung ako makahikap lamang sa iyang sinina, ako mahimong mauli-an." **22** Apan si Jesus milingi ug nakita siya, ug miingon "Anak, pagmaisugon. Ang imong pagtuo nakahimo sa pag-ayo kanimo." Ug ang babaye naulian dayon. **23** Sa dihang miabot si Jesus sa balay sa opisyal, iyang nakita ang tigtugtog sa plawta ug ang panon sa katawhan naghimo ug kasaba. **24** Siya miingon, "Hawa palayo, kay ang babaye dili patay, apan siya natulog." Apan sila mikatawa kaniya sa pagbugal-bugal. **25** Sa dihang ang panon nabutang na sa gawas, siya misulod sa kuwarto ug gigunitan siya sa kamot, ug ang batang babaye mibarog. **26** Ang mga balita mahitungod niini mikaylap ngadto sa tanan niana nga rehiyon. **27** Sa paglabay ni Jesus gikan didto, duha ka buta nga mga lalaki ang misunod kaniya. Sila nagsige ug singgit ug nagsulti, "Kaloy-i kami, Anak ni David!" **28** Sa dihang si Jesus miabot sa balay, ang buta nga mga lalaki miduol kaniya. Si Jesus miingon kanila, "Nagtuo ba kamo nga ako makahimo niini?" Sila miingon kaniya, "Oo, Ginoo." **29** Unya gihikap ni Jesus ang ilang mga mata ug miingon, "Mahitabo kini kaninyo sumala sa inyong pagtuo." **30** Ug ang ilang mga mata naabli. Unya si Jesus hugot nga nagmando kanila ug miingon, "Tan-awa nga walay bisan usa nga masayod niini." **31** Apan ang duha ka lalaki miadto sa gawas ug gipakaylap ang mga balita mahitungod niini nianang tibuok nga rehiyon. **32** Samtang kadtong duha ka lalaki milakaw palayo, tan-awa, usa ka amang nga tawo nga gidumalahan sa usa ka demonyo ang gidala ngadto kang Jesus. **33** Sa dihang ang demonyo gipahawa na, ang amang nga tawo nakasulti. Ang panon sa katawhan nahibulong ug misulti, "Kini wala pa sukad nakita sa Israel!" **34** Apan ang mga Pariseo miingon, "Pinaagi sa magmamando sa mga demonyo, siya makapahawa sa mga demonyo." **35** Si Jesus miadto sa tanan nga mga siyudad ug sa mga baryo. Siya mipadayon sa pagtudlo sa ilang mga sinagoga, sa pagwali sa ebanghelyo sa gingharian, ug sa pag-ayo sa tanang matang sa balatian ug sa tanang matang sa sakit. **36** Sa dihang iyang nakita ang mga panon sa katawhan, siya adunay gugma alang kanila, tungod kay sila nasamok ug naluya. Sila sama sa karnero nga walay magbalantay. **37** Siya miingon sa iyang mga disipulo, "Ang anihonon daghan, apan ang mga magbubuhat gamay. **38** Busa pag-ampo ngadto sa Ginoo sa pag-ani, aron nga siya magpadala ug mga magbbuhat didto sa iyang anihonon."

### Chapter 10

**1** Gitawag ni Jesus sa tingob ang iyang napulo ug duha ka mga disipulo ug naghatag kanila sa katungod ibabaw sa mahugaw nga mga espiritu, sa pagpagawas kanila, ug sa pag-ayo sa tanang matang sa mga balatian ug tanang matang sa mga sakit. **2** Karon ang mga ngalan sa napulo ug duha ka mga apostoles mao kini. Ang nauna, si Simon (nga gitawag usab siya nga Pedro), ug si Andres nga iyang igsoon; si Santiago ang anak nga lalaki ni Zebedee, ug si Juan nga iyang igsoon; **3** si Filipe ug Bartolomeo; si Tomas, ug Mateo ang kubrador sa buhis; si Santiago ang anak nga lalaki ni Alfeo ug Taddeo; **4** si Simon ang Zealotes, ug si Judas Iscariote, nga mao ang magbudhi kaniya. **5** Gipadala ni Jesus kining napulo ug duha. Nagsugo siya kanila ug miingon, "Ayaw pag-adto sa dapit diin nagpuyo ang mga Gentil, ug ayaw pagsulod sa bisan diin nga lungsod sa mga Samarianhon. **6** Adtoa hinuon ang nangawala nga karnero sa balay sa Israel. **7** Ug samtang kamo moadto, pagwali ug pagsulti, "Ang gingharian sa langit nagkaduol na." **8** Ayoha ang masakiton, banhawa ang mga patay, hinloi ang mga sanlahon, ug hinginli ang mga demonyo. Walay bayad ang inyong pagdawat, walay bayad ang paghatag. **9** Ayaw pagdala ug bulawan, salapi, o plata sa inyong mga puntil. **10** Ayaw pagdala ug sudlanan sa inyong pagpanglakaw, o dugang pang sapot, o sandalyas, o usa ka sungkod, kay ang magbubuhat angayan sa iyang pagkaon. **11** Bisan unsang siyudad o baryo nga inyong masudlan, pangitaa kung kinsa ang takos niini, ug pagpuyo didto hangtod nga kamo mobiya. **12** Sa inyong pagsulod didto sa balay, panghinaoti kini. **13** Kung ang balay takos, pasagdi nga ang inyong kalinaw maanaa niini. Apan kung dili kini takos, pasagdi nga ang inyong kalinaw magabalik kaninyo. **14** Alang niadtong dili magdawat kaninyo o maminaw sa inyong mga pulong, sa dihang mobiya na kamo niana nga balay o siyudad, itaktak ang abog gikan sa inyong mga tiil. **15** Sa pagkatinuod magsulti ako kaninyo, mas maantos pa alang sa yuta sa Sodoma ug Gomorrah ang adlaw sa paghukom kaysa nianang siyudara. **16** Tan-awa, ipadala ko kamo sama sa karnero taliwala sa mga lobo, busa pagmaalamon sama sa mga bitin ug dili makapasakit sama sa mga salampati. **17** Pagbantay sa katawhan! Itugyan nila kamo sa mga konseho, ug latigohon nila kamo sa ilang mga sinagoga. **18** Ug dad-on kamo atubangan sa mga gobernador ug sa mga hari tungod kanako, ingon nga pagpamatuod ngadto kanila ug ngadto sa mga Gentil. **19** Sa dihang itugyan na nila kamo, ayaw kamo kabalaka mahitungod kung unsaon o unsa ang inyong isulti, kay kung unsa ang igasulti ihatag kaninyo nianang taknaa. **20** Kay dili na kamo ang magasulti, kondili ang Espiritu sa inyong Amahan ang magasulti diha kaninyo. **21** Ang igsoon magatugyan sa igsoon ngadto sa kamatayon, ug ang amahan sa iyang mga anak. Ang mga anak magatindog batok sa ilang mga ginikanan ug maoy hinungdan nga sila pagapatyon. **22** Pagadumtan kamo sa tanan tungod sa akong ngalan. Apan si bisan kinsa kadtong maglahutay sa kataposan, kanang tawhana mamaluwas. **23** Sa dihang lutoson nila kamo niining siyudara, kalagiw ngadto sa pikas, kay sa pagkatinuod magasulti ako kaninyo, nga dili pa ninyo mahuman pag-adto ang mga siyudad sa Israel sa dili pa moabot ang Anak sa Tawo. **24** Ang usa ka disipulo dili molabaw sa iyang magtutudlo, ni ang sulugoon motaas sa iyang agalon. **25** Igo lamang sa disipulo nga mahisama siya sa iyang magtutudlo, ug ang sulugoon mahisama sa iyang agalon. Kung tawagon nila nga agalon sa balay nga Beelsebul, unsa pa kaha ang pagpakaulaw nila sa iyang panimalay! **26** Busa ayaw kahadlok kanila, kay walay bisan unsang natago nga dili madayag, ug walay bisan unsang tinago nga dili masayran. **27** Kung unsa ang akong gisulti kaninyo diha sa mangitngit, isulti diha sa kahayag, ug kung unsa ang inyong nadungog nga malumo sa inyong dalunggan, imantala diha sa ibabaw sa atop. **28** Ayaw kahadloki kadtong mopatay sa lawas apan dili makahimo sa pagpatay sa kalag. Hinuon, kahadloki siya nga makahimo sa paglaglag sa kalag ug lawas didto sa impiyerno. **29** Dili ba ang duha ka goryon gibaligya alang sa gamay nga sinsilyo? Apan walay usa kanila nga mangahulog ngadto sa yuta nga dili masayran sa inyong Amahan. **30** Apan bisan gani ang mga buhok sa inyong ulo inihap man. **31** Ayaw kahadlok, mas bililhon pa kamo kaysa sa daghang mga goryon. **32** Busa si bisan kinsa nga magsugid kanako atubangan sa katawhan, igasugid ko usab atubangan sa akong Amahan nga atua sa langit. **33** Apan siya nga maglimod kanako atubangan sa katawhan, igalimod ko usab atubangan sa akong Amahan nga atua sa langit. **34** Ayaw hunahunaa nga mianhi ako aron sa pagdala ug kalinaw ibabaw sa kalibotan. Wala ako mianhi aron sa pagdala ug kalinaw, kondili usa ka espada. **35** Kay mianhi ako aron sa pagbutang sa usa ka lalaki batok sa iyang amahan, ug sa anak nga babaye batok sa iyang inahan, ug sa umagad nga babaye batok sa iyang ugangan nga babaye. **36** Ang mga kaaway sa usa tawo mao kadtong anaa sa iyang kaugalingong panimalay. **37** Siya nga nahigugma sa amahan o sa inahan labaw pa kanako dili takos kanako. Ug siya nga naghigugma sa anak nga lalaki ug sa anak nga babaye labaw pa kanako dili takos kanako. **38** Siya nga dili magpas-an sa iyang krus ug mosunod kanako dili takos kanako. **39** Siya nga mangita sa iyang kinabuhi mawad-an niini. Apan siya nga mawad-an sa iyang kinabuhi tungod kanako makakaplag niini. **40** Siya nga magdawat kaninyo magadawat kanako, ug siya nga magadawat kanako magdawat usab kaniya nga nagpadala kanako. **41** Siya nga magdawat sa usa ka propeta tungod kay siya usa ka propeta makadawat sa ganti sa usa ka propeta. Ug siya nga magadawat sa usa ka tawo nga matarong tungod kay siya usa ka matarong nga tawo makadawat sa ganti sa tawong matarong. **42** Si bisan kinsa kadtong maghatag sa usa niining mga gagmay, bisan usa ka baso sa mabugnaw nga tubig, tungod kay siya usa ka disipulo, sa pagkatinuod magasulti ako kaninyo, walay paagi nga mawala kaniya ang iyang ganti."

### Chapter 11

**1** Miabot sa dihang si Jesus natapos sa pagtudlo sa iyang napulo ug duha ka mga disipulo, siya mihawa gikan didto aron sa pagtudlo ug pagsangyaw sa ilang mga siyudad. **2** Karon sa dihang nabalitaan ni Juan didto prisohan ang mahitungod sa nahimo ni Cristo, siya nagpadala ug mensahe pinaagi sa iyang mga disipulo **3** ug miingon kaniya, "Ikaw ba ang usa nga moabot, o aduna pa bay laing tawo nga kinahanglan namong pangitaon?" **4** Si Jesus mitubag ug miingon kanila, "Lakaw ug isulti kang Juan kung unsa ang inyong nakita ug nadungog. **5** Ang buta nga mga tawo nakadawat sa ilang panan-aw, ang bakol nga mga tawo nakalakaw, nahinloan ang mga sanglahon, ang mga bungol nakadungog pag-usab, ang mga patay nga tawo nabuhi pag-usab, ug ang mga nanginahanglan nga mga tawo nasultihan sa maayong balita. **6** Ug bulahan ang bisan si kinsa nga wala makakaplag ug higayon nga mapandoltungod kanako." **7** Samtang kining mga tawo padulong na sa dalan, si Jesus misulti sa panon sa katawhan mahitungod kang Juan, "Unsa ang inyong giadto sa disyerto nga tan-awon—ang bagakay nga napiog pinaagi sa hangin? **8** Apan unsa ang inyong giadto aron tan-awon—usa ka tawo nga nakasuot ug humok nga panapton? Tinuod, kadtong misuot ug humok nga panapton gapuyo sa mga balay sa hari. **9** Apan unsa ang inyong giadto aron tan-awon—usa ka propeta? Oo, ako mosulti kaninyo, ug mas labaw pa sa usa ka propeta. **10** Kini siya mao ang gisulat, 'Tan-awa, ako magapadala sa akong mensahero una sa imong dagway, nga mao ang moandam sa imong dalan una kanimo.' **11** Ako mosulti kaninyo sa tinuoray, taliwala niadtong gipakatawo sa mga babaye walay mas labaw kang Juan nga Magbabawtismo. Apan, ang dili mahinungdanon nga tawo sa gingharian sa langit mas dako kay kaniya. **12** Gikan sa adlaw ni Juan nga Magbabawtismo hangtod karon, ang gingharian sa langit nagaantos sa pagpanglupig, ug ang mga tawo nga manlulupig magailog niini pinaagi sa kusog. **13** Kay ang tanang mga propeta ug ang balaod nagapanag-an na hangtod kang Juan. **14** Ug kung ikaw andam sa pagdawat niini, kini si Elias, ang usa nga moabot. **15** Siya nga adunay dalunggan sa pagpamati, papamatia siya. **16** Sa unsa nako igakumpara kini nga henerasyon? Kini sama sa mga bata nga nagdula sa merkado, nga naglingkod ug nagtawag sa usag-usa **17** ug misulti, 'Kami nitugtog ug plawta alang kaninyo, ug kamo wala misayaw. Kami nagsubo, ug kamo wala midangoyngoy.' **18** Si Juan miabot nga wala nagkaon ug tinapay o nag-inom ug bino, ug sila misulti, 'Siya anaay demonyo.' **19** Ang Anak sa Tawo miabot nga nagkaon ug nag-inom ug sila misulti, 'Tan-awa, siya dako ug kaon nga tawo ug palahubog, usa ka higala sa mga kubrador sa buhis ug sa mga makasasala!' Apan ang kaalam gipakamatarong pinaagi sa iyang mga buhat." **20** Unya si Jesus misugod sa pagbadlong sa mga siyudad diin nahimo ang kadaghanan sa iyang gamhanan nga buhat, tungod kay wala sila naghinulsol. **21** "Pagkaalaot nimo, Corazin! Pagkaalaot nimo, Betsaida! Kung ang makagagahom nga mga buhat nga nahimo kaninyo nahitabo unta sa Tiro ug Sidon, naghinulsol na unta sila kaniadto pa nga nagsul-ob sa sako ug mga abo. **22** Apan mas maantos pa ang Tiro ug Sidon sa adlaw sa paghukom kaysa kaninyo. **23** Ikaw, Capernaum, nagahunahuna ka ba nga bayawon ka didto sa langit? Dili, ikaw pagadad-on paubos sa hades. Kay kung sa Sodoma aduna pa untay gihimo nga makagagahom nga mga buhat nga nabuhat kanimo, kini nagpabilin pa unta hangtod karon. **24** Apan ako magasulti kanimo nga mas sayon pa alang sa yuta sa Sodoma sa adlaw sa paghukom kay kanimo." **25** Niadto nga higayon si Jesus miingon, "Gidayeg ko ikaw, Amahan, Ginoo sa langit ug sa kalibotan, tungod kay imong gitago kining mga butanga gikan sa maalamon ug adunay pagsabot, ug gipakita kini niadtong mga wala matudloi, sama sa mga gagmay nga bata. **26** Oo, Amahan, kay kini makapahimuot gayod kanimo. **27** Ang tanang butang nga gisangon kanako gikan sa akong Amahan. Ug walay bisan usa nga nasayod sa Anak gawas sa Amahan, ug walay bisan usa nga nasayod sa Amahan gawas sa Anak, ug si bisan kinsa nga gitinguha sa Anak nga ipakita siya. **28** Duol kanako, kamong tanan nga naghago ug ang gibug-atan, ug papahulayon ko kamo. **29** Kuhaa ang akong yugo diha kaninyo ug pagkat-on gikan kanako, kay ako malumo ug mapainubsanon ang kasingkasing, ug inyong makaplagan ang kapahulayan sa inyong kalag. **30** Kay ang akong yugo masayon ug ang akong lulan magaan."

### Chapter 12

**1** Niadtong panahona miadto si Jesus sa Adlawng Igpapahulay agi sa kaumahan sa trigo. Ang iyang mga disipulo gipanggutom ug nagsugod sa pagkutlo ug mga ulo sa trigo ug gikaon nila. **2** Apan sa dihang ang mga Pariseo nakakita niana, sila misulti kang Jesus, "Tan-awa, ang imong mga disipulo nagbuhat kung unsa ang supak sa balaod nga buhaton sa Adlawng Igpapahulay." **3** Apan si Jesus miingon kanila, "Wala ba ninyo nabasa kung unsa ang gibuhat ni David, sa dihang gigutom siya, ug ang mga tawo nga kauban niya? **4** Kung giunsa niya pag-adto sa balay sa Dios ug mikaon sa tinapay sa presensya, nga supak sa balaod alang kaniya nga mokaon, ug supak sa balaod alang niadtong kauban niya, apan subay lamang sa balaod alang sa mga pari? **5** Ug wala ba kamo nakabasa sa balaod, nga sa Adlawng Igpapahulay ang mga pari sa templo nagpasipala sa Adlawng Igpapahulay apan dili sad-an? **6** Apan mosulti ako kaninyo ang usa nga mas labaw sa templo ania. **7** Kung kamo nahibalo kung unsa ang gipasabot niini, 'Ako naninguha sa kaluoy ug dili ang halad,' dili kamo buot mosilot sa walay mga sala. **8** Kay ang Anak sa Tawo ang Ginoo sa Adlawng Igpapahulay." **9** Unya si Jesus mibiya gikan didto ug miadto sa ilang sinagoga. **10** Tan-awa, adunay tawo nga uga ug kamot. Ang mga Pariseo nangutana kang Jesus, nga nag-ingon, "Subay ba kini sa balaod ang pag-ayo sa Adlawng Igpapahulay?" aron nga sila makahimo sa pagpasangil kaniya ug sala. **11** Si Jesus misulti kanila, "Kinsang tawhana nga anaa sa inyong taliwala, nga, kung siya adunay usa ka karnero, ug kung kini nga karnero nahulog sa usa ka lalom nga bangag sa Adlawng Igpapahulay, dili ba gunitan kini ug aswaton kini pagawas? **12** Unsa ang mas labaw nga bililhon, unya, ang usa ka tawo kay sa usa ka karnero! Busa kini subay sa balaod ang pagbuhat ug maayo sa Adlawng Igpapahulay." **13** Unya si Jesus misulti sa tawo, "Ituy-od ang imong kamot." Gituy-od niya kini pagawas, ug kini mibalik pagkahimsog, sama sa ubang kamot. **14** Apan ang mga Pariseo migawas ug naglaraw batok kaniya. Sila nangita kung unsaon nila nga siya mapatay. **15** Si Jesus nakamatikod niini, siya miikyas gikan didto. Daghang mga tawo ang misunod kaniya, ug giayo niya silang tanan. **16** Gisugo niya sila nga dili siya mahimong mailhan ngadto sa uban, **17** nga kini mahimong matuman, kung unsa ang gisulti pinaagi ni Isaias nga propeta, nga nag-ingon, **18** "Tan-awa, ang akong sulugoon nga akong pinili; ang usa nga akong hinigugma, diin gikahimut-an pag-ayo sa akong kalag. Akong ibutang ang akong Espiritu ngadto kaniya, ug siya magpahibalo sa paghukom sa mga Gentil. **19** Dili siya maningkamot ni mosinggit ug kusog; ni adunay makadungog sa iyang tingog sa kadalanan. **20** Dili niya buakon ang bisan unsa nga nagasgas nga bagakay; dili niya palungon ang bisan unsa nga nag-asong lino, hangtod iyang ipadala ang paghukom sa kadaogan. **21** Ug ang mga Gentil magasalig sa iyang ngalan." **22** Unya adunay usa ka tawo nga buta ug amang, nga gisudlan sa demonyo, ang gidala ngadto kang Jesus. Siya nag-ayo kaniya, uban sa gisangpotan nga ang amang nga tawo nakasulti ug nakakita. **23** Ang tanang panon sa katawhan natingala ug nag-ingon, "Kini bang tawhana ang anak ni David?" **24** Apan sa dihang ang mga Pariseo nakadungog niining milagro, sila miingon, "Kining tawhana dili makahingilin sa mga demonyo gawas kung pinaagi kang Beelzebub, ang prinsipe sa mga demonyo." **25** Apan si Jesus nasayod sa ilang mga hunahuna ug miingon siya kanila, "Ang matag gingharian nga nabahin batok sa ilang kaugalingon nahimong biniyaan, ug ang matag siyudad o balay nga nabahin batok sa ilang kaugalingon dili makabarog. **26** Kung si Satanas mipagawas kang Satanas, siya nabahin batok sa iyang kaugalingon. Unsaon pagbarog sa iyang gingharian? **27** Ug kung akong gipagawas ang mga demonyo pinaagi kang Beelzebul, pinaagi ni kinsa ang nabuhat sa inyong mga sumusunod sa pagpagawas kanila? Tungod niini, sila mahimo ninyong maghuhukom. **28** Apan kung akong gipagawas ang mga demonyo pinaagi sa Espiritu sa Dios, unya ang gingharian sa Dios moabot diha kaninyo. **29** Ug unsaon pagsulod ni bisan kinsa sa balay sa tawong kusgan ug pagkawat sa iyang mga kabtangan nga wala gaposa pag-una ang tawong kusgan? Unya iyang makawat ang iyang mga kabtangan gikan sa iyang balay. **30** Ang usa nga dili uban nako batok kanako, ug ang usa nga wala nagtigom uban nako magbulagbulag. **31** Busa sultihan ko kamo, ang matag sala ug pagpasipala sa tawo mapasaylo, apan ang pagpasipala batok sa Espiritu dili mapasaylo. **32** Ug si bisan kinsa nga mosulti sa bisan unsa nga pulong batok sa Anak sa Tawo, kana mapasaylo niya. Apan si bisan kinsa nga mosulti batok sa Balaang Espiritu, kana dili na niya mahimong mapasaylo, niining kalibotana, ni diha sa umaabot. **33** Kung mahimo ang kahoy nga maayo ug ang bunga niini maayo, o mahimo ang kahoy nga daot ug ang bunga niini daot, kay ang kahoy mailhan pinaagi sa bunga niini. **34** Kamong mga kaliwat sa mga bitin, sanglit kamo mga daotan, unsaon ninyo pagsulti sa maayong mga butang? Kay kung unsa ang sulod sa kasingkasing ang baba mosulti. **35** Ang maayong tawo gikan sa maayong bahandi sa iyang kasingkasing, madala pagawas kung unsa ang maayo, ug daotang tawo gikan sa daotang bahandi sa iyang kasingkasing, madala pagawas kung unsa ang daotan. **36** Ug mosulti ako kaninyo nga sa adlaw sa paghukom ang mga tawo magahatag ug husay alang sa matag pulong nga walay pulos nga ilang nasulti. **37** Kay pinaagi sa inyong mga pulong kamo mahimong matarong, ug pinaagi sa inyong mga pulong kamo pagahukman." **38** Unya ang pipila ka mga eskriba ug mga Pariseo mitubag kang Jesus ug miingon, "Magtutudlo, kami nagtinguha sa mga timailhan gikan kanimo." **39** Apan si Jesus mitubag ug misulti kanila, "Usa ka daotan ug mananapaw nga kaliwatan nagapangita ug mga timailhan. Apan walay timailhan nga mahatag niini gawas sa timailhan ni Jonas nga propeta. **40** Ingon nga si Jonas sa tulo ka adlaw ug tulo ka gabii sa tiyan sa dakong isda, busa ang Anak sa Tawo kay tulo ka adlaw ug tulo ka gabii sa kasingkasing sa yuta. **41** Ang mga tawo sa Nineveh makabarog sa paghukom uban niining kaliwatan sa mga tawo ug pagahukman kini. Kay sila naghinulsol diha sa pagwali ni Jonas, ug tan-awa, usa nga mas labaw pa kay kang Jonas ania. **42** Ang Rayna sa Habagatan motindog sa paghukom uban sa mga kalalakin-an niining kaliwatan ug pagasilotan kini. Siya miabot gikan sa kinatumyan sa kalibotan sa pagpamati sa kaalam ni Solomon, ug tan-awa, usa nga mas labaw pa kay kang Solomon ania. **43** Sa dihang ang hugaw nga espiritu nawala na gikan sa tawo, kini miagi paingon sa dapit nga walay tubig ug nangita sa kapahulayan, apan wala kini nakakaplag. **44** Unya kini miingon, 'Mobalik ako sa akong balay kung asa ako naggikan.' Sa pagbalik, nakita niini nga ang balay nalimpyo ug napahimutang. **45** Unya kini miadto ug gidala uban niini ang pito ka mga espiritu nga mas daotan pa kay sa iyahang kaugalingon, ug silang tanan misulod ug mipuyo didto. Unya ang kataposang kahimtang nianang tawhana nahimong mas hilabihan pa kay sa una. Ingon niini ang mahimong mahitabo niining daotang kaliwatan." **46** Samtang si Jesus nakigsulti pa sa panon sa katawhan, tan-awa, ang iyang inahan ug iyang mga igsoong lalaki nagtindog sa gawas, nangita aron sa pagpakig-istorya kaniya. **47** Usa ka tawo miingon kaniya, "Tan-awa, ang imong inahan ug imong mga igsoong lalaki nagtindog sa gawas, nangita aron makig-istorya kanimo." **48** Apan si Jesus mitubag ug misulti kaniya nga nag-ingon kaniya, "Kinsa ang akong inahan? Ug kinsa ang akong mga igsoong lalaki?" **49** Unya gituy-od niya pagawas ang iyang kamot paingon sa iyang mga disipulo ug miingon, "Tan-awa, ania sila nga akong inahan ug akong mga igsoong lalaki! **50** Alang sa bisan kinsa nga nagbuhat sa kabubut-on sa akong Amahan nga anaa sa langit, kanang tawhana akong igsoong lalaki, ug igsoong babaye, ug inahan."

### Chapter 13

**1** Niadtong adlawa si Jesus migawas sa balay ug milingkod daplin sa dagat. **2** Ang labihan kadaghan nga panon sa katawhan miduol palibot kaniya, busa misakay siya sa sakayan ug milingkod niini. Ang tanan nga panon sa katawhan nagtindog sa baybayon. **3** Unya miingon si Jesus sa daghang mga butang ngadto kanila diha sa mga sambingay. Miingon siya, "Tan-awa, ang usa ka magpupugas milakaw aron magpugas. **4** Samtang siya nagpugas, ang pipila ka mga binhi nahulog daplin sa dalan, ug ang mga langgam miabot ug nituka kanila. **5** Ang uban nga mga binhi nahulog sa batoon nga yuta, diin wala silay igong yuta. Dihadiha dayon nanurok sila, tungod kay ang yuta dili lalom. **6** Apan sa dihang misubang na ang adlaw, nasunog sila tungod kay wala sila makagamot, ug nalawos sila. **7** Ang uban nga mga binhi nahulog taliwala sa tunokon nga mga tanom. Mitubo ang tunokon nga mga tanom ug mituok kanila. **8** Ang uban nga mga binhi nahulog sa maayo nga yuta ug namunga ug lugas, ang pipila 100 kapilo ang gidaghanon, ang pipila 60, ug ang pipila 30. **9** Siya nga adunay mga dalunggan, papaminawa siya." **10** Miabot ang mga disipulo ug miingon kang Jesus, "Nganong nakigsulti ka man sa panon sa katawhan diha sa mga sambingay?" **11** Si Jesus mitubag ug miingon kanila, "Gihatagan na kamo sa kahigayonan sa pagsabot sa mga tinago sa gingharian sa langit, apan wala kini gihatag kanila. **12** Tungod kay si bisan kinsa kadtong aduna, pagahatagan pa siya sa makadaghan, ug aduna siyay dakong pagsabot. Apan si bisan kinsa kadtong anaa, pagakuhaon gikan kaniya ang bisan unsa nga anaa kaniya. **13** Busa nakigsulti ako kanila diha sa mga sambingay, tungod kay bisan sila nagtan-aw, wala gayod sila makakita. Ug bisan tuod nakadungog sila, wala gayod sila nagpatalinghog, ni makasabot sila. **14** Natuman ngadto kanila ang panagna ni Isaias, nga nag-ingon, 'Samtang maminaw makadungog kamo, apan sa bisan unsa nga pamaagi dili kamo makasabot; samtang magtan-aw makakita kamo, apan dili kamo makaila. **15** Kay kining kasingkasing sa mga tawo nagmagahi, ug naglisod na sila sa pagpaminaw, ug gisirado na nila ang ilang mga mata, aron wala na gayod silay makita uban sa ilang mga mata, o madungog uban sa ilang mga dalunggan, o makasabot uban ang ilang mga kasingkasing, aron mobalik sila pag-usab, ug ako magaayo kanila." **16** Apan bulahan ang inyong mga mata, kay sila makakita; ug ang inyong mga dalunggan, kay sila makadungog. **17** Sa pagkatinuod sultihan ko kamo nga daghang mga propeta ug matarong nga mga tawo ang nagtinguha nga makakita sa mga butang nga inyong nakita, ug wala nakakita kanila. Nagtinguha sila nga makadungog sa mga butang nga inyong nadunggan, ug wala nakadungog kanila. **18** Unya paminawa ang sambingay sa magpupugas. **19** Sa dihang madungog ni bisan kinsa ang pulong sa gingharian apan dili makasabot niini, unya moabot ang daotan ug mosakmit kung unsa na ang napugas sa iyang kasingkasing. Kini ang binhi nga napugas daplin sa dalan. **20** Siya nga napugas sa batoon nga yuta mao siya ang nakadungog sa pulong ug dihadiha midawat niini uban ang kalipay. **21** Apan wala siya makagamot sa iyang kaugalingon ug milahutay sa makadiyot lamang. Sa dihang miabot ang kasakit o paglutos tungod sa pulong, dihadiha napandol siya. **22** Siya nga napugas taliwala sa tunokon nga mga tanom, mao kini siya ang nakadungog sa pulong, apan ang mga kabalaka sa kalibotan ug ang pagkamalimbongon sa mga bahandi mituok sa pulong, ug nahimo siyang dili mabungahon. **23** Siya nga napugas sa maayong yuta, mao kini siya ang nakadungog sa pulong ug nakasabot niini. Mao kini siya nga naghatag gayod sa bunga ug nag-ugmad niini; ang pipila 100 ka-pilo kadaghan, ang pipila 60, ug ang pipila 30." **24** Nagpadayag si Jesus ug laing sambingay ngadto kanila. Miingon siya, "Ang gingharian sa langit sama sa usa ka tawo nga nagpugas sa maayong binhi didto sa iyang uma. **25** Apan samtang natulog ang mga tawo, miabot ang iyang kaaway ug nagpugas usab sa mga sagbot taliwala sa mga trigo ug unya mihawa. **26** Sa dihang nanurok ang mga uhay ug unya naghatag sa ilang ani, mitungha usab ang mga sagbot." **27** Miabot ang mga sulugoon sa tag-iya sa yuta ug miingon kaniya, 'Sir, dili ba nagpugas ka man ug maayong binhi sa imong uma? Sa unsang paagiha nga karon aduna na may mga sagbot niini?' **28** Siya miingon kanila, 'Ang kaaway ang nagbuhat niini.' Miingon ang mga sulugoon kaniya, 'Busa buot mo ba nga moadto kami ug pang-ibton sila?' **29** Miingon ang tag-iya sa yuta, 'Ayaw, o basin sa dihang inyong ibton ang mga sagbot, tingali maibot ninyo ang trigo kauban nila. **30** Tugoti nga magdungan sa pagtubo ang duha hangtod sa ting-ani. Sa panahon sa ting-ani moingon ako sa mga mag-aani, "Unaha sa pag-ibot ang mga sagbot ug bugkosa sila aron sunogon sila, apan tigoma ang trigo ngadto sa akong kamalig."'" **31** Unya nagpadayag si Jesus ug laing sambingay ngadto kanila. Miingon siya, "Ang gingharian sa langit sama sa usa ka liso sa mustasa nga gikuha sa usa ka tawo ug gipugas sa iyang uma. **32** Kini nga liso mao gayod ang kinagamyan sa tanang matang sa mga liso. Apan sa dihang motubo na kini, mas dako pa kini sa mga tanom sa tanaman. Mahimo kining usa ka kahoy, aron ang mga langgam sa kahanginan moabot ug magsalag sa mga sanga niini." **33** Unya si Jesus nagsugilon kanila ug laing sambingay. "Ang gingharian sa langit sama sa patubo nga gikuha sa usa ka babaye ug gisagol uban sa tulo ka sukod nga harina hangtod nga mitubo kini." **34** Ang tanan niining mga butanga nga giingon ni Jesus ngadto sa mga panon sa katawhan diha sa mga sambingay. Ug kung walay mga sambingay dili siya makigsulti kanila. **35** Aron nga kung unsa ang giingon pinaagi sa propeta matinuod gayod, sa dihang miingon siya, "Pagaablihan ko ang akong baba sa mga sambingay. Mosulti ako sa tinagong mga butang gikan sa patukoranan sa kalibotan." **36** Unya mibiya si Jesus sa panon sa katawhan ug misulod sa balay. Miduol ang iyang mga disipulo kaniya ug miingon, "Ipasabot kanamo ang sambingay sa mga sagbot sa uma." **37** Mitubag si Jesus ug miingon, "Siya nga nagpugas sa maayong binhi mao ang Anak sa Tawo. **38** Ang uma mao ang kalibotan; ug ang maayong binhi, mao kini ang mga anak sa gingharian. Ang mga sagbot mao ang mga anak sa daotan, **39** ug ang kaaway nga nagpugas kanila mao ang yawa. Ang ting-ani mao ang kataposan sa kalibotan, ug ang mga mag-aani mao ang mga anghel. **40** Busa, ingon nga ang mga sagbot gitigom ug gisunog uban sa kalayo, mao na kini ang kataposan sa kalibotan. **41** Magapadala ang Anak sa Tawo sa iyang mga anghel, ug tigomon nila sa gawas sa iyang gingharian ang tanang mga butang nga mao ang hinungdan sa sala ug kadtong nagbuhat ug kasaypanan. **42** Ilabay nila sila ngadto sa hudno sa kalayo, diin didto adunay panaghilak ug panagkagot sa mga ngipon. **43** Unya magasidlak ang matarong nga mga tawo sama sa adlaw diha sa gingharian sa ilang Amahan. Siya nga adunay mga dalunggan, tugoti nga maminaw siya. **44** Ang gingharian sa langit sama sa tinagong bahandi sa usa ka uma. Ang usa ka tawo nakakaplag niini ug nagtago niini. Sa iyang kalipay milakaw siya, gipamaligya ang tanan niyang gipanag-iyahan, ug mipalit niadtong umaha. **45** Usab, ang gingharian sa langit sama sa usa ka tawo nga tigpatigayon nga nangita alang sa bililhong mga perlas. **46** Sa dihang nakaplagan niya ang usa ka perlas sa dako kaayong kantidad, milakaw siya ug gibaligya ang tanang butang nga iyang gipanag-iyahan ug gipalit kini. **47** Ug usab, ang gingharian sa langit sama sa usa ka pukot nga gilabay ngadto sa dagat, ug nagtigom sa matag matang sa mga binuhat. **48** Sa dihang napuno na kini, ang mga mananagat nagbira niini padulong sa baybayon. Unya nanglingkod sila ug gitapok ang maayong mga butang ngadto sa mga sudlanan, apan ang walay bili nga mga butang gilabay nila. **49** Mao kini ang pamaagi sa kataposan sa kalibotan. Moabot ang mga anghel ug ilain ang daotan gikan niadtong mga matarong. **50** Ilabay nila sila didto sa hudno sa kalayo, diin adunay panaghilak ug panagkagot sa mga ngipon. **51** Nakasabot ba kamo niining tanan nga mga butang?" Ang mga disipulo miingon kaniya, "Oo." **52** Unya si Jesus miingon kanila, "Busa ang matag eskriba nga nahimong disipulo didto sa gingharian sa langit sama sa usa ka tawo nga tag-iya sa balay, nga mikuha sa daan ug bag-ong mga butang gikan sa iyang kabtangan." **53** Unya miabot nga sa dihang nahuman na si Jesus niining mga sambingaya, mibiya na siya niadtong dapita. **54** Unya misulod si Jesus sa iyang kaugalingong rehiyon ug nagtudlo sa mga tawo sa ilang sinagoga. Ang sangpotanan niini mao nga nahibulong sila ug nag-ingon, "Diin man gikuha niining tawhana ang iyang kaalam ug diin gikan kining mga milagro? **55** Dili ba kining tawhana mao man ang anak sa panday? Dili ba ang iyang inahan mao man si Maria? Ug ang iyang mga igsoon, dili ba sila si Santiago, Jose, Simon, ug Judas man? **56** Ug ang iyang mga igsoon nga babaye, kauban man kanato? Busa diin man gikan kining tawhana sa tanang mga butang?" **57** Nakapasuko siya kanila. Apan miingon si Jesus ngadto kanila, "Ang usa ka propeta gipasidunggan gawas diha sa iyang kaugalingong nasod ug sa iyang kaugalingong pamilya." **58** Ug wala siya nagbuhat sa daghang mga milagro didto tungod sa ilang pagkadili-matinoohon.

### Chapter 14

**1** Nianang tungora, si Herodes nga usa ka pangulo sa distrito nakadungog sa mga balita mahitungod kang Jesus. **2** Miingon siya sa iyang mga sulugoon, "Mao kini si Juan nga Tigbawtismo; nabanhaw siya gikan sa mga patay. Busa kini nga mga gahom mao ang namuhat kaniya." **3** Kay si Herodes nagdakop kang Juan, gigapos niya, ug gibutang siya sa bilanggoan tungod ni Herodias, nga asawa sa iyang igsoong lalaki nga si Filipe. **4** Kay si Juan miingon kaniya. "Dili kini makataronganon alang kanimo nga maangkon siya ingon nga imong asawa." **5** Mahimo ni Herodes nga mahiagoman niya ang kamatayon, apan nahadlok siya sa mga tawo, tungod kay giila nila siya nga usa ka propeta. **6** Apan sa dihang ang takna sa adlaw nga natawhan ni Herodes niabot, ang anak nga babaye ni Herodias nagsayawsayaw taliwala kanila ug nakapahimuot kang Herodes. **7** Ingon nga balos, nagsaad siya kaniya nga ihatag kaniya kung unsa ang iyang pangayoon. **8** Human siya gitambagan sa iyang inahan, miingon siya, "Ihatag kanako dinhi, sa usa ka bandihado, ang ulo ni Juan nga Tigbawtismo." **9** Ang hari naguol pag-ayo sa paagi sa iyang pagpangayo, apan tungod kay nakapanumpa man siya, ug tungod niadtong tanan nga nagkaon kauban niya, nagsugo siya nga kinahanglan nga buhaton kini. **10** Nagpadala siya ug giputlan ug ulo si Juan didto sa bilanggoan. **11** Unya ang iyang ulo gibutang sa usa ka bandihado ug gihatag sa dalaga ug gidala kini niya ngadto sa iyang inahan. **12** Unya ang iyang mga disipulo nangabot, gikuha ang patay nga lawas, ug gilubong kini. Human niini, miadto sila ug gisultihan si Jesus. **13** Karon sa dihang nadungog kini ni Jesus, mibiya siya gikan didto pinaagi sa usa ka sakayan ngadto sa mamingaw nga dapit. Sa dihang ang pundok sa katawhan nakadungog niini, namaktas nga misunod sila kaniya gikan sa mga siyudad. **14** Unya si Jesus miduol kanila ug nakita ang dakong pundok sa katawhan. Mibati siya ug kaluoy ngadto kanila ug gi-ayo ang ilang balatian. **15** Sa dihang ang kagabhion miabot na, ang mga disipulo miduol kaniya ug miingon. "Usa kini ka mamingaw nga dapit, ug hapit na mosalop ang adlaw. Ipapauli na ang pundok sa katawhan, aron makaadto sila didto sa mga baryo ug makapalit ug pagkaon alang sa ilang mga kaugalingon." **16** Apan si Jesus miingon kanila. "Dili na kinahanglan nga ipalakaw sila. Hatagi sila ug bisan unsa nga pagkaon." **17** Sila miingon kaniya, "Aduna lamang kami lima ka tinapay ug duha ka isda." **18** Si Jesus miingon, "Dad-a sila kanako." **19** Unya si Jesus nagmando sa pundok sa katawhan nga manglingkod sa kasagbotan. Gikuha niya ang lima ka tinapay ug duha ka isda. Mihangad siya sa langit, gipasalamatan niya ug gipikaspikas ang tinapay ug iyang gihatag ngadto sa mga tinun-an. Gihatag kini sa mga dicipulo ngadto sa pundok sa katawhan. Nangaon silang tanan ug nangabusog. **20** Unya gipanguha nila ang salin sa gipikaspikas nga pagkaon - napulo ug usa ka mga basket ang napuno. **21** Kadtong nangaon mga 5, 000 ka mga lalaki, walay labot ang mga babaye ug mga bata. **22** Dihadiha dayon gisugo niya ang iyang mga disipulo nga mosakay didto sa sakayan ug mag-una kaniya didto sa tabok, samtang siya sa iyang kaugalingon magsugo sa pundok sa katawhan nga mamauli. **23** Sa nahuman na niya papaulia ang pundok sa katawhan, mitungas siya sa bukid aron sa pag-ampo. Sa dihang miabot na ang kagabhion, siya nag-inusara didto. **24** Apan ang sakayan anaa na karon sa tungatunga sa dagat, halos dili na mapugngan tungod sa mga balod, kay ang hangin nakigtagbo man. **25** Sa ikaupat nga takna sa kagabhion si Jesus miadto kanila, nga naglakaw ibabaw sa dagat. **26** Sa dihang ang mga disipulo nakakita kaniya nga naglakaw ibabaw sa dagat, nangahadlok sila ug miingon, "Usa kini ka kalag," ug sila naninggit sa tumang kahadlok. **27** Apan si Jesus nakigsulti kanila nianang tungora ug miingon, "Pagmaisogon! Ako kini! Ayaw kahadlok." **28** Si Pedro mitubag kaniya ug miingon, "Ginoo, kung ikaw kana, mandoi ako nga moanha kanimo ibabaw sa tubig." **29** Si Jesus miingon, "Umari ka." Busa si Pedro migawas gikan sa sakayan ug naglakaw sa tubig aron sa pag-adto kang Jesus. **30** Apan sa dihang nakita ni Pedro ang hangin, nahadlok siya pag-ayo. Ug nagsugod na siya sa pagka-unlod, misinggit siya ug miingon, "Ginoo, luwasa ako!" **31** Dihadiha dayon gitunol ni Jesus ang iyang kamot, gigunitan si Pedro, ug miingon kaniya, "Ikaw nga gamay ug pagtuo, nganong nagduhaduha ka man?" **32** Unya sa dihang si Jesus ug si Pedro nakasakay na sa sakayan, ang hangin miundang na sa paghuros. **33** Unya ang mga disipulo nga anaa sa sakayan nagsimba kang Jesus ug miingon, "Tinuod gayod nga ikaw ang Anak sa Dios." **34** Sa dihang sila nakatabok na, nakaabot na sila sa yuta nga Geneseret. **35** Sa dihang ang mga tawo nianang dapita nakaila kang Jesus, nagpadala sila ug mensahe bisan diin didto sa kasikbit nga dapit, ug gidala nila ngadto kaniya ang tanan nga adunay balatian. **36** Nagpakiluoy sila kaniya nga makahikap unta sa sidsid sa iyang bisti, ug ang kadaghanan nga nakagunit niini nangaayo.

### Chapter 15

**1** Unya ang pipila ka mga Pariseo ug mga eskriba miadto kang Jesus gikan sa Jerusalem. Miingon sila, **2** "Nganong ang imong mga disipulo nagsupak man sa mga tulomanon sa mga katigulangan? Kay wala sila maghugas sa ilang mga kamot sa dihang nangaon sila." **3** Si Jesus mitubag ug miingon kanila, "Ug kamo - nganong inyo mang gisupak ang sugo sa Dios tungod ug alang sa inyong mga tulomanon? **4** Kay ang Dios miingon, 'Tahora ang inyong amahan ug inahan,' ug 'Siya nga magsulti ug daotan ngadto sa iyang amahan ug inahan, mamatay gayod.' **5** Apan kamo miingon, 'Si bisan kinsa nga mosulti sa iyang amahan o inahan, "Bisan unsang tabang nga nadawat ninyo gikan kanako mao na karon ang gasa nga gihatag sa Dios,"' **6** kanang tawhana dili na kinahanglan nga motahod sa iyang amahan. Niini nga paagi gihimo ninyo nga walay pulos ang pulong sa Dios tungod ug alang sa inyong mga tulomanon. **7** Kamong mga tigpakaaron-ingnon, maayo ang gibuhat ni Isaiah nga panagna mahitungod kaninyo sa dihang miingon siya, **8** 'Kining mga tawhana nagtahod kanako sa ilang mga ngabil, apan ang ilang mga kasingkasing halayo gikan kanako. **9** Nagsimba sila kanako sa walay kapuslanan, tungod kay nagtudlo sila ingon nga ang ilang mga pagtulon-an mao ang sugo sa mga tawo."' **10** Unya gitawag niya ang panon sa katawhan ngadto sa iyang kaugalingon ug miingon kanila, "Paminawa ug sabta— **11** Walay bisan unsa nga mosulod ngadto sa baba ang makapahugaw sa usa ka tawo. Hinuon, kung unsa ang mogawas sa baba, mao kini ang makapahugaw sa usa ka tawo." **12** Unya ang mga disipulo miduol ug miingon kang Jesus, "Nasayod ka ba nga nasuko ang mga Pariseo sa dihang nadungog nila kini nga pamahayag?" **13** Si Jesus mitubag ug miingon, "Ang matag tanom nga wala gitanom sa akong langitnong Amahan pagaibton. **14** Pasagdi sila nga mag-inusara, sila ang mga giya nga buta. Kung ang usa ka tawong buta mogiya sa laing tawong buta, mangahulog silang duha ngadto sa bung-aw." **15** Mitubag si Pedro ug miingon kang Jesus, "Ipasabot kini nga sambingay kanamo." **16** Miingon si Jesus, "Kamo ba usab nagpabiling walay pagsabot? **17** Wala ba ninyo makita nga bisan unsa nga mogawas sa inyong baba moagi ngadto sa tiyan ug unya mogawas ngadto sa kasilyas? **18** Apan ang mga butang nga mogawas sa baba gikan sa kasingkasing. Mao sila ang mga butang nga makapahugaw sa usa ka tawo. **19** Kay gikan sa kasingkasing mosunod ang daotang mga hunahuna, pagpatay, pagpanapaw, malaw-ay nga pagpakighilawas, pagpangawat, pagsaksi ug mga bakak, ug mga pagtamay. **20** Mao kini ang mga butang nga makapahugaw sa usa ka tawo. Apan ang mokaon uban sa walay hugas nga mga kamot dili makapahugaw sa usa ka tawo." **21** Unya si Jesus mipahawa gikan didto ug mipaingon sa mga rehiyon sa mga siyudad sa Tiro ug Sidon. **22** Ug tan-awa, ang usa ka babayeng Canaanhon miabot gikan niana nga rehiyon. Misinggit siya ug miingon, "Kalooy-i ako, Ginoo, anak ni David; Ang akong anak nga babaye gisakit pag-ayo sa demonyo." **23** Apan si Jesus wala mitubag kaniya bisan usa ka pulong. Ang iyang mga disipulo miabot ug nagpakiluoy kaniya, nga nag-ingon, "Papahawaa siya, kay nagsinggit siya nga nagsunod-sunod kanato." **24** Apan si Jesus mitubag ug miingon, "Wala ako gipadala alang ni bisan kinsa gawas sa nangawala nga karnero sa panimalay sa Israel." **25** Apan miduol siya ug miluhod sa iyang atubangan, nga nag-ingon, "Ginoo, tabangi ako," **26** Mitubag siya ug miingon, "Dili angay nga kuhaon ang tinapay sa mga bata ug ilabay kini ngadto sa gagmay nga mga iro." **27** Miingon siya, "Oo, Ginoo, apan bisan pa ang gagmay nga mga iro mokaon sa pipila ka mga mumho nga mahulog gikan sa mga lamisa sa ilang agalon." **28** Unya mitubag si Jesus ug miingon ngadto kaniya, "Babaye, pagkadako sa imong pagtuo. Matuman kini alang kanimo sama sa imong gipangandoy." Ug ang iyang anak nga babaye namaayo nianang taknaa. **29** Mibiya si Jesus niana nga dapit ug miadto duol sa Dagat sa Galilea. Unya mitungas siya sa bungtod ug milingkod didto. **30** Ang dakong panon sa katawhan miadto kaniya. Gidala nila uban kanila ang bakol, buta, amang, ug kimay nga mga tawo, ug daghan pang uban nga masakiton. Gidala nila sila sa tiilan ni Jesus ug unya giayo niya sila. **31** Busa ang panon sa katawhan natingala sa dihang nakita nila ang amang nga mga tawo nga nakasulti, ang mga kimay naayo, ang bakol nakalakaw, ug ang buta nakakita. Gidayeg nila ang Dios sa Israel. **32** Gitawag ni Jesus ang iyang mga disipulo paduol kaniya ug miingon, "Aduna akoy kaluoy sa pundok sa katawhan, tungod kay nag-uban sila kanako sulod sa tulo na ka adlaw ug wala nay makaon. Dili ko buot nga ipapauli sila nga dili makakaon, aron nga dili sila makuyapan diha sa dalan." **33** Ang mga disipulo miingon kaniya, "Diin man kita makakuha ug igong mga tinapay niining mamingaw nga dapit aron sa pagpatagbaw sa hilabihan kadako nga pundok sa katawhan?" **34** Si Jesus miingon kanila, "Pila man kabuok ang tinapay nga anaa kaninyo?" Miingon sila, "Pito, ug pipila ka mga gagmay nga isda." **35** Unya gisugo ni Jesus ang panon sa katawhan nga manglingkod sa yuta. **36** Gikuha niya ang pito ka tinapay ug ang isda, ug human sa pagpasalamat, gipikaspikas niya ang tinapay ug gihatag ngadto sa iyang mga disipulo. Ang mga disipulo naghatag kanila ngadto sa pundok sa katawhan. **37** Nangaon ang tanang tawo ug natagbaw. Ug gitigom nila ang tanang pagkaon nga nahibilin gikan sa mga gipikaspikas nga bahin, napuno ang pito ka bukag. **38** Kadtong nangaon 4000 ka mga lalaki, gawas sa mga babaye ug mga bata. **39** Unya gipapauli ni Jesus ang panon sa katawhan ug misakay didto sa sakayan ug miadto ngadto sa rehiyon sa Magadan.

### Chapter 16

**1** Ang mga Pariseo ug mga Saduseo miduol ug misulay kaniya pinaagi sa pagpangutana kaniya aron ipakita kanila ang mga timaan gikan sa langit. **2** Apan mitubag siya ug miingon ngadto kanila, "Sa dihang gabii na, moingon kamo, 'Linaw kini nga panahon, kay ang kalangitan pula. **3** Ug sa kabuntagon moingon kamo, 'Dili maayo ang panahon karong adlawa, kay pula ang langit ug dag-om.' Nasayod kamo kung unsaon paghubad ang hulagway sa kalangitan, apan dili kamo makahubad sa mga ilhanan sa panahon. **4** Ang daotan ug mananapaw nga kaliwatan nangita alang sa usa ka ilhanan, apan walay ilhanan nga ikahatag niini gawas sa ilhanan ni Jonas." Unya mibiya si Jesus kanila ug nagpalayo. **5** Ang mga disipulo miadto sa pikas bahin, apan nakalimot sila sa pagdala ug tinapay. **6** Si Jesus miingon kanila, "Pagpakabana kamo ug pagbantay sa mga igpapatubo sa mga Pariseo ug Saduseo." **7** Ang mga disipulo nangatarongan sa usag usa ug miingon, "Tungod kini nga wala kita makadala ug tinapay," **8** Si Jesus nakabantay niini ug miingon, "Kagamay sa inyong pagtuo, nganong nangatarongan man kamo sa usag usa ug nag-ingon nga tungod kini nga wala kamo makadala ug tinapay? **9** Wala gihapon kamo makasabot o makahinumdom sa lima ka tinapay alang sa 5, 000, ug pila ka mga bukag ang inyong natigom? **10** O ang pito ka tinapay alang sa 4, 000, ug pila ang nahibilin nga mga bukag ang inyong nakuha? **11** Nganong wala man kamo makasabot nga wala ako maghisgot kaninyo mahitungod sa tinapay? Pagpakabana kamo ug pagbantay sa igpapatubo sa mga Pariseo ug Saduseo." **12** Unya nakasabot sila nga wala siya magsulti kanila nga magbinantayon sa igpapatubo diha sa tinapay, kondili magbantay sa mga gipangtudlo sa mga Pariseo ug mga Saduseo. **13** Karon sa dihang miadto si Jesus ngadto sa mga bahin sa Cesarea Filipos, nangutana siya sa iyang mga disipulo, nga nag-ingon, "Kinsa ang giingon sa katawhan nga Anak sa Tawo?" **14** Miingon sila, "Ang uban miingon si Juan nga Tigbawtismo; ang uban, si Elias; ug ang uban, si Jeremias, o usa sa mga Propeta." **15** Siya miingon kanila, "Apan alang kaninyo kinsa man ako?" **16** Sa pagtubag, si Simon Pedro miingon, "Ikaw mao ang Cristo, ang Anak sa buhing Dios." **17** Si Jesus mitubag ug miingon kaniya, "Bulahan ikaw, Simon nga anak ni Jonas, kay ang unod ug dugo wala nagpadayag niini kanimo, apan ang akong Amahan nga anaa sa langit. **18** Ako usab moingon kanimo nga ikaw si Pedro, ug ibabaw niining bato tukoron ko ang akong simbahan. Ang ganghaan sa hades dili gani makabuntog batok niini. **19** Akong ihatag kanimo ang mga yawi sa gingharian sa langit. Kung unsa ang imong gibugkos dinhi sa kalibotan binugkos didto sa langit, ug kung unsa ang imong gibadbaran dinhi sa kalibotan pagabadbaran usab didto sa langit." **20** Unya gimandoan ni Jesus ang iyang mga disipulo nga kinahanglan dili sila mosulti ni bisan kinsa nga siya ang Cristo. **21** Gikan niadtong taknaa si Jesus misugod sa pagsulti sa iyang mga disipulo nga kinahanglan siya moadto sa Jerusalem, mag-antos sa daghang mga butang sa mga kamot sa mga kadagkoan ug sa mga pangulong pari ug sa mga eskriba, pagapatyon, ug pagabanhawon pagbalik sa ikatulo ka adlaw. **22** Unya si Pedro mibira kaniya sa daplin ug gibadlong siya, nga nag-ingon, "Hinaot nga mahilayo kini kanimo, Ginoo; hinaot nga dili kini mahitabo kanimo." **23** Apan milingi si Jesus kaniya ug miingon kang Pedro, "Palayo kanako, Satanas! Babag ka kanako, kay wala ka nagpakabana sa mga butang sa Dios, kondili alang sa mga butang nga iya sa tawo." **24** Unya miingon si Jesus sa iyang mga disipulo, "Kung kinsa ang buot mosunod kanako, kinahanglan nga kalimtan niya ang iyang kaugalingon, pas-anon ang iyang krus, ug mosunod kanako. **25** Kay si bisan kinsa ang buot moluwas sa iyang kinabuhi mawad-an niini, ug si bisan kinsa ang mawad-an sa iyang kinabuhi tungod kanako makakaplag niini. **26** Kay unsa ang kapuslanan sa usa ka tawo kung iyang maangkon ang tibuok kalibotan apan mawad-an sa iyang kaugalingon nga kinabuhi? Unsa ang ikahatag sa tawo nga baylo alang sa iyang kinabuhi? **27** Kay ang Anak sa Tawo moabot pinaagi sa himaya sa iyang Amahan uban sa iyang mga anghel. Unya bayaran niya ang matag usa ka tawo sumala sa iyang binuhatan. **28** Sa pagkatinuod sultihan ko kamo, adunay pipila kaninyo dinhi nga nagtindog, nga dili makaagi ug kamatayon hangtod nga ilang makita ang Anak sa Tawo nga moabot diha sa iyang gingharian."

### Chapter 17

**1** Unom na ka adlaw ang milabay gidala ni Jesus uban kaniya si Pedro, si Santiago, ug si Juan nga iyang igsoong lalaki, ug gidala sila didto sa taas nga bukid nga sila lamang. **2** Nausab siya sa atubangan nila. Ang iyang panagway misidlak sama sa adlaw, ug ang iyang bisti midan-ag sama sa kahayag. **3** Tan-awa, didto nagpakita ngadto kanila si Moises ug si Elias nga nakigsulti kaniya. **4** Si Pedro mitubag ug miingon kang Jesus, "Ginoo, maayo kini alang kanato nga ania dinhi. Kung ikaw magtinguha, maghimo ako dinhi ug tulo ka puy-anan- usa alang kanimo, ug usa alang kang Moises, ug usa alang kang Elias." **5** Samtang nagsulti pa siya, tan-awa, ang mahayag nga panganod naglandong kanila, ug tan-awa, didto anaay tingog nga migawas sa panganod, nga nag-ingon, "Mao kini ang akong pinalangga nga Anak, nga akong gikahimut-an. Paminaw kaniya." **6** Sa dihang nadungog kini sa mga disipulo, mihapa sila ug nahadlok pag-ayo. **7** Unya miabot si Jesus ug mihikap kanila ug miingon, "Barog ug ayaw kahadlok." **8** Unya mihangad sila apan walay bisan usa nga nakita gawas lamang kang Jesus. **9** Sa dihang milugsong sila sa bungtod, si Jesus nagsugo kanila, ug miingon, "Ayaw ibalita kining panan-awon ngadto kang bisan kinsa hangtod nga ang Anak sa Tawo mabanhaw gikan sa mga patay." **10** Ang iyang mga disipulo nangutana kaniya, ug miingon, "Ngano man nga nakasulti ang mga eskriba nga si Elias kinahanglan nga moanhi pag-una?" **11** Si Jesus mitubag ug miingon, "Si Elias sa pagkatinuod moanhi ug magpasig-uli sa tanan nga mga butang. **12** Apan magsulti ako kaninyo, nga si Elias miabot na, apan sila wala makaila kaniya. Hinuon, gibuhat nila ang bisan unsa nga ilang pagbuot ngadto kaniya. Sa samang paagi, ang Anak sa Tawo mag-antos usab ngadto sa ilang mga kamot." **13** Unya ang mga disipulo nakasabot nga siya nagsulti ngadto kanila mahitungod kang Juan nga Tigbawtismo. **14** Sa dihang miabot sila ngadto sa panon sa katawhan, usa ka lalaki ang miadto kaniya, nagluhod sa atubangan niya, ug miingon, **15** "Ginoo, kaluy-i ang akong anak nga lalaki, tungod kay siya gipatol ug nag-antos sa hilabihan. Kanunay siyang mahulog ngadto sa kalayo o sa tubig. **16** Gidala nako siya sa imong mga disipulo, apan wala sila makaayo kaniya." **17** Si Jesus mitubag ug miingon, "Dili matinuohon ug makasasalang kaliwat, hangtod kanus-a ako magpabilin uban kaninyo? Hangtod kanus-a ako kinahanglan mag-agwanta uban kaninyo? Dad-a siya nganhi kanako." **18** Si Jesus naghingilin kaniya, ug ang demonyo mipahawa kaniya. Ang bata nga lalaki naayo sukad nianang taknaa. **19** Unya ang mga disipulo miadto kang Jesus sa tago ug nag-ingon, "Ngano nga dili man kami makahimo sa paghingilin niini?" **20** Si Jesus miingon ngadto kanila, "Tungod kay kamo gamay ug pagtuo. Kay sa pagkatinuod magsulti ako kaninyo, kung kamo adunay pagtuo bisan ingon kagamay sa lugas sa mustasa nga liso, makasulti kamo niining bukira, 'Sibog gikan dinhi paingon didto,' ug mosibog kini ug walay dili mahimo alang kaninyo. **21** . **22** Samtang nagpabilin sila sa Galilea, si Jesus nag-ingon ngadto sa iyang mga disipulo, "Ang Anak sa Tawo itugyan ngadto sa mga kamot sa katawhan. **23** Ug patyon nila siya, ug sa ika-tulo ka adlaw mabanhaw siya." Ang mga disipulo nagmasulob-on kaayo. **24** Sa dihang miabot sila sa Capernaum, ang mga lalaki nga naningil sa katunga sa salapi nga buhis miadto kang Pedro ug miingon, "Nagbayad ba ang inyong magtutudlo sa katunga sa salapi nga buhis?" **25** Siya nag-ingon, "Oo." Apan sa dihang si Pedro miadto didto sa balay, si Jesus misulti una ngadto kaniya ug miingon, "Unsa man sa imong hunahuna, Simon? Ang mga hari ba sa kalibotan, gikan kang kinsa man ang ilang gidawat nga buhis o kinitaan? Gikan ba sa ilang kaugalingong katawhan o gikan sa mga langyaw?" **26** Sa dihang miingon si Pedro, "Gikan sa mga langyaw," si Jesus miingon kaniya, "Unya ang kaugalingong katawhan walay labot sa pagbayad. **27** Apan basin unya kitay mahimong hinungdan nga ang kubrador sa buhis makasala, adto sa dagat, ilabay ang taga, ug kuhaa ang isda nga unang motungha. Sa dihang ablihan mo ang baba niini, makakita ka ug salapi. Kuhaa kini ug ihatag kini ngadto sa mga kubrador sa buhis alang kanako ug kaninyo."

### Chapter 18

**1** Sa samang takna ang mga disipulo miduol kang Jesus ug miingon, "Kinsa man ang labing dako sa gingharian sa langit?" **2** Si Jesus nagtawag sa gagmay nga mga bata paduol kaniya, milingkod siya sa ilang taliwala, **3** ug miingon, "Sa pagkatinuod magsulti ako kaninyo, gawas kung kamo maghinulsol ug mahisama sa gagmay nga bata, dili gayod kamo makasulod sa gingharian sa langit. **4** Busa si bisan kinsa ang magpaubos sa iyang kaugalingon sama niining gagmay nga bata, ang susamang tawo mao ang labing dako sa gingharian sa langit. **5** Ug si bisan kinsa ang modawat sa usa ka bata nga sama niini sa akong ngalan magdawat kanako. **6** Apan si bisan kinsa nga mahimong hinungdan nga makasala ang usa niining gagmay nga mga bata nga nagtuo kanako, mas maayo pa alang kaniya nga ang dakong galingan nga bato ibitay sa iyang liog, ug aron nga siya maunlod didto sa kinahiladman sa dagat. **7** Pagkaalaot sa kalibotan tungod sa mga takna sa pagkapandol! Kay kinahanglan nga moabot kadtong mga taknaa, apan pagkaalaot alang niadtong tawhana sa paagi nga moabot kanang mga taknaa! **8** Kung ang imong kamot o ang imong tiil maoy hinungdan sa imong pagkapandol, putla kini ug ilabay palayo kanimo. Mas maayo kini alang kanimo nga mosulod ngadto sa kinabuhi nga pungkol o bakol, kaysa itambog ngadto sa walay kataposang kalayo nga adunay duha ka kamot o duha ka tiil. **9** Kung ang imong mata maoy hinungdan sa imong pagkapandol, lugita kini ug ilabay palayo kanimo. Mas maayo pa alang kanimo nga mosulod ngadto sa kinabuhi nga adunay usa ka mata, kaysa itambog ka nga may duha ka mata ngadto sa walay kataposang kalayo. **10** - **11** Matngoni nga dili kamo motamay ni bisan kinsa niining gagmay nga mga bata. Kay magsulti ako kaninyo nga sa langit ang ilang mga anghel kanunay magsud-ong sa dagway sa akong Amahan nga atua sa langit. **12** Unsa ang inyong hunahuna? Kung si bisan kinsa nga tawo nga adunay 100 ka karnero, ug ang usa kanila nahisalaag, dili ba niya biyaan ang 99 nga anaa sa kilid sa bungtod ug moadto aron sa pagpangita sa usa nga nahisalaag? **13** Ug kung makita na niya kini, sa pagkatinuod magsulti ako kaninyo, nga maglipay siya pag-aayo labaw pa niadtong 99 nga wala nahisalaag. **14** Sa samang paagi, dili kini mao ang kabubut-on sa inyong Amahan nga atua sa langit nga malaglag ang usa niining gagmay nga mga bata. **15** Kung ang imong igsoon nga lalaki makasala batok kanimo, lakaw, ipakita kaniya ang iyang sayop nga ikaw ug siya lamang. Kung maminaw siya kanimo, nadani nimo ang imong igsoon nga lalaki. **16** Apan kung dili siya maminaw kanimo, pagdala ug usa o duha o daghan pa nga mga igsoon, aron nga pinaagi sa baba sa duha o tulo ka mga saksi ang matag pulong mahimong mapamatud-an. **17** Ug kung magdumili pa siya sa pagpaminaw ngadto kanila, isulti kining mga butanga sa simbahan. Kung siya usab magdumili pa sa pagpaminaw sa simbahan, pasagdihi siya nga mahisama sa usa ka Gentil ug usa ka kubrador sa buhis. **18** Sa pagkatinuod magsulti ako kaninyo, bisan unsa nga mga butang nga gihigot ninyo dinhi sa kalibotan mao usab ang ihigot sa langit. Ug bisan unsa nga mga butang ang gibuhian ninyo dinhi sa kalibotan pagabuhian usab sa langit. **19** Labot pa magsulti ako kaninyo, nga kung ang duha kaninyo magkauyon dinhi sa kalibotan mahitungod sa bisan unsa nga butang nga gipangayo nila, kini usab pagabuhaton alang kanila sa akong Amahan nga atua sa langit. **20** Kay kung diin adunay duha o tulo nga nagkatigom sa akong ngalan, atua ako didto sa ilang taliwala." **21** Unya miduol si Pedro ug miingon kang Jesus, "Ginoo, makapila ba ka higayon nga ang akong igsoon makasala kanako ug ako siyang pasayloon? Hangtod ba sa makapito ka higayon?" **22** Si Jesus mitubag kaniya, "Wala ako magsulti kaninyo sa makapito ka higayon, kondili hangtod sa kapitoan kapito ka pilo. **23** Busa ang gingharian sa langit susama sa usa ka hari nga buot makighusay sa utang sa iyang mga sulugoon. **24** Samtang misugod na siya sa paghusay, usa ka sulugoon ang gidala ngadto kaniya nga nakautang kaniya ug 10, 000 ka talento. **25** Apan tungod kay wala na siyay paagi sa pagbayad, nagsugo ang iyang agalon nga ibaligya siya, lakip na ang iyang asawa ug mga anak ug ang tanang butang nga gipanag-iyahan niya, ug ang pagbayad pagahimoon. **26** Busa mihapa ang sulugoon, miyukbo sa iyang atubangan, ug miingon, 'Agalon, pailobi una ako, ug bayaran ko ikaw sa tanan.' **27** Busa ang agalon niadtong sulugoon, sanglit natandog siya uban sa kaluoy, gipagawas siya ug gipasaylo sa iyang utang. **28** Apan kana ang sulugoon migawas ug nakaplagan niya ang kauban niya nga sulugoon, nga nakautang kaniya ug 100 ka denaryo. Gigunitan niya siya, ug gituok, ug miingon, 'Bayari ako sa imong utang.' **29** Apan ang iyang kauban nga sulugoon miluhod ug mihangyo kaniya, nga nag-ingon, 'Pailobi una ako, ug pagabayaran ko ikaw.' **30** Apan ang nauna nga sulugoon nagdumili. Hinuon, milakaw siya ug gilabay siya ngadto sa bilanggoan, hangtod nga makabayad siya kaniya sa iyang nautang. **31** Sa dihang ang iyang kauban nga mga sulugoon nakakita kung unsa ang nahitabo, nangasuko sila pag-ayo. Nangabot sila ug gisultihan ang ilang agalon sa tanan nga nahitabo. **32** Unya kadtong agalon sa maong sulugoon nagpatawag kaniya, ug miingon kaniya, 'Ikaw daotan nga sulugoon, gipasaylo ko ikaw sa tanan nimong utang tungod kay mihangyo ka kanako. **33** Wala ka bay kaluoy sa imong kauban nga sulugoon, sama nga ako naluoy kanimo?' **34** Nasuko ang iyang agalon ug gitugyan siya ngadto sa mga maglulutos hangtod nga siya makabayad sa tanan nga nautang. **35** Ingon usab niana ang buhaton sa akong langitnong Amahan nganha kaninyo, kung ang matag usa kaninyo dili makapasaylo sa iyang igsoon nga gikan sa inyong kasingkasing."

### Chapter 19

**1** Nahitabo kini sa dihang si Jesus natapos na niining mga pulonga, mibiya siya gikan sa Galilea, ug miabot didto sa utlanan sa Judea tabok sa Suba sa Jordan. **2** Ang dakong panon sa katawhan ang misunod kaniya, ug iyang giayo sila didto. **3** Ang mga Pariseo miduol kaniya, nagasulay kaniya, ug sa pag-ingon ngadto kaniya, "Uyon ba sa balaod alang sa usa ka lalaki nga makigbulag sa iyang asawa sa bisan unsang hinungdan?" **4** Si Jesus mitubag ug miingon, "Wala ba ninyo nabasa, nga siya nga maoy nagbuhat kanila sukad pa sa sinugdanan nagbuhat kanila nga lalaki ug babaye? **5** Ug usab miingon siya, 'Kay niini hinungdan ang usa lalaki mobiya sa iyang amahan ug inahan ug moipon sa iyang asawa, ug ang duha mahimong usa na ka unod.' **6** Busa dili na sila duha, apan usa ka unod. Busa kung unsa ang gihiusa sa Dios, walay usa nga makahimo pagbulag." **7** Sila miingon kaniya, "Unya nganong si Moises nagsugo man kanamo sa paghatag ug usa ka kasulatan sa panagbulag ug unya papaulion siya?" **8** Miingon siya kanila, "Tungod sa pagkagahi sa inyong kasingkasing si Moises nagtugot kaninyo sa pagpakigbulag sa inyong mga asawa, apan sukad sa sinugdanan dili kini mao ang pamaagi. **9** Moingon ako kaninyo, si bisan kinsa ang makigbulag sa iyang asawa, gawas sa malaw-ay nga pagpakighilawas, ug makigminyo sa uban, nakahimo sa pagpanapaw. Ug ang lalaki nga makigminyo sa usa ka babaye nga nakigbulag nakahimo sa pagpanapaw." **10** Ang mga disipulo miingon kang Jesus, "Kung mao kana ang mahitabo sa usa ka lalaki uban sa iyang asawa, dili maayo nga magminyo." **11** Apan si Jesus miingon kanila, "Dili tanan makadawat niini nga pagtulon-an, apan kadto lamang gitugotan nga makadawat niini. **12** Kay adunay mga yunuko nga gipakatawo gikan sa tagoangkan sa ilang inahan. Ug adunay mga yunuko nga gihimong yunuko pinaagi sa mga tawo. Ug adunay mga yunuko nga mihimo sa ilang kaugalingon nga yunuko tungod ug alang sa kaayohan sa gingharian sa langit. Kung si kinsa ang makahimo sa pagdawat niini nga pagtulon-an, pasagdihi siya sa pagdawat niini." **13** Unya pipila ka gagmay mga bata gidala ngadto kaniya aron nga siya motapion sa iyang mga kamot ngadto kanila ug mag-ampo, apan ang mga disipulo nagbadlong kanila. **14** Apan si Jesus miingon, "Tugoti ang gagmay nga mga bata, ug ayaw sila did-i sa pagduol kanako, kay ang gingharian sa langit iya sa sama kanila." **15** Ug gitapion niya ang iyang kamot ngadto kanila, ug unya mibiya gikan didto. **16** Tan-awa, usa ka lalaki miadto kang Jesus ug miingon, "Magtutudlo, unsa ang maayong butang nga kinahanglan nakong buhaton aron ako makaangkon ug kinabuhing walay kataposan?" **17** Si Jesus miingon kaniya, "Nganong nangutana ka man kanako mahitungod kung unsa ang maayo? Usa lamang ang maayo, apan kung buot kang mosulod ngadto sa kinabuhi, pagbantay sa kasugoan." **18** Ang lalaki miingon kaniya, "Hain nga mga kasugoan?" Si Jesus miingon, "Ayaw pagpatay, ayaw panapaw, ayaw pangawat, ayaw pagsaksi ug bakak, **19** tahora ang imong amahan ug ang imong inahan, ug higugmaa ang imong silingan sama sa imong kaugalingon." **20** Ang batan-ong lalaki miingon kaniya, "Kining tanan nga mga butanga ako nang gisunod. Unsa pa ang kinahanglan nakong buhaton?" **21** Si Jesus miingon kaniya, "Kung buot kang mahingpit, lakaw, ibaligya kung unsa ang anaa kanimo, ug ihatag kini ngadto sa mga kabos, ug ikaw makabaton ug bahandi didto sa langit. Unya balik, sunod kanako." **22** Apan sa dihang nadungog sa batan-ong lalaki kung unsa ang giingon ni Jesus, milakaw siya nga masulub-on, kay aduna siyay dakong mga katigayonan. **23** Si Jesus miingon sa iyang mga disipulo, "Sa pagkatinuod magsulti ako kaninyo, lisod alang sa usa ka dato nga tawo nga mosulod sa gingharian sa langit. **24** Usab magsulti ako kaninyo, mas masayon alang sa usa ka kamelyo nga moadto agi sa mata sa dagom, kaysa dato nga tawo nga mosulod didto sa gingharian sa Dios." **25** Sa dihang nadungog kini sa mga disipulo, natingala sila pag-ayo ug miingon, "Unya kinsa naman ang maluwas?" **26** Si Jesus mitan-aw kanila ug miingon, "Sa mga tawo dili kini mahimo, apan sa Dios ang tanang butang mahimo." **27** Unya si Pedro mitubag ug miingon kaniya, "Tan-awa, gibiyaan namo ang tanang butang ug misunod kanimo. Unya unsa man ang among maangkon?" **28** Si Jesus miingon kanila, "Sa pagkatinuod magsulti ako kaninyo, kamo nga misunod kanako, diha sa bag-ong pagkatawo sa dihang ang Anak sa Tawo molingkod na didto sa trono sa iyang himaya, moingkod usab kamo didto sa napulo ug duha ka mga trono, nga maghukom sa napulo ug duha ka banay sa Israel. **29** Ang matag usa nga mibiya sa ilang mga pinuy-anan, mga igsoong lalaki, mga igsoong babaye, amahan, inahan, mga anak, o yuta tungod ug alang sa kaayohan sa akong ngalan, makadawat ug gatosan ka pilo ug makapanunod sa kinabuhing walay kataposan. **30** Apan daghan ang nakauna karon mahimong maulahi, ug daghan ang naulahi nga mahauna.

### Chapter 20

**1** Kay ang gingharian sa langit nahisama sa usa ka tag-iya sa yuta, nga milakaw sayo sa kabuntagon aron sa pagpangita sa mga magbubuhat alang sa iyang parasan. **2** Human siya nagkauyon sa mga magbubuhat alang sa usa ka denaryo matag adlaw, gipadala niya sila ngadto sa iyang parasan. **3** Milakaw siya pag-usab sa ikatulong takna ug nakita ang ubang magbubuhat nga nagtindog nga walay gibuhat didto sa merkado. **4** Miingon siya ngadto kanila, 'Kamo usab, adto didto sa parasan, ug kung unsa nga sakto ihatag ko kaninyo.' Busa sila miadto aron sa pagbuhat. **5** Milakaw siya pag-usab ug sa ika-unom nga takna ug sa ikasiyam nga takna, ug nagbuhat sa susama. **6** Sa makausa pa gayod sa ika-11 nga takna milakaw siya ug nakakaplag pa sa uban nga nagtindog nga walay gibuhat. Miingon siya ngadto kanila, 'Nganong nagtindog kamo dinhi nga walay gibuhat sa tibuok adlaw?' **7** Miingon sila kaniya, 'Tungod kay walay nagpabuhat kanamo.' Miingon siya kanila, 'Kamo, usab, adto didto sa parasan.' **8** Sa dihang miabot na ang kagabhion, ang tag-iya sa parasan miingon sa iyang tigdumala, 'Tawaga ang mga magbubuhat ug bayari sila sa ilang mga suhol, sugod sa naulahi hangtod sa nauna. **9** Sa dihang miabot ang mga magbubuhat nga nakabuhat sa ika-11 nga takna, ang matag usa kanila nakadawat ug usa ka denaryo. **10** Sa dihang miabot ang unang magbubuhat, sila naghunahuna nga makadawat sila sa labaw pa, apan ang matag-usa kanila usab nakadawat ug usa ka denaryo. **11** Sa dihang nadawat na nila ang ilang mga suhol, nagbagulbol sila sa tag-iya sa katigayonan. **12** Sila miingon, 'Kining naulahi nga magbubuhat naggahin lamang ug usa ka oras sa pagbuhat, apan gihimo nimo sila nga patas kanamo, kami nga nagpas-an sa palas-anon sa tibuok adlaw ug sa makasunog nga kainit.' **13** Apan ang tag-iya mitubag ug miingon sa usa kanila, 'Higala, wala ako makahimo kanimo ug sayop. Dili ba miuyon ka man kanako alang sa usa ka denaryo? **14** Dawata kung unsa ang alang kanimo ug pauli na. Kalipay nako nga ihatag kini ngadto sa ulahing nakuha nga magbubuhat sama lamang kaninyo. **15** Dili ba makataronganon alang kanako sa pagbuhat kung unsa ang akong pagbuot sa akong kaugalingong mga kabtangan? O ang inyong mga mata daotan ba tungod kay ako maayo?' **16** Busa ang naulahi mao ang mahiuna, ug ang nahiuna maulahi." **17** Samtang si Jesus mitungas sa Jerusalem, gidala niya ang Napulog ug duha sa daplin, ug didto sa dalan siya miingon ngadto kanila, **18** "Tan-awa, mitungas na kita sa Jerusalem, ug ang Anak sa Tawo itugyan ngadto sa mga pangulong pari ug sa mga eskriba. Hukman nila siya sa kamatayon **19** ug itugyan siya ngadto sa mga Gentil aron bugalbugalan nila siya, magbunal kaniya, ug maglansang kaniya sa krus. Apan sa ikatulo nga adlaw mabanhaw siya." **20** Unya ang inahan sa mga anak nga lalaki ni Zebede miadto kang Jesus uban ang iyang mga anak nga lalaki. Miyukbo siya sa atubangan niya ug nangayo ug butang gikan kaniya. **21** Si Jesus miingon kaniya, "Unsa ang imong pangandoy? Siya miingon kaniya, "Pagmando nga kining duha nako ka anak nga lalaki makalingkod, ang usa sa imong tuo nga kamot, ug ang usa sa imong wala nga kamot, didto sa imong gingharian." **22** Apan si Jesus mitubag ug miingon, "Wala kamo masayod kung unsa ang inyong gipangayo. Makahimo ba kamo sa pag-inom sa kupa nga akong pagaimnan?" Sila miingon kaniya, "Makahimo kami." **23** Miingon siya kanila, "Makainom gayod kamo sa akong kupa. Apan sa paglingkod sa akong tuo nga kamot o sa akong wala nga kamot dili ako ang mohatag, apan alang niadtong giandaman nang daan sa akong Amahan." **24** Sa dihang nadungog kini sa ubang napulo ka disipulo nakadungog niini, wala gayod sila nahimuot sa duha ka managsoon. **25** Apan gitawag sila ni Jesus ngadto kaniya ug miingon, "Nasayod kamo nga ang mga magmamando sa mga Gentil moulipon kanila, ug ang ilang mahinungdanong mga tawo naggamit sa ilang katungod nganha kanila. **26** Apan dili kini ang pamaagi nganha kaninyo. Hinuon, si bisan kinsa nga buot molabaw taliwala kaninyo kinahanglan mahimo ninyong sulugoon. **27** Ug si bisan kinsa nga buot mahiuna taliwala kaninyo kinahanglan mahimo ninyong sulugoon. **28** Sama nga ang Anak sa Tawo wala mianhi aron alagaran, kondili aron sa pag-alagad, ug aron ihatag ang iyang kinabuhi ingon nga tubos alang sa kadaghanan." **29** Samtang mohawa na sila sa Jerico, ang dakong panon sa katawhan nagsunod kaniya. **30** Ug nakita nila ang duha ka buta nga tawo nga naglingkod sa daplin sa dalan. Sa dihang nadungog nila nga si Jesus moagi, sila misinggit ug miingon, "Ginoo, Anak ni David, kaloy-i kami" **31** Apan ang panon sa katawhan nagbadlong kanila, gisultihan sila nga mohilom. Apan, misinggit pa gayod sila sa makusog ug miingon, "Ginoo, Anak ni David, kaloy-i kami." **32** Unya si Jesus mihunong ug gitawag sila ug miingon, "Unsa ang buot ninyo nga akong buhaton alang kaninyo?" **33** Sila miingon kaniya, "Ginoo, nga ang among mata maablihan." **34** Unya si Jesus, natandog uban ang kaluoy, mihikap sa ilang mga mata. Dihadiha dayon sila nakadawat sa ilang panan-aw ug misunod kaniya.

### Chapter 21

**1** Samtang si Jesus ug ang iyang mga disipulo duol na sa Jerusalem ug miadto sa Betfage, sa Bungtod sa mga Olibo, unya si Jesus nagpadala ug duha ka disipulo, **2** nga nag-ingon kanila, "Adto didto sa sunod nga baryo, ug kamo dihadiha dayon makakaplag ug usa ka asno nga gihigot didto, ug ang usa ka nati uban niya. Badbari sila ug dad-a sila kanako. **3** Kung adunay bisan kinsa nga mosulti ug bisan unsa kaninyo mahitungod niini, moingon kamo, 'Ang Ginoo nagkinahanglan kanila,' ug kanang tawhana dihadiha dayon magpadala kanila kaninyo." **4** Karon kini nahitabo nga kung unsa ang gisulti pinaagi sa propeta matuman. Siya miingon, **5** "Sultihi ang anak nga babaye sa Zion. Tan-awa, ang inyong Hari moabot kaninyo. Mapainubsanon ug magsakay sa usa ka asno, Ug sa usa ka nati, ang anak sa asno." **6** Unya ang mga disipulo miadto ug gibuhat kung unsa ang gitudlo ni Jesus kanila. **7** Gidala nila ang asno ug ang nati, ug gibutang nila ang ilang mga bisti ibawbaw nila, ug si Jesus naglingkod didto. **8** Kadaghanan sa mga panon nagbukhad sa ilang mga bisti sa dalan, ug ang uban nagputol ug mga sanga gikan sa mga kahoy ug gibukhad nila kini sa dalan. **9** Ang panon sa katawhan nga nag-una kang Jesus ug kadtong nagsunod, misinggit, ug miingon, "Hosanna ngadto sa anak ni David! Bulahan ang usa nga miabot sa ngalan sa Ginoo. Hosanna sa kahitas-an!" **10** Sa dihang si Jesus miadto sa Jerusalem, ang tanan sa siyudad nagkaguliyang ug miingon, "Kinsa man kini?" **11** Ang panon sa katawhan mitubag, "Mao kini si Jesus ang propeta, nga gikan sa Nazaret didto sa Galilea." **12** Unya si Jesus misulod sa templo sa Dios. Nagpapahawa siya niadtong tanan nga namalit ug namaligya sa templo. Gibalintong usab niya ang mga lamesa sa tig-ilis ug salapi, ug mga lingkoranan niadtong namaligya ug mga salampati. **13** Siya miingon kanila, "Nahisulat kini, 'Ang akong balay pagatawagon nga balay nga ampoanan,' apan gihimo ninyo kining tagoanan sa mga tulisan." **14** Unya ang buta ug ang bakol miadto kaniya sa templo, ug nag-ayo siya kanila. **15** Apan sa dihang ang mga pangulong pari ug ang mga eskriba nakakita sa kahibulongang mga butang nga iyang gibuhat, ug sa dihang nadungog nila ang mga bata nga naninggit sa templo ug miingon, "Hosanna sa anak ni David," natandog sila ug nasuko. **16** Sila miingon kaniya, "Nakadungog ka ba kung unsa ang gisulti niining katawhan?" Si Jesus miingon kanila, "Oo! Apan wala ba ninyo nabasa, 'Gikan sa mga baba sa mga gagmayng bata ug mga gipasuso nga mga bata aduna kamoy kahingpitan nga pagdayeg'?" **17** Unya si Jesus mibiya kanila ug migawas sa siyudad ug miadto sa Betania ug natulog didto. **18** Karon sa kabuntagon sa pagbalik niya sa siyudad, siya gigutom. **19** Nakita niya ang usa ka kahoy nga igera sa daplin sa dalan. Giduol niya kini, apan walay nakaplagan niini gawas sa dahon. Miingon siya niini, "Hinaot nga wala nay bunga gikan kanimo pag-usab." Ug dihadiha dayon nalaya ang kahoy nga igera. **20** Sa dihang ang mga disipulo nakakita niini, nahibulong sila ug miingon, "Giunsa nga ang kahoy nga igera nalaya man dayon?" **21** Si Jesus mitubag ug miingon kanila, "Sa pagkatinuod moingon ako kaninyo, kung ikaw adunay pagtuo, ug dili magduhaduha, dili lamang ninyo mabuhat kung unsa ang nahitabo sa kahoy nga igera, apan makaingon kamo bisan niining bungtod, 'Malukat ka ug malabay didto sa dagat, 'ug mahitabo kini. **22** Ang tanan nga inyong gipangayo sa pag-ampo samtang nagtuo, madawat ninyo." **23** Sa dihang miadto si Jesus sa templo, ang mga pangulong pari ug mga kadagkoan miduol kaniya samtang siya nagtudlo ug miingon, "Pinaagi sa unsang katungod nga gibuhat mo man kining mga butanga? Ug kinsa ang naghatag kanimo niining katungod?" **24** Si Jesus mitubag ug miingon kanila, "Ako usab mangutana kaninyo ug usa ka pangutana. Kung sultihan ninyo ako, ako usab mosulti kaninyo sa katungod nganong gibuhat ko kining mga butanga. **25** Ang pagbawtismo ni Juan—asa man kini gikan, gikan sa langit o gikan sa mga tawo?" Naghisgotanay sila sa ilang kaugalingon, nga nag-ingon, "Kung moingon kita, 'Gikan sa langit,' moingon siya kanato, 'Ngano nga wala man kamo mituo kaniya?' **26** Apan kung moingon kita, 'Gikan sa mga tawo,' mahadlok kita sa panon sa katawhan, tungod kay gitan-aw nilang tanan si Juan nga usa ka propeta." **27** Unya mitubag sila kang Jesus ug miingon, "Wala kami nasayod." Miingon usab siya kanila, "Ni dili usab ako makasulti kaninyo pinaagi kung unsang katungod ang akong gibuhat niining mga butanga. **28** Apan unsa man sa inyong hunahuna? Adunay usa ka tawo nga may duha ka anak nga lalaki. Miadto siya sa nauna ug miingon, 'Anak, lakaw ug pagbuhat karon sa parasan.' **29** Ang anak nga lalaki mitubag ug miingon, 'Dili ako moadto,' apan human niana nausab ang iyang hunahuna ug miadto. **30** Ug ang tawo miadto sa ikaduha ka anak nga lalaki ug miingon sa samang mga butang. Ang anak nga lalaki mitubag ug miingon, 'Moadto ako, sir,' apan wala siya miadto. **31** Kinsa man sa duha ka anak nga lalaki ang nagtuman sa kabubut-on sa iyang amahan?" Miingon sila, "Ang nauna." Si Jesus miingon kanila, "Sa pagkatinuod moingon ako kaninyo, ang mga kubrador sa buhis ug ang mga babayeng namaligya sa ilang dungog makasulod sa gingharian sa Dios una kaninyo. **32** Kay si Juan mianhi kaninyo uban sa dalan sa pagkamatarong, apan wala kamo mituo kaniya, samtang ang mga kubrador sa buhis ug ang mga babayeng namaligya sa ilang dungog nagtuo kaniya. Ug kamo, sa dihang nakita ninyo kana nga nahitabo, wala gani naghinulsol aron sa pagtuo kaniya. **33** Paminawa ang laing sambingay. Adunay usa ka tawo, usa ka tawo nga adunay lapad nga kayutaan. Nagtanom siya ug usa ka parasan, gibutangan niya kini ug kural, nagkalot ug pug-anan sa bino niini, nagtukod ug usa ka taas nga lantawanan, ug gipa-abangan kini ngadto sa tig-atiman sa ubas. Unya miadto siya sa laing nasod. **34** Sa dihang ang panahon sa tingpamupo ug paras nagkaduol na, siya nagpadala ug pipila ka mga sulugoon ngadto sa tig-atiman ug mga paras aron sa pagkuha sa iyang mga ubas. **35** Apan ang tig-atiman sa parasan nagkuha sa iyang mga sulugoon, gibunalan ang usa, ug gipatay ang uban, ug gibato usab ang uban. **36** Sa maka usa pa, ang tag-iya nagpadala ug lain pang mga sulugoon, mas daghan kaysa nauna, apan ang tig-atiman ug mga parasan nagbuhat sa samang paagi. **37** Human niana, ang tag-iya nagpadala sa iyang kaugalingon nga anak ngadto kanila, nga nag-ingon, 'Tahoron nila ang akong anak nga lalaki.' **38** Apan sa dihang ang tig-atiman sa parasan nakakita sa anak nga lalaki, sila miingon sa ilang mga kaugalingon, 'Mao kini ang manununod. Dali, patyon nato siya ug atong panag-iyahon ang panulondon.' **39** Busa gikuha nila siya, gilabay siya pagawas sa parasan, ug gipatay siya. **40** Karon sa dihang ang tag-iya sa parasan miabot, unsa kaha ang iyang buhaton niadtong tig-atiman sa parasan?" **41** Sila miingon kaniya, "Siya magalaglag niadtong mga walay pulod nga mga tawo sa hilabihan nga paagi, ug unya iyang paabangan ang parasan sa uban nga mga tig-atiman ug paras, mga tawo nga mobayad sa mga ubas sa dihang mahinog na kini." **42** Si Jesus miingon kanila, "Wala ba ninyo mabasa sa kasulatan, 'Ang bato nga gisalikway sa magtutukod nahimo nga patukoranan. Kini gikan sa Ginoo, ug kini makapahibulong sa atong mga mata?' **43** Busa moingon ako kaninyo, ang gingharian sa Dios pagakuhaon gikan kaninyo ug igahatag sa usa ka nasod nga mag-atiman sa iyang mga bunga. **44** Bisan kinsa kadtong mahulog niini nga bato mabuak sa pino. Apan bisan si kinsa ang mahulogan niini, madugmok kini." **45** Sa dihang ang mga pangulong pari ug ang mga Pariseo nakadungog sa iyang sambingay, nakita nila nga siya nagsulti mahitungod kanila. **46** Apan sa dihang nangita silag paagi sa pagbutang sa ilang mga kamot ngadto kaniya, nahadlok sila sa panon sa katawhan, tungod kay ang mga tawo nagsud-ong kaniya ingon nga usa ka propeta.

### Chapter 22

**1** Si Jesus misulti pag-usab ngadto kanila sa mga sambingay, nga nag-ingon, **2** "Ang gingharian sa langit sama sa usa ka hari nga naghimog usa ka kombira sa kasal alang sa iyang anak nga lalaki. **3** Nagpadala siya sa iyang mga sulugoon aron sa pagtawag niadtong dinapit aron moadto sa kombira sa kasal, apan wala sila nangabot. **4** Nagpadala na usab ang hari sa ubang sulugoon, nga nag-ingon, 'Sultihi silang dinapit, "Tan-awa, naandam ko na ang akong panihapon. Ang akong mga baka ug pinatambok nga nating mga baka naihaw na, ug naandam na ang tanang butang. Adto na sa kombira sa kasal."' **5** Apan kadtong mga tawo wala maninuod sa pagtagad sa iyang pagdapit. Milakaw ang pipila balik sa ilang kaugalingong kaumahan, ug ang uban milakaw balik ngadto sa ilang mga dapit sa pagpatigayon. **6** Gidapat sa uban ang ilang mga kamot ngadto sa mga sulugoon sa hari, gipakaulawan sila, ug gipatay sila. **7** Apan nasuko ang hari. Gipadala niya ang iyang kasundalohan, ug gipatay kadtong mga mamumuno, ug gisunog ang ilang siyudad. **8** Unya miingon siya sa iyang mga sulugoon, 'Ang kombira sa kasal naandam na, apan kadtong dinapit dili takos. **9** Busa adto sa mga kadalanan ug dapita ang daghang tawo kutob sa imong mahimo paingon sa kombira sa kasal.' **10** Milakaw ang mga sulugoon sa mga kadalanan ug gitigom ang tanang mga tawo nga ilang nakaplagan, daotan man o maayo. Busa ang tigomanan sa kasal napuno sa mga bisita. **11** Apan sa dihang miabot ang hari aron sa pagtan-aw sa mga bisita, nakita niya didto ang usa ka tawo nga wala mosul-ob sa bisting pangkasal. **12** Ang hari miingon ngadto kaniya, 'Higala, giunsa mo man pagsulod dinhi nga wala mobisti ug pangkasal?' Ug ang tawo wala makatingog. **13** Unya ang hari miingon ngadto sa mga sulugoon, 'Gapusa ang kamot ug tiil niining tawhana, ug ilabay siya didto sa gawas nga mangitngit, diin adunay paghilak ug pagkagot sa mga ngipon.' **14** Kay daghang mga tawo ang gitawag, apan diyutay ra ang gipili." **15** Unya ang mga Pariseo miadto ug naglaraw unsaon nila pagbitik si Jesus pinaagi sa iyang kaugalingong pagsulti. **16** Unya gipadala nila ngadto kaniya ang ilang mga disipulo, kauban ang mga sakop ni Herodes. Miingon sila ngadto kang Jesus, "Magtutudlo, nakabalo kami nga ikaw matinud-anon, ug nga ikaw nagtudlo sa paagi sa Dios diha sa kamatuoran. Wala ikaw manginlabot sa pahayag sa uban, ug wala ikaw nagpakitag pagpalabi taliwala sa mga tawo. **17** Busa sultihi kami, unsa ang imong hunahuna? Uyon ba kini sa balaod nga mobayad sa mga buhis ngadto kang Cesar o dili?" **18** Apan nasabtan ni Jesus ang ilang pagkadaotan ug miingon, "Nganong kamo nagasulay man kanako, kamo mga tigpakaaron-ingnon? **19** Ipakita kanako ang salapi sa buhis. "Unya sila nagdala ug usa ka dinaryo ngadto kaniya. **20** Si Jesus miingon ngadto kanila, "Kang kinsang dagway ug ngalan kini?" **21** Sila miingon ngadto kaniya, "kang Cesar." Unya si Jesus miingon ngadto kanila, "Busa ihatag kang Cesar ang mga butang nga iya kang Cesar, ug sa Dios ang mga butang nga iya sa Dios." **22** Sa dihang sila nakadungog niini, sila natingala. Unya mibiya sila kaniya ug milakaw palayo. **23** Niadtong adlawa ang pipila ka mga Saduseo miduol ngadto kaniya, kadtong nagsulti nga walay pagkabanhaw. Nangutana sila kaniya, **24** nga nag-ingon, "Magtutudlo, si Moises miingon, 'Kung ang usa ka tawo mamatay, nga wala makabaton ug mga anak, ang iyang igsoong lalaki kinahanglan nga makigminyo sa iyang asawa ug magbaton ug anak alang sa iyang igsoong lalaki.' **25** Adunay pito ka managsoon. Ang nauna nakigminyo ug unya namatay, mibiya nga walay anak. Gibilin niya ang iyang asawa ngadto sa iyang igsoong lalaki. **26** Unya ang ikaduhang igsoong lalaki naghimo sa samang butang, unya ang ikatulo, hangtod sa ikapito nga igsoon, **27** Pagkahuman nilang tanan, namatay ang babaye. **28** Karon diha sa pagkabanhaw, kang kinsang asawa siya sa pito ka managsoon? Kay silang tanan nakaangkon man kaniya." **29** Apan si Jesus mitubag ug miingon kanila, "Nasayop kamo, tungod kay wala kamo masayod sa kasulatan ni sa gahom sa Dios. **30** Kay diha sa pagkabanhaw dili na sila magminyoay, ni ihatag sa kaminyoon. Hinuon, mahisama na sila sa mga anghel sa langit. **31** Apan mahitungod sa pagkabanhaw sa mga patay, wala ba ninyo mabasa unsa ang giingon kaninyo pinaagi sa Dios, nga nag-ingon, **32** 'Ako ang Dios ni Abraham, ang Dios ni Isaac, ug ang Dios ni Jacob'? Ang Dios dili Dios sa mga patay, apan sa mga buhi. **33** Sa dihang ang mga panon sa katawhan nakadungog niini, natingala sila sa iyang pagpanudlo. **34** Apan sa dihang ang mga Pariseo nakadungog nga si Jesus nagpahilom sa mga Saduseo, naghiusa sila sa pagtigom. **35** Ang usa kanila nga magbabalaod, nangutana kaniya ug usa ka pangutana, aron pagsulay kaniya- **36** "Magtutudlo, unsa man ang labing dako nga kasugoan diha sa balaod?" **37** Si Jesus miingon kaniya, "'Kinahanglan nimong higugmaon ang Ginoo nga imong Dios sa tibuok nimong kasingkasing, sa tibuok nimong kalag, ug sa tibuok nimong hunahuna.' **38** Mao kini ang dako ug nauna nga kasugoan. **39** Ug ang ikaduhang kasugoan sama niini-- 'Kinahanglan nimong higugmaon ang imong silingan sama sa imong kaugalingon.' **40** Dinhi niining duha ka mga kasugoan nagsukad ang tibuok balaod ug ang mga propeta." **41** Karon samtang ang mga Pariseo nagpabilin nga nagtigom, si Jesus nangutana kanila ug usa ka pangutana. **42** Miingon siya, "Unsa ang inyong hunahuna mahitungod kang Cristo? Kang kinsa siyang anak?" Miingon sila kaniya, "Ang anak ni David." **43** Si Jesus miingon kanila, "Unya giunsa man ni David diha sa Espiritu sa pagtawag kaniya ug Ginoo, nga nag-ingon, **44** 'Ang Ginoo miingon sa akong Ginoo, "Lingkod sa akong tuong kamot, hangtod nga akong himuon ang imong mga kaaway nga imong tumbanan.'"?" **45** Unya kung si David nagtawag kang Cristo nga 'Ginoo', giunsa paghimo kaniya nga anak ni David?" **46** Walay usa nga nakahimo sa pagtubag kaniya sa usa ka pulong, ug wala nay tawo nga nangahas sa pagpangutana kaniya sa daghan pang mga pangutana sukad niadtong adlawa.

### Chapter 23

**1** Unya nakigsulti si Jesus sa mga panon sa katawhan ug sa iyang mga disipulo, **2** Miingon siya, "Ang mga escriba ug ang mga Pariseo milingkod sa lingkoranan ni Moises. **3** Busa bisan unsa ang ilang isugo kaninyo nga buhaton, buhata kini nga mga butang ug bantayi sila. Apan ayaw sunda ang ilang mga binuhatan, tungod kay nagasulti sila sa mga butang apan wala sila magbuhat niini. **4** Oo, nagapos sila sa ilang bug-at nga palas-onon nga malisod pas-anon, ug unya gibutang nila kini sa abaga sa mga tawo. Apan sila sa ilang kaugalingon wala molihok sa usa ka tudlo aron pagpas-an kanila. **5** Ang tanan nilang mga binuhatan, gibuhat nila aron makita sa mga tawo. Kay nagahimo sila sa ilang mga filacteria nga lapad, ug gipaluagan nila ang sidsid sa ilang mga bisti. **6** Gihiguma nila ang pinasahi nga mga dapit diha sa mga kombira ug sa pinasahi nga mga lingkoranan didto sa mga sinagoga, **7** ug ang pinasahi nga mga pagtimbaya didto sa merkado, ug pagatawgon nga 'Rabbi' sa mga tawo. **8** Apan dili kamo angay nga pagatawgon ug'Rabbi', kay aduna lamang kamoy usa ka magtutudlo, ug kamong tanan managsoon. **9** Ug ayaw tawga ang tawo nga inyong amahan dinhi sa kalibotan, kay usa lamang ang inyong Amahan, ug atua siya sa langit. **10** Ni mopatawag kamo ug 'magtutudlo', kay aduna kamoy usa lamang ka magtutudlo, ang Cristo. **11** Apan siya nga labing dako kaninyo mahimo nga inyong sulugoon. **12** Si bisan kinsa nga mopataas sa iyang kaugalingon igapaubos. Ug bisan kinsa nga mopaubos sa iyang kaugalingon igapataas. **13** Apan alaot kamo, mga escriba ug mga Pariseo, mga tigpakaaron-ingnon! Gitak-opan ninyo ang gingharian sa langit batok sa katawhan. Kay wala kamo mosulod niini sa inyong kaugalingon, ug wala usab kamo motugot niadtong buot mosulod. **15** Alaot kamo, mga escriba ug mga Pariseo, mga tigpakaaron-ingnon! Kay kamo milatas sa dagat ug yuta aron sa paghimo ug usa ka kinabig. Ug sa dihang mahimo na siya, gihimo ninyo siya nga anak sa impiyerno sa makaduha sama kaninyo ug sa inyong kaugalingon. **16** Pagkaalaot ninyo, kamong mga naggiya sa buta, kamong misulti nga, 'Si bisan kinsa nga manumpa pinaagi sa templo, wala kini pulos. Apan si bisan kinsa nga manumpa pinaagi sa bulawan sa templo, ginapos siya sa iyang pagpanumpa.' **17** Kamong buta nga mga buangbuang, hain man ang labing dako, ang bulawan, o ang templo nga adunay bulawan nga gihalad sa Dios? **18** Ug, 'Si bisan kinsa nga manumpa sa halaran, wala kini pulos. Apan si bisan kinsa nga manumpa pinaagi sa gasa nga anaa niini, ginapos siya sa iyang mga pagpanumpa.' **19** Kamo buta nga katawhan, kay hain man ang labing dako, ang gasa, o ang halaran nga adunay gasa nga gihalad sa Dios? **20** Busa, siya nga nanumpa sa halaran nanumpa niini ug pinaagi sa tanang butang nga anaa niini. **21** Ug siya nga nanumpa sa templo nanumpa niini ug pinaagi kaniya nga nagpuyo niini. **22** Ug siya nga nanumpa diha sa langit nanumpa pinaagi sa trono sa Dios ug pinaagi kaniya nga naglingkod niini. **23** Alaot kamo, mga escriba ug mga Pariseo, mga tigpakaaron-ingnon! Kay naghatag kamo sa ikapulo sa anis, herba buena, ug komino, apan inyong gibiyaan ang mas bug-at nga mga butang sa balaod—katarong, kaluoy, ug pagtuo. Apan gikinahanglan ninyo kini nga mahuman, ug dili biyaan ang uban nga wala nahuman. **24** Kamong mga giya sa buta, gisala ninyo ang usa ka tagnok apan nagatulon sa usa ka kamelyo! **25** Alaot kamo, mga escriba ug mga Pariseo, mga tigpakaaron-ingnon! Kay gihinloan ninyo ang gawas sa baso ug sa plato, apan ang sulod nila napuno sa pagpanglimbong ug pagpasobra. **26** Kamong buta nga Pariseo, hinloi una ang sulod sa kupa ug sa plato, aron ang sa gawas mahinlo usab. **27** Alaot kamo, mga escriba ug mga Pariseo, mga tigpakaaron-ingnon! Kay sama kamo sa ginapaputi nga mga lubnganan, nga maanindot tan-awon sa gawas, apan ang sulod napuno sa bukog sa mga patay nga tawo ug sa tanang mahugaw nga mga butang. **28** Sa samang paagi, kamo usab sa panggawas makita sa mga tawo nga matarong, apan sa sulod napuno sa pagpakaaron-ingnon ug kalapasan. **29** Alaot kamo, mga escriba ug mga Pariseo, mga tigpakaaron-ingnon! Kay inyong gitukod ang mga lubnganan sa mga propeta ug gidayandayanan ang mga lubnganan sa matarong. **30** Kamo miingon, 'Kung nabuhi kami sa adlaw sa among mga amahan, dili gayod kami moapil kanila sa pag-ula ug dugo sa mga propeta.' **31** Busa kamo nagpamatuod sa inyong kaugalingon nga kamo ang mga anak niadtong nagpatay sa mga propeta. **32** Kamo usab nagpuno sa sukdanan sa sala sa inyong mga amahan. **33** Kamo mga halas, kaliwat kamo sa mga bitin nga malala, unsaon man ninyo paglikay ang paghukom sa impiyerno? **34** Busa, tan-awa, akong gipadala kaninyo ang mga propeta, maalamon nga mga tawo, ug mga escriba. Ang pipila kanila inyong pamatyon ug ilansang sa krus. Ug ang pipila kanila inyong latigohon didto sa inyong mga sinagoga ug pagagukdon gikan sa siyudad ngadto sa laing siyudad. **35** Ang sangpotanan mao nga diha kaninyo moabot ang pag-ula sa dugo sa tanang matarong didto sa kalibotan, gikan sa dugo ni Abel ang matarong hangtod sa dugo ni Zacarias nga anak ni Baraquias, nga gipatay ninyo taliwala sa balaang puloy-anan ug sa halaran. **36** Sa pagkatinuod mosulti ako kaninyo, kining tanan nga mga butang mahitabo niini nga kaliwatan. **37** 7Jerusalem, Jerusalem, ikaw nga mipatay sa mga propeta, ug mibato sa mga gipadala kanimo! Sa kanunay ako nangandoy nga tigumon ang imong mga anak, sama sa pagtigom sa himungaan nga manok sa iyang mga piso ilalom sa iyang mga pako, apan wala ikaw mosugot! **38** Tan-awa, ang imong balay gibiyaan kanimo nga sinalikway. **39** Kay magasulti ako kanimo, Ikaw dili na makakita kanako sukad karon, hangtod nga mosulti ka, 'Bulahan siya nga moanhi diha sa ngalan sa Ginoo.'"

### Chapter 24

**1** Si Jesus migawas sa templo ug mipadayon sa iyang lakaw. Ang iyang mga disipulo miduol kaniya ug gipakita kaniya ang mga gambalay sa templo. **2** Apan mitubag siya ug miingon kanila, "Wala ba ninyo makita kining tanan nga mga butang? Sa pagkatinuod sultihan ko kamo, walay usa ka bato nga mahibilin sa matag-usa nga dili pagatumpagon." **3** Samtang naglingkod siya sa Bukid sa Olibo, ang mga disipulo miduol kaniya sa tago ug miingon, "Sulithi kami, kanus-a mahitabo kini nga mga butanga? Unsa ang mahimong timailhan sa imong pagbalik ug sa kataposan sa kalibotan?" **4** Si Jesus mitubag ug miingon kanila, "Pag-amping nga walay makapahisalaag kaninyo. **5** Kay daghan ang manganhi sa akong ngalan. Sila moingon, 'Ako mao ang Cristo' ug magagiya sa kadaghanan aron mahisalaag. **6** Makadungog kamo ug mga gubat ug mga balita sa daghang gubat. Pagbantay nga dili kamo mangahadlok, kay kining mga butanga kinahanglan nga mahitabo; apan dili pa ang kataposan. **7** Kay ang nasod mobarog batok nasod, ug gingharian batok gingharian. Adunay mga kagutom ug mga paglinog sa nagkadaiyang dapit. **8** Apan kining tanan nga mga butang mao lamang ang sinugdanan sa kasakit sa pagpanganak. **9** Unya sila motugyan kaninyo ngadto sa dakong kasakit ug mopatay kaninyo. Pagadumtan kamo sa tanang kanasoran tungod sa akong ngalan. **10** Unya daghan ang mangapandol ug magluib sa usag usa, ug magdumotanay sa usag usa. **11** Daghang mini nga mga propeta ang motungha ug mogiya sa kadaghanan aron mahisalaag. **12** Tungod kay ang kasaypanan magkadaghan, ang gugma sa kadaghanan mangabugnaw. **13** Apan siya nga molahutay hangtod sa kataposan maluwas. **14** Kining ebanghelyo sa gingharian isangyaw sa tibuok kalibotan ingon nga pagpamatuod sa tanang mga nasod. Ug unya moabot na ang kataposan. **15** Busa, sa dihang makita ninyo ang kangilngig sa pagkalaglag, nga gisulti ni propeta Daniel, nga magatindog didto sa balaang dapit (tugoti nga masabtan sa magbabasa), **16** pasagdi kadtong mga anaa sa Judea nga moikyas ngadto sa kabukiran, **17** pasagdi siya nga anaa sa ibabaw sa balay nga dili na monaog aron mokuha sa bisan unsa nga anaa sa iyang balay, **18** ug pasagdi siya nga anaa sa uma nga dili na mobalik aron sa pagkuha sa iyang kupo. **19** Apan alaot kadtong mga mabdos ug kadtong mga nagapasuso nianang mga adlawa! **20** Pag-ampo nga ang inyong pagpanaw dili mahitabo sa tingtugnaw, ni sa Adlaw nga Igpapahulay. **21** Kay adunay moabot nga dakong kasakit, ingon nga wala pa mahitabo sukad sa sinugdanan sa kalibotan hangtod karon, wala pa, ni mahitabo pag-usab. **22** Gawas kung kadtong mga adlawa mapamubo, walay unod nga maluwas. Apan tungod ug alang sa mga pinili, kadtong mga adlawa mapamubo. **23** Unya kung adunay moingon kaninyo, 'Tan-awa, ania ang Cristo!' o, 'Didto ang Cristo!' ayaw kini tuohi. **24** Kay ang mini nga mga Cristo ug mini nga mga propeta moanhi ug mopakita sa dagkong mga timailhan ug kahibulongan, nga mogiya aron mahisalaag, kung mahimo, bisan ang pinili. **25** Tan-awa, ako kamong gisultihan sa wala pa ang panahon. **26** Busa, kung sila moingon kaninyo, 'Tan-awa, ang Cristo anaa sa kamingawan,' ayaw pag-adto sa kamingawan. O, 'Tan-awa, anaa siya sa sulod sa lawak,' ayaw kini tuohi. **27** Kay ingon nga ang kilat mosidlak gikan sa sidlakan ug magapangidlap padulong sa kasadpan, ingon niana usab ang pag-abot sa Anak sa Tawo. **28** Bisan asa nga adunay patay nga mananap, didto magtapok ang mga buwitre. **29** Apan dihadiha human sa dakong kasakit niadtong mga adlawa mongitngit ang adlaw, ang bulan dili na mohatag sa iyang kahayag, mangahulog ang mga bituon gikan sa langit, ug ang mga gahom sa kalangitan mauyog. **30** Unya motungha ang ilhanan sa Anak sa Tawo didto sa langit, ug ang tanan nga mga tribo sa kalibotan mamukpok sa ilang mga dughan. Makita nila ang Anak sa Tawo nga moabot diha sa panganod sa langit nga adunay gahom ug dakong himaya. **31** Ipadala niya ang iyang mga anghel uban sa dakong tingog sa trumpeta, ug tigomon nila ang iyang mga pinili gikan sa upat ka hangin, gikan sa usa ka tumoy sa langit ngadto sa uban. **32** Pagkat-on gikan sa igera nga kahoy. Sa dihang mohumok na ang sanga ug manalingsing ang mga dahon, makabalo kamo nga ang ting-init haduol na. **33** Busa, kung makita na ninyo kining tanan nga mga butang, masayran ninyo nga siya haduol na, sirad-i ang mga ganghaan. **34** Sa pagkatinuod ako mosulti kaninyo, nga dili mahanaw kini nga kaliwatan, hangtod nga kining tanan nga mga butang mahitabo. **35** Ang langit ug ang yuta mangahanaw, apan dili gayod mahanaw ang akong mga pulong. **36** Apan mahitungod nianang adlawa ug taknaa walay usa nga masayod, bisan ang mga anghel sa langit, ni ang Anak, apan ang Amahan lamang. **37** Sama sa mga adlaw ni Noe, ingon niana ang pag-abot sa Anak sa Tawo. **38** Kay sama niadtong mga adlawa sa wala pa ang lunop nagangaon sila ug nag-inom, nagminyoay hangtod sa adlaw nga misulod si Noe sa arka, **39** ug wala silay nahibaw-an nga bisan unsa hangtod nga miabot ang lunop ug mianod kanila — ingon niana ang pag-abot sa Anak sa Tawo. **40** Unya adunay duha ka lalaki ang anaa sa uma - ang usa pagakuhaon ug ang usa ibilin. **41** Adunay duha ka babaye nga mogaling sa galingan — ang usa pagakuhaon ug ang usa ibilin. **42** Busa pagbantay, kay wala kamo masayod sa adlaw kung kanus-a ang inyong Ginoo moabot. **43** Apan hibaloi kini, nga kung nasayran pa sa agalon sa balay unsang orasa moabot ang kawatan, mobantay gayod siya ug dili siya motugot nga masulod ang iyang balay. **44** Busa kamo kinahanglan usab nga mangandam, kay ang Anak sa Tawo moabot sa takna nga wala ninyo gidahom. **45** Busa kinsa ang matinud-anon ug maalamon nga sulugoon, nga gibutang sa iyang agalon sa iyang panimalay, aron mohatag kanila sa pagkaon sa saktong takna? **46** Bulahan ang maong sulugoon, nga makita sa iyang agalon nga nagbuhat niana sa dihang siya moabot. **47** Sa pagkatinuod mosulti ako kaninyo nga ang agalon mobutang kaniya ngadto sa tanan niyang gipanag-iyahan. **48** Apan kung ang usa ka daotan nga sulugoon moingon sa iyang kasingkasing, 'Ang akong agalon nalangan,' **49** ug mosugod sa pagpangulata sa iyang kaubang mga sulugoon, ug mokaon ug moinom uban sa mga palahubog, **50** ang agalon sa maong sulugoon moabot sa adlaw nga wala gidahom sa sulugoon, ug sa takna nga wala niya masayri. **51** Ang iyang agalon mopikas kaniya ug himoon ang iyang kapalaran sama sa mga tigpakaaron-ingnon, diin adunay pagbakho ug pagkagot sa mga ngipon.

### Chapter 25

**1** Unya ang gingharian sa langit mahisama sa napulo ka mga ulay nga nagdala sa ilang mga suga ug miadto aron mosugat sa pamanhonon. **2** Ang lima kanila mga buang-buang ug ang lima maalamon. **3** Kay sa dihang ang buang-buang nga mga ulay midala sa ilang mga suga, wala sila modala ug dugang lana uban kanila. **4** Apan ang maalamon nga mga ulay midala ug mga sudlanan sa lana uban sa ilang mga suga. **5** Karon samtang ang pamanhonon nalangan, nagduka silang tanan ug nakatulog. **6** Apan sa tungang gabii adunay usa ka singgit, 'Tan-awa, ang pamanhonon! Gawas ug sugata siya.' **7** Unya kadtong tanan nga mga ulay mibangon ug mipasiga sa ilang mga suga. **8** Ang mga buang-buang miingon ngadto sa mga maalamon, 'Hatagi kami ug pipila sa inyong lana tungod kay ang among mga suga mapalong na.' **9** Apan ang mga maalamon mitubag ug miingon, 'Sanglit dili na paigo alang kanamo ug kaninyo, lakaw hinuon niadtong namaligya ug pagpalit sa pipila alang sa inyong mga kaugalingon.' **10** Samtang nangadto sila aron mamalit, miabot na ang pamanhonon, ug kadtong nakaandam mikuyog kaniya didto sa kombira sa kasal, ug ang pultahan gisirad-an. **11** Human niini miabot usab ang uban nga mga ulay ug miingon, 'Agalon, agalon, ablihi kami.' **12** Apan mitubag siya ug miingon, 'Sa pagkatinuod mosulti ako kaninyo, nga wala ako makaila kaninyo.' **13** Busa pagbantay, kay wala kamo masayod sa adlaw o sa takna. **14** Kay sama kini sa usa ka tawo nga moadto sa laing nasod. Gitawag niya ang iyang kaugalingong mga sulugoon ug gihatag ngadto kanila ang iyang katigayonan. **15** Ang usa kanila gihatagan niya ug lima ka talento, sa laing usa gihatagan niya ug duha, ug ang laing usa gihatagan niya ug usa ka talento. Ang matag-usa nakadawat sa kantidad sumala sa iyang kaugalingong katakos, ug kanang tawhana miadto na sa iyang panaw. **16** Dihadiha ang usa nga nakadawat sa lima ka talento milakaw ug nagpatigayon kanila, ug nakaangkon pa sa laing lima ka talento. **17** Sa samang paagi ang usa nga nakadawat sa duha ka talento nakaangkon ug laing duha. **18** Apan ang sulugoon nga nakadawat sa usa ka talento milakaw palayo, nagkalot ug bangag sa yuta, ug gitago ang salapi sa iyang agalon. **19** Karon pagkahuman sa taas nga panahon mibalik ang agalon niadtong mga sulugoon ug nakighusay uban kanila. **20** Ang sulugoon nga nakadawat sa lima ka talento miabot ug nagdala usab sa laing lima ka talento, miingon siya, 'Agalon, gihatagan mo ako ug lima ka talento. Tan-awa, nakabuhat pa ako ug dugang lima ka talento.' **21** Ang iyang agalon miingon kaniya, 'Maayong pagkabuhat, buotan ug matinud-anon nga sulugoon! Nagmatinud-anon ka sa pipila ka mga butang. Tugyanan ko ikaw sa mas daghan pa nga mga butang. Sulod didto sa kalipay sa imong agalon.' **22** Ang sulugoon nga nakadawat sa duha ka talento miabot ug miingon, 'Agalon, gihatagan mo ako ug duha ka talento. Tan-awa, nakabuhat ako ug dugang pang duha ka talento.' **23** Ang iyang agalon miingon kaniya, 'Maayong pagkabuhat, buotan ug matinud-anon nga sulugoon! Nagmatinud-anon ka man sa pipila ka mga butang. Tugyanan ko ikaw sa mas daghan pa nga mga butang. Sulod didto sa kalipay sa imong agalon.' **24** Unya ang sulugoon nga nakadawat sa usa ka talento miabot ug miingon, Agalon, nasayod ako nga ikaw usa ka istrikto nga tawo. Nagaani ikaw sa wala mo gitanom, ug nagaani ka sa wala mo gisabwag. **25** Nahadlok ako, busa nagpalayo ako ug gitagoan ang imong talento sa yuta. Tan-awa, ania dinhi ang alang kanimo.' **26** Apan mitubag ang iyang agalon ug miingon kaniya, 'Daotan ka ug tapolan nga sulugoon, nasayod ka nang daan nga ako nag-ani sa wala nako gitanom ug nagaani sa wala nako gisabwag. **27** Busa gihatag mo unta ang akong salapi ngadto sa mga maninipig, ug sa akong pagbalik madawat ko unta pagbalik ang akoa uban ang ginansiya. **28** Busa kuhaa ang talento gikan kaniya ug ihatag kini ngadto sa sulugoon nga adunay napulo ka talento. **29** Kay niadtong tanan nga nakaangkon, pagahatagan pa---ug madagayaon pa gayod. Apan gikan sa tanan nga wala makaangkon sa bisan unsa nga butang, pagakuhaon bisan unsa nga anaa kaniya. **30** Ilabay ang walay pulos nga sulugoon didto sa gawas nga mangitngit, diin didto adunay paghilak ug pagkagot sa mga ngipon.' **31** Sa dihang moabot ang Anak sa Tawo diha sa iyang himaya ug ang tanang anghel uban kaniya, unya molingkod siya sa iyang mahimayaong trono. **32** Pagatigomon diha sa atubangan niya ang tanang kanasoran, ug lainon niya ang katawhan gikan sa usag-usa, ingon sa usa ka magbalantay nga molahi sa karnero gikan sa mga kanding. **33** Ibutang niya ang karnero didto sa iyang tuong kamot, apan ang mga kanding didto sa iyang wala. **34** Unya ang Hari nag-ingon niadtong atua sa iyang tuong kamot, 'Dali, kamo nga gipanalanginan sa akong Amahan, panunod sa gingharian nga giandam alang kaninyo gikan sa patukuranan sa kalibotan. **35** Kay ako gigutom ug gihatagan ako ninyo ug pagkaon; giuhaw ako ug gihatagan ako ninyo ug mainom; usa ako ka langyaw ug gipasulod ako ninyo; **36** hubo ako, ug gibistihan ako ninyo; masakiton ako ug giatiman ako ninyo; nabilanggo ako ug miadto kamo kanako.' **37** Unya ang matarong motubag ug mosulti, 'Ginoo, kanus-a man kami nakakita kanimo nga gigutom, ug gipakaon ka? O giuhaw ug gipainom ka? **38** Ug kanus-a man kami nakakita nga ikaw usa ka langyaw, ug gipasulod ka? O hubo ug gibistihan ka? **39** Ug kanus-a man kami nakakita kanimo nga nagsakit, o nabilanggo, ug miadto kanimo?' **40** Ug ang Hari motubag ug moingon ngadto kanila, 'Sa pagkatinuod mosulti ako kaninyo, kung unsa ang inyong gibuhat alang sa labing ubos sa akong kaigsoonan dinhi, gibuhat ninyo kini kanako.' **41** Unya mosulti siya niadtong atua sa iyang walang kamot, 'Palayo gikan kanako, kamong tinunglo, ngadto sa walay kataposang kalayo nga giandam alang sa daotan ug sa iyang mga anghel, **42** tungod kay gigutom ako apan wala kamo mohatag kanako ug pagkaon; giuhaw ako apan wala kamo maghatag kanako ug mainom; **43** usa ako ka langyaw apan wala kamo nagpasulod kanako; hubo apan wala kamo magbisti kanako; nagsakit ug nabilanggo, apan wala kamo mag-atiman alang kanako.' **44** Unya motubag usab sila ug mosulti, 'Ginoo, kanus-a man kami nakakita nga ikaw gigutom, o giuhaw, o usa ka langyaw, o hubo, o nagbalatian, o nabilanggo, ug wala moalagad kanimo?' **45** Unya motubag siya kanila ug mosulti, 'Sa pagkatinuod mosulti ako kaninyo, unsa ang wala ninyo gibuhat alang sa mga labing ubos niini, wala ninyo gibuhat alang kanako.' **46** Moadto kini sa walay kataposan nga silot apan ang matarong didto sa kinabuhing walay kataposan."

### Chapter 26

**1** Miabot nga sa dihang natapos na ni Jesus kining tanan nga mga pulong, miingon siya sa iyang mga disipulo, **2** "Nasayod kamo nga human sa duha ka adlaw moabot ang adlaw sa Pagsaylo, ug ang Anak sa Tawo igatugyan aron ilansang sa krus." **3** Unya ang mga pangulong pari ug mga kadagkoan sa katawhan nagkatigom didto sa palasyo sa labawng pari, nga ginganlan ug Caifas. **4** Naghiusa silang naglaraw sa pagdakop kang Jesus sa hilom ug sa pagpatay kaniya. **5** Kay miingon sila, "Dili panahon sa pista, aron nga dili magsugod ang kagubot taliwala sa katawhan." **6** Karon samtang si Jesus anaa sa Betania sa balay ni Simon nga sanglahon, **7** samtang nagsandig siya sa kan-anan, ang usa ka babaye miduol kaniya nga adunay usa ka alabastro nga tibod sa mahalon nga pahumot, ug gibubo niya kini didto sa iyang ulo. **8** Apan sa dihang nakakita niini ang iyang mga disipulo, nasuko sila ug miingon, "Unsa man ang hinungdan niining pag-usik-usik? **9** Mahimo pa unta kining ibaligya sa dako nga kantidad ug ihatag ngadto sa mga kabos." **10** Apan si Jesus, nga nasayod niini, miingon kanila, "Nganong ginasamok man ninyo kining babaye? Kay gibuhat niya ang matahom nga butang alang kanako. **11** Kanunay ninyong gikauban ang mga kabos, apan dili ninyo ako makauban sa kanunay. **12** Kay sa dihang gibubo niya kining pahumot sa akong lawas, gibuhat niya kini alang sa akong lubong. **13** Sa pagkatinuod moingon ako kaninyo, bisan asa mawali kining ebanghelyo sa tibuok kalibotan, kung unsa man ang nabuhat niini nga babaye masulti usab sa paghinumdom kaniya." **14** Unya ang usa sa napulog duha, nga ginganlan ug Judas Iskariote, miadto sa mga pangulong pari **15** ug miingon, "Unsa man ang andam ninyong ihatag kanako aron sa pagtugyan kaniya nganha kaninyo?" Nagtimbang sila ug 30 kabuok nga plata alang kaniya. **16** Sukad niadtong taknaa nangita siya ug kahigayonan sa pagtugyan kaniya ngadto kanila. **17** Karon sa unang adlaw sa tinapay nga walay igpapatubo ang mga disipulo miduol kang Jesus ug miingon, "Diin mo man kami buot mangandam alang sa pagkaon nimo sa Pagsaylo nga panihapon?" **18** Miingon siya, "Adtoa ang usa ka tawo didto sa siyudad ug sultihi siya, 'Ang Magtutudlo nag-ingon, "Ang akong panahon haduol na. Pagabuhaton nako ang Pagsaylo dinhi sa imong balay kauban ang akong mga disipulo." **19** Gibuhat sa mga disipulo ang gitugon ni Jesus, ug giandam nila ang pagkaon sa Pagsaylo. **20** Sa dihang miabot na ang kagabhion, milingkod siya aron mokaon kauban ang napulo ug duha ka mga disipulo. **21** Samtang nangaon sila, miingon siya, "Sa pagkatinuod moingon ako kaninyo nga ang usa kaninyo magluib kanako." **22** Nagmasulub-on sila, ug ang matag usa nagsugod sa pagpangutana kaniya, "Sigurado nga dili ako, Ginoo?" **23** Mitubag siya, "Ang usa nga magtuslob sa iyang kamot uban kanako sa panaksan mao ang magbudhi kanako. **24** Molakaw ang Anak sa Tawo, sama sa nahisulat mahitungod kaniya. Apan alaot kanang tawhana nga pinaagi kaniya ang Anak sa Tawo budhian! Mas maayo alang nianang tawhana kung wala na lamang siya natawo." **25** Si Judas, nga mao ang magbudhi kaniya miingon, "Ako ba kana, Rabbi?" Miingon siya kaniya, "Giingon mo na kini sa imong kaugalingon." **26** Samtang nangaon sila, gikuha ni Jesus ang tinapay, gipanalanginan kini, ug gipikaspikas kini. Gihatag niya kini sa mga disipulo ug miingon, "Dawata, ug kaona. Mao kini ang akong lawas." **27** Gikuha niya ang usa ka kopa ug naghatag ug pagpasalamat, ug gihatag kini kanila ug miingon, "Inom niini, kamong tanan. **28** Kay mao kini ang akong dugo sa pakigsaad nga ibubo sa kadaghanan alang sa kapasayloan sa mga sala. **29** Apan moingon ako kaninyo, dili na ako makainom pag-usab niining bunga sa paras, hangtod sa adlaw dihang moinom ako niini nga bag-o uban kaninyo didto sa gingharian sa akong Amahan." **30** Sa dihang miawit sila ug mga alawiton, miadto sila sa Bungtod sa mga Olibo. **31** Unya si Jesus miingon kanila, "Kamong tanan karong gabhiona mabungkag tungod kanako, kay nahisulat kini, 'Pagabunalan ko ang magbalantay ug ang karnero sa panon magkatibulaag.' **32** Apan human sa akong pagkabanhaw, mag-una ako kaninyo didto sa Galilea." **33** Apan si Pedro miingon kaniya, "Bisan kung ang tanan mopalayo tungod kanimo, dili ako mopalayo." **34** Si Jesus miingon kaniya, "Sa pagkatinuod moingon ako kanimo, niini gayong gabhiona sa dili pa motuktugaok ang manok, ilimod mo ako sa makatulo ka higayon." **35** Si Pedro miingon kaniya, "Bisan pa kung mamatay ako uban kanimo, dili ko ikaw ilimod." Ug ang tanang mga disipulo misulti sa samang butang. **36** Unya si Jesus miadto uban kanila sa dapit nga gitawag ug Getsemane ug miingon sa iyang mga disipulo, "Lingkod dinhi samtang moadto ako didto aron moampo." **37** Gidala niya si Pedro ug ang duha ka anak nga lalaki ni Zebedeo uban kaniya ug nagsugod sila sa pagkamasulub-on ug naguol. **38** Unya miingon siya kanila, "Ang akong kalag nagsubo gayod, bisan hangtod sa kamatayon. Pabilin dinhi ug pagtukaw uban kanako." **39** Miadto siya sa unahan, mihapa, ug nag-ampo. Miingon siya, "Amahan ko, kung mahimo, tugoti kining kopa nga mosaylo gikan kanako. Apan, dili ang akong pagbuot, kondili ang imong pagbuot." **40** Miadto siya sa iyang mga disipulo ug nakaplagan nga nangatulog sila, ug miingon siya kang Pedro, "Unsa, dili ba kamo makatukaw uban kanako bisan sa usa lamang ka oras? **41** Pagtukaw ug pag-ampo nga dili kamo madala ngadto sa tintasyon. Andam gayod ang espiritu, apan huyang ang unod." **42** Mipalayo siya sa ikaduhang higayon ug miampo, miingon siya, "Amahan ko, kung kini dili mosaylo gawas kung imnon ko kini, ang imong kabubut-on maoy matuman." **43** Mibalik na usab siya ug nakaplagan nga nangatulog sila, kay nagbug-at na ang ilang mga mata. **44** Unya gibiyaan niya sila pag-usab ug mipalayo. Nag-ampo siya sa ikatulo nga higayon ug gisulti ang sama nga mga pulong. **45** Unya miadto si Jesus sa mga disipulo ug miingon ngadto kanila, "Natulog ba gihapon kamo ug nagpahulay? Tan-awa, ang takna ania na, ug gibudhian na ang Anak sa Tawo ngadto sa kamot sa mga makasasala. **46** Tindog, manglakaw na kita. Tan-awa, ang usa nga maoy magbudhi kanako haduol na." **47** Samtang nagsulti pa siya, si Judas, ang usa sa napulo ug duha, miabot. Ang dakong panon sa katawhan miabot uban kaniya gikan sa pangulong pari ug mga kadagkoan sa katawhan. Miabot sila uban ang mga espada ug mga bunal. **48** Karon ang tawo nga maoy mobudhi kang Jesus naghatag kanila ug ilhanan, nga nag-ingon, "Kung si kinsa ang akong halokan, siya na kana. Dakpa siya." **49** Dihadiha miduol siya kang Jesus ug miingon, "Kumusta, Rabbi!" Ug gihalokan niya siya. **50** Si Jesus miingon kaniya, "Higala, buhata ang imong gianhi dinhi nga buhaton." Unya miduol sila, gigunitan si Jesus, ug gidakop siya. **51** Tan-awa, ang usa niadtong kauban ni Jesus mituy-od sa iyang kamot, mihulbot sa iyang espada, ug mitigbas sa sulugoon sa labawng pari, ug naputol ang iyang dalunggan. **52** Unya miingon si Jesus kaniya, "Ibalik ang imong espada sa iyang butanganan, kay ang tanan niadtong naghulbot sa espada mahanaw pinaagi sa espada. **53** Naghunahuna ka ba nga dili ako makatawag sa akong Amahan, ug mopadala siya kanako ug labaw pa sa napulo ug duha ka panon sa mga anghel? **54** Apan unsaon unya pagkatuman sa kasulatan, kinahanglan nga mahitabo gayod kini?" **55** Niadtong taknaa miingon si Jesus ngadto sa panon sa katawhan, "Migawas ba kamo uban sa mga espada ug mga bunal aron sa pagdakop kanako sama sa usa ka tulisan? Naglingkod ako matag adlaw didto sa templo ug nagtudlo, ug wala ninyo ako dakpa. **56** Apan kining tanan mahitabo aron nga ang mga sinulat sa mga propeta matuman." Unya ang tanang mga disipulo mibiya kaniya ug mipalayo. **57** Kadtong nagdakop kang Jesus nangulo kaniya palayo didto kang Caifas ang labawng pari, diin ang mga eskriba ug ang mga kadagkoan naghiusa pagtigom. **58** Apan si Pedro nagsunod kaniya sa halayo lamang didto sa hawanan sa labawng pari. Miadto siya sa sulod ug milingkod uban sa mga guwardiya aron makita ang mahitabo. **59** Karon ang mga pangulong pari ug ang tibuok Konseho nangita ug mga bakak nga pagpamatuod batok kang Jesus, aron nga mabutang nila siya sa kamatayon. **60** Apan wala gayod silay nakaplagan nga bisan unsa, bisan tuod daghang mga mini nga mga tigpamatuod ang miadto sa atubangan. Apan sa kadugayan adunay duha nga miadto sa atubangan **61** ug miingon, "Kining tawhana miingon, 'Makahimo ako sa pagguba sa templo sa Dios ug tukoron kini pag-usab sulod sa tulo ka adlaw.'" **62** Ang labawng pari mitindog ug miingon kaniya, "Wala ka bay itubag? Unsa man kining ginapamatud-an nila batok kanimo?" **63** Apan naghilom lamang si Jesus. Ang labawng pari miingon kaniya, "Gimandoan ko ikaw pinaagi sa buhi nga Dios, sultihi kami kung ikaw ba ang Cristo, ang Anak sa Dios." **64** Mitubag si Jesus, "Giingon mo na kini sa imong kaugalingon. Apan sultihan ko ikaw, sukad karon makakita na kamo sa Anak sa Tawo nga molingkod sa tuong kamot sa Gahom, ug moanhi ibabaw sa mga panganod sa langit." **65** Unya ang labawng pari migisi sa iyang mga bisti ug miingon, "Nagsulti siya ug pagpasipala! Nganong nanginahanglan pa man kita ug mga saksi? Tan-awa, nadungog na ninyo karon ang pagpasipala. **66** Unsa man ang inyong hunahuna?" Mitubag sila ug miingon, "Angay siya sa kamatayon." **67** Unya giluwaan nila ang iyang dagway ug gikulata siya, ug gihapak siya sa palad sa ilang mga kamot, **68** ug miingon, "Tagnaa kami, ikaw nga Cristo. Kinsa man kadtong mihapak kanimo?" **69** Karon si Pedro naglingkod sa gawas sa hawanan, ug ang usa ka sulugoon nga babaye miduol kaniya ug miingon, "Kauban ka usab ni Jesus nga taga-Galilea." **70** Apan gilimod niya kini sa atubangan nilang tanan, nga nag-ingon, "Wala ako masayod kung unsa ang inyong gipanulti." **71** Sa dihang migawas siya ngadto sa ganghaan, ang laing sulugoon nga babaye nakakita kaniya ug miingon niadtong anaa didto, "Kining tawhana kauban usab ni Jesus nga taga-Nazaret." **72** Ug milimod na usab siya uban sa panumpa, "Wala ako makaila nianang tawhana." **73** Pagkataodtaod kadtong mga nanagtindog miduol ug miingon kang Pedro, "Sigurado nga ikaw usab usa kanila, kay ang imong paagi sa pagsulti maoy nagpaila kanimo." **74** Unya nagsugod na siya sa pagpanunglo ug nanumpa, "Wala ako makaila nianang tawhana," ug dihadiha mituktugaok ang manok. **75** Nahinumdoman ni Pedro ang mga pulong nga giingon ni Jesus, "Sa dili pa motuktogaok ang manok ilimod mo ako sa makatulong higayon." Ug miadto siya sa gawas ug mihilak sa hilabihan gayod.

### Chapter 27

**1** Karon sa dihang miabot na ang kabuntagon, ang tanang pangulong pari ug mga kadaagkoan sa mga katawhan naglaraw batok kang Jesus aron patyon siya. **2** Gigapos nila siya, gidala palayo, ug gitugyan siya kang Pilato nga gobernador. **3** Unya sa dihang si Judas, nga nagbudhi kaniya, nakakita nga si Jesus gihukman na, nagbasol siya ug gibalik ang 30 kabuok plata nga salapi ngadto sa mga pangulong pari ug mga kadagkoan, **4** ug miingon, "Nakasala ako pinaagi sa pagbudhi sa dugo nga walay sala." Apan miingon sila, "Unsay labot namo? Tan-awa kana sa imong kaugalingon." **5** Unya gilabay niya ang mga plata nga salapi didto sa templo, ug mipahawa, migawas ug gibitay ang iyang kaugalingon. **6** Gipamunit sa mga pangulong pari ang mga plata nga salapi ug miingon, "Supak kini sa balaod nga isagol ngadto sa panudlanan, tungod kay kini bayad sa dugo." **7** Naghisgot sila niining butanga ug uban sa maong salapi gipalit nila ang Uma sa Magkukulon aron kalubngan sa mga dumuduong. **8** Kay mao kini ang hinungdan nga kining umaha gitawag nga, "Ang uma sa dugo" hangtod karong adlawa. **9** Unya kadtong gisulti pinaagi kang Jeremias nga usa ka propeta natuman, nga nag-ingon, "Gikuha nila ang 30 kabuok nga plata nga salapi, ang bili nga gibutang kaniya sa mga tawo sa Israel, **10** ug gihatag nila kini alang sa uma sa magkukulon, ingon sa gimando sa Ginoo kanako." **11** Karon si Jesus mitindog atubangan sa gobernador, ug ang gobernador nangutana kaniya, "Ikaw ba ang hari sa mga Judio?" Si Jesus mitubag kaniya, "Gipamulong mo na." **12** Apan sa dihang gisumbong na siya sa mga pangulong pari ug mga kadagkoan, wala siya motubag. **13** Unya si Pilato nagsulti kaniya, "Wala mo ba nadungog ang mga sumbong batok kanimo?" **14** Apan wala siya motubag bisan usa ka pulong, busa ang gobernador nahibulong pag-ayo. **15** Karon diha sa kasaulogan, nabatasan kini sa gobernador nga magpagawas ug usa ka binilanggo nga napilian sa panon sa katawhan. **16** Nianang higayona aduna silay mangtas nga binilanggo nga ginganlan ug Barabas. **17** Busa sa dihang nagkatigom na sila, si Pilato nagsulti ngadto kanila, "Kinsa man ang buot ninyo nga akong buhian alang kaninyo? Si Barabas ba, o si Jesus nga gitawag ug Cristo?" **18** Tungod kay nasayod siya nga gitugyan nila siya tungod sa kasina. **19** Samtang naglingkod siya didto sa lingkoranan sa hukmanan, ang iyang asawa nagpadala ug pulong ngadto kaniya ug miingon, "Dili ka manghilabot nianang walay sala nga tawo. Kay dako ang akong pag-antos karong adlawa diha sa damgo tungod kaniya." **20** Karon ang mga pangulong pari ug ang mga kadagkoan nagdani sa panon sa katawhan nga pangayoon si Barabas, ug patyon si Jesus. **21** Ang gobernador nangutana kanila, "Kinsa ba sa duha ang buot ninyo nga akong buhian alang kaninyo?" Misulti sila, "Si Barabas." **22** Nagsulti si Pilato kanila, "Unsa ba ang akong pagabuhaton kang Jesus nga gitawag nga Cristo?" Silang tanan nagtubag, "Ilansang siya sa krus." **23** Ug misulti siya, "Ngano, unsa nga sayop ang iyang nabuhat?" Apan misinggit pa sila sa makusog, "Ilansang siya sa krus." **24** Busa sa dihang nakita ni Pilato nga wala na siyay mabuhat bisan unsa, apan nagsugod hinuon ang kasamok, nagkuha siya ug tubig, nanghugas sa iyang mga kamot atubangan sa panon sa katawhan, ug misulti, "Wala akoy sala sa dugo niining walay sala nga tawo. Tan-awa kini sa inyong kaugalingon." **25** Ang tanang tawo misulti, "Hinaot nga ang iyang dugo maanaa kanamo ug sa among mga anak." **26** Unya gibuhian niya si Barabas ngadto kanila, apan iyang gilatos si Jesus ug gitugyan aron ilansang siya sa krus. **27** Unya gikuha sa mga sundalo sa gobernador si Jesus ngadto sa Praetorium ug gitigom ang tibuok kasundalohan. **28** Gihuboan nila siya ug gisul-oban ug dagtom pula nga kupo. **29** Unya nagbuhat sila ug tunokong purongpurong ug gibutang kini sa iyang ulo, ug sungkod sa iyang tuo nga kamot. Nagluhod sila sa iyang atubangan ug nagbiaybiay kaniya, nga nag-ingon, "Ibayaw, ang Hari sa mga Judio!" **30** Ug giluwaan nila siya, ug gikuha ang sungkod ug gibunalan siya sa ulo. **31** Sa dihang gibiaybiay na nila siya, gihubo nila ang kupo kaniya ug gisul-ob ang iyang kaugalingong mga bisti, ug gidala siya palayo aron ilansang na siya sa krus. **32** Sa dihang migawas na sila, nakita nila ang tawo nga gikan sa Cyrene nga ginganlan ug Simon, nga gipugos nila sa pagkuyog kanila aron makahimo sa pagpas-an sa iyang krus. **33** Miabot sila sa dapit nga ginganlan ug Golgota, nga nagpasabot, "Ang Dapit sa Bagolbagol." **34** Gihatagan nila siya ug ilimnon nga may sagol apdo. Apan sa dihang gitilawan niya kini, wala niya giinom. **35** Sa dihang gilansang na nila siya, gibahinbahin nila ang iyang mga bisti pinaagi sa pagripa. **36** Ug nanglingkod sila ug nagtan-aw kaniya. **37** Ibabaw sa iyang ulo nagbutang sila ug sumbong batok kaniya nga mabasa, "Mao kini si Jesus, ang hari sa mga Judio." **38** Ang duha ka tulisan gilansang uban kaniya, ang usa anaa sa iyang tuo ug ang usa anaa sa iyang wala. **39** Kadtong mangagi nagbugalbugal kaniya, maglingolingo sa ilang mga ulo **40** ug nag-ingon, "Ikaw nga moguba sa templo ug motukod niini pag-usab sulod sa tulo ka adlaw, luwasa ang imong kaugalingon! Kung ikaw ang Anak sa Dios, kanaog gikan sa krus!" **41** Sa samang paagi ang mga pangulong pari nagbiaybiay kaniya, uban ang mga escriba ug mga kadagkoan, ug miingon, **42** "Nagluwas siya sa uban, apan dili niya maluwas ang iyang kaugalingon. Siya mao ang Hari sa Israel. Pasagdi siyang monaog sa krus, ug unya motuo kami kaniya. **43** Nagsalig siya sa Dios. Pasagdi ang Dios nga maoy moluwas kaniya karon kung pagbuot niya, tungod kay miingon siya, 'Ako ang Anak sa Dios.'" **44** Ug ang mga tulisan nga gilansang sa krus uban kaniya misulti usab sa samang pagtamay kaniya. **45** Karon gikan sa ikaunom nga takna ang kangitngit miabot sa tibuok yuta hangtod sa ika-siyam nga takna. **46** Sa pag-abot na sa ika-siyam nga takna, misinggit si Jesus uban ang kusog nga tingog ug miingon, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" nga nagkahulogan, "Dios ko, Dios ko, nganong gibiyaan mo man ako?" **47** Sa dihang nadungog kini sa pipila niadtong nagtindog didto, miingon sila, "Nagtawag siya kang Elias." **48** Dihadiha ang usa kanila midagan ug nagkuha ug espongha, gipuno kini sa suka, gibutang sa usa ka bagakay nga sungkod, ug gihatag kini kaniya aron imnon. **49** Ang uban kanila miingon, "Biyai siya nga mag-inusara. Tan-awon nato kung si Elias moabot aron sa pagluwas kaniya." **50** Unya si Jesus misinggit pag-usab uban ang kusog nga tingog ug nagtugyan sa iyang espiritu. **51** Tan-awa, ang kurtina sa templo nagisi sa makaduha gikan sa taas hangtod sa ubos. Ug nauyog ang kalibotan, ug nangabuak ang mga bato. **52** Nangaabli ang mga lubnganan, ug ang mga lawas sa daghang mga balaan nga mga tawo nga nangatulog gibangon. **53** Migawas sila sa mga lubnganan human sa iyang pagkabanhaw, misulod sa balaang siyudad, ug nagpakita sa daghan. **54** Karon sa dihang ang kapitan sa kasundalohan ug kadtong mga nagbantay kang Jesus nakakita sa linog ug sa mga butang nga nahitabo, nangahadlok sila pag-ayo ug miingon, "Tinuod gayod nga Anak kini sa Dios." **55** Ang daghang mga babaye nga nagsunod kang Jesus gikan sa Galilea nga nag-atiman kaniya anaa didto naglantaw sa halayo. **56** Uban kanila si Maria Magdalena, si Maria nga inahan ni Santiago ug ni Jose, ug ang inahan sa mga anak ni Zebedee. **57** Sa pagkagabii na, miabot ang adunahan nga tawo gikan sa Arimatea, nga ginganlan ug Jose, nga usa usab ka disipulo ni Jesus. **58** Miduol siya kang Pilato ug gipangayo ang lawas ni Jesus. Unya si Pilato nagmando aron ihatag kini kaniya. **59** Gikuha ni Jose ang lawas, giputos kini ug hinlo nga linong panapton, **60** ug gibutang kini sa kaugalingon niyang bag-o nga lubnganan nga iyang gitabas ngadto sa bato. Unya giligid niya ang usa ka dakong bato ngadto sa pultahan sa lubnganan ug milakaw. **61** Atua didto si Maria Magdalena ug ang usa pa ka Maria, nga naglingkod atbang sa lubnganan. **62** Sa pagkasunod adlaw, nga mao ang adlaw human ang Pagpangandam, ang mga pangulong pari ug ang mga Pariseo nagtigom kauban ni Pilato. **63** Miingon sila, "Sir, nahinumduman namo nga sa dihang buhi pa ang malimbongon, siya miingon, 'Pagkahuman sa tulo ka adlaw mabanhaw ako pag-usab.' **64** Busa pagsugo nga ang lubnganan bantayan gayod hangtod sa tulo ka adlaw. Kay kung dili ang iyang mga disipulo moadto ug kawaton siya ug moingon sa katawhan nga, 'Nabanhaw siya gikan sa mga patay.' Ug ang ulahi nga paglingla mahimong mas labaw pa kaysa nahiuna." **65** Si Pilato miingon kanila, "Pagkuha ug guwardiya. Lakaw ug bantayi kini pag-ayo." **66** Busa miadto sila ug gibantayan pag-ayo ang lubnganan, gisilyohan ang bato ug gibutangan ug guwardiya.

### Chapter 28

**1** Karon paglabay sa Adlaw nga Igpapahulay, samtang nagbanagbanag na padulong sa unang adlaw sa semana, si Maria Magdalena ug ang laing Maria miabot aron motan-aw sa lubnganan. **2** Tan-awa, adunay kusog nga linog, kay ang anghel sa Ginoo mikanaog gikan sa langit, miabot ug giligid ang bato, ug milingkod niini. **3** Ang iyang panagway sama sa kilat, ug ang iyang bisti sama ka puti sa nieve. **4** Ang mga guwardiya nangurog sa kahadlok ug nahimong sama sa patay nga mga tawo. **5** Ang anghel mitubag sa mga babaye ug miingon kanila, "Ayaw kahadlok, kay nasayod ako nga nangita kamo kang Jesus, nga gilansang sa krus. **6** Wala na siya dinhi, apan nabanhaw na sama sa iyang giingon. Dali ug tan-awa ang dapit diin ang Ginoo mihigda. **7** Lakaw pagdali ug sultihi ang iyang mga disipulo, 'Nabanhaw siya gikan sa mga patay. Tan-awa, moadto siya una kaninyo sa Galilea. Didto makita ninyo siya.' Tan-awa, giingnan ko na kamo." **8** Ang mga babaye mibiya pagdali sa lubnganan uban sa kahadlok ug dakong kalipay, ug midagan aron sultihan ang iyang mga disipulo. **9** Tan-awa, si Jesus mitagbo kanila ug miingon, "Tanang pagdayeg." Ang mga babaye miduol, migunit sa iyang tiil, ug misimba kaniya. **10** Unya miingon si Jesus kanila, "Ayaw kahadlok. Lakaw ug sultihi ang akong mga igsoon nga mobiya paingon sa Galilea. Makita nila ako didto." **11** Karon samtang nagpadulong ang mga babaye, tan-awa, ang pipila ka mga guwardiya miadto sa siyudad ug gisultihan ang mga pangulong pari sa tanan nga nahitabo. **12** Sa dihang ang mga pari nakigtagbo sa mga kadagkoan ug naghisgot sa maong panghitabo uban kanila, gihatagan nila sa dakong kantidad nga salapi ang mga sundalo **13** ug giingnan sila, "Ingna ang uban, 'ang mga disipulo ni Jesus miabot sa kagabhion ug mikawat sa iyang lawas samtang nangatulog kami.' **14** Kung kining maong balita makaabot ngadto sa gobernador, danihon namo siya ug kuhaon ang bisan unsang kabalaka gikan kaninyo." **15** Busa gikuha sa mga sundalo ang salapi ug gibuhat ang gitugon kanila. Kining maong balita mikaylap taliwala sa mga Judio ug nagpadayon hangtod karong adlawa. **16** Apan ang napulo ug usa ka mga disipulo nangadto sa Galilea, ngadto sa bukid nga giingon ni Jesus kanila. **17** Sa dihang nakita nila siya, gisimba nila siya, apan ang pipila nagduhaduha. **18** Si Jesus miduol kanila ug nakigsulti kanila ug miingon, "Ang tanang kagahom gihatag kanako sa langit ug sa yuta. **19** Busa panglakaw kamo ug paghimo ug mga disipulo sa tanang kanasoran. Bawtismohi sila sa ngalan sa Amahan, sa Anak, ug sa Balaang Espiritu. **20** Tudloi sila sa pagtuman sa tanang butang nga akong gisugo kaninyo. Ug tan-awa, ako mag-uban kaninyo sa kanunay, bisan sa kataposan sa kalibotan."

## Matthew

### Chapter 1

**1** The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, son of David, son of Abraham.

**2** Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers.

**3** Judah was the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Ram.

**4** Ram was the father of Amminadab, Amminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon.

**5** Salmon was the father of Boaz by Rahab, Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, Obed the father of Jesse.

**6** Jesse was the father of David the king.

David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah.

**7** Solomon was the father of Rehoboam, Rehoboam the father of Abijah, Abijah the father of Asa.

**8** Asa was the father of Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram an ancestor of Uzziah.

**9** Uzziah was the father of Jotham, Jotham the father of Ahaz, Ahaz the father of Hezekiah.

**10** Hezekiah was the father of Manasseh, Manasseh the father of Amon, and Amon the father of Josiah.

**11** Josiah was an ancestor of Jechoniah and his brothers at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

**12** After the deportation to Babylon, Jechoniah was the father of Shealtiel, Shealtiel was an ancestor of Zerubbabel.

**13** Zerubbabel was the father of Abiud, Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor.

**14** Azor was the father of Zadok, Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud.

**15** Eliud was the father of Eleazar, Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob.

**16** Jacob was the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, by whom Jesus was born, who is called Christ.

**17** All the generations from Abraham to David were fourteen generations, from David to the deportation to Babylon fourteen generations, and from the deportation to Babylon to the Christ fourteen generations.

**18** The birth of Jesus Christ happened in the following way. His mother, Mary, was engaged to marry Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant by the Holy Spirit. **19** But Joseph, her husband, was a righteous man and did not want to publicly disgrace her, so he intended to divorce her quietly. **20** As he thought about these things, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, because the one who is conceived in her is conceived by the Holy Spirit. **21** She will bear a son, and you will call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." **22** Now all this happened to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying, **23** "Behold, the virgin will become pregnant and will bear a son, and they will call his name Immanuel"—which being translated is "God with us." **24** Joseph got up from his sleep and did as the angel of the Lord commanded him, and he took her as his wife. **25** But he did not know her until she gave birth to a son. Then he called his name Jesus.

#### Matthew 1:1

##### The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ

"This is the list of the ancestors of Jesus Christ"

##### Jesus Christ, son of David, son of Abraham

"Jesus Christ, a descendant of David, who was a descendant of Abraham"

##### son of David

Sometimes the phrase "son of David" is used as a title, but here it seems to be used only to identify Jesus's ancestry.

#### Matthew 1:2

##### Abraham was the father of Isaac

"Abraham became the father of Isaac" or "Abraham had a son Isaac" or "Abraham had a son named Isaac." There are different ways you could translate this. Whichever way you translate it here, it would be best to translate it the same way throughout the list of Jesus's ancestors.

##### Isaac the father ... Jacob the father

Here the word "was" is understood. Alternate translation: "Isaac was the father ... Jacob was the father"

#### Matthew 1:3

##### Perez the father ... Hezron the father

"Perez was the father ... Hezron was the father"

#### Matthew 1:4

##### Amminadab the father ... Nahshon the father

"Amminadab was the father ... Nahshon was the father"

#### Matthew 1:5

##### Salmon was the father of Boaz by Rahab

"Salmon and Rahab were the parents of Boaz"

##### Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth

"Boaz and Ruth were the parents of Obed"

#### Matthew 1:6

##### David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah

"David was the father of Solomon, and Solomon's mother was Uriah's wife" or "David and the wife of Uriah were the parents of Solomon"

##### the wife of Uriah

"the widow of Uriah." Solomon was born after Uriah died.

#### Matthew 1:7

##### Rehoboam the father of Abijah, Abijah the father of Asa

"Rehoboam was the father of Abijah, and Abijah was the father of Asa"

#### Matthew 1:8

##### Joram

This man was called both Joram and Jehoram in the Old Testament.

#### Matthew 1:10

##### Amon

Sometimes this is translated "Amos."

#### Matthew 1:11

##### Josiah was an ancestor of Jechoniah

"Josiah was a grandfather of Jechoniah"

##### at the time of the deportation to Babylon

"when they were forced to move to Babylon" or "when the Babylonians conquered them and made them go live in Babylon."

##### Babylon

Here this means the country of Babylon, not just the city of Babylon.

#### Matthew 1:16

##### Mary, by whom Jesus was born

"Mary, who gave birth to Jesus"

##### who is called Christ

"whom people call Christ"

#### Matthew 1:18

##### His mother, Mary, was engaged to marry Joseph

"his mother, Mary, was promised in marriage to Joseph" or "His mother, Mary, was going to marry Joseph"

##### His mother, Mary, was engaged

Jesus was not already born when Mary was engaged to Joseph. Alternate translation: "Mary, who would be the mother of Jesus, was engaged"

##### before they came together

"before they got married." This may refer to Mary and Joseph sleeping together. Alternate translation: "before they had slept together"

##### she was found to be pregnant

"they realized that she was pregnant"

##### pregnant by the Holy Spirit

The power of the Holy Spirit had enabled Mary to have a baby before she had slept with a man.

#### Matthew 1:19

##### Joseph, her husband

"Joseph, who was supposed to marry Mary"

##### to divorce her quietly

"to quietly cancel their plans to get married"

#### Matthew 1:20

##### appeared to him in a dream

"came to him while Joseph was dreaming"

##### son of David

Here "son" means "descendant."

##### the one who is conceived in her is conceived by the Holy Spirit

"the Holy Spirit caused Mary to become pregnant with this child"

#### Matthew 1:21

##### you will call his name Jesus

"you must name him Jesus" or "you must give him the name Jesus."

##### for he will save

You may add a footnote that says, "The name 'Jesus' means 'the Lord saves.'"

#### Matthew 1:22

##### all this happened

The angel is no longer speaking. Matthew is now explaining the importance of what the angel said.

##### what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet

"what the Lord told the prophet to write long ago"

##### the prophet

"the prophet Isaiah"

#### Matthew 1:23

##### Behold ... Immanuel

Here Matthew quotes the prophet Isaiah.

##### Behold, the virgin will become pregnant

"Look, the virgin will become pregnant" or "Pay attention. The virgin will conceive"

##### Immanuel"—which being translated is, "God with us."

"Immanuel." This name means 'God with us.'"

#### Matthew 1:24

##### he took her as his wife

"he married Mary"

#### Matthew 1:25

##### he did not know her

"he did not have sexual relations with her"

##### to a son

"to a male baby" or "to her son." Make sure it is clear that Joseph is not portrayed as the actual father.

### Chapter 2

**1** After Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, learned men from the east arrived in Jerusalem saying, **2** "Where is he who was born King of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him." **3** When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. **4** Herod brought together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, and he asked them, "Where is the Christ to be born?" **5** They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for this is what was written by the prophet:

**6** 'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,

are not the least among the rulers of Judah,

for from you will come one who rules,

who will shepherd my people Israel.'"

**7** Then Herod secretly called the learned men to ask them exactly what time the star had appeared. **8** He sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search carefully for the young child. When you have found him, bring me a report so that I also may come and worship him." **9** After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star that they had seen in the east went before them until it came and stood still over where the young child was. **10** When they saw the star, they rejoiced with very great joy. **11** They went into the house and saw the young child with Mary his mother. They fell down and worshiped him. They opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. **12** God warned them in a dream not to return to Herod, so they departed to their own country by another way.

**13** After they had departed, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the young child and his mother, and flee to Egypt. Remain there until I tell you, for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him." **14** That night Joseph rose and took the young child and his mother and departed into Egypt. **15** He remained there until the death of Herod. This fulfilled what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying, "Out of Egypt I have called my Son."

**16** Then Herod, when he saw that he had been mocked by the learned men, was very angry. He sent and killed all the male children that were in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old and under, according to the time that he had determined exactly from the learned men. **17** Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through Jeremiah the prophet, saying,

**18** "A voice was heard in Ramah,

weeping and great mourning,

Rachel weeping for her children,

and she refused to be comforted,

because they were no more."

**19** When Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, **20** "Get up and take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead." **21** Joseph rose, took the child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel. **22** But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea in the place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. After God warned him in a dream, he left for the region of Galilee **23** and went and lived in a city called Nazareth. This fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophets, that he would be called a Nazarene.

#### Matthew 2:1

##### Bethlehem of Judea

"the town of Bethlehem in the province of Judea"

##### in the days of Herod the king

"when Herod the Great was king there"

##### learned men from the east

"knowledgable men from the east"

#### Matthew 2:2

##### Where is he who was born King of the Jews?

The men knew from studying the stars that the one who would become king had been born. They were trying to learn where he was. Alternate translation: "A baby who will become the king of the Jews has been born. Where is he?"

##### his star

"the star that tells about him" or "the star that is associated with his birth"

##### in the east

Possible meanings are 1) "as it came up in the east" or 2) "while we were in the east"

##### worship

Possible meanings are 1) they intended to worship the baby as divine, or 2) they wanted to honor him as a human king. If your language has a word that includes both meanings, you should consider using it here.

#### Matthew 2:3

##### he was troubled

"he was worried."

##### all Jerusalem

"many of the people in Jerusalem were also troubled"

#### Matthew 2:5

##### In Bethlehem of Judea

"In the town of Bethlehem in the province of Judea"

##### this is what was written by the prophet

"this is what the prophet wrote"

#### Matthew 2:6

##### General Information:

The chief priests and scribes of the people quote the prophet Micah to show that the Christ would be born in Bethlehem.

##### you, Bethlehem, ... are not the least among the rulers of Judah

"you, people of Bethlehem, ... your town is among the most important towns in Judah"

##### who will shepherd my people Israel

"who will lead my people Israel as a shepherd leads his sheep"

#### Matthew 2:7

##### men to ask them exactly what time the star had appeared.

"called the men, and he asked them, 'When exactly did this star appear?'"

#### Matthew 2:8

##### bring me a report

"report back to me" or "let me know"

#### Matthew 2:9

##### went before them

"guided them" or "led them"

##### stood still over

"stopped over"

##### where the young child was

"the place where the young child was staying"

#### Matthew 2:11

##### They fell down and worshiped him

"They knelt down and put their faces close to the ground." They did this to honor Jesus.

##### their treasures

Here "treasures" refers to the boxes or bags they used to carry their treasures. "the containers that held their treasures"

#### Matthew 2:12

##### in a dream not to return to Herod, so

"in a dream saying, 'Do not go back to King Herod.' So"

#### Matthew 2:13

##### appeared to Joseph in a dream

"came to Joseph while he was dreaming"

##### until I tell you

"until I tell you it is safe to come back"

#### Matthew 2:15

##### General Information:

Matthew quotes the prophet Hosea to show that the Christ would spend time in Egypt.

##### He remained

"They remained"

##### until the death of Herod

"what the Lord had said through the prophet; he said" or "what the Lord had told the prophet to say; he said"

##### Out of Egypt I have called my Son

"I have called my Son out of Egypt"

#### Matthew 2:16

##### he had been mocked by the learned men

"the learned men had tricked him"

##### He sent and killed all the male children

"He sent soldiers to kill all the baby boys"

##### according to the time that he had determined exactly from the learned men

based on what he discovered from the learned men about exactly when the star had appeared

#### Matthew 2:17

##### Then was fulfilled

"This fulfilled" or "Herod's actions fulfilled"

##### what had been spoken through Jeremiah the prophet

"what the Lord spoke long ago through the prophet Jeremiah"

#### Matthew 2:18

##### A voice was heard

"People heard a voice" or "There was a loud sound"

##### Rachel weeping for her children

Rachel lived many years before this time. This prophecy shows Rachel, who has died, weeping for her descendants.

##### she refused to be comforted

"no one could comfort her" or "she did not let anyone comfort her"

##### because they were no more

"because they were dead"

#### Matthew 2:19

##### behold

This word marks the beginning of another event in the larger story.

#### Matthew 2:20

##### those who sought the child's life

"those who were looking for the child in order to kill him"

#### Matthew 2:22

##### But when he heard

"But when Joseph heard"

##### Archelaus

This is the name of Herod's son.

#### Matthew 2:23

##### what had been spoken through the prophets

"what the Lord spoke long ago through the prophets"

##### he would be called a Nazarene

"people would say that the Christ is a Nazarene"

### Chapter 3

**1** In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea saying, **2** "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near." **3** For this is he who was spoken of by Isaiah the prophet, saying,

"The voice of one calling out in the wilderness,

'Make ready the way of the Lord,

make his paths straight.'"

**4** Now John wore clothing of camel's hair and a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. **5** Then Jerusalem, all Judea, and all the region around the Jordan River went out to him. **6** They were baptized by him in the Jordan River, confessing their sins. **7** But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to him for baptism, he said to them, "You offspring of vipers, who warned you to flee from the wrath that is coming? **8** Bear fruit worthy of repentance. **9** Do not think of saying among yourselves, 'We have Abraham for our father.' For I say to you that God is able to raise up children for Abraham even out of these stones. **10** Already the ax has been placed against the root of the trees. So every tree that does not produce good fruit is chopped down and thrown into the fire. **11** I baptize you with water for repentance. But he who comes after me is mightier than I, and I am not worthy even to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. **12** His winnowing fork is in his hand to thoroughly clear off his threshing floor and to gather his wheat into the storehouse. But he will burn up the chaff with fire that can never be put out."

**13** Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan River to be baptized by John. **14** But John kept trying to stop him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" **15** Jesus responded and said to him, "Permit it now, for it is right for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then John permitted him. **16** After he was baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him. He saw the Spirit of God coming down like a dove and resting upon him. **17** Behold, a voice came out of the heavens saying, "This is my beloved Son. I am very pleased with him."

#### Matthew 3:1

##### In those days

"In those times" or "Some years later"

#### Matthew 3:2

##### the kingdom of heaven is near

"our God in heaven will soon show himself to be king"

#### Matthew 3:3

##### For this is he who was spoken of by Isaiah the prophet, saying

"For John is the one Isaiah the prophet spoke about when he said"

##### The voice of one calling out in the wilderness

"The voice of one calling out in the wilderness is heard" or "They hear the sound of someone calling out in the wilderness"

##### Make ready the way of the Lord, make his paths straight

"Make the road ready for the Lord, prepare for him to come."

#### Matthew 3:4

##### wore clothing of camel's hair and a leather belt around his waist

This clothing symbolizes that John is a prophet like the prophets from long ago, especially the prophet Elijah.

#### Matthew 3:5

##### Then Jerusalem, all Judea, and all the region

"Then very may people from Jerusalem, Judea, and that region"

#### Matthew 3:6

##### They

This refers to the people coming from Jerusalem, Judea, and the region around the Jordan River.

##### They were baptized by him ... River, confessing their sins

"John baptized them ... River after they confessed their sins"

#### Matthew 3:7

##### You offspring of vipers, who

"You evil poisonous snakes! Who" or "You are evil like poisonous snakes! Who"

##### who warned you to flee from the wrath that is coming?

John rebukes the Pharisees and Sadducees. Alternate translation: "you cannot flee from God's coming punishment like this." or "do not think that you can flee from God's wrath just because I baptize you."

##### flee from the wrath that is coming

"run away from the punishment that is coming" or "escape because God is about to punish you"

#### Matthew 3:8

##### Bear fruit worthy of repentance

“Let your actions show that you have truly repented”

#### Matthew 3:9

##### We have Abraham for our father

"Abraham is our ancestor" or "We are descendants of Abraham." The Jewish leaders thought that God would not punish them since they were descendants of Abraham.

##### God is able to raise up children for Abraham even out of these stones

"God can make even these stones become children of Abraham"

#### Matthew 3:10

##### Already the ax has been placed against the root of the trees. So every tree that does not produce good fruit is chopped down and thrown into the fire

"God has his axe and he is ready to cut down and burn any tree that does not produce good fruit" or "As a person gets his axe ready to cut down and burn a tree that does not produce good fruit, God is ready to punish you for your sin"

#### Matthew 3:11

##### for repentance

"to show that you have repented"

##### he who comes after me

John was speaking about the Christ, although he probably did not know who that was.

##### is mightier than I

"is more important than I am"

##### He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire

This means John's baptism only symbolically cleanses people of their sins. The baptism by Holy Spirit and fire will truly cleanse people of their sins. If possible, use the word "baptize" in your translation to keep the comparison to John's baptism.

#### Matthew 3:12

##### His winnowing fork is in his hand

"He is like a man whose winnowing fork is in his hand"

##### winnowing fork

This is a tool for tossing wheat up into the air to separate the wheat grain from the chaff. The heavier grain falls back down and the unwanted chaff is blown away by the wind.

##### his threshing floor

"his floor" or "the ground where he separates the grain from the chaff"

##### fire that can never be put out

"fire that no one can put out" or "fire that will never burn out"

#### Matthew 3:13

##### to be baptized by John

"so John could baptize him"

#### Matthew 3:14

##### I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?

"I need you to baptize me, yet you want me to baptize you."

#### Matthew 3:15

##### John permitted him

"John allowed Jesus to be baptized" or "John agreed to baptize Jesus"

#### Matthew 3:16

##### behold

The word "behold" here alerts us to pay attention to the surprising information that follows.

##### the heavens were opened to him

"Jesus saw the sky open" or "God opened the heavens to Jesus"

##### coming down like a dove

Possible meanings are 1) the Spirit was in the form of a dove or 2) the Spirit came down gently, the way a dove would.

#### Matthew 3:17

##### a voice came out of the heavens saying

"A speaker said from heaven" or "God said from heaven"

##### Son

This refers to Jesus, the Son of God. It is best to translate “Son” with the same word that your language uses to refer to a human son.

### Chapter 4

**1** Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. **2** When he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. **3** The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become bread."

**4** But Jesus answered and said to him, "It is written, 'Man does not live on bread alone, but by every word that comes out of the mouth of God.'"

**5** Then the devil took him into the holy city and set him on the highest point of the temple building, **6** and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written,

'He will command his angels to take care of you,'

and

'They will carry you in their hands,

so that you will not hit your foot against a stone.'"

**7** Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You must not test the Lord your God.'"

**8** Again, the devil took him up to a very high hill and showed him all the kingdoms of the world along with all their glory. **9** He said to him, "All these things I will give you, if you fall down and worship me."

**10** Then Jesus said to him, "Go away from here, Satan! For it is written, 'You will worship the Lord your God, and you will serve only him.'"

**11** Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and served him.

**12** Now when Jesus heard that John had been handed over, he withdrew into Galilee. **13** He left Nazareth and went and lived in Capernaum, which is by the Sea of Galilee in the territories of Zebulun and Naphtali. **14** This happened to fulfill what was said by Isaiah the prophet:

**15** "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali,

toward the sea, beyond the Jordan,

Galilee of the Gentiles!

**16** The people who sat in darkness

have seen a great light,

and to those who sat in the region and shadow of death,

upon them has a light arisen."

**17** From that time Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near." **18** As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. **19** Jesus said to them, "Come, follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." **20** Immediately they left the nets and followed him. **21** As Jesus was going on from there he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and John his brother. They were in the boat with Zebedee their father mending their nets. He called them, **22** and they immediately left the boat and their father and followed him.

**23** Jesus went about in all of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every kind of disease and sickness among the people. **24** The news about him went out into all of Syria, and the people brought to him all those who suffered from various diseases and pains, those who were possessed by demons, the epileptics, and the paralytics. Jesus healed them. **25** Large crowds followed him from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

#### Matthew 4:1

##### Jesus was led up by the Spirit

"the Spirit led Jesus"

##### to be tempted by the devil

"so the devil could tempt Jesus"

#### Matthew 4:2

##### he had fasted ... he was hungry

These refer to Jesus.

##### forty days and forty nights

"40 days"

#### Matthew 4:3

##### The tempter

These words refer to the same being as "the devil" (as in verse 1).

##### If you are the Son of God, command

"You are the Son of God, so you can command" Alternate translation: "Prove that you are the Son of God by commanding"

##### the Son of God

This refers to Jesus, the Son of God. It is best to translate “Son” with the same word that your language uses to refer to a human son.

##### command these stones to become bread.

"say to these stones, 'Become bread.'"

##### bread

"food"

#### Matthew 4:4

##### It is written

"The scriptures say" or "God said in the scriptures"

##### Man does not live on bread alone

This implies that there is something more important to life than food.

##### but by every word that comes out of the mouth of God

"but by every word that God speaks" or "but by listening to everything that God says"

#### Matthew 4:6

##### the Son of God

This refers to Jesus, the Son of God. It is best to translate “Son” with the same word that your language uses to refer to a human son.

##### throw yourself down

"let yourself fall to the ground" or "jump down"

##### 'He will command his angels to take care of you,' and

"'God will say to his angels, "Take care of him,"' and" or "'God will command his angels to take care of you,' and"

##### They will carry you

"The angels will hold you"

#### Matthew 4:7

##### You must not test

"One should not test" or "No person should test"

#### Matthew 4:8

##### Again, the devil

"Next, the devil"

#### Matthew 4:9

##### He said to him

"The devil said to Jesus"

##### All these things I will give you

"I will give you all these things."

##### fall down

"put your face near the ground." This was a common action to show that a person was worshiping.

#### Matthew 4:10

##### For it is written

"For Moses also wrote in the scriptures"

#### Matthew 4:11

##### behold

The word "behold" here alerts us to pay attention to the important new information that follows.

#### Matthew 4:12

##### John had been handed over

"the king had handed John over to the prison" or "the king had arrested John"

#### Matthew 4:13

##### in the territories of Zebulun and Naphtali

"Zebulun" and "Naphtali" are the names of the tribes that lived in these territories many years earlier before foreigners took control of the land of Israel.

#### Matthew 4:14

##### what was said

"what God said"

#### Matthew 4:15

##### General Information:

Matthew quotes the prophet Isaiah to show that Jesus's ministry in Galilee was a fulfillment of prophecy.

##### toward the sea

This is the Sea of Galilee.

#### Matthew 4:16

##### The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light

Here "darkness"means not knowing the truth about God. And "light" is God's true message

##### The people who sat

"In the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali ... where many Gentiles live, the people who sat"

##### to those who sat in the region and shadow of death, upon them has a light arisen

Here "those who sat in the region and shadow of death" represents those who did not know God. These people were in danger of dying and being separated from God forever.

#### Matthew 4:17

##### the kingdom of heaven is near

"our God in heaven will soon show himself to be king"

#### Matthew 4:18

##### casting a net into the sea

"throwing a net into the water to catch fish"

#### Matthew 4:19

##### Come, follow me

"Be my disciples"

##### I will make you fishers of men

"I will teach you to gather men to me like you used to gather fish"

#### Matthew 4:21

##### He called them

"Jesus called John and James." This phrase also means that Jesus invited them to follow him, live with him, and become his disciples.

#### Matthew 4:22

##### they immediately left

"at that moment they left"

##### left the boat ... and followed him

It should be clear that they immediately put their nets down and left that place with Jesus. If your language requires you to tell whether they were leaving for the rest of the day or for a long time or for the rest of their lives, you should probably translate as they were leaving for the rest of their lives.

#### Matthew 4:23

##### teaching in their synagogues

"teaching in the synagogues of the Galileans" or "teaching in the synagogues of those people"

##### preaching the gospel of the kingdom

"preaching the good news that God will show himself as king"

##### every kind of disease and sickness

The words "disease" and "sickness" are closely related but should be translated as two different words if possible. "Disease" is what causes a person to be sick. "Sickness" is the physical weakness or affliction that results from having a disease.

#### Matthew 4:24

##### those who were possessed by demons

"those whom demons controlled"

##### the epileptics

The word "epileptic" refers to people who have epilepsy and so sometimes become unconscious and move uncontrollably.

#### Matthew 4:25

##### the Decapolis

This name means "the Ten Towns." This is the name of a region to the southeast of the Sea of Galilee.

### Chapter 5

**1** When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on the mountain. When he had sat down, his disciples came to him. **2** He opened his mouth and taught them, saying,

**3** "Blessed are the poor in spirit,

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

**4** Blessed are those who mourn,

for they will be comforted.

**5** Blessed are the meek,

for they will inherit the earth.

**6** Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

for they will be filled.

**7** Blessed are the merciful,

for they will obtain mercy.

**8** Blessed are the pure in heart,

for they will see God.

**9** Blessed are the peacemakers,

for they will be called sons of God.

**10** Blessed are those who have been persecuted for righteousness' sake,

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

**11** "Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you and say all kinds of evil things against you falsely for my sake. **12** Rejoice and be glad, for great is your reward in heaven. For in this way people persecuted the prophets who lived before you.

**13** "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt has lost its taste, how can it be made salty again? It is never again good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet. **14** You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. **15** Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but rather on the lampstand, and it shines for everyone in the house. **16** Let your light shine before people in such a way that they see your good deeds and glorify your Father who is in heaven.

**17** "Do not think that I have come to destroy the law or the prophets. I have come not to destroy them, but to fulfill them. **18** For truly I say to you that until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or the smallest part of a letter will in any way pass away from the law, until all things have been accomplished. **19** Therefore whoever breaks the least one of these commandments and teaches others to do so will be called least in the kingdom of heaven. But whoever keeps them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. **20** For I say to you that unless your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you will in no way enter the kingdom of heaven.

**21** "You have heard that it was said to them in ancient times, 'Do not murder,' and 'Whoever murders will be subject to judgment.' **22** But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be subject to judgment; and whoever says to his brother, 'You worthless person!' will be subject to the council; and whoever says, 'You fool!' will be subject to the fire of hell. **23** Therefore if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has anything against you, **24** leave your gift there in front of the altar, and go on your way. First be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift. **25** Agree with your adversary quickly while you are with him on the way to court, or your adversary may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison. **26** Truly I say to you, you will never come out from there until you have paid the last penny you owe.

**27** "You have heard that it was said, 'Do not commit adultery.' **28** But I say to you that everyone who looks on a woman to lust after her has already committed adultery with her in his heart. **29** If your right eye causes you to stumble, pluck it out and throw it away from you. For it is better for you that one of your members should perish than that your whole body should be thrown into hell. **30** If your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away from you. For it is better for you that one of your members should perish than that your whole body should go into hell. **31** It was also said, 'Whoever sends his wife away, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' **32** But I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except on account of sexual immorality, makes her an adulteress. Whoever marries her after she has been divorced commits adultery.

**33** "Again, you have heard that it was said to those in ancient times, 'Do not swear a false oath, but carry out your oaths to the Lord.' **34** But I say to you, swear not at all, neither by heaven, for it is the throne of God; **35** nor by the earth, for it is the footstool for his feet; nor by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. **36** Neither swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. **37** But let your speech be 'Yes, yes,' or 'No, no.' Anything that is more than this is from the evil one.

**38** "You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth.' **39** But I say to you, do not resist one who is evil. Instead, whoever strikes you on your right cheek, turn to him the other also. **40** If anyone wishes to bring a lawsuit against you and takes away your tunic, let that person also have your cloak. **41** Whoever compels you to go one mile, go with him two. **42** Give to anyone who asks you, and do not turn away from anyone who wishes to borrow from you.

**43** "You have heard that it was said, 'You must love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' **44** But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, *[*[1](#fn-040-005-044-1)*]***45** so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the just and the unjust. **46** For if you love those who love you, what reward do you get? Do not even the tax collectors do the same thing? **47** If you greet only your brothers, what do you do more than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same thing? **48** Therefore you must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

#### Footnotes

5:44 *[*[1](#ref-fn-040-005-044-1)*]*The best ancient copies do not have

#### Matthew 5:1

##### General Information:

This is the beginning of a new part of the story in which Jesus begins to teach his disciples. This part continues through the end of chapter 7 and is frequently called the Sermon on the Mount.

#### Matthew 5:2

##### He opened his mouth

"Jesus began to speak"

#### Matthew 5:3

##### the poor in spirit

"those who know they need God"

##### for theirs is the kingdom of heaven

"for God in heaven will be their king"

#### Matthew 5:4

##### those who mourn

Possible reasons they are sad are 1) the sinfulness of the world or 2) their own sins or 3) the death of someone. Do not specify the reason for mourning unless your language requires it.

##### they will be comforted

"God will comfort them"

#### Matthew 5:5

##### the meek

"the gentle" or "those who do not rely on their own power"

##### they will inherit the earth

"God will give them the entire earth"

#### Matthew 5:6

##### those who hunger and thirst for righteousness

"those who desire to live right as much as they desire food and drink"

##### they will be filled

"God will fill them" or "God will satisfy them"

#### Matthew 5:8

##### the pure in heart

"those who only want to serve God"

##### they will see God

"God will allow them to live with him"

#### Matthew 5:9

##### the peacemakers

These are the people who help others to have peace with one another.

##### for they will be called sons of God

"for God will call them his children" or "they will be children of God"

##### sons of God

It is best to translate "sons" with the same word your language would naturally use to refer to a human son or child.

#### Matthew 5:10

##### those who have been persecuted

"those people whom others treat unfairly"

##### for righteousness' sake

"because they do what God wants them to do" or "because they do what God wants them to do"

##### theirs is the kingdom of heaven

Here "kingdom of heaven" refers to God's rule as king. This phrase is only in the book of Matthew. If possible, keep "heaven" in your translation.

#### Matthew 5:11

##### for my sake

"because you follow me" or because you believe in me"

#### Matthew 5:13

##### You are the salt of the earth

"You are like salt for the people of the world" or 2) just as salt preserves food, disciples of Jesus keep people from becoming totally corrupt."

##### if the salt has lost its taste

Possible meanings are 1) "if the salt has lost its power to do things that salt does" or 2) "if the salt has lost its flavor."

##### how can it be made salty again?

"it cannot become useful again."

##### except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet

"except for people to throw it out into the road and walk on it"

#### Matthew 5:14

##### You are the light of the world

"You are like a light for the people of the world"

##### A city set on a hill cannot be hidden

"no one can hide the lights that shine from a city on a hill" or "Everyone sees the lights of a city on a hill"

#### Matthew 5:15

##### put it under a basket

"place the lamp under a basket." This is saying it is foolish to create light only to hide it so people do not see the light of the lamp.

#### Matthew 5:16

##### Let your light shine before people

"Let your lives be like a light that shines before people"

##### your Father who is in heaven

This refers to God the Father. It is best to translate “Father” with the same word that your language uses to refer to a human father.

#### Matthew 5:17

##### the prophets

"what the prophets wrote"

##### I have come ... to fulfill them

"I have come ... to do the things that are in the law and the writings of the prophets

#### Matthew 5:18

##### truly I say to you

"I tell you the truth." This phrase adds emphasis to what Jesus says next.

##### until heaven and earth pass away

"as long as the universe lasts"

##### until all things have been accomplished

"until all things have happened" or "until God causes all things to happen"

##### all things

"everything in the law" or "all that is written in the law"

#### Matthew 5:19

##### whoever breaks

"whoever disobeys" or "whoever ignores"

##### the least one of these commandments and teaches

"any of these commandments, even the least important one, and teaches"

##### whoever ... teaches others to do so will be called

"if anyone ... teaches others to do so, God will call that person"

##### least in the kingdom of heaven

"the least important in the heavenly kingdom" or "the least important under the rule of our God in heaven"

##### keeps them and teaches them

"obeys all these commandments and teaches others to do the same"

#### Matthew 5:21

##### it was said to them in ancient times

"God said to those who lived long ago" or "Moses said to your ancestors long ago"

##### will be subject to judgment

Possible meanings are 1) "will have to go to the judge" or 2) "will be in danger of punishment."

#### Matthew 5:22

##### But I say to you

Jesus agrees with God and his word, but he does not agree with the way the religious leaders have applied God's word. The "I" is important. This indicates that what Jesus says is just as important as the original commands. Try to translate this phrase in a way that shows that emphasis.

##### brother

This probably refers to a fellow believer.

##### worthless person ... fool

Both of these insults represent a person who does not think correctly. "Worthless person" is close to "brainless," where "fool" adds the idea of disobedience to God.

##### council

This was likely a local council, not the main religious council in Jerusalem.

#### Matthew 5:23

##### offering your gift

"giving your gift" or "bringing your gift to God"

##### at the altar

"at God's altar"

##### and there remember

"and while you are standing at the altar you remember"

##### your brother has anything against you

"another person is angry with you because of something you did"

#### Matthew 5:24

##### First be reconciled with your brother

"First make peace with the person"

#### Matthew 5:25

##### your adversary

This is a person who takes someone to court to accuse him of doing something wrong.

##### may hand you over to the judge

"will let the judge deal with you"

##### the officer

a person who has authority to carry out the decisions of a judge

##### you may be thrown into prison

"the officer might put you in prison"

#### Matthew 5:26

##### from there

"from the prison"

#### Matthew 5:27

##### that it was said

"that God said" or "that Moses said." See how you translated a similar phrase in Matthew 5:21.

#### Matthew 5:28

##### But I say to you

See how you translated this in Matthew 5:22.

##### everyone who looks on a woman to lust after her has already committed adultery with her in his heart

This teaches that a man who lusts after a woman is as guilty of adultery as a man who actually commits the act of adultery.

##### to lust after her

“and lusts after her” or “and desires to sleep with her”

##### in his heart

“in his mind” or “in his thoughts”

#### Matthew 5:29

##### If your right eye causes you to stumble

“if looking at something with your right eye tempts you to sin” or “if you are tempted to sin with your right eye”

##### your right eye

The Jews thought of the right hand as more important than the left hand, so the phrase “right eye” represents the more important eye. You may need to translate “right” as “better” or “stronger.”

##### pluck it out

“pluck out your eye” or “destroy it”

##### one of your members should perish

“one part of your body should perish” or “you should lose one part of your body”

##### than that your whole body should be thrown into hell

“than for God to throw your whole body into hell”

#### Matthew 5:30

##### If your right hand causes you to stumble

"If what you can do with your right hand causes you to sin" or "if you are tempted to sin with your right hand"

##### right hand

This means the important hand, as opposed to the left hand. You may need to translate "right" as "better" or "stronger."

##### cut it off

"cut off your hand"

#### Matthew 5:31

##### sends his wife away

"divorces his wife."

##### let him give

"he must give"

#### Matthew 5:32

##### makes her an adulteress

It is the man who divorces the woman improperly who "causes her to commit adultery." In many cultures it would be normal for her to remarry, but if the divorce is improper, such a remarriage is adultery.

##### marries her after she has been divorced

"marries her after her husband has divorced her" or "marries the divorced woman"

#### Matthew 5:33

##### Again, you have heard

"Also, you have heard" or "Here is another example. You have heard"

##### Do not swear a false oath, but carry out your oaths to the Lord.

"Do not swear that you will do something and then not do it. Instead do whatever you have sworn to the Lord that you will do"

#### Matthew 5:34

##### General Information:

In Matthew 5:34-37, some people were teaching that if a person swears by God that he will do something, then he must do it, but if he swears by something else, then it is less offensive if he does not do what he swore to do. Jesus says that swearing by heaven or earth or Jerusalem is just as serious as swearing by God because those things all belong to God.

##### swear not at all

"do not swear at all" or "do not swear by anything"

##### neither by heaven

"Do not swear by heaven"

##### it is the throne of God

"it is from here that God rules"

#### Matthew 5:35

##### nor by the earth ... nor by Jerusalem

"do not swear by the earth ... and do not swear by Jerusalem." Jesus continues to name things that people should not swear by.

##### it is the footstool for his feet

"it is like a footstool where a king rests his feet"

##### for it is the city of the great King

"for it is the city that belongs to God, the great King"

#### Matthew 5:36

##### Neither swear by your head

"And do not swear by your head." See how you translated "swear" in Matthew 5:34.

#### Matthew 5:37

##### let your speech be 'Yes, yes,' or 'No, no.'

"if you mean 'yes,' say 'yes,' and if you mean 'no,' say 'no.'"

#### Matthew 5:38

##### that it was said

See how you translated this in Matthew 5:27

##### eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth

The law of Moses allowed a person to harm a person in the same way he had harmed him, but he could not harm him more than that..

#### Matthew 5:39

##### one who is evil

"an evil person" or "someone who harms you"

##### strikes

hits with the back of an open hand

##### turn to him the other also

"let him hit your other cheek also"

#### Matthew 5:40

##### tunic ... cloak

The "tunic" was worn close to the body, like a heavy shirt or a sweater. The "cloak," the more valuable of the two, was worn over the "tunic" for warmth and also used as a blanket for warmth at night.

##### let that person also have your cloak

"give that person your cloak, too"

#### Matthew 5:41

##### Whoever compels you to go one mile

"If someone forces you to walk one mile with him"

##### one mile

This is one thousand paces, the distance a Roman soldier could legally force someone to carry something for him. If "mile" is confusing, it can be translated as "one kilometer."

##### go with him two

"go with him twice as far" or "go with him two miles"

#### Matthew 5:42

##### do not turn away from

"do not refuse to lend to."

#### Matthew 5:43

##### General Information:

God taught in the law that people must love their neighbors. Some people said that God taught that people should hate their enemies.

##### your neighbor

"your countrymen" or "those who belong to your people group"

#### Matthew 5:44

##### I say to you ... your enemies ... pray ... persecute you

All instances of "you" and "your," as well as the command to pray, are plural.

#### Matthew 5:45

##### you may be sons of your Father

It is best to translate "sons" with the same word your language would naturally use to refer to human sons or children.

#### Matthew 5:46

##### what reward do you get?

"you will get no reward."

##### Do not even the tax collectors do the same thing?

"Even the tax collectors do the same thing."

#### Matthew 5:47

##### what do you do more than others?

"you do nothing more than others."

##### greet

This is a general term for showing a desire for the well-being of the hearer.

##### Do not even the Gentiles do the same thing?

"Even the Gentiles do the same thing."

#### Matthew 5:48

##### Father

This refers to God the Father. It is best to translate “Father” with the same word that your language uses to refer to a human father.

### Chapter 6

**1** "Watch out that you do not do your acts of righteousness before people to be seen by them, or else you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven. **2** So when you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before yourself as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be glorified by people. Truly I say to you, they have received their reward in full. **3** But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing **4** so that your alms may be given in secret. Then your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

**5** "When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on the street corners so that they may be seen by people. Truly I say to you, they have received their reward. **6** But you, when you pray, enter your inner chamber. Shut the door and pray to your Father, who is in secret. Then your Father who sees in secret will reward you. **7** When you pray, do not make useless repetitions as the pagans do, for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. **8** Therefore, do not be like them, for your Father knows what things you need before you ask him.

**9** Therefore pray like this:

'Our Father in heaven,

may your name be honored as holy.

**10** May your kingdom come.

May your will be done

on earth as it is in heaven.

**11** Give us today our daily bread.

**12** Forgive us our debts,

as we also have forgiven our debtors.

**13** Do not bring us into temptation,

but deliver us from the evil one.' *[*[1](#fn-040-006-013-1)*]*

**14** For if you forgive people their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. **15** But if you do not forgive their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

**16** "When you fast, do not have a sad face as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces so that they may appear to people to be fasting. Truly I say to you, they have received their reward in full. **17** But you, when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face **18** so that you may not appear to people to be fasting, but only to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

**19** "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on the earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. **20** Instead, store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in and steal. **21** For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. **22** The eye is the lamp of the body. Therefore, if your eye is good, your whole body is filled with light. **23** But if your eye is bad, your whole body is full of darkness. Therefore, if the light that is in you is actually darkness, how great is that darkness! **24** No one 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. **25** Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; or about your body, what you will wear. For is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? **26** Look at the birds in the sky. They do not sow or reap or gather into barns, but your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not more valuable than they are? **27** Which one of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his lifespan? **28** Why are you anxious about clothing? Think about the lilies in the fields, how they grow. They do not labor, and they do not spin cloth. **29** Yet I say to you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. **30** If God so clothes the grass in the fields, which exists today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, you of little faith? **31** Therefore do not be anxious and say, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What clothes will we wear?' **32** For the Gentiles search for these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. **33** But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you. **34** Therefore, do not be anxious for tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Each day has enough evil of its own.

#### Footnotes

6:13 *[*[1](#ref-fn-040-006-013-1)*]*The best ancient copies do not have

#### Matthew 6:1

##### Connecting Statement:

Jesus continues to teach his disciples in his Sermon on the Mount, which began in Matthew 5:3.

##### Watch out

"Be careful" or "Beware"

##### before people to be seen by them

"in front of people just so that they can see you and think well of you"

##### Father

This refers to God the Father. It is best to translate “Father” with the same word that your language uses to refer to a human father.

#### Matthew 6:2

##### So when you give alms

"So when you give to poor people"

##### do not sound a trumpet before yourself

"do not draw attention to yourself like someone who plays a loud trumpet in a crowd"

##### Truly I say to you

"I tell you the truth." This phrase adds emphasis to what Jesus says next.

#### Matthew 6:3

##### do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing

“do it so secretly that even your left hand does not know that your right hand is giving alms”

#### Matthew 6:4

##### your alms may be given in secret

"you can give to the poor without other people knowing"

#### Matthew 6:5

##### so that they may be seen by people

"so that people will see them and give them honor"

#### Matthew 6:6

##### enter your inner chamber. Shut the door

“go into room alone. Close the door” or “go where you can be alone”

##### Father, who is in secret

“Father, who is with you in private” or 2) no one can see God. Alternate translation: “Father, who is invisible”

##### your Father who sees in secret

“your Father will see what you do in private and”

#### Matthew 6:7

##### do not make useless repetitions

"do not keeping repeating meaningless words"

##### they will be heard

"their false gods will hear them"

#### Matthew 6:9

##### Our Father in heaven

This is the beginning of the prayer and how Jesus teaches the people to address God.

##### may your name be honored as holy

Here "your name" refers to God himself. Alternate translation: "may people honor you as holy" or "may people honor you because you are holy"

#### Matthew 6:10

##### May your kingdom come

"May you rule over everyone and everything completely"

##### May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven

"May everything on earth happen in accordance with your will, just as everything in heaven does"

#### Matthew 6:11

##### daily bread

Here "bread" refers to food in general.

#### Matthew 6:12

##### debts

A debt is what one person owes another.

##### our debtors

A debtor is a person who owes a debt to another person.

#### Matthew 6:13

##### Do not bring us into temptation

"Do not let anything tempt us" or "Do not let anything make us want to sin"

#### Matthew 6:14

##### their trespasses

"when they trespass against you" or "when they do you wrong"

#### Matthew 6:15

##### their trespasses ... your trespasses

"them when they trespass against you ... you when you trespass against God" or "them when they do things that harm you ... you when you do things that make your Father angry"

#### Matthew 6:16

##### they disfigure their faces

"they make their faces look dirty" or "they put ashes on their faces"

##### Truly I say to you

"I tell you the truth." This phrase adds emphasis to what Jesus says next.

#### Matthew 6:17

##### anoint your head

Jesus means that people should look the same whether they are fasting or not.

#### Matthew 6:18

##### who sees in secret

"who sees what you do in private."

#### Matthew 6:19

##### treasures

"riches" or "valuable things"

##### where moth and rust destroy

"where moths and rust ruin things"

##### moth

a small, flying insect that destroys cloth

#### Matthew 6:20

##### store up for yourselves treasures in heaven

This means to do good things on earth so God will reward you in heaven.

#### Matthew 6:21

##### there will your heart be also

Here "heart" means a person's thoughts and desires.

#### Matthew 6:22

##### The eye is the lamp of the body

"A person's eyes are like a lamp for his body"

##### if your eye is good

"if your eye is noble" or "if your eyes see clearly."

##### the whole body is filled with light

Possible meanings are 1) "you are full of righteousness" or 2) "you understand what is truly good"

#### Matthew 6:23

##### if your eye is bad, your whole body is full of darkness

Possible meanings are 1) "if your eye does not see clearly, it fills your body with darkness" or 2) "if your eye is bad, it shows that your body is full of darkness."

##### your whole body is full of darkness

Possible meanings are "you are full of evil" or 2) "you will understand nothing about what is right."

##### how great is that darkness!

"then that darkness is extremely dark"

#### Matthew 6:24

##### You cannot serve God and wealth

"You cannot love God and money at the same time"

#### Matthew 6:25

##### I say to you

This adds emphasis to what Jesus says next.

##### is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes?

"life is more than what you eat, and your body is more than what you wear." or "there are things in life that are more important than food, and there are things concerning the body that are more important than clothes."

#### Matthew 6:26

##### gather into barns

"store food in barns"

##### Are you not more valuable than they are?

"Obviously you are more valuable than birds."

#### Matthew 6:27

##### Which one of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his lifespan?

This question can be translated as a statement. Alternate translation: "None of you can add a cubit to your lifespan by worrying." or "Worrying will not help any of you make your life even one hour longer."

##### one cubit

A cubit, a measure of a little less than half a meter, is used here to refer to a short period of time. Alternate translation: "one hour" or "one minute"

#### Matthew 6:28

##### Why are you anxious about clothing?

This question can be translated as a statement. Alternate translation: "There is no reason to be worried about clothing."

##### lilies

A lily is a kind of wild flower.

##### they do not spin cloth

"they do not spin thread for cloth" or "they do not make cloth"

#### Matthew 6:29

##### even Solomon ... was not clothed like one of these

Jesus speaks about the lilies as if they were people who wore clothes. The lilies were plants having beautiful and colorful flowers.

##### was not clothed like one of these

"did not wear clothes that are as beautiful as these lilies"

#### Matthew 6:30

##### so clothes the grass in the fields

"makes such beautiful flowers to be like clothing for the grass in the field"

##### is thrown into the oven

"someone throws it into a fire" or "someone burns it"

##### how much more will he clothe you ... faith?

"he will certainly clothe you ... faith."

##### you of little faith

"you who have such little faith." Jesus addresses the people this way because their anxiety about food and clothing shows they have little faith in God.

#### Matthew 6:31

##### What clothes will we wear

"What possessions will we have"

#### Matthew 6:32

##### For the Gentiles search for these things

"For the Gentiles are concerned about what they will eat, drink, and wear"

##### your heavenly Father knows that you need them

Jesus is implying that God will make sure their basic needs are met.

#### Matthew 6:33

##### seek first his kingdom and his righteousness

"concern yourselves first with serving God, who is your king, and doing what is right"

##### all these things will be given to you

"God will provide all these things for you"

#### Matthew 6:34

##### tomorrow will be anxious for itself

"tomorrow there will be other things to be anxious about"

##### Each day has enough evil of its own

"Each day has enough trouble of its own"

### Chapter 7

**1** "Do not judge, and you will not be judged. **2** For with the judgment you judge, you will be judged, and with the measure that you measure, it will be measured out to you. **3** Why do you look at the tiny piece of straw that is in your brother's eye, but you do not take notice of the log that is in your own eye? **4** How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take out the piece of straw that is in your eye,' while the log is in your own eye? **5** You hypocrite! First take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the piece of straw that is in your brother's eye. **6** Do not give what is holy to the dogs, and do not throw your pearls in front of the pigs. Otherwise they may trample them underfoot, and then turn and tear you to pieces.

**7** "Ask, and it will be given to you. Seek, and you will find. Knock, and it will be opened to you. **8** For everyone who asks, receives; everyone who seeks, finds; and to the person who knocks, it will be opened. **9** Or which one of you, if his son asks for a loaf of bread, will give him a stone? **10** Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? **11** Therefore, if you who are evil know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him? **12** Therefore, whatever things you want people to do to you, you should also do to them, for this is the law and the prophets.

**13** "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many people who go through it. **14** But the gate is narrow and the way is difficult that leads to life, and there are few who find it.

**15** "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but are truly ravenous wolves. **16** By their fruits you will know them. Do people gather grapes from a thornbush or figs from thistles? **17** In the same way, every good tree produces good fruit, but the bad tree produces bad fruit. **18** A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, nor can a bad tree produce good fruit. **19** Every tree that does not produce good fruit is chopped down and thrown into the fire. **20** So then, you will recognize them by their fruits. **21** Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter into the kingdom of heaven, but only those who do the will of my Father who is in heaven. **22** Many people will say to me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, in your name drive out demons, and in your name do many miracles?' **23** Then will I openly declare to them, 'I never knew you! Get away from me, you who practice lawlessness!'

**24** "Therefore, everyone who hears my words and obeys them will be like a wise man who built his house upon a rock. **25** The rain came down, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat upon that house, but it did not fall down, for it was founded on the rock. **26** But everyone who hears my words and does not obey them will be like a foolish man who built his house upon the sand. **27** The rain came down, the floods came, and the winds blew and struck that house, and it fell, and its destruction was complete."

**28** It came about that when Jesus finished speaking these words, the crowds were astonished by his teaching, **29** for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.

#### Matthew 7:1

##### Do not judge

"Do not condemn others"

##### you will not be judged

"God will not judge you" or "God will not condemn you"

#### Matthew 7:2

##### with the judgment you judge, you will be judged

"God will judge you in the same way you judge others"

##### measure

Possible meanings are 1) this is the amount of punishment given or 2) this is the standard used for judgment.

##### it will be measured out to you

"God will measure it out to you"

#### Matthew 7:3

##### Why do you look ... brother's eye, but you do not take notice of the log that is in your own eye?

"You look ... brother's eye, but you do not notice the log that is in your own eye." or "Do not look ... brother's eye and ignore the log that is in your own eye."

##### the tiny piece of straw that is in your brother's eye

This refers to the less important faults of a fellow believer.

##### tiny piece of straw

"speck" or "splinter" or "bit of dust." Use a word for the smallest thing that commonly falls into a person's eyes.

##### brother

All occurrences of "brother" in 7:3-5 refer to a fellow believer, not to a literal brother or a neighbor.

##### the log that is in your own eye

This is refers to a person's serious faults. Jesus is saying that a person should pay attention to his own serious faults before he deals with another person's less important faults.

##### log

the largest part of a tree that someone has cut down

#### Matthew 7:4

##### How can you say ... your own eye?

"You should not say ... your own eye."

#### Matthew 7:6

##### dogs ... pigs

Jews considered these animals dirty, and God told the Jews not to eat them. Jesus used these words to refer to wicked people who do not value holy things. It would be best to translate these words literally.

##### pearls

These are similar to round, valuable stones or beads. Jesus used this word to refer to the knowledge of God or precious things in general.

##### they may trample

"the pigs may trample"

##### then turn and tear

"the dogs will then turn and tear"

#### Matthew 7:7

##### Ask ... Seek ... Knock

These are word pictures of praying to God. The verb form shows that we are to keep praying until he answers.

##### Ask

"Ask for what you need" or "Ask God for what you need"

##### it will be given to you

"you will receive it" or "he will give it to you"

##### Seek

"Look for what you need"

##### Knock

"Call at the door"

##### it will be opened to you

"the door will be opened for you" or "God will open it for you"

#### Matthew 7:9

##### Or which one of you ... a stone?

"There is not one person among you ... a stone."

##### a loaf of bread

"some food"

##### stone

This word should be translated literally.

#### Matthew 7:10

##### Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake?

"And there is not one person among you, if his son asks for a fish, will give him a snake."

##### fish ... snake

These words should be translated literally.

#### Matthew 7:11

##### how much more will your Father in heaven give ... him?

"then your Father in heaven will most certainly give ... him."

##### Father

This refers to God the Father. It is best to translate “Father” with the same word that your language uses to refer to a human father.

#### Matthew 7:12

##### for this is the law and the prophets

"for this is what Moses and the prophets teach in the scriptures"

#### Matthew 7:13

##### Enter through the narrow gate ... many people who go through it

This is an image of people traveling on a road and going through a gate into a kingdom. One kingdom is easy to enter; the other is hard to enter.

##### Wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction

"The gate is wide and the road is broad that leads to destruction" or "The wide gate and the broad road lead to destruction"

##### to destruction

"to the place where people are destroyed"

#### Matthew 7:14

##### the gate is narrow and the way is difficult that leads to life

"the narrow gate and the difficult path lead to life"

##### to life

"to the place where people live"

#### Matthew 7:15

##### Beware of

"Be on guard against"

##### who come to you in sheep's clothing but are truly ravenous wolves

"who look like sheep but are really ravenous wolves" or "who appear to be harmless like sheep, but are really like ravenous wolves"

##### ravenous wolves

wolves that are extremely hungry and that consume or destroy everything they touch

#### Matthew 7:16

##### By their fruits you will know them

"Just as you know a tree by its fruit, you will know false prophets by how they act" or "You will know them by the results of their teaching”

##### Do people gather ... thistles?

"People do not gather ... thistles."

#### Matthew 7:17

##### every good tree produces good fruit

Jesus refers to good prophets who produce good works or words.

##### the bad tree produces bad fruit

Jesus refers to bad prophets who produce evil works.

#### Matthew 7:19

##### is chopped down and thrown into the fire

"people chop down and throw into the fire" or "people chop down and burn"

#### Matthew 7:20

##### you will recognize them by their fruits

"You will know what they are really like by their fruits"

#### Matthew 7:21

##### Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter

"Some who say to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will not enter"

##### will enter into the kingdom of heaven

"will live with God in heaven when he shows himself to be king"

##### only those who do the will of my Father who is in heaven

"only those who do what my Father in heaven wants will enter"

#### Matthew 7:22

##### in that day

"on judgment day"

##### did we not prophesy ... drive out demons ... do many miracles?

"we prophesied ... we drove out demons ... we did many miracles."

##### in your name

Possible meanings are 1) "by your authority" or "by your power" or 2) "because we were doing what you wanted us to do" or 3) "because we asked you for the power to do it"

#### Matthew 7:23

##### I never knew you

"You are not my follower" or "I have nothing to do with you"

#### Matthew 7:24

##### Therefore

"For that reason"

##### my words

"What I Say"

##### rock

This is the bedrock below the topsoil and clay, not a large stone or boulder above the ground.

#### Matthew 7:25

##### it was founded on the rock

"its foundation was on the rock" or he built it on the firm rock"

#### Matthew 7:26

##### like a foolish man who built his house upon the sand

Jesus compares those who do not obey his words to foolish house-builders. Only a fool would build a house on a sandy place where rain, floods, and wind can sweep the sand away.

#### Matthew 7:27

##### fell

collapsed

##### its destruction was complete

:It was completely destroyed"

#### Matthew 7:28

##### It came about that when

"When" or "After"

##### were astonished by his teaching

"were amazed by the way he taught"

#### Matthew 7:29

##### as one who had authority

"with authority"

### Chapter 8

**1** When Jesus had come down from the hill, large crowds followed him. **2** Behold, a leper came to him and bowed before him, saying, "Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean."

**3** Jesus reached out his hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing. Be clean." Immediately he was cleansed of his leprosy. **4** Jesus said to him, "See that you say nothing to any man. Go on your way, show yourself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony to them."

**5** When he was coming into Capernaum, a centurion came to him, begging him **6** and saying, "Lord, my servant lies at home paralyzed and in terrible agony."

**7** Then Jesus said to him, "I will come and heal him."

**8** The centurion answered and said, "Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof. Only say the word and my servant will be healed. **9** For I also am a man under authority, and I have soldiers under me. I say to this one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another one, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it."

**10** When Jesus heard this, he was amazed and said to those who were following him, "Truly I say to you, I have not found anyone with such faith in Israel. **11** I tell you, many will come from the east and the west, and they will recline at the table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. **12** But the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." **13** Jesus said to the centurion, "Go! As you have believed, so may it be done for you." And the servant was healed at that very hour.

**14** When Jesus had come into Peter's house, he saw Peter's mother-in-law lying sick with a fever. **15** Jesus touched her hand, and the fever left her. Then she got up and started serving him. **16** When evening had come, the people brought to Jesus many who were possessed by demons. He drove out the spirits with a word and healed all who were sick. **17** This was to fulfill what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, saying,

"He took our illnesses

and bore our diseases."

**18** Now when Jesus saw the crowd around him, he gave instructions to leave for the other side of the Sea of Galilee. **19** Then a scribe came to him and said, "Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go."

**20** Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and the birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head."

**21** Another of the disciples said to him, "Lord, allow me first to go and bury my father."

**22** But Jesus said to him, "Follow me, and leave the dead to bury their own dead."

**23** When Jesus had entered a boat, his disciples followed him into it. **24** Behold, there arose a great storm on the sea, so that the boat was covered with the waves. But Jesus was asleep. **25** The disciples came to him and woke him up, saying, "Save us, Lord; we are perishing!"

**26** Jesus said to them, "Why are you afraid, you of little faith?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the sea. Then there was a great calm.

**27** The men marveled and said, "What sort of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him?"

**28** When Jesus had come to the other side and to the country of the Gadarenes, two men who were possessed by demons met him. They were coming out of the tombs and were very violent, so that no traveler could pass that way. **29** Behold, they cried out and said, "What do we have to do with you, Son of God? Have you come here to torment us before the set time?"

**30** Now a herd of many pigs was there feeding, not too far away from them. **31** The demons kept pleading with Jesus and saying, "If you cast us out, send us away into that herd of pigs."

**32** Jesus said to them, "Go!" The demons came out and went into the pigs; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep hill into the sea and they died in the water. **33** Those who had been tending the pigs ran away and they went into the city and reported everything, especially what had happened to the men who had been possessed by demons. **34** Behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus. When they saw him, they begged him to leave their region.

#### Matthew 8:2

##### Behold

The word "behold" alerts us to a new person in the story. Your language may have a way of doing this.

##### a leper

"a man who had leprosy" or "a man who had a skin disease"

##### bowed before him

This is a sign of humble respect before Jesus.

##### if you are willing

"if you want to"

##### you can make me clean

"you can heal me" or "please heal me"

#### Matthew 8:3

##### he was cleansed of his leprosy

"At that moment the leprosy left him" or "the leprosy ended" or "he became well"

#### Matthew 8:4

##### say nothing to any man

"do not say anything to anyone" or "do not tell anyone I healed you"

##### show yourself to the priest

Jewish law required that the person show his healed skin to the priest, who would then allow him or her to return to the community, to be with other people.

##### offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony to them

The law of Moses required that someone healed of leprosy give a thanksgiving offering to the priest. When the priest accepted the gift, people would know that the man had been healed.

##### to them

This can possibly refer to 1) the priests or 2) all the people or 3) the critics of Jesus. If possible, use a pronoun that could refer to any of these groups.

#### Matthew 8:5

##### When he was coming into Capernaum

"When Jesus was coming into Capernaum"

#### Matthew 8:6

##### paralyzed

unable to move because of disease or stroke

#### Matthew 8:7

##### I will come and heal him

"I will come to your house and make your servant well"

#### Matthew 8:8

##### under my roof

"into my house"

##### say the word

"give the command"

##### will be healed

"will become well"

#### Matthew 8:9

##### I also am a man under authority, and I have soldiers under me

"I also have to obey my leaders, and I have soldiers who have to obey me"

#### Matthew 8:10

##### Truly I say to you

"I tell you the truth." This phrase adds emphasis to what Jesus says next.

##### I have not found anyone with such faith in Israel

Jesus's hearers would have thought that the Jews in Israel, who claim to be children of God, would have greater faith than anyone. Jesus is saying they are wrong and that the centurion's faith was greater.

#### Matthew 8:11

##### you

Here "you" is plural and refers to "those who were following him" in Matthew 8:10.

##### from the east and the west

"from everywhere" or "from far away in every direction"

##### recline at the table

"sit at the feast"

##### in the kingdom of heaven

"when our God in heaven shows that he is king"

#### Matthew 8:12

##### sons of the kingdom will be cast out

"God will throw the sons of the kingdom out"

##### the sons of the kingdom

"the citizens of the kingdom"or "those who should have allowed God to rule over them"

##### the outer darkness

"the distant dark place"

##### weeping and grinding of teeth

"weeping and showing their extreme suffering"

#### Matthew 8:13

##### so may it be done for you

"so may it happen to you" or "so I will do it for you"

##### the servant was healed

"the servant became well"

##### at that very hour

"at the exact time Jesus said he would heal the servant"

#### Matthew 8:14

##### Peter's mother-in-law

"the mother of Peter's wife"

#### Matthew 8:15

##### the fever left her

"the fever ended"

#### Matthew 8:16

##### many who were possessed by demons

"many people whom demons possessed" or "many people whom demons controlled"

##### He drove out the spirits with a word

"By speaking, he made the spirits go away" or "He commanded the spirits to leave and they left"

#### Matthew 8:17

##### This was to fulfill

"Jesus did this to fulfill"

##### what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet

"what Isaiah the prophet had spoken"

##### He took our illnesses and bore our diseases

"Truly he took our illnesses"

#### Matthew 8:18

##### Now

This word is used here to mark a change in the main story. Here Matthew starts to tell a new part of the story.

##### he gave instructions

"he told his disciples"

#### Matthew 8:19

##### Then

This means after Jesus "gave instructions" but before he could get into the boat.

#### Matthew 8:20

##### Foxes have holes, and the birds of the sky have nests

This means even wild animals have somewhere to rest.

##### Foxes

Foxes are animals like dogs. make holes in the ground to live in.

##### the Son of Man

"I, the Son of man" or "the man from heaven" or "the One who became a human"

##### nowhere to lay his head

"no place of his own to sleep"

#### Matthew 8:21

##### allow me first to go and bury my father

It is unclear whether the man's father has died and he will bury him immediately, or if the man wants to wait until his father dies so he can bury him before he follows Jesus.

#### Matthew 8:22

##### leave the dead to bury their own dead

"let spiritually dead people bury their own people who have died." The main point is that a disciple must not let anything delay him from following Jesus.

#### Matthew 8:24

##### Behold

"Suddenly" or "Without warning"

##### there arose a great storm on the sea

"a powerful storm arose on the sea"

##### so that the boat was covered with the waves

"so that the waves covered the boat"

#### Matthew 8:25

##### woke him up, saying, "Save us

Possible meanings are 1) they first woke Jesus and then they said, "Save us" or 2) as they were waking Jesus up, they were saying "Save us."

##### we are perishing

"we are going to die" or "we are about to die"

#### Matthew 8:26

##### Why are you afraid ... faith?

This question can be translated as a statement. Alternate translation: "You should not be afraid ... faith!" or "There is nothing for you to be afraid of ... faith!"

##### you of little faith

"you who have such little faith." Jesus addresses his disciples this way because their anxiety about the storm shows they have little faith in him to control it. See how you translated this in (Matthew 6:30).

#### Matthew 8:27

##### What sort of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him?

"This man is unlike any other person! Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

#### Matthew 8:28

##### to the other side

"to the other side of the Sea of Galilee"

##### the Gadarenes

This name refers to the people who lived in the town of Gadara.

##### They ... were very violent, so that no traveler could pass that way

The demons that were controlling these two men were so dangerous that no one could go through that area.

#### Matthew 8:29

##### Behold

This word introduces something surprising. Your language may have a way of doing this.

##### What do we have to do with you, Son of God?

"You have nothing to do with us, Son of God!" or "You have no right to bother us, Son of God!"

##### Son of God

This is an important title for Jesus, which describes his relationship to God.

##### Have you come here to torment us before the set time?

"You have no right to punishment us before the time for that!"

#### Matthew 8:30

##### Now

This word is used here to mark a pause in the story. Here Matthew tells background information about a herd of pigs that had been there before Jesus arrived.

#### Matthew 8:31

##### If you cast us out

"Because you are going to cast us out"

#### Matthew 8:32

##### The demons came out and went into the pigs

"The demons left the men and entered the pigs"

##### behold

This alerts us to pay attention to the surprising information that follows.

##### rushed down the steep hill

"ran quickly down the steep slope"

##### they died in the water

"they fell into the water and drowned"

#### Matthew 8:33

##### tending the pigs

"taking care of the pigs"

#### Matthew 8:34

##### Behold

This word introduces another surprising event.

##### all the city

The word "city" here refers to the people of the city. The word "all" is probably an exaggeration to emphasize that very many people came out. Not necessarily every person came out.

##### Their Region

"their area"

### Chapter 9

**1** Jesus entered a boat, crossed over, and came into his own city. **2** Behold, they brought to him a paralyzed man lying on a mat. Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the paralyzed man, "Son, be encouraged. Your sins have been forgiven."

**3** Behold, some of the scribes said among themselves, "This man is blaspheming." **4** Jesus knew their thoughts and said, "Why are you thinking evil in your hearts? **5** For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up and walk'? **6** But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins, ... " he said to the paralytic, "Get up, pick up your mat, and go to your house." **7** Then the man got up and went away to his house. **8** When the crowds saw this, they were afraid and glorified God, who had given such authority to people. **9** As Jesus passed by from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's tent. He said to him, "Follow me." He got up and followed him.

**10** As Jesus sat down to eat in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and dined with Jesus and his disciples. **11** When the Pharisees saw it, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

**12** When Jesus heard this, he said, "People who are strong in body do not need a physician; only those who are sick do. **13** You should go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous to repent, but sinners."

**14** Then the disciples of John came to him and said, "Why do we and the Pharisees often fast, but your disciples do not fast?"

**15** Jesus said to them, "Can the sons of the wedding hall mourn while the bridegroom is still with them? But the days will come when the bridegroom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast. **16** No man puts a piece of new cloth on an old garment, for the patch will tear away from the garment, and a worse tear will be made. **17** Neither do people put new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the skins will burst, the wine will be spilled, and the wineskins will be destroyed. Instead, they put new wine into fresh wineskins, and both will be preserved."

**18** While Jesus was saying these things to them, behold, an official came and bowed down to him. He said, "My daughter has just now died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." **19** Then Jesus got up and followed him, and so did his disciples.

**20** Behold, a woman who suffered from a discharge of blood for twelve years came up behind Jesus and touched the edge of his garment. **21** For she had said to herself, "If only I touch his clothes, I will be made well."

**22** But Jesus turned and saw her, and said, "Daughter, take courage; your faith has made you well." And the woman was healed from that hour. **23** When Jesus came into the official's house, he saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion. **24** He said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead, but she is asleep." But they laughed at him in mockery. **25** When the crowd had been put outside, he entered the room and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. **26** The news about this spread into all that region.

**27** As Jesus passed by from there, two blind men followed him. They kept shouting and saying, "Have mercy on us, Son of David!"

**28** When Jesus had come into the house, the blind men came to him. Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I can do this?"

They said to him, "Yes, Lord."

**29** Then Jesus touched their eyes and said, "Let it be done to you according to your faith," **30** and their eyes were opened. Then Jesus strictly commanded them and said, "See that no one knows about this." **31** But the two men went out and spread the news about this throughout that region.

**32** As those two men were going away, behold, a mute man possessed by a demon was brought to Jesus. **33** When the demon had been driven out, the mute man spoke. The crowds were astonished and said, "This has never been seen before in Israel!"

**34** But the Pharisees were saying, "By the ruler of the demons, he drives out demons."

**35** Jesus went about all the cities and the villages. He continued teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing all kinds of disease and all kinds of sickness. **36** When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were troubled and discouraged. They were like sheep without a shepherd. **37** He said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. **38** Therefore urgently pray to the Lord of the harvest, so that he may send out laborers into his harvest."

#### Matthew 9:1

##### into his own city

"to the town where he lived." This refers to Capernaum.

#### Matthew 9:2

##### they brought

"some men from the city brought"

##### Son

The man was not Jesus's real son. Jesus was speaking to him politely. If this is confusing, it can also be translated "My friend" or "Young man" or even omitted.

##### Your sins have been forgiven

"I have forgiven your sins"

#### Matthew 9:3

##### said among themselves

Possible meanings are 1) each one was thinking to himself, or 2) they were speaking among themselves.

##### blaspheming

The scribes thought that Jesus was insulting God because he claimed do something that only God can do.

#### Matthew 9:4

##### knew their thoughts

Jesus knew what they were thinking

##### Why are you thinking evil in your hearts?

'You are thinking evil in your hearts." or "You should not think evil thoughts."

##### evil

This is moral evil or wickedness, not simply error in fact.

#### Matthew 9:5

##### For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up and walk'?

"For it is easier to say 'Your sins are forgiven' than it is to say 'Get up and walk.'"

##### Your sins are forgiven

"I have forgiven your sins"

#### Matthew 9:6

##### go to your house

Jesus is not forbidding the man to go elsewhere. He is giving the man the opportunity to go home.

#### Matthew 9:8

##### they were afraid

Possible meanings are 1) they were afraid, or 2) they were in awe. "Awe" is a feeling of wonder a person has when they see or experience something great or powerful.

##### who had given

"because he had given"

##### such authority

This refers to the authority to declare sins forgiven.

#### Matthew 9:9

##### passed by

"was leaving" or "was going"

##### Matthew ... him ... He

Church tradition says that this Matthew is the author of this Gospel, but the text gives no reason to change the pronouns from "him" and "He" to "me" and "I."

##### He said to him

"Jesus said to Matthew"

##### He got up and followed him

"Matthew got up and followed Jesus." This means Matthew became Jesus's disciple.

#### Matthew 9:10

##### the house

This is probably Matthew's house, but it could also be Jesus's house. Specify only if needed to avoid confusion.

##### behold

Here this word introduces a surprising event. Your language may have a way of doing this

##### sinners

people who did not obey the law of Moses but committed what others thought were very bad sins

#### Matthew 9:11

##### When the Pharisees saw it

"When the Pharisees saw that Jesus was eating with the tax collectors and sinful people"

##### Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?

"Your teacher should not eat with tax collectors and sinner." The Pharisees were criticizing what Jesus was doing.

#### Matthew 9:12

##### When Jesus heard this

"When Jesus heard what the Pharisees said about him"

##### People who are strong in body do not need a physician, only those who are sick

"People who are healthy do not need a doctor; only people who are sick need a doctor." Jesus means that just as sick people need a doctor, sinners need him.

#### Matthew 9:13

##### You should go and learn what this means

Jesus is about to quote the scriptures. Alternate translation: "You should learn what God meant when he said this"

##### For I came

Here "I" refers to Jesus.

##### the righteous

"those who think they are righteous"

##### but sinners

"but I came to call sinners to repent"

#### Matthew 9:14

##### do not fast

“do not stop eating at certain times” or “continue to eat regularly”

#### Matthew 9:15

##### Can the sons of the wedding hall mourn while the bridegroom is still with them?

"The sons of the wedding hall never mourn while the bridegroom is still with them."

##### sons of the wedding hall

"bridegroom's attendants"

##### the days will come when

"the time will come when" or "someday"

##### the bridegroom will be taken away from them

"the bridegroom will not be able to be with them any longer" or "someone will take the bridegroom away from them"

#### Matthew 9:16

##### No man puts a piece of new cloth on an old garment

"No one sews a piece of new cloth on an old garment" or "People do not sew a piece of new cloth as a patch old clothing"

##### the patch will tear away from the garment

If someone were to wash the garment, the patch of new cloth would shrink, but the old garment would not shrink. This would tear the patch off the garment and leave a bigger hole.

#### Matthew 9:17

##### Neither do people put

"Neither does anyone pur" or "People never put"

##### new wine

"unfermented wine" or "grape juice" or "unfermented fruit juice"

##### old wineskins

This refers to wineskins that have stretched and dried out because they were already used for fermenting wine.

##### wineskins

"wine bags" or "skin bags." These were bags made out of animal skins.

##### the wine will be spilled, and the wineskins will be destroyed

"and this will ruin the wineskins and spill the wine"

##### the skins will burst

When the new wine ferments and expands, old wineskins tear open because they can no longer stretch out.

##### fresh wineskins

"new wineskins" or "new wine bags." This refers to wineskins that no one has used.

##### both will be preserved

"this will keep safe both the wineskins and the wine"

#### Matthew 9:18

##### behold

The word "behold" alerts us to a new person in the story. Your language may have a way of doing this.

##### bowed down to him

This is a way someone would show respect in Jewish culture.

#### Matthew 9:19

##### his disciples

"Jesus's disciples"

#### Matthew 9:20

##### Behold

The word "Behold" alerts us to a new person in the story. Your language may have a way of doing this.

##### who suffered from a discharge of blood

"who had been bleeding" or "who frequently had a flow of blood." She was probably bleeding from her womb even when it was not the normal time for it. Some cultures may have a polite way of referring to this condition.

##### his garment

"his robe" or "what he was wearing"

#### Matthew 9:21

##### For she had said to herself, "If only I touch his clothes, I will be made well."

She said this to herself before she touched Jesus's garment. This tells why she touched Jesus's garment.

#### Matthew 9:22

##### Daughter

The woman was not Jesus's real daughter. Jesus was speaking to her politely. If this is confusing, it can also be translated "Young woman" or even omitted.

##### your faith has made you well

"because you believed in me, I will heal you" or “because you believed, you will become well”

##### the woman was healed from that hour

“the woman became well at that moment”

#### Matthew 9:23

##### Connecting Statement:

This returns to the account of Jesus bringing the daughter of the Jewish official back to life.

##### the flute players and the crowd making a commotion

This was a common way to mourn for someone who has died.

##### and the crowd making a commotion

"and the crowd making a lot of noise" or "and the noisy crowd"

#### Matthew 9:24

##### Go away

Jesus said this to the crowd.

##### the girl is not dead, but she is asleep

It was common in Jesus's day to refer to a dead person as one who "sleeps." But here the dead girl will get up, as though she had only been sleeping.

#### Matthew 9:25

##### When the crowd had been put outside

"After Jesus had sent the crowd outside" or "After the family had sent the people outside"

#### Matthew 9:26

##### The news about this spread into all that region

"The people of that whole region heard about it" or "The people who saw that the girl was alive started telling everyone in the whole area about it"

#### Matthew 9:27

##### passed by

"was leaving" or "was going"

##### followed him

This means they were walking behind Jesus, not necessarily that they had become his disciples.

##### Son of David

Jesus was not David’s literal son. Here “Son of David” is a title for the Messiah. Alternate Translation: “Descendant of David”

#### Matthew 9:28

##### When Jesus had come into the house

This could be either Jesus's own house or the house in Matthew 9:10.

##### Yes, Lord

"Yes, Lord, we believe you can heal us"

#### Matthew 9:29

##### Let it be done to you according to your faith

"I will do as you have believed" or "Because you believe, it will happen”

#### Matthew 9:30

##### their eyes were opened

"God healed their eyes" or "the two blind men were able to see"

##### See that no one knows about this

"Be sure no one finds out about this" or "Do not tell anyone that I healed you"

#### Matthew 9:31

##### spread the news

“told many people throughout that region what had happened to them”

#### Matthew 9:32

##### a mute man ... was brought to Jesus

"someone brought a mute man ... to Jesus"

##### a mute man

a man who was not able to talk

##### possessed by a demon

"whom a demon had possessed" or "whom a demon was controlling"

#### Matthew 9:33

##### When the demon had been driven out

"After Jesus had forced the demon out" or "After Jesus made the demon to leave"

##### the mute man spoke

"the man who had been mute spoke"

##### This has never been seen

“No one has ever seen anything like this before”

#### Matthew 9:34

##### he drives

The pronoun "he" refers to Jesus.

#### Matthew 9:35

##### cities ... villages

"large villages ... small villages" or "large towns ... small towns"

##### the gospel of the kingdom

“the good news that God will show himself as king”

##### all kinds of disease and all kinds of sickness

"every disease and every sickness." The words "disease" and "sickness" are closely related but should be translated as two different words if possible. "Disease" is what causes a person to be sick. "Sickness" is the physical weakness or affliction that results from having a disease.

#### Matthew 9:36

##### They were like sheep without a shepherd

"The people did not have a leader"

#### Matthew 9:37

##### The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few

Jesus said this to teach that there are a lot of people who are ready to believe God but only a few people to teach them about God.

##### The harvest is plentiful

"There is plenty of ripe food for someone to collect"

##### laborers

"workers"

#### Matthew 9:38

##### pray to the Lord of the harvest

"pray to God, because he is in charge of the harvest"

### Chapter 10

**1** Jesus called his twelve disciples together and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to drive them out, and to heal all kinds of disease and all kinds of sickness. **2** Now the names of the twelve apostles were these. The first, Simon (whom he also called Peter), and Andrew his brother; James son of Zebedee, and John his brother; **3** Philip, and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; **4** Simon the Zealot, and Judas Iscariot, who would betray him.

**5** These twelve Jesus sent out. He instructed them and said, "Do not go to any place where Gentiles live, and do not enter any town of the Samaritans. **6** Go instead to the lost sheep of the house of Israel; **7** and as you go, preach and say, 'The kingdom of heaven is near.' **8** Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, and cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give. **9** Do not carry any gold, silver, or copper in your belts. **10** Do not take a traveling bag for your journey, or an extra tunic, or sandals, or a staff, for a laborer deserves his food. **11** Whatever city or village you enter, find who is worthy in it, and stay there until you leave. **12** As you enter into the house, greet it. **13** If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it. But if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. **14** As for those who do not receive you or listen to your words, when you depart from that house or city, shake off the dust from your feet. **15** Truly I say to you, it will be more bearable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment than for that city.

**16** "See, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be as wise as serpents and innocent as doves. **17** Watch out for people! They will deliver you up to councils, and they will whip you in their synagogues. **18** Then you will be brought before governors and kings for my sake, as a testimony to them and to the Gentiles. **19** When they deliver you up, do not be anxious about how or what you will speak, for what to say will be given to you at that time. **20** For it is not you who will speak, but the Spirit of your Father who will speak in you. **21** Brother will deliver up brother to death, and a father his child. Children will rise up against their parents and cause them to be put to death. **22** You will be hated by everyone because of my name. But whoever endures to the end, that person will be saved. **23** When they persecute you in this city, flee to the next, for truly I say to you, you will not have gone through the cities of Israel before the Son of Man has come.

**24** "A disciple is not greater than his teacher, nor a servant above his master. **25** It is enough for the disciple that he should be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much worse will be the names they call the members of his household! **26** Therefore do not fear them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be revealed, and nothing hidden that will not be known. **27** What I tell you in the darkness, say in the daylight, and what you hear softly in your ear, proclaim upon the housetops. **28** Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but are unable to kill the soul. Instead, fear him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. **29** Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge. **30** But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. **31** Do not fear. You are more valuable than many sparrows. **32** Therefore everyone who confesses me before men, I will also confess before my Father who is in heaven. **33** But he who denies me before men, I will also deny before my Father who is in heaven.

**34** "Do not think that I came to bring peace upon the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. **35** For I came to set

a man against his father,

and a daughter against her mother,

and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law.

**36** A man's enemies will be those of his own household. **37** He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. **38** He who does not pick up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me. **39** He who finds his life will lose it. But he who loses his life for my sake will find it.

**40** "He who welcomes you welcomes me, and he who welcomes me also welcomes him who sent me. **41** He who welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and he who welcomes a righteous man in the name of a righteous man will receive a righteous man's reward. **42** Whoever gives to one of these little ones even a cup of cold water to drink in the name of a disciple, truly I say to you, he will in no way lose his reward."

#### Matthew 10:1

##### gave them authority ... sickness

Be sure that the text clearly communicates that this authority was 1) to drive out unclean spirits and 2) to heal disease and sickness.

##### to drive them out

"to make the unclean spirits leave"

#### Matthew 10:2

##### Now

This word is used here to mark a pause in the story. Here Matthew tells the names of the twelve apostles.

##### twelve apostles

This is the same group as the “twelve disciples” in Matthew 10:1.

##### first

This is first in order, not in rank. Peter was probably the first to become one of Jesus’ disciples.

#### Matthew 10:3

##### Matthew the tax collector

"Matthew, who was a tax collector"

#### Matthew 10:4

##### the Zealot

"the patriot" or "the nationalist" or 2) "the Zealot" is a description that shows that he was zealous for God to be honored.

##### who would betray him

"who would betray Jesus"

#### Matthew 10:5

##### General Information:

Although verse 5 begins by saying that he sent out the twelve, Jesus gave these instructions before he sent them out.

##### These twelve Jesus sent out

"Jesus sent out these twelve men" or "It was these twelve men whom Jesus sent out"

##### sent out

Jesus sent them out for a particular purpose.

##### He instructed them

"He told them what they needed to do" or "He commanded them"

#### Matthew 10:6

##### lost sheep of the house of Israel

“the people of Israel. They are like lost sheep”

##### house of Israel

"people of Israel" or "descendants of Israel"

#### Matthew 10:7

##### The kingdom of heaven is near

“Our God in heaven will soon show himself to be king”

#### Matthew 10:8

##### raise the dead

"cause the dead to live again"

##### Freely you have received, freely give

"Freely you have received these things, freely give them to others" or "You received these things without paying, so give them to others without making them pay"

#### Matthew 10:9

##### gold, silver, or copper

These are metals out of which coins were made. Alternate translation: "money"

##### belts

"purses" or "pouches"

#### Matthew 10:10

##### traveling bag

This could either be any bag used to carry things on a journey, or a bag used by someone to collect food or money.

##### an extra tunic

Use the same word you used for "tunic" in Matthew 5:40.

##### his food

"what he needs"

#### Matthew 10:11

##### Whatever city or village you enter

"Whenever you enter a city or village" or "When you go into any city or village"

##### worthy

A "worthy" person is a person who is willing to welcome the disciples.

##### stay there until you leave

"live in that person's house until you leave the town or village"

#### Matthew 10:12

##### As you enter into the house, greet it

“As you enter the house, greet the people who live in it”

#### Matthew 10:13

##### If the house is worthy

"If the people in that house receive you well" or "If the people who live in that house treat you well"

##### let your peace come upon it

"let them receive your peace" or "let them receive the peace that you greeted them with"

##### if it is not worthy

"if they do not receive you well" or "if they do not treat you well"

##### let your peace return to you

"take back your greeting of peace"

#### Matthew 10:14

##### As for those who do not receive you or listen

"If no people in that house or city will receive you or listen"

##### listen to your words

"listen to your message" or "listen to what you have to say"

##### shake off the dust from your feet

"shake the dust off your feet as you leave." This is a sign that God has rejected the people of that house or city.

#### Matthew 10:15

##### Truly I say to you

"I tell you the truth." This phrase adds emphasis to what Jesus says next.

##### it will be more bearable

"the suffering will be less"

##### the land of Sodom and Gomorrah

"the people who lived in the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah"

##### that city

"the people of the city that does not receive you"

#### Matthew 10:16

##### See, I send

"Look, I send" or "Listen, I send" or "Pay attention to what I am about to tell you. I send"

##### I send you out

Jesus is sending them out for a particular purpose.

##### as sheep in the midst of wolves

"as sheep among people who are like dangerous wolves" or "as sheep among people who act the way dangerous animals act"

##### be as wise as serpents and innocent as doves

"act with understanding and caution, as well as with innocence and virtue"

#### Matthew 10:17

##### will deliver you up to

"will put you under the control of"

##### councils

local religious leaders or elders who together keep peace in the community

##### whip you

"beat you with a whip"

#### Matthew 10:18

##### you will be brought

"they will bring you" or "they will drag you"

##### for my sake

"because you belong to me" or "because you follow me"

#### Matthew 10:19

##### When they deliver you up

"When people take you to the councils."

##### do not be anxious

"do not worry"

##### how or what you will speak

"how you are to speak or what you are to say." The two ideas may be combined: "what you are to say"

##### for what to say will be given to you

“for you will be told what to say” or “for the Holy Spirit will tell you what to say”

#### Matthew 10:20

##### the Spirit of your Father

If necessary, this can be translated as "the Spirit of God your heavenly Father" or a footnote can be added to make it clear that this refers to God the Holy Spirit and not to the spirit of an earthly father.

##### Father

This refers to God the Father. It is best to translate “Father” with the same word that your language uses to refer to a human father.

##### in you

"through you"

#### Matthew 10:21

##### Brother will deliver up brother to death

“One brother will deliver up his brother to death” or “Brothers will hand their brothers over to authorities, who will execute them.” Jesus speaks of something that will happen many times.

##### a father his child

"fathers will deliver up their children to death"

##### rise up against

"rebel against" or "turn against"

##### cause them to be put to death

"have them put to death" or "have the authorities execute them"

#### Matthew 10:22

##### You will be hated by everyone

"Everyone will hate you" or "All people will hate you"

##### because of my name

"because of me" or "because you trust in me"

##### whoever endures

"whoever stays faithful"

##### to the end

It is not clear whether the "end" means when a person dies, when the persecution ends, or the end of the age when God shows himself to be king. The main point is that they endure as long as necessary.

##### that person will be saved

"God will save that person"

#### Matthew 10:23

##### in this city

"in one city"

##### flee to the next

"flee to the next city"

##### before the Son of Man has

"before I, the Son of Man, have"

#### Matthew 10:24

##### A disciple is not greater than his teacher, nor a servant above his master

Jesus is using a proverb to teach his disciples a general truth. Jesus is emphasizing that the disciples should not expect people to treat them any better than the people treat Jesus.

##### A disciple is not greater than his teacher

"A disciple is always less important than his teacher" or "A teacher is always more important than his disciple"

##### nor a servant above his master

"and a servant is always less important than his master" or "and a master is always more important than his servant"

#### Matthew 10:25

##### It is enough for the disciple that he should be like his teacher

"The disciple should be satisfied to become like his teacher"

##### the servant like his master

"the servant should be satisfied to become only as important as his master"

##### If they have called the master ... how much worse ... they call ... the members of his household

Again Jesus is emphasizing that since people have mistreated him, his disciples should expect people to treat them the same or worse.

##### how much worse would be the names they call the members of his household

"the names that they call the members of his household will certainly be much worse" or "they will certainly call the members of his household much worse names"

##### If they have called

"Since people have called"

##### Beelzebul

This name here refers to Satan. It can either be 1) transcribed as “Beelzebul” or 2) translated as “Satan.”

#### Matthew 10:26

##### do not fear them

“do not be afraid of those people” or “do not be afraid of people who might treat you badly”

##### there is nothing concealed that will not be revealed, and nothing hidden that will not be known

“everything that is concealed will be revealed, and everything that is hidden will be made known.”

#### Matthew 10:27

##### What I tell you in the darkness, say in the daylight

"What I tell you at night, say in the daytime"

##### what you hear softly in your ear

"what I whisper to you" or "what I say to you privately"

##### proclaim upon the housetops

"speak loudly in a public place"

#### Matthew 10:28

##### Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but are unable to kill the soul

"Do not be afraid of people. They can kill the body, but they cannot kill the soul"

##### kill the body

This means to cause physical death. If these words are awkward, they can be translated as "kill you" or "kill people."

##### fear him who is able to destroy

"fear God, because he is able to destroy"

##### body

the part of a person that can be touched, as opposed to the soul or spirit

##### soul

the part of a person that cannot be touched and that lives on after the physical body dies

##### fear him who is able

"fear God because he is able"

#### Matthew 10:29

##### Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin?

This question can be translated as a statement. "Two sparrows are sold for only a small coin." or "Sparrows have so little value that you can buy two of them for only one small coin."

##### sparrows

These are very small birds. Alternate translation: "small birds"

##### a small coin

This is often translated as the least valuable coin in your country. Alternate translation: "a penny" or "very little money"

##### not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge

"your Father knows when every one of them falls to the ground"

##### Father

This refers to God the Father. It is best to translate “Father” with the same word that your language uses to refer to a human father.

#### Matthew 10:30

##### even the hairs of your head are all numbered

“God knows even how many hairs are on your head”

##### numbered

"counted"

#### Matthew 10:31

##### You are more valuable than many sparrows

"God values you more than many sparrows"

#### Matthew 10:32

##### everyone who confesses me ... I will also confess before my Father

"whoever confesses me ... I will also confess before my Father" or "if anyone confesses me ... I will also confess him before my Father"

##### confesses me before men

"tells others that he is my disciple" or "acknowledges before other people that he is loyal to me"

##### I will also confess before my Father who is in heaven

"I will also acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven that that person belongs to me"

##### Father

This refers to God the Father. It is best to translate “Father” with the same word that your language uses to refer to a human father.

#### Matthew 10:33

##### he who denies me ... I will also deny before my Father

"whoever denies me ... I will also deny before my Father" or "if anyone denies me ... I will also deny him before my Father"

##### denies me before men

"denies to other people that he is loyal to me" or "refuses to acknowledge to others that he is my disciple"

##### I will also deny before my Father who is in heaven

"I will deny before my Father who is in heaven that this person belongs to me"

#### Matthew 10:34

##### upon the earth

"to the people of the earth" or "to people"

##### a sword

This refers to division, fighting, and killing among people.

#### Matthew 10:35

##### to set ... against

"to cause ... to fight against"

##### a man against his father

"a son against his father"

#### Matthew 10:36

##### A man's enemies

"A person's enemies"

##### those of his own household

"members of his own family"

#### Matthew 10:37

##### He who loves ... is not worthy

"Those who love ... are not worthy" or "If you love ... you are not worthy"

##### loves

"cares for" or "is devoted to" or "is fond of"

##### is not worthy of me

“does not deserve to belong to me” or “is not worthy to be my disciple”

#### Matthew 10:38

##### pick up his cross and follow after me

“obey me even to the point of suffering and dying”

#### Matthew 10:39

##### He who finds his life will lose it. But he who loses ... will find it

"Those who find their lives will lose them. But those who lose their lives ... will find them" or "If you find your life you will lose it. But if you lose your life ... you will find it"

##### finds his life

"tries to keep his life will lose it" or "tries to save his life will not have true life"

##### who loses his life for my sake

"who denies himself for my sake"

##### will find it

"will find true life"

#### Matthew 10:40

##### He who welcomes you

"Whoever welcomes you" or "Anyone who welcomes you"

##### He who welcomes you welcomes me

"When someone welcomes you, it is like he is welcoming me" or "If someone welcomes you, it is as if he were welcoming me"

##### him who sent me

God the Father who sent me"

#### Matthew 10:41

##### in the name of a prophet

“because that person is a prophet” or “because he knows that person is a prophet”

##### a prophet's reward

These phrases refer to the rewards that God gives to prophets and righteous men, not to rewards that prophets or righteous men give to other people.

##### in the name of a righteous man

“because that righteous man is a righteous man” or “because he knows that person is righteous.”

##### a righteous man's reward

This refers to the reward God gives to a righteous person.

#### Matthew 10:42

##### one of these little ones

"one of these lowly ones" or "the least important of these." This refers to Jesus's disciples.

##### in the name of a disciple

"because that person is a disciple" or "because he knows that that person is a disciple."

##### he will ... his reward

Here "he" and "his" refer to the one who is giving.

##### he will in no way lose his reward

"he will certainly receive his reward"

### Chapter 11

**1** It came about that when Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he departed from there to teach and preach in their cities. **2** Now when John heard in the prison about the deeds of the Christ, he sent a message by his disciples **3** and said to him, "Are you the one who is coming, or should we look for another?"

**4** Jesus answered and said to them, "Go and report to John what you see and hear. **5** The blind are receiving sight, the lame are walking, lepers are being cleansed, the deaf are hearing again, the dead are being raised back to life, and the gospel is being preached to the poor. **6** Blessed is anyone who does not stumble because of me."

**7** As these men went on their way, Jesus began to say to the crowds about John, "What did you go out in the desert to see—a reed being shaken by the wind? **8** But what did you go out to see—a man dressed in soft clothing? Really, those who wear soft clothing live in kings' houses. **9** But what did you go out to see—a prophet? Yes, I say to you, and much more than a prophet. **10** This is he of whom it was written,

'See, I am sending my messenger before your face,

who will prepare your way before you.'

**11** Truly I say to you that among those born of women, there has not arisen anyone greater than John the Baptist. Yet the least important person in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he is. **12** From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and men of violence take it by force. **13** For all the prophets and the law have been prophesying until John; **14** and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who was to come. **15** He who has ears to hear, let him hear. **16** To what should I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces calling out to the others, **17** saying:

'We played a flute for you,

and you did not dance.

We mourned,

and you did not weep.'

**18** For John came not eating bread or drinking wine, and they say, 'He has a demon.' **19** The Son of Man came eating and drinking and they say, 'Look, he is a gluttonous man and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' But wisdom is justified by her deeds."

**20** Then Jesus began to denounce the cities in which most of his miracles were done, because they had not repented. **21** "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! If the miracles had been done in Tyre and Sidon which were done in you, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. **22** But I tell you it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment than for you. **23** You, Capernaum, do you think you will be exalted to heaven? No, you will be brought down to Hades. For if in Sodom there had been done the miracles that were done in you, it would still have remained until today. **24** But I say to you that it will be easier for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment than for you."

**25** At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you concealed these things from the wise and understanding, and revealed them to little children. **26** Yes, Father, for this was pleasing in your sight. **27** All things have been entrusted to me from my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. **28** Come to me, all you who labor and are heavy burdened, and I will give you rest. **29** Take my yoke on you and learn from me, for I am meek and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. **30** For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

### Chapter 12

**1** At that time Jesus went on the Sabbath day through the grainfields. His disciples were hungry and began to pluck heads of grain and eat them. **2** But when the Pharisees saw that, they said to Jesus, "See, your disciples do what is unlawful to do on the Sabbath."

**3** But Jesus said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he was hungry, and the men who were with him? **4** He went into the house of God and ate the bread of the presence, which was unlawful for him to eat and unlawful for those who were with him, but lawful only for the priests. **5** Have you not read in the law that on the Sabbath the priests in the temple profane the Sabbath but are guiltless? **6** But I say to you that one greater than the temple is here. **7** If you had known what this meant, 'I desire mercy and not sacrifice,' you would not have condemned the guiltless. **8** For the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath."

**9** Then Jesus left from there and went into their synagogue. **10** Behold, there was a man who had a withered hand. The Pharisees asked Jesus, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?" so that they might accuse him of sinning.

**11** Jesus said to them, "What man would there be among you, who, if he had just one sheep, and if this sheep fell into a pit on the Sabbath, would not take hold of it and raise it out? **12** How much more valuable, then, is a man than a sheep! Therefore it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath." **13** Then Jesus said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and it was restored to health, just like the other hand. **14** But the Pharisees went out and plotted against him. They were seeking how they might destroy him.

**15** Jesus, knowing this, withdrew from there. Many people followed him, and he healed them all. **16** He commanded them not to make him known to others, **17** that it might be fulfilled, what had been said through Isaiah the prophet, saying,

**18** "See, my servant whom I have chosen;

my beloved one, in whom my soul is well pleased.

I will put my Spirit upon him,

and he will proclaim justice to the Gentiles.

**19** He will not strive nor cry aloud;

neither will anyone hear his voice in the streets.

**20** He will not break any bruised reed;

he will not quench any smoking flax,

until he leads justice to victory,

**21** and in his name the Gentiles will have hope."

**22** Then someone blind and mute, possessed by a demon, was brought to Jesus. He healed him, with the result that the mute man spoke and saw. **23** All the crowds were amazed and said, "Can this man be the Son of David?"

**24** But when the Pharisees heard of this miracle, they said, "This man does not cast out demons except by Beelzebul, the prince of the demons."

**25** But Jesus knew their thoughts and said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is made desolate, and every city or house divided against itself will not stand. **26** If Satan drives out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand? **27** And if I drive out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your sons drive them out? For this reason they will be your judges. **28** But if I drive out demons by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. **29** How can anyone enter the house of the strong man and take away his belongings without tying up the strong man first? Then he will steal his belongings from his house. **30** The one who is not with me is against me, and the one who does not gather with me scatters. **31** Therefore I say to you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven. **32** Whoever speaks any word against the Son of Man, that will be forgiven him. But whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit, that will not be forgiven him, neither in this world, nor in that which is to come. **33** Make a tree good and its fruit good, or make the tree bad and its fruit bad, for a tree is recognized by its fruit. **34** You offspring of vipers, since you are evil, how can you say good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. **35** The good man from the good treasure of his heart produces what is good, and the evil man from the evil treasure of his heart produces what is evil. **36** I say to you that in the day of judgment people will give an account for every idle word they will have said. **37** For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned."

**38** Then certain scribes and Pharisees answered Jesus and said, "Teacher, we wish to see a sign from you."

**39** But Jesus answered and said to them, "An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign. But no sign will be given to it except the sign of Jonah the prophet. **40** For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the stomach of the big fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. **41** The men of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment with this generation of people and will condemn it. For they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and see, someone greater than Jonah is here. **42** The Queen of the South will rise up at the judgment with the men of this generation and condemn them. She came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon, and see, someone greater than Solomon is here. **43** When an unclean spirit has gone away from a man, it passes through waterless places and looks for rest, but does not find it. **44** Then it says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' Having returned, it finds the house empty—it had been swept clean and put in order. **45** Then it goes and takes along with it seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they all come in to live there. Then the final condition of that man becomes worse than the first. It will be just like that with this evil generation."

**46** While Jesus was still speaking to the crowds, behold, his mother and his brothers stood outside, seeking to speak to him. **47** Someone said to him, "Look, your mother and your brothers stand outside, seeking to speak to you."

**48** But Jesus answered and said to him who told him, "Who is my mother and who are my brothers?" **49** Then he stretched out his hand toward his disciples and said, "See, here are my mother and my brothers! **50** For whoever does the will of my Father who is in heaven, that person is my brother, and sister, and mother."

### Chapter 13

**1** On that day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. **2** A very large crowd gathered around him, so he got into a boat and sat in it while the whole crowd stood on the beach. **3** Then Jesus said many things to them in parables. He said, "Behold, a farmer went out to sow seed. **4** As he sowed, some seeds fell beside the road, and the birds came and devoured them. **5** Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil. Immediately they sprang up because the soil had no depth. **6** But when the sun had risen, they were scorched because they had no root, and they withered away. **7** Other seeds fell among the thorn plants. The thorn plants grew up and choked them. **8** Other seeds fell on good soil and produced a crop, some one hundred times as much, some sixty, and some thirty. **9** He who has ears, let him hear."

**10** The disciples came and said to Jesus, "Why do you talk to the crowd in parables?"

**11** Jesus answered and said to them, "You have been given the privilege of understanding mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given. **12** For whoever has will be given more, and he will have an abundance. But whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him. **13** This is why I talk to them in parables:

Though they are seeing,

they do not see;

and though they are hearing,

they do not hear, or understand.

**14** To them the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled, that which says,

'Listening, you will hear, but you will never understand;

seeing, you will see, but you will never know.

**15** For the heart of this people has become dull,

and with their ears they hardly hear,

and they have shut their eyes.

Otherwise they might see with their eyes,

and hear with their ears,

and understand with their heart and turn again,

and I would heal them.' **16** But blessed are your eyes, for they see; and your ears, for they hear. **17** Truly I say to you that many prophets and righteous men desired to see the things that you see and did not see them. They desired to hear the things that you hear and did not hear them. **18** Listen then to the parable of the farmer who sowed his seed. **19** When anyone hears the word of the kingdom but does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is the seed that was sown beside the road. **20** What was sown on rocky ground is the person who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, **21** yet he has no root in himself and he endures for a while. When tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, he quickly falls away. **22** What was sown among the thorn plants, this is the person who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful. **23** The seed that was sown on the good soil, this is the person who hears the word and understands it. He bears fruit and produces a crop, yielding in one case a hundred, in another sixty, and in another thirty times as much as was planted."

**24** Jesus presented another parable to them. He said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. **25** But while people slept, his enemy came and also sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away. **26** When the blades sprouted and then produced their crop, then the weeds appeared also. **27** The servants of the landowner came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How does it now have weeds?'

**28** "He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.'

"The servants said to him, 'So do you want us to go and pull them out?'

**29** "The landowner said, 'No. Because while you are pulling out the weeds, you might uproot the wheat with them. **30** Let both grow together until the harvest. At the time of the harvest I will say to the reapers, "First pull out the weeds and tie them in bundles to burn them, but gather the wheat into my barn."'"

**31** Then Jesus presented another parable to them. He said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field. **32** This seed is indeed the smallest of all seeds. But when it has grown, it is greater than the garden plants. It becomes a tree, so that the birds of the sky come and nest in its branches." **33** Jesus then told them another parable. "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed with three measures of flour until all the dough had risen."

**34** All these things Jesus said to the crowds in parables; and he said nothing to them without a parable. **35** This was in order that what had been said through the prophet might be fulfilled, when he said,

"I will open my mouth in parables.

I will say things that were hidden from the foundation of the world."

**36** Then Jesus left the crowds and went into the house. His disciples came to him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field."

**37** Jesus answered and said, "He who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. **38** The field is the world; and the good seed, these are the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, **39** and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. **40** Therefore, as the weeds are gathered up and consumed by fire, so will it be at the end of the age. **41** The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all stumbling blocks and those who commit lawlessness. **42** They will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. **43** Then will the righteous people shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.

**44** "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hidden in a field. A man found it and hid it. In his joy he goes, sells everything he possesses, and buys that field. **45** Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a man who is a merchant looking for valuable pearls. **46** When he found one very valuable pearl, he went and sold everything that he possessed and bought it.

**47** "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was cast into the sea, and that gathered all kinds of fish. **48** When it was filled, the fishermen drew it up on the beach. Then they sat down and gathered the good ones into containers, but the bad ones they threw away. **49** It will be this way at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from among the righteous. **50** They will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

**51** "Have you understood all these things?"

The disciples said to him, "Yes."

**52** Then Jesus said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has become a disciple to the kingdom of heaven is like a man who is the owner of a house, who draws out old and new things from his treasure." **53** Then it came about that when Jesus had finished these parables, he departed from that place.

**54** Then Jesus entered his own region and taught the people in their synagogue. The result was that they were astonished and said, "Where does this man get his wisdom and these miraculous powers from? **55** Is not this man the carpenter's son? Is not his mother called Mary? Are not his brothers James, Joseph, Simon, and Judas? **56** Are not all his sisters with us? Where did he get all these things?" **57** They were offended by him.

But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own country and in his own family." **58** He did not do many miracles there because of their unbelief.

### Chapter 14

**1** About that time, Herod the tetrarch heard the news about Jesus. **2** He said to his servants, "This is John the Baptist; he has risen from the dead. Therefore these powers are at work in him."

**3** For Herod had arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison because of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife. **4** For John had said to him, "It is not lawful for you to have her as your wife." **5** Herod would have killed him, but he feared the people, because they regarded him as a prophet.

**6** But when Herod's birthday came, the daughter of Herodias danced in the midst and pleased Herod. **7** In response, he promised with an oath to give her whatever she should ask. **8** After being instructed by her mother, she said, "Give me here, on a platter, the head of John the Baptist." **9** The king was grieved by her request, but because of his oath and because of all those at dinner with him, he ordered that it should be done. **10** He sent and beheaded John in the prison. **11** Then his head was brought on a platter and given to the girl, and she took it to her mother. **12** Then his disciples came, took up the corpse, and buried it. After this, they went and told Jesus.

**13** Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place. When the crowds heard of it, they followed him on foot from the cities. **14** Then Jesus came before them and saw the large crowd. He had compassion on them and healed their sick. **15** When the evening had come, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour has already passed. Dismiss the crowds, so that they can go into the villages and buy food for themselves."

**16** But Jesus said to them, "They have no need to go away. You give them something to eat."

**17** They said to him, "We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish."

**18** Jesus said, "Bring them to me." **19** Then Jesus ordered the crowd to sit down on the grass. He took the five loaves and the two fish. Looking up to heaven, he blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowd. **20** They all ate and were filled. Then they took up what remained of the broken pieces of food—twelve baskets full. **21** Those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

**22** Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he sent away the crowds. **23** After he had sent away the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone. **24** But the boat was now a long way from land, being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was blowing against them. **25** In the fourth watch of the night Jesus approached them, walking on the sea. **26** When the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled and said, "It is a ghost," and they cried out in fear.

**27** But Jesus spoke to them right away and said, "Be brave! It is I! Do not be afraid."

**28** Peter answered him and said, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."

**29** Jesus said, "Come."

So Peter got out from the boat and walked on the water to go to Jesus. **30** But when Peter saw the strong wind, he became afraid. As he began to sink, he cried out and said, "Lord, save me!"

**31** Jesus immediately stretched out his hand, took hold of Peter, and said to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?"

**32** Then when Jesus and Peter went into the boat, the wind ceased blowing. **33** Then the disciples in the boat worshiped Jesus and said, "Truly you are the Son of God."

**34** When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret. **35** When the men in that place recognized Jesus, they sent messages everywhere into the surrounding area, and they brought to him everyone who was sick. **36** They begged him that they might just touch the edge of his garment, and as many as touched it were healed.

### Chapter 15

**1** Then some Pharisees and scribes came to Jesus from Jerusalem. They said, **2** "Why do your disciples violate the traditions of the elders? For they do not wash their hands when they eat bread."

**3** He answered and said to them, "Then why do you violate the commandment of God for the sake of your traditions? **4** For God said, 'Honor your father and your mother,' and 'He who speaks evil of his father or mother will surely die.' **5** But you say, 'Whoever says to his father or mother, "Whatever help you would have received from me is now a gift given to God," **6** that person does not need to honor his father.' In this way you have made void the word of God *[*[1](#fn-040-015-006-1)*]* for the sake of your traditions. **7** You hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy about you when he said,

**8** 'This people honors me with their lips,

but their heart is far from me.

**9** They worship me in vain

because they teach as their doctrines the commandments of people.'"

**10** Then he called the crowd to himself and said to them, "Listen and understand— **11** Nothing that enters into the mouth defiles a person. Instead, what comes out of the mouth, this is what defiles a person."

**12** Then the disciples came and said to Jesus, "Do you know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this statement?"

**13** Jesus answered and said, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be rooted up. **14** Let them alone; they are blind guides. If a blind person guides another blind person, both will fall into a pit."

**15** Peter responded and said to Jesus, "Explain this parable to us."

**16** Jesus said, "Are you also still without understanding? **17** Do you not understand that whatever goes into the mouth passes into the stomach and then goes out into the latrine? **18** But the things that come out of the mouth come from the heart. They are the things that defile a person. **19** For from the heart proceed evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, and slander. **20** These are the things that defile a person. But to eat with unwashed hands does not defile a person."

**21** Then Jesus went away from there and withdrew toward the regions of the cities of Tyre and Sidon. **22** Behold, a Canaanite woman came out from that region. She shouted out and said, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is severely demon-possessed."

**23** But Jesus answered her not a word. His disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is shouting after us."

**24** But Jesus answered and said, "I was not sent to anyone except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

**25** But she came and bowed down before him, saying, "Lord, help me."

**26** He answered and said, "It is not proper to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs."

**27** She said, "Yes, Lord, but even the dogs eat some of the crumbs that fall from their masters' tables."

**28** Then Jesus answered and said to her, "Woman, great is your faith; let it be done for you just as you wish." Her daughter was healed from that hour.

**29** Jesus left that place and went near to the Sea of Galilee. Then he went up a hill and sat there. **30** Large crowds came to him. They brought with them lame, blind, mute, and crippled people, and many others who were sick. They presented them at Jesus' feet, and he healed them. **31** So the crowd marveled when they saw the mute persons speak, the crippled made well, the lame walking, and the blind seeing. They glorified the God of Israel.

**32** Jesus called his disciples to him and said, "I have compassion on the crowd because they have stayed with me for three days already and have nothing to eat. I do not want to send them away without eating, or they may faint on the way."

**33** The disciples said to him, "Where can we get enough loaves of bread in such a deserted place to satisfy so large a crowd?"

**34** Jesus said to them, "How many loaves do you have?"

They said, "Seven, and a few small fish." **35** Then Jesus commanded the crowd to sit down on the ground. **36** He took the seven loaves and the fish, and after giving thanks, he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples. The disciples gave them to the crowd. **37** The people all ate and were satisfied. Then they gathered up seven baskets full of the broken pieces that were left over. **38** Those who ate were four thousand men, besides women and children. **39** Then Jesus sent the crowds away and got into the boat and went into the region of Magadan.

#### Footnotes

15:6 *[*[1](#ref-fn-040-015-006-1)*]*The best ancient copies have

### Chapter 16

**1** The Pharisees and Sadducees came and tested him by asking him to show them a sign from the sky. **2** But he answered and said to them, "When it is evening, you say, 'It will be fair weather, for the sky is red.' **3** When it is morning, you say, 'It will be foul weather, for the sky is red and overcast.' You know how to interpret the appearance of the sky, but you cannot interpret the signs of the times. **4** An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of Jonah." Then Jesus left them and went away.

**5** When the disciples reached the other side, they had forgotten to take bread. **6** Jesus said to them, "Watch out and beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees."

**7** The disciples reasoned among themselves and said, "It is because we took no bread."

**8** Jesus was aware of this and said, "You of little faith, why do you reason among yourselves and say that it is because you have taken no bread? **9** Do you not understand? Do you not remember the five loaves for the five thousand, and how many baskets you gathered up? **10** Or the seven loaves for the four thousand, and how many baskets you took up? **11** How is it that you do not understand that I was not speaking to you about bread? Watch out and beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees." **12** Then they understood that he was not telling them to beware of yeast in bread, but to beware of the teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees.

**13** Now when Jesus came to the regions near Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?"

**14** They said, "Some say John the Baptist; some, Elijah; and others, Jeremiah, or one of the prophets."

**15** He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

**16** Answering, Simon Peter said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

**17** Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for flesh and blood have not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. **18** I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church. The gates of Hades will not prevail against it. **19** I will give to you the keys of the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." **20** Then Jesus commanded the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

**21** From that time Jesus started to tell his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem, suffer many things at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, be killed, and be raised back to life on the third day.

**22** Then Peter took him aside and rebuked him, saying, "May this be far from you, Lord! May this never happen to you!"

**23** But Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me, for you do not think about the things of God, but about the things of people." **24** Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If anyone wants to follow me, he must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. **25** For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. **26** For what does it profit a person if he gains the whole world but forfeits his life? What can a person give in exchange for his life? **27** For the Son of Man will come in the glory of his Father with his angels. Then he will reward every person according to his deeds. **28** Truly I say to you, there are some of you standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

### Chapter 17

**1** Six days later Jesus took with him Peter, James, and John his brother, and brought them up a high mountain by themselves. **2** He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his garments became as brilliant as the light. **3** Behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah talking with him. **4** Peter answered and said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you desire, I will make here three shelters—one for you, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

**5** While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and behold, there was a voice out of the cloud, saying, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Listen to him."

**6** When the disciples heard it, they fell facedown and were very afraid. **7** Then Jesus came and touched them and said, "Get up and do not be afraid." **8** Then they looked up but saw no one except Jesus only.

**9** As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, saying, "Report this vision to no one until the Son of Man has risen from the dead."

**10** His disciples asked him, saying, "Why then do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?"

**11** Jesus answered and said, "Elijah will indeed come and restore all things. **12** But I tell you, Elijah has already come, but they did not recognize him. Instead, they did whatever they wanted to him. In the same way, the Son of Man will also suffer at their hands." **13** Then the disciples understood that he was speaking to them about John the Baptist.

**14** When they had come to the crowd, a man came to him, knelt before him, and said, **15** "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is epileptic and suffers severely. For he often falls into the fire or the water. **16** I brought him to your disciples, but they could not cure him."

**17** Jesus answered and said, "Unbelieving and perverse generation, how long will I have to stay with you? How long must I bear with you? Bring him here to me." **18** Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him, and the boy was healed from that hour.

**19** Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?"

**20** Jesus said to them, "Because of your small faith. For I truly say to you, if you have faith even as small as a grain of mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move, and nothing will be impossible for you." **21***[*[1](#fn-040-017-021-1)*]*

**22** While they stayed in Galilee, Jesus said to his disciples, "The Son of Man will be given over into the hands of people, **23** and they will kill him, and the third day he will be raised up." The disciples were deeply grieved.

**24** When they had come to Capernaum, the men who collected the two-drachma tax came to Peter and said, "Does not your teacher pay the two-drachma tax?"

**25** He said, "Yes."

When Peter came into the house, Jesus spoke to him first and said, "What do you think, Simon? From whom do the kings of the earth collect tolls or taxes? From their sons or from others?"

**26** "From others," Peter answered.

"Then the sons are free," Jesus said. **27** "But so that we do not cause the tax collectors to stumble, go to the sea, throw in a hook, and draw in the fish that comes up first. When you have opened its mouth, you will find a shekel. Take it and give it to the tax collectors for me and you."

#### Footnotes

17:21 *[*[1](#ref-fn-040-017-021-1)*]*The best ancient copies do not have v. 21,

### Chapter 18

**1** At that time the disciples came to Jesus and said, "Who is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?"

**2** Jesus called to himself a little child, set him among them, **3** and said, "Truly I say to you, unless you turn and become like little children, you will in no way enter the kingdom of heaven. **4** Therefore, whoever humbles himself like this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. **5** Whoever welcomes a little child like this in my name receives me. **6** But whoever causes one of these little ones who believes in me to stumble, it would be better for him that a large millstone should be hung about his neck, and that he should be sunk into the depths of the sea.

**7** "Woe to the world because of stumbling blocks! For it is necessary that those stumbling blocks come, but woe to the person through whom those stumbling blocks come! **8** If your hand or your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away from you. It is better for you to enter into life maimed or lame than to be thrown into the eternal fire having two hands or two feet. **9** If your eye causes you to stumble, pluck it out and throw it away from you. It is better for you to enter into life with one eye than to be thrown into the fiery hell having both eyes. **10** See that you do not despise any of these little ones. For I say to you that in heaven their angels always look on the face of my Father who is in heaven. **11***[*[1](#fn-040-018-011-1)*]***12** What do you think? If anyone has a hundred sheep, and one of them goes astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the hillside and go off seeking the one that went astray? **13** If he finds it, truly I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that did not go astray. **14** In the same way, it is not the will of your Father in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

**15** "If your brother sins against you, go and rebuke him, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you will have gained your brother. **16** But if he does not listen to you, take one or two others along with you so that by the mouth of two or three witnesses every word might be confirmed. **17** And if he refuses to listen to them, tell the matter to the church. If he also refuses to listen to the church, let him be to you as a pagan and a tax collector. **18** I tell you truly, whatever things you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. **19** Again I tell you truly, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father who is in heaven. **20** For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in their midst."

**21** Then Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me and I forgive him? Until seven times?"

**22** Jesus said to him, "I do not tell you seven times, but until seventy times seven. **23** Therefore the kingdom of heaven is similar to a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. **24** As he began the settling, one servant was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. **25** But since he did not have the means to repay, his master commanded him to be sold, together with his wife and children and everything that he had, and payment to be made. **26** So the servant fell down, bowed down before him, and said, 'Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' **27** So the master of that servant, since he was moved with compassion, released him and forgave him the debt. **28** But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants, who owed him one hundred denarii. He took hold of him, began to choke him, and said, 'Pay me what you owe.'

**29** "But his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will repay you.' **30** But the first servant refused. Instead, he went and threw him into prison until he should pay him what he owed. **31** When his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were deeply grieved. They came and told their master everything that had happened.

**32** "Then that servant's master called him and said to him, 'You wicked servant, I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. **33** Should you not have had mercy on your fellow servant, even as I had mercy on you?' **34** His master was angry and handed him over to the torturers until he would pay all that was owed. **35** So also my heavenly Father will do to you if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

#### Footnotes

18:11 *[*[1](#ref-fn-040-018-011-1)*]*The best ancient Greek copies do not have the sentence that some translations include,

### Chapter 19

**1** It came about that when Jesus had finished these words, he departed from Galilee and came to the region of Judea that is beyond the Jordan River. **2** Great crowds followed him, and he healed them there.

**3** Pharisees came to him, testing him, saying to him, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any cause?"

**4** Jesus answered and said, "Have you not read that he who made them from the beginning made them male and female? **5** He who made them also said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and join to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.' **6** So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one tear apart."

**7** They said to him, "Why then did Moses command us to give a certificate of divorce and then to send her away?"

**8** He said to them, "For your hardness of heart, Moses allowed you to divorce your wives, but from the beginning it was not that way. **9** I say to you, whoever divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another, commits adultery." *[*[1](#fn-040-019-009-1)*]*

**10** The disciples said to Jesus, "If that is the case of a man with his wife, it is not good to marry."

**11** But Jesus said to them, "Not everyone can accept this saying, but only those to whom it is given. **12** For there are eunuchs who were born that way from their mother's womb, and there are eunuchs who were made eunuchs by men, and there are eunuchs who made themselves eunuchs for the sake of the kingdom of heaven. He who is able to accept this teaching, let him accept it."

**13** Then some little children were brought to him so that he would lay his hands on them and pray, but the disciples rebuked them. **14** But Jesus said, "Permit the little children, and do not forbid them to come to me, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such ones." **15** He placed his hands on the children, and then he went away from there.

**16** Behold, a man came to Jesus and said, "Teacher, what good thing must I do that I may have eternal life?"

**17** Jesus said to him, "Why do you ask me about what is good? Only one is good, but if you want to enter into life, keep the commandments."

**18** The man said to him, "Which commandments?"

Jesus said, "Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not bear false witness, **19** honor your father and your mother, and love your neighbor as yourself."

**20** The young man said to him, "All these things I have obeyed. What do I still need?"

**21** Jesus said to him, "If you wish to be perfect, go, sell your possessions, and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." **22** But when the young man heard what Jesus said, he went away sorrowful, for he had many possessions.

**23** Jesus said to his disciples, "Truly I say to you, it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. **24** Again I say to 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."

**25** When the disciples heard it, they were very astonished and said, "Who then can be saved?"

**26** Jesus looked at them and said, "With people this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

**27** Then Peter answered and said to him, "See, we have left everything and followed you. What then will we have?"

**28** Jesus said to them, "Truly I say to you, in the new age when the Son of Man sits on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. **29** Every one who has left houses, brothers, sisters, father, mother, children, or land for my name's sake will receive one hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life. **30** But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.

#### Footnotes

19:9 *[*[1](#ref-fn-040-019-009-1)*]*The best ancient copies do not have

### Chapter 20

**1** "For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. **2** After he had agreed with the laborers for one denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. **3** He went out again about the third hour and saw other laborers standing idle in the marketplace. **4** To them he said, 'You also, go into the vineyard, and I will give you what is right.' So they went to work. **5** Again he went out about the sixth hour and again the ninth hour, and did the same. **6** Once more about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing idle. He said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all the day long?'

**7** "They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.'

"He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' **8** When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning from the last to the first.'

**9** "When the laborers who had been hired at the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. **10** When the first laborers came, they thought that they would receive more, but they also received one denarius each. **11** When they received their wages, they complained about the landowner. **12** They said, 'These last laborers have spent only one hour in work, but you have made them equal to us, we who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.'

**13** "But the owner answered and said to one of them, 'Friend, I do you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for one denarius? **14** Take what belongs to you and go your way. I choose to give to these last hired laborers just the same as to you. **15** Is it not lawful for me to do as I want with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am good?' **16** So the last will be first, and the first last." *[*[1](#fn-040-020-016-1)*]*

**17** As Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples aside, and on the way he said to them, **18** "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be given over to the chief priests and scribes. They will condemn him to death **19** and will deliver him to the Gentiles for them to mock, to flog, and to crucify him. But on the third day he will be raised up."

**20** Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came to Jesus with her sons. She bowed down before him and asked for something from him.

**21** Jesus said to her, "What do you wish?"

She said to him, "Command that these my two sons may sit, one at your right hand and one at your left hand, in your kingdom."

**22** But Jesus answered and said, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink?"

They said to him, "We are able."

**23** He said to them, "My cup you will indeed drink. But to sit at my right hand and at my left hand is not mine to give, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father." **24** When the other ten disciples heard this, they were very angry with the two brothers. **25** But Jesus called them to himself and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles dominate them, and their important men exercise authority over them. **26** But it must not be this way among you. Instead, whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, **27** and whoever wishes to be first among you must be your servant, **28** just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

**29** As they went out from Jericho, a great crowd followed him. **30** There were two blind men sitting by the road. When they heard that Jesus was passing by, they shouted, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us." **31** The crowd rebuked them, telling them to be quiet, but they cried out even more loudly, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us."

**32** Then Jesus stood still and called to them and said, "What do you wish me to do for you?"

**33** They said to him, "Lord, that our eyes may be opened." **34** Then Jesus, being moved with compassion, touched their eyes. Immediately they received their sight and followed him.

#### Footnotes

20:16 *[*[1](#ref-fn-040-020-016-1)*]*The best ancient copies do not have

#### Matthew 20:1

##### For the kingdom of heaven is like

This is the beginning of a parable.

#### Matthew 20:2

##### After he had agreed

"After the landowner had agreed"

##### one denarius

"one day's wages"

#### Matthew 20:3

##### He went out again

"The landowner went out again"

##### the third hour

The third hour is around nine in the morning.

##### standing idle in the marketplace

"standing in the marketplace not doing anything" or "standing in the marketplace with no work to do"

##### marketplace

a large, open-air area where people buy and sell food and other items

#### Matthew 20:5

##### Again he went out

"Again the landowner went out"

##### the sixth hour and again the ninth hour

The sixth hour is around noon. The ninth hour is around three in the afternoon.

##### did the same

This means the landowner went to the marketplace and hired workers.

#### Matthew 20:6

##### the eleventh hour

This is about five in the afternoon.

##### standing idle

"not doing anything" or "not having any work"

#### Matthew 20:8

##### beginning from the last to the first

"beginning with the workers who started working last, then the workers who started working earlier, and finally the workers who started working first" or "first paying the workers I hired last, then paying the workers I hired earlier in the day, and finally paying the workers I hired first"

#### Matthew 20:9

##### who had been hired

"whom the landowner hired"

#### Matthew 20:10

##### one denarius

"one day's wages"

#### Matthew 20:11

##### When they received

"When the workers who had worked the longest received"

#### Matthew 20:12

##### you have made them equal to us

"you have paid them the same amount of money as you paid us"

##### we who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat

"we who have worked the entire day, even during the hottest part"

#### Matthew 20:13

##### one of them

"one of the workers who had worked the longest"

##### Friend

Use a word that one man would use to address another man whom he is politely rebuking.

##### Did you not agree with me for one denarius?

"We already agreed that I would give you one denarius."

##### one denarius

"one day's wages"

#### Matthew 20:15

##### Is it not lawful for me to do as I want with what belongs to me?

"It is lawful for me do what I want with my own possessions."

##### Is it not lawful for me

"Do I not have the right" or "Is it not proper."

##### Or are you envious because I am good?

"You should not be envious because I am generous."

#### Matthew 20:16

##### So the last will be first, and the first last

"So those who seem to be unimportant now will be the most important, and those who seem to be the most important now will be the least important"

#### Matthew 20:17

##### going up to Jerusalem

Jerusalem was on top of a hill, so people had to travel up to get there.

#### Matthew 20:18

##### See, we are going

Jesus uses the word "See" to tell the disciples the must pay attention to what he is about to tell them.

##### the Son of Man will be given over

"someone will give the Son of Man over"

##### Son of Man ... him

Jesus is referring to himself.

##### They will condemn

The chief priests and scribes will condemn Jesus.

#### Matthew 20:19

##### and will deliver him to the Gentiles for them to mock

The chief priests and scribes will deliver Jesus to the Gentiles, and the Gentiles will mock him.

##### to flog

"to whip him" or "to beat him with whips"

##### him ... him ... he

Jesus is referring to himself

##### he will be raised up

"God will raise him up" or "God will make him alive again"

#### Matthew 20:20

##### the sons of Zebedee

This refers to James and John.

#### Matthew 20:21

##### at your right hand ... at your left hand

These refer to having positions of power, authority, and honor.

##### in your kingdom

"when you are king"

#### Matthew 20:22

##### You do not know

Here "you" is plural and refers to the mother and the sons.

##### Are you able

Here "you" is plural, but Jesus is only talking to the two sons.

##### drink the cup that I am about to drink

"suffer what I am about to suffer"

##### They said

"The sons of Zebedee said" or "James and John said"

#### Matthew 20:23

##### My cup you will indeed drink

"You will indeed suffer as I will suffer"

##### right hand ... left hand

These refer to having positions of power, authority, and honor.

##### but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father

"for my Father has prepared those places, and he will give them to whom he chooses"

##### my Father

This refers to God the Father. It is best to translate “Father” with the same word that your language uses to refer to a human father.

#### Matthew 20:24

##### they were very angry with the two brothers

"the other disciples were very angry with the two brothers because each of them also wanted to sit in a place of honor next to Jesus"

#### Matthew 20:25

##### called them

"called the twelve disciples"

##### the rulers of the Gentiles dominate them

"the Gentile kings forcefully rule over their people"

##### their important men

"the important men among the Gentiles"

##### exercise authority over them

"have control over the people"

#### Matthew 20:27

##### to be first

"to be important"

#### Matthew 20:28

##### the Son of Man ... his life

Jesus is speaking about himself.

##### did not come to be served

"did not come so that other people would serve him" or "did not come so that other people would serve me"

##### but to serve

"but to serve other people"

##### to give his life as a ransom for many

"to give his life as a substitute for many" or "to give his life as a substitute to set many free"

##### to give his life

"to die"

##### for many

"for many people"

#### Matthew 20:30

##### When they heard

"When the two blind men heard"

##### Son of David

"Son of David" is also a title for the Messiah, and the men were probably calling Jesus by this title.

#### Matthew 20:32

##### called to them

"called to the blind men"

##### do you wish

"do you want"

#### Matthew 20:33

##### that our eyes may be opened

"we want you to open our eyes" or "we want to be able to see"

#### Matthew 20:34

##### being moved with compassion

"having compassion" or "feeling compassion for them"

### Chapter 21

**1** As Jesus and his disciples approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, **2** saying to them, "Go into the next village, and you will immediately find a donkey tied up there, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. **3** If anyone says anything to you about that, you will say, 'The Lord has need of them,' and that person will immediately send them with you."

**4** Now all this happened to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet, saying,

**5** "Tell the daughter of Zion,

'See, your King is coming to you,

Humble and riding on a donkey—

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'"

**6** Then the disciples went and did just as Jesus had instructed them. **7** They brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and Jesus sat upon the cloaks. **8** Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches off the trees and spread them in the road. **9** Then the crowds that went before Jesus and those that followed him were shouting,

"Hosanna to the son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest!"

**10** When Jesus had come into Jerusalem, all the city was stirred and said, "Who is this?"

**11** The crowds answered, "This is Jesus the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

**12** Then Jesus entered the temple. He cast out all those who bought and sold in the temple, and turned over the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves. **13** He said to them, "It is written, 'My house will be called a house of prayer,' but you make it a den of robbers."

**14** Then the blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he healed them. **15** But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the marvelous things that he did, and when they heard the children shouting in the temple and saying, "Hosanna to the Son of David," they became very angry.

**16** They said to him, "Do you hear what they are saying?"

Jesus said to them, "Yes! But have you never read,

'Out of the mouths of little children and nursing infants

you have prepared praise'?"

**17** Then Jesus left them and went out of the city to Bethany and spent the night there.

**18** Now in the morning as he returned to the city, he was hungry. **19** Seeing a fig tree along the roadside, he went to it and found nothing on it except leaves. He said to it, "May there be no fruit from you ever again," and immediately the fig tree withered.

**20** When the disciples saw it, they marveled and said, "How did the fig tree immediately wither away?"

**21** Jesus answered and said to them, "Truly I say to you, if you have faith and do not doubt, you will not only do what was done to this fig tree, but you will even say to this mountain, 'Be taken up and thrown into the sea,' and it will be done. **22** Whatever you ask for in prayer, believing, you will receive."

**23** When Jesus had come into the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching and said, "By what authority do you do these things, and who gave you this authority?"

**24** Jesus answered and said to them, "I also will ask you one question. If you tell me, I will tell you by what authority I do these things. **25** The baptism of John—from where did it come? From heaven or from men?"

They discussed among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' **26** But if we say, 'From men,' we fear the crowd, because they all view John as a prophet." **27** Then they answered Jesus and said, "We do not know."

He also said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things. **28** But what do you think? A man had two sons. He went to the first and said, 'Son, go labor today in the vineyard.'

**29** "The son answered and said, 'I will not,' but afterward he changed his mind and went.

**30** "Then the man went to the second son and said the same thing. He answered and said, 'I will go, sir,' but he did not go. **31** Which of the two sons did his father's will?"

They said, "The first one."

Jesus said to them, "Truly I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes will enter the kingdom of God before you do. **32** For John came to you in the way of righteousness, but you did not believe him. But the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. But you, even when you saw this, you did not repent afterward and believe him.

**33** "Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner. He planted a vineyard, set a hedge about it, dug a winepress in it, built a watchtower, and rented it out to vine growers. Then he went into another country. **34** When the time of the fruit harvest approached, he sent some servants to the vine growers to collect his fruit. **35** But the vine growers took his servants, beat one, killed another, and stoned still another. **36** Again, the owner sent other servants, more than the first, but the vine growers treated them in the same way. **37** After that, the owner sent his own son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.'

**38** "But when the vine growers saw the son, they said among themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and take over the inheritance.' **39** So they took him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. **40** Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those vine growers?"

**41** They said to him, "He will violently destroy those wicked people, and he will then rent out the vineyard to other vine growers, men who will give him his share of crops at the harvest time."

**42** Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the scriptures,

'The stone which the builders rejected

has been made the cornerstone.

This was from the Lord,

and it is marvelous in our eyes'?

**43** Therefore I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and will be given to a nation that produces its fruits. **44** Whoever falls on this stone will be broken to pieces. But anyone on whom it falls will be crushed." **45** When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they understood he was speaking about them. **46** Seeking to arrest him, they were afraid of the crowd, because the people regarded him as a prophet.

### Chapter 22

**1** Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying, **2** "The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who prepared a marriage feast for his son. **3** He sent out his servants to call those who had been invited to come to the marriage feast, but they would not come. **4** Again the king sent other servants, saying, 'Tell them who are invited, "See, I have prepared my dinner. My oxen and fattened cattle have been killed, and all things are ready. Come to the marriage feast."' **5** But they paid no attention and went away, one to his farm, another to his business. **6** The others seized the king's servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. **7** The king was angry, and he sent his soldiers and they destroyed those murderers and burned their city. **8** Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. **9** Therefore go to the highway crossings and invite as many people to the marriage feast as you can find.' **10** The servants went out to the highways and gathered together all the people they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests. **11** But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. **12** The king said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here without wedding clothes?' But the man was speechless. **13** Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind this man hand and foot, and throw him out into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and the grinding of teeth.' **14** For many people are called, but few are chosen."

**15** Then the Pharisees went and planned how they might entrap Jesus in his own talk. **16** Then they sent to him their disciples, together with the Herodians. They said to Jesus, "Teacher, we know that you are truthful, and that you teach God's way in truth. You care for no one's opinion, and you do not show partiality between people. **17** So tell us, what do you think? Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?"

**18** But Jesus understood their wickedness and said, "Why are you testing me, you hypocrites? **19** Show me the coin for the tax." Then they brought a denarius to him. **20** Jesus said to them, "Whose image and name are these?"

**21** They said to him, "Caesar's."

Then Jesus said to them, "Then give to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." **22** When they heard it, they marveled. Then they left him and went away.

**23** On that day some Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to him. They asked him, **24** saying, "Teacher, Moses said, 'If a man dies, having no children, his brother must marry his wife and raise children for his brother.' **25** There were seven brothers. The first married and then died. Having left no children, he left his wife to his brother. **26** Then the second brother did the same thing, then the third, all the way to the seventh brother. **27** After them all, the woman died. **28** Now in the resurrection, whose wife will she be of the seven brothers? For they all had married her."

**29** But Jesus answered and said to them, "You are mistaken because you do not know the scriptures or the power of God. **30** For in the resurrection they neither marry nor are given in marriage. Instead, they are like angels in heaven. **31** But concerning the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was spoken to you by God, saying, **32** 'I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living." **33** When the crowds heard this, they were astonished at his teaching.

**34** But when the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered themselves together. **35** One of them, an expert in the law, asked him a question, testing him— **36** "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the law?"

**37** Jesus said to him, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' **38** This is the great and first commandment. **39** And a second commandment is like it—'Love your neighbor as yourself.' **40** On these two commandments depend the whole law and the prophets."

**41** Now while the Pharisees were still gathered together, Jesus asked them a question. **42** He said, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?"

They said to him, "The son of David."

**43** Jesus said to them, "How then does David in the Spirit call him Lord, saying,

**44** 'The Lord said to my Lord,

"Sit at my right hand,

until I make your enemies your footstool"'?

**45** If David then calls the Christ 'Lord,' how is he David's son?" **46** No one was able to answer him a word, and no man dared ask him any more questions from that day on.

### Chapter 23

**1** Then Jesus spoke to the crowds and to his disciples. **2** He said, "The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat. **3** Therefore whatever they command you to do, do these things and observe them. But do not imitate their deeds, for they say things but then do not do them. **4** Yes, they bind heavy burdens that are difficult to carry, and then they put them on people's shoulders. But they themselves will not move a finger to carry them. **5** They do all their deeds to be seen by people. For they make their phylacteries wide, and they enlarge the edges of their garments. **6** They love the places of honor at feasts and the chief seats in the synagogues, **7** and special greetings in the marketplaces, and to be called 'Rabbi' by people. **8** But you must not be called 'Rabbi,' for you have only one teacher, and all of you are brothers. **9** And call no man on earth your father, for you have only one Father, and he is in heaven. **10** Neither must you be called 'teacher,' for you have only one teacher, the Christ. **11** But he who is greatest among you will be your servant. **12** Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.

**13** "But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! You shut the kingdom of heaven against people. For you do not enter it yourselves, and neither do you allow those about to enter to do so. **14***[*[1](#fn-040-023-014-1)*]***15** Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you go over sea and land to make one convert, and when he has become one, you make him twice as much a son of hell as you.

**16** "Woe to you, you blind guides, you who say, 'Whoever swears by the temple, it is nothing. But whoever swears by the gold of the temple, he is bound to his oath.' **17** You blind fools! Which is greater, the gold or the temple that makes the gold holy? **18** And, 'Whoever swears by the altar, it is nothing. But whoever swears by the gift that is on it, he is bound to his oath.' **19** You blind people! Which is greater, the gift or the altar that makes the gift holy? **20** Therefore, he who swears by the altar swears by it and by everything on it. **21** The one who swears by the temple swears by it and by the one who lives in it. **22** And the one who swears by heaven swears by the throne of God and by him who sits on it.

**23** "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you tithe mint and dill and cumin, but you have left undone the weightier matters of the law—justice and mercy and faithfulness. But these you ought to have done and not to have left the other undone. **24** You blind guides, you who strain out a gnat but swallow a camel!

**25** "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you clean the outside of the cup and of the plate, but inside they are full of robbery and self-indulgence. **26** You blind Pharisee! Clean first the inside of the cup and of the plate, so that the outside may become clean also.

**27** "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which on the outside look beautiful, but on the inside are full of dead men's bones and everything unclean. **28** In the same way, you also outwardly appear righteous to men, but on the inside you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness.

**29** "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you build the tombs of the prophets and decorate the tombs of the righteous. **30** You say, 'If we had lived in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partners with them in shedding the blood of the prophets.' **31** Therefore you testify against yourselves that you are sons of those who murdered the prophets. **32** You also fill up the measure of your fathers. **33** You serpents, you offspring of vipers, how will you escape the judgment of hell? **34** Therefore, see, I am sending you prophets and wise men and scribes. Some of them you will kill and crucify, and some you will whip in your synagogues and chase from city to city. **35** The result is that upon you will come all the righteous blood that has been shed on the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel, to the blood of Zechariah son of Berekiah, whom you murdered between the sanctuary and the altar. **36** Truly I say to you, all these things will come upon this generation.

**37** "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those who are sent to you! How often did I long to gather your children together, just as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing! **38** See, your house is left to you desolate. **39** For I say to you, you will not see me from now on until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

#### Footnotes

23:14 *[*[1](#ref-fn-040-023-014-1)*]*The best ancient copies do not have verse 14 (some copies add the verse after verse 12).

### Chapter 24

**1** Jesus went out from the temple and was going on his way. His disciples came to him to point out to him the buildings of the temple. **2** But he answered and said to them, "Do you not see all these things? Truly I say to you, not one stone will be left on another that will not be torn down."

**3** As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately and said, "Tell us, when will these things happen? What will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?"

**4** Jesus answered and said to them, "Be careful that no one leads you astray. **5** For many will come in my name. They will say, 'I am the Christ,' and will lead many astray. **6** You will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled, for these things must happen; but the end is not yet. **7** For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. **8** But all these things are only the beginning of birth pains. **9** Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you. You will be hated by all the nations for my name's sake. **10** Then many will stumble, and betray one another and hate one another. **11** Many false prophets will rise up and lead many astray. **12** Because lawlessness will increase, the love of many will grow cold. **13** But the one who endures to the end will be saved. **14** This good news of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all the nations. Then the end will come.

**15** "Therefore, when you see the abomination of desolation, which was spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place" (let the reader understand), **16** "let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, **17** let him who is on the housetop not go down to take anything out of his house, **18** and let him who is in the field not return to take his cloak. **19** But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing infants in those days! **20** Pray that your flight will not occur in the winter or on a Sabbath. **21** For there will be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, nor ever will be again. **22** Unless those days had been shortened, no flesh would be saved. But for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened. **23** Then if anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Christ!' or 'There is the Christ!' do not believe it. **24** For false Christs and false prophets will arise and show great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. **25** See, I have told you ahead of time. **26** Therefore, if they say to you, 'Look, he is in the wilderness,' do not go out to the wilderness. Or, 'See, he is in the inner rooms,' do not believe it. **27** For as the lightning shines out from the east and flashes all the way to the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. **28** Wherever a dead animal is, there the vultures will gather.

**29** "But immediately after the tribulation of those days

the sun will be darkened,

the moon will not give its light,

the stars will fall from the sky,

and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. **30** Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and all the tribes of the earth will mourn. They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky with power and great glory. **31** He will send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.

**32** "Learn a lesson from the fig tree. As soon as the branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. **33** So also, when you see all these things, you should know that he is near, at the very gates. **34** Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all of these things will have happened. **35** Heaven and the earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away. **36** But concerning that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. **37** As the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. **38** For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage until the day that Noah entered the ark, **39** and they knew nothing until the flood came and took them all away—so will be the coming of the Son of Man. **40** Then two men will be in a field—one will be taken, and one will be left. **41** Two women will be grinding with a mill—one will be taken, and one will be left. **42** Therefore be on your guard, for you do not know on what day your Lord will come. **43** But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what time of night the thief was coming, he would have been on guard and would not have allowed his house to be broken into. **44** Therefore you must also be ready, for the Son of Man will come at an hour that you do not expect.

**45** "So who is the faithful and wise servant whom his master has set over his household in order to give them their food at the right time? **46** Blessed is that servant whom his master will find doing that when he comes. **47** Truly I say to you that the master will set him over all his possessions. **48** But if an evil servant says in his heart, 'My master has been delayed,' **49** and begins to beat his fellow servants, and eats and drinks with drunkards, **50** then the master of that servant will come on a day that the servant does not expect and at an hour that he does not know. **51** His master will cut him in pieces and assign him a place with the hypocrites, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

### Chapter 25

**1** "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. **2** Five of them were foolish and five were wise. **3** For when the foolish virgins took their lamps, they did not take any oil with them. **4** But the wise virgins took containers of oil along with their lamps. **5** Now while the bridegroom was delayed, they all got sleepy and slept. **6** But at midnight there was a cry, 'Look, the bridegroom! Go out and meet him.'

**7** Then all those virgins rose up and trimmed their lamps. **8** The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil because our lamps are going out.'

**9** "But the wise answered and said, 'Since there will not be enough for us and you, go instead to those who sell and buy some for yourselves.' **10** While they went away to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut.

**11** "Afterward the other virgins also came and said, 'Master, master, open for us.'

**12** "But he answered and said, 'Truly I say to you, I do not know you.' **13** Watch therefore, for you do not know the day or the hour.

**14** "For it is like when a man was about to go into another country. He called his own servants and entrusted his possessions to them. **15** To one of them he gave five talents, to another he gave two, and to yet another he gave one talent. Each one received an amount according to his own ability, and that man went on his journey. **16** The one who received the five talents went at once and worked with them and gained another five talents. **17** In the same way, the one who had received two talents gained another two. **18** But the servant who had received one talent went away, dug a hole in the ground, and hid his master's money. **19** Now after a long time the master of those servants came back and settled accounts with them. **20** The servant who had received the five talents came and brought another five talents. He said, 'Master, you entrusted me with five talents. See, I have gained five talents more.'

**21** "His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful over a few things. I will put you in charge over many things. Enter into the joy of your master.'

**22** "The servant who had received two talents came and said, 'Master, you gave me two talents. See, I have gained two more talents.'

**23** "His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful over a few things. I will put you in charge over many things. Enter into the joy of your master.'

**24** "Then the servant who had received one talent came and said, 'Master, I know that you are a hard man. You reap where you did not sow, and you harvest where you did not scatter. **25** I was afraid, so I went away and hid your talent in the ground. See, you have here what belongs to you.'

**26** "But his master answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sowed and harvest where I have not scattered. **27** Therefore you should have given my money to the bankers, and at my coming I would have received back my own with interest. **28** Therefore take away the talent from him and give it to the servant who has ten talents. **29** For to everyone who possesses more will be given, and he will have an abundance. But from anyone who does not possess anything, even what he does have will be taken away. **30** Throw the worthless servant out into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.'

**31** "When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. **32** Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate the people one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. **33** He will place the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on his left. **34** Then the King will say to those on his right hand, 'Come, you who have been blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. **35** For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me a drink; I was a stranger and you took me in; **36** I was naked and you clothed me; I was sick and you cared for me; I was in prison and you came to me.'

**37** "Then the righteous will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you? Or thirsty and give you a drink? **38** When did we see you a stranger and take you in? Or naked and clothe you? **39** When did we see you sick or in prison and come to you?'

**40** "Then the King will answer and say to them, 'Truly I say to you, what you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it for me.' **41** Then he will say to those on his left hand, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire that has been prepared for the devil and his angels, **42** because I was hungry, but you did not give me food; I was thirsty, but you did not give me a drink; **43** I was a stranger, but you did not take me in; naked, but you did not clothe me; sick and in prison, but you did not care for me.'

**44** "Then they will also answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry, or thirsty, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not serve you?'

**45** "Then he will answer them and say, 'Truly I say to you, what you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.' **46** These will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

### Chapter 26

**1** It came about that when Jesus had finished all these words, he said to his disciples, **2** "You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the Son of Man will be given over to be crucified."

**3** Then the chief priests and the elders of the people were gathered together in the palace of the high priest, who was named Caiaphas. **4** They plotted together to arrest Jesus stealthily and kill him. **5** For they were saying, "Not during the festival, so that a riot does not arise among the people."

**6** Now while Jesus was in Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, **7** as he was reclining at table, a woman came to him having an alabaster jar of very expensive ointment, and she poured it upon his head. **8** But when his disciples saw it, they became angry and said, "What is the reason for this waste? **9** This could have been sold for a large amount and given to the poor."

**10** But Jesus, knowing this, said to them, "Why are you causing trouble for this woman? For she has done a beautiful thing for me. **11** You always have the poor with you, but you will not always have me. **12** For when she poured this ointment on my body, she did it for my burial. **13** Truly I say to you, wherever this good news is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be spoken of in memory of her."

**14** Then one of the twelve, who was named Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests **15** and said, "What are you willing to give me to turn him over to you?" They weighed out thirty pieces of silver for him. **16** From that moment he sought an opportunity to turn him over to them.

**17** Now on the first day of unleavened bread the disciples came to Jesus and said, "Where do you want us to prepare for you to eat the Passover meal?"

**18** He said, "Go into the city to a certain man and say to him, 'The Teacher says, "My time is at hand. I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples."'" **19** The disciples did as Jesus directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal.

**20** When evening came, he sat down to eat with the twelve disciples. **21** As they were eating, he said, "Truly I say to you that one of you will betray me."

**22** They were very sorrowful, and each one began to ask him, "Surely not I, Lord?"

**23** He answered, "The one who dips his hand with me in the dish is the one who will betray me. **24** The Son of Man will go, just as it is written about him. But woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would be better for that man if he had not been born."

**25** Judas, who would betray him said, "Is it I, Rabbi?"

He said to him, "You have said it yourself."

**26** As they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed it, and broke it. He gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat. This is my body." **27** He took a cup and gave thanks, and gave it to them and said, "Drink it, all of you. **28** For this is my blood of the covenant that is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. **29** But I say to you, I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

**30** When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. **31** Then Jesus said to them, "All of you will fall away tonight because of me, for it is written,

'I will strike the shepherd

and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'

**32** But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you into Galilee."

**33** But Peter said to him, "Even if all fall away because of you, I will never fall away."

**34** Jesus said to him, "Truly I say to you, this very night, before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times."

**35** Peter said to him, "Even if I must die with you, I will not deny you." All the other disciples said the same thing.

**36** Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane and said to his disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." **37** He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee with him and began to become sorrowful and troubled. **38** Then he said to them, "My soul is deeply sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch with me." **39** He went a little farther, fell on his face, and prayed. He said, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me. Yet, not as I will, but as you will." **40** He came to the disciples and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, "What, could you not watch with me for one hour? **41** Watch and pray that you do not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." **42** He went away a second time and prayed. He said, "My Father, if this cannot pass away unless I drink it, your will be done." **43** He came again and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. **44** So leaving them again, he went away and prayed a third time, saying the same words. **45** Then Jesus came to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Look, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of sinners. **46** Arise, let us go. Look, the one who is betraying me is near."

**47** While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, came. A large crowd came with him from the chief priests and elders of the people. They came with swords and clubs. **48** Now the man who was going to betray Jesus had given them a signal, saying, "The one I kiss is the man. Seize him." **49** Immediately he came up to Jesus and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and he kissed him.

**50** Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you have come to do." Then they came, laid hands on Jesus, and seized him. **51** Behold, one of those who was with Jesus stretched out his hand, drew his sword, and struck the servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear. **52** Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back in its place, for all those who take up the sword will perish by the sword. **53** Do you think that I could not call upon my Father, and he would send me more than twelve legions of angels? **54** But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, that this must happen?" **55** At that time Jesus said to the crowd, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to seize me like a robber? Every day I sat teaching in the temple, and you did not arrest me. **56** But all this has happened so that the writings of the prophets might be fulfilled." Then all the disciples abandoned him and fled.

**57** Those who had seized Jesus led him away to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders had gathered together. **58** But Peter followed him from a distance to the courtyard of the high priest. He went inside and sat down with the officers to see the outcome. **59** Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they might put him to death. **60** They did not find any, even though many false witnesses came forward. But later two came forward **61** and said, "This man said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and rebuild it in three days.'"

**62** The high priest stood up and said to him, "Do you have no answer? What is it that they are testifying against you?" **63** But Jesus was silent. The high priest said to him, "I command you by the living God, tell us whether you are the Christ, the Son of God."

**64** Jesus replied to him, "You have said it yourself. But I tell you, from now on you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven."

**65** Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "He has spoken blasphemy! Why do we still need witnesses? Look, now you have heard the blasphemy. **66** What do you think?"

They answered and said, "He is deserving of death." **67** Then they spit in his face and beat him with their fists, while some slapped him **68** and said, "Prophesy to us, you Christ. Who is it that struck you?"

**69** Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard, and a servant girl came to him and said, "You were also with Jesus of Galilee."

**70** But he denied it in front of them all, saying, "I do not know what you are talking about."

**71** When he went out to the gateway, another servant girl saw him and said to those there, "This man was also with Jesus of Nazareth."

**72** He again denied it with an oath, "I do not know the man!"

**73** After a little while those who were standing by came and said to Peter, "Surely you are also one of them, for the way you speak gives you away."

**74** Then he began to curse and swear, "I do not know the man," and immediately a rooster crowed.

**75** Peter remembered the words that Jesus had said, "Before the rooster crows you will deny me three times." Then he went outside and wept bitterly.

### Chapter 27

**1** Now when morning came, all the chief priests and elders of the people plotted against Jesus to put him to death. **2** They bound him, led him away, and delivered him to Pilate the governor.

**3** Then when Judas, who had betrayed him, saw that Jesus had been condemned, he repented and returned the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, **4** and said, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood."

But they said, "What is that to us? See to that yourself." **5** Then he threw down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went out and hanged himself. **6** The chief priests took the pieces of silver and said, "It is not lawful to put this into the treasury because it is the price of blood." **7** They discussed the matter together, and they bought with the money the potter's field in which to bury strangers. **8** For this reason that field has been called, "The Field of Blood" to this day. **9** Then that which had been spoken by Jeremiah the prophet was fulfilled, saying, "They took the thirty pieces of silver, the price set on him by the sons of Israel, **10** and they gave it for the potter's field, as the Lord had directed me."

**11** Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"

Jesus answered him, "You say so."

**12** But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing. **13** Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many things they accuse you of?" **14** But he did not answer even one word, so that the governor was greatly amazed. **15** Now at the festival it was the custom of the governor to set free one prisoner chosen by the crowd. **16** At that time they had a notorious prisoner named Jesus Barabbas. *[*[1](#fn-040-027-016-1)*]***17** So when they were gathered together, Pilate said to them, "Who do you want me to set free for you? Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?" **18** He knew that they had handed Jesus over to him because of envy.

**19** While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him and said, "Have nothing to do with that innocent man. For I have suffered much today because of a dream I had about him."

**20** Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd that they should ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. **21** The governor asked them, "Which of the two do you want me to set free for you?"

They said, "Barabbas."

**22** Pilate said to them, "What should I do with Jesus who is called Christ?"

They all answered, "Crucify him."

**23** Then he said, "Why, what evil has he done?"

But they cried out even louder, "Crucify him."

**24** So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but instead a riot was starting, he took water, washed his hands in front of the crowd, and said, "I am innocent of the blood of this man. You see to it."

**25** All the people said, "May his blood be on us and our children." **26** Then he set Barabbas free for them, but he scourged Jesus and handed him over to be crucified.

**27** Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the government headquarters and they gathered the whole company of soldiers. **28** They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him. **29** They made a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and placed a staff in his right hand. They knelt down before him and mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" **30** They spat on him, and they took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. **31** When they had mocked him, they took the robe off him and put his own garments on him, and led him away to crucify him.

**32** As they came out, they found a man from Cyrene named Simon, whom they forced to go with them so that he might carry his cross. **33** They came to a place called Golgotha, which means "The Place of a Skull." **34** They gave him wine to drink mixed with gall. But when he tasted it, he would not drink. **35** When they had crucified him, they divided up his garments by casting lots, **36** and they sat and kept guard over him. **37** Above his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the king of the Jews." **38** Two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right of him and one on the left. **39** Those who passed by insulted him, shaking their heads **40** and saying, "You who were going to destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross!"

**41** In the same way the chief priests were mocking him, along with the scribes and elders, and said, **42** "He saved others, but he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel. Let him come down off the cross, and then we will believe in him. **43** He trusts in God, let God rescue him now, if God consents to release him. For he even said, 'I am the Son of God.'" **44** In the same way the robbers who were crucified with him also insulted him.

**45** Now from the sixth hour darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. **46** About the ninth hour, Jesus cried with a loud voice and said, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"

**47** When some of those who were standing there heard it, they said, "He is calling for Elijah."

**48** Immediately one of them ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a reed staff, and gave it to him to drink. **49** The rest of them said, "Leave him alone. Let us see whether Elijah comes to save him." **50** Then Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and gave up his spirit.

**51** Behold, the curtain of the temple was split in two from the top to the bottom, and the earth shook, and the rocks split apart. **52** The tombs were opened, and the bodies of the holy people who had fallen asleep were raised. **53** They came out of the tombs after his resurrection, entered the holy city, and appeared to many. **54** Now when the centurion and those who were watching Jesus saw the earthquake and the things that had happened, they became very afraid and said, "Truly this was the Son of God." **55** Many women who had followed Jesus from Galilee to attend to his needs were there watching from a distance. **56** Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

**57** When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. **58** He approached Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. **59** Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, **60** and laid it in his own new tomb that he had cut into the rock. Then he rolled a large stone against the door of the tomb and went away. **61** Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb.

**62** The next day, which was the day after the Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees were gathered together with Pilate. **63** They said, "Sir, we remember that when that deceiver was alive, he said, 'After three days will I rise again.' **64** Therefore command that the tomb be made secure until the third day, otherwise his disciples may come and steal him and say to the people, 'He has risen from the dead,' and the last deception will be worse than the first."

**65** Pilate said to them, "Take a guard. Go and make it as secure as you know how." **66** So they went and made the tomb secure, sealing the stone and placing the guard.

#### Footnotes

27:16 *[*[1](#ref-fn-040-027-016-1)*]*Many ancient copies do not have

### Chapter 28

**1** Now after the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb. **2** Behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, came and rolled away the stone, and sat on it. **3** His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. **4** The guards shook with fear and became like dead men. **5** The angel addressed the women and said to them, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus, who has been crucified. **6** He is not here, but is risen, just as he said. Come see the place where the Lord was lying. **7** Go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has risen from the dead. See, he is going ahead of you to Galilee. There you will see him.' See, I have told you."

**8** The women quickly left the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. **9** Behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" The women came, took hold of his feet and worshiped him. **10** Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go tell my brothers to leave for Galilee. There they will see me."

**11** Now while the women were going, behold, some of the guards went into the city and told the chief priests all the things that had happened. **12** When the priests had met with the elders and discussed the matter with them, they gave a large amount of money to the soldiers **13** and told them, "Say to others, 'The disciples of Jesus came by night and stole his body while we were sleeping.' **14** If this report reaches the governor, we will persuade him and take any worries away from you." **15** So the soldiers took the money and did as they had been instructed. This report spread widely among the Jews and continues even today.

**16** But the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. **17** When they saw him, they worshiped him, but some doubted. **18** Jesus came to them and spoke to them and said, "All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth. **19** Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations. Baptize them into the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **20** Teach them to obey all the things that I have commanded you. See, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."