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THE GOSPEL OF JESUS BY MARK

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Mark 6:1–29 – November 27, 2022 – Pastor D R Hilken

What _____ Jesus?

Jesus marveled at their unbelief (6:6)

Jesus marveled at the centurion's great faith (Mt 8:10)

The power of _____

1. Unbelief hides/ignores the _____
2. Unbelief elevates the _____
3. Unbelief attacks the messenger
4. Unbelief _____ the miraculous

Disciples _____ (6:1)

Jesus is a faithful church attender (6:2)

Jesus' previous vocation – teknon

a _____

Jesus' family

supernaturally implanted genetic father, Yahweh
biological mother, Mary (son of Mary – verse 3)

Joseph, father who adopted him

half-brothers & half-sisters

James, Joses, Judas, Simon, “sisters”

Greatly _____ ~ listening _____ (vss 19–20)

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UP AND FOLLOWED HIM

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AT LEVI'S HOUSE
MANY TAX
COLLECTORS AND SINNERS WERE EATING
WITH HIM AND HIS
DISCIPLES
FOR THERE WERE MANY WHO FOLLOWED HIM
16 WHEN
THE TEACHERS OF THE LAW
WHO WERE PHARISEES
SAW HIM EATING
WITH THE SINNERS AND TAX COLLECTORS
THEY ASKED HIS
DISCIPLES
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NOT?"

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FAST
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JESUS IS LORD OF THE SABBATH
23 AS HE WAS GOING THROUGH THE GRAINFIELDS
AND
HEEDS ALONG
THEY BEGAN TO PICK SOME HEADS
OF WHEAT
24 JESUS SEES SAID TO HIM
"LOOK
WHY ARE THEY
DOING THIS?
IS IT UNLAWFUL ON THE SABBATH?"
25 HE ANSWERED
"HAVE YOU NEVER READ WHAT DAVID DID
WHEN HE
AND HIS COMPANIONS WERE HUNGRY
AND IN NEED?
26 IN THE DAYS
OF ABIAHAR THE HIGH PRIEST
HE ENTERED THE HOUSE OF GOD
AND
ATE THE CONSECRATED BREAD
WHICH IS LAWFUL ONLY FOR PRIESTS
TO EAT
AND HE ALSO GAVE SOME TO HIS COMPANIONS"
27 THEN HE SAID TO THEM
"THE SABBATH WAS MADE FOR MAN
NOT
MAN FOR THE SABBATH"
28 SO THE SON OF MAN IS LORD EVEN OF THE
SABBATH"

JESUS HEALS ON THE SABBATH
1 ANOTHER TIME JESUS WENT INTO THE SYNAGOGUE
AND A MAN
WITH A SHRIVELED HAND WAS THERE
2 SOME OF THEM WERE
LOOKING FOR A REASON
TO ACCUSE JESUS
SO THEY WATCHED HIM
CLOSELY
TO SEE IF HE WOULD HEAL HIM ON THE SABBATH
3 JESUS
SAID TO THE MAN WITH THE SHRIVELED HAND
"STAND UP
IN FRONT
OF EVERYONE"

4 THEN JESUS ASKED THEM
"WHICH IS LAWFUL ON THE SABBATH
TO
DO GOOD OR TO DO EVIL
TO SAVE LIFE OR TO KILL?"
BUT THEY
REMAINED SILENT

5 HE LOOKED AROUND AT THEM IN ANGER
AND DEEPLY DISTRESSED
AT THEIR STUBBORN HEARTS
SAID TO THE MAN
"STRETCH OUT YOUR
HAND"
HE STRETCHED IT OUT
AND HIS HAND WAS COMPLETELY
RESTORED
6 THEN THE PHARISEES WENT OUT
AND BEGAN TO PLOT
WITH THE HERODIANS
HOW THEY MIGHT KILL JESUS

CROWDS FOLLOW JESUS
7 JESUS WITHDREW WITH HIS DISCIPLES TO THE LAKE
AND A LARGE
CROWD FROM GALILEE FOLLOWED
8 WHEN THEY HEARD ABOUT ALL
HE WAS DOING
MANY PEOPLE CAME TO HIM FROM JUDEA
JERUSALEM
IDUMEA
AND THE REGIONS ACROSS THE JORDAN
AND AROUND TYRE AND SIDON
9 BECAUSE OF THE CROWD
HE TOLD HIS
DISCIPLES TO HAVE A SMALL BOAT
READY FOR HIM
TO KEEP THE
PEOPLE FROM CROWDING HIM
10 FOR HE HAD HEALED MANY
SO THAT
THOSE WITH DISEASES WERE PUSHING FORWARD
TO TOUCH HIM
11
WHENEVER THE IMPURE SPIRITS SAW HIM
THEY FELL DOWN BEFORE
HIM
AND CRIED OUT
"YOU ARE THE SON OF GOD"
12 BUT HE GAVE
THEM STRICT ORDERS
NOT TO TELL OTHERS ABOUT HIM
JESUS APPOINTS THE TWELVE

13 JESUS WENT UP ON A MOUNTAIN
SIDE AND CALLED TO HIM THOSE
HE WANTED
AND THEY CAME TO HIM
14 HE APPOINTED TWELVE
THAT
THEY MIGHT BE WITH HIM
AND THAT HE MIGHT SEND THEM OUT
TO PREACH
15 AND TO HAVE AUTHORITY TO DRIVE OUT DEMONS
16
THESE ARE THE TWELVE HE APPOINTED
SIMON (TO WHOM HE GAVE
THE NAME PETER)
17 JAMES SON OF ZEBEDEE
AND HIS BROTHER JOHN
(TO THEM HE GAVE THE NAME BOANERGES
WHICH MEANS "SONS OF
THUNDER")
18 ANDREW PHILIP BARTHOLOMEW
MATTIAS
19 THOMAS
JAMES SON OF ALPHEAUS
THADDAEUS
SIMON THE CANANAN
AND JUDAS ISCARIOT
WHO BETRAYED HIM
JESUS ACCUSED BY HIS FAMILY
AND BY TEACHERS OF THE LAW
20 THEN JESUS ENTERED A HOUSE
AND AGAIN A CROWD GATHERED
SO THAT HE AND HIS DISCIPLES WERE NOT EVEN ABLE
TO EAT
21
WHEN HIS FAMILY HEARD ABOUT THIS
THEY WENT TO TAKE CHARGE
OF HIM
FOR THEY SAID
"HE IS OUT OF HIS MIND"
22 AND THE TEACHERS OF THE LAW
WHO CAME DOWN FROM
JERUSALEM SAID
"HE IS POSSESSED BY BEELZEBUL
BY THE PRINCE
OF DEMONS
HE IS DRIVING OUT DEMONS"

23 SO JESUS CALLED THEM OVER TO HIM
AND BEGAN TO SPEAK TO
THEM IN PARABLES
"HOW CAN SATAN DRIVE OUT SATAN?"
24 IF A

STAND
25 IF A
S IS DIVIDED AGAINST ITSELF
IT WILL NOT STAND
26 AND IF SATAN OPPOSES HIMSELF
AND IS DIV
HE CANNOT STAND
HIS END HAS COME
27 IN FACT
NO ONE CAN
ENTER A STRONG MAN'S HOUSE
WITHOUT FIRST TRYING HIM UP
HE CAN PL UNDER THE STRONG MAN'S HOUSE
28 TRULY I TELL Y
PEOPLE CAN BE FORGIVEN ALL THEIR SINS
AND EVERY SLANDE
UTTER
29 BUT WHOEVER BLASPHEMES AGAINST THE HOLY SPIR
WILL NEVER BE FORGIVEN
THEY ARE GUILTY OF AN ETERNAL S
30 HE SAID THIS BECAUSE THEY WERE SAYING
"HE HAS AN IMPU
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STANDING
OUTSIDE
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"YOUR MOTHER
BROTHERS ARE OUTSIDE
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33 "WHO ARE MY MOTHER AND MY BROTHERS?"
HE ASKED
34 THEN HE LOOKED AT THOSE SEATED IN A CIRCLE AROUND HIM
SAID
"HERE ARE MY MOTHER AND MY BROTHERS!"
35 WHOEVER
GOD'S WILL IS MY BROTHER AND SISTER AND MOTHER

THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER
4 AGAIN JESUS BEGAN TO TEACH BY THE LAKE
THE CROWD THA
GATHERED AROUND HIM WAS SO LARGE
THAT HE GOT INTO A BO
AND SAT IN IT
OUT ON THE LAKE
WHILE ALL THE PEOPLE WERE
ALONG THE SHORE AT THE WATER'S EDGE
2 HE TAUGHT THEM M
THINGS BY PARABLES
AND IN HIS TEACHING SAID
3 "LISTEN!
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4 AS HE WAS SCATTERING
SEED
SOME FELL ALONG THE PATH
AND THE BIRDS CAME AND
UP
5 SOME FELL ON ROCKY PLACES
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IT SPANG UP QUICKLY
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"THEY MAY BE EVER SEEING
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AND EVER HEARING
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OTHERWISE THEY MIGHT TURN
AND BE FORGIVEN!"

13 THEN JESUS SAID TO THEM
"DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND THIS
PARABLE?
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YOU OUT TO FISH FOR PEOPLE." 18 AT ONCE THEY LEFT THEIR
ND FOLLOWED HIM.

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UIET!" SAID JESUS STERNLY: "COME OUT OF HIM!" 26 THE
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OPLE WERE ALL SO AMAZED THAT THEY ASKED EACH OTHER,
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HEALS MANY
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41 JESUS WAS INDIGNANT. HE REACHED OUT HIS HAND AND
TOUCHED THE MAN. "I AM WILLING," HE SAID, "BE CLEAN!"
42 IMMEDIATELY THE LEPROSY LEFT HIM AND HE WAS CLEANSED.
43 JESUS SENT HIM AWAY AT ONCE WITH A STRONG WARNING:
44 "SEE THAT YOU DON'T GO TELLING ANYONE THIS."
45 BUT HE WENT OUT AND PUBLISHED THE NEWS OF HIS HEALING.
46 HE OPENLY BUT STAYED OUTSIDE IN LONELY PLACES,
YET THE PEOPLE STILL CAME TO HIM FROM EVERYWHERE.

JESUS FORGIVES AND HEALS A PARALYZED MAN
2 A FEW DAYS LATER, WHEN JESUS AGAIN ENTERED CAPERNAUM, THE
PEOPLE HEARD THAT HE HAD COME HOME. 2 THEY GATHERED IN SUCH
LARGE NUMBERS THAT THERE WAS NO ROOM LEFT, NOT EVEN
OUTSIDE THE DOOR, AND HE PREACHED THE WORD TO THEM. 3 SOME
MEN CAME, BRINGING TO HIM A PARALYZED MAN, CARRIED BY FOUR
OF THEM. 4 SINCE THEY COULD NOT GET HIM TO JESUS BECAUSE OF
THE CROWD, THEY MADE AN OPENING IN THE ROOF ABOVE JESUS BY
DIGGING THROUGH IT AND THEN LOWERED THE MAT THE MAN WAS
LYING ON. 5 WHEN JESUS SAW THEIR FAITH, HE SAID TO THE
PARALYZED MAN: "SON, YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN."

6 NOW SOME TEACHERS OF THE LAW WERE SITTING THERE, THINKING
TO THEMSELVES: 7 "WHY DOES THIS FELLOW TALK LIKE THAT? HE'S
BLASPHEMING! WHO CAN FORGIVE SINS BUT GOD ALONE?"

8 IMMEDIATELY JESUS KNEW IN HIS SPIRIT THAT THIS WAS WHAT THEY
WERE THINKING IN THEIR HEARTS, AND HE SAID TO THEM: "WHY ARE
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SAID TO THE MAN: 11 "I TELL YOU, GET UP, TAKE YOUR MAT AND GO
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OF THEM ALL. THIS AMAZED EVERYONE AND THEY PRAISED GOD,
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13 ONCE AGAIN JESUS WENT OUT BESIDE THE LAKE. A LARGE CROWD
CAME TO HIM, AND HE BEGAN TO TEACH THEM. 14 AS HE WALKED
ALONG, HE SAW LEVI SON OF ALPHEAUS SITTING AT THE TAX
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UP AND FOLLOWED HIM.

15 WHILE JESUS WAS HAVING DINNER AT LEVI'S HOUSE, MANY TAX
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WITH THE SINNERS AND TAX COLLECTORS, THEY ASKED HIS
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17 ON HEARING THIS, JESUS SAID TO THEM: "IT IS NOT THE HEALTHY
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JESUS QUESTIONED ABOUT FASTING
18 NOW JOHN'S DISCIPLES AND THE PHARISEES WERE FASTING. SOME
PEOPLE CAME AND ASKED JESUS: "HOW IS IT THAT JOHN'S DISCIPLES
AND THE DISCIPLES OF THE PHARISEES ARE FASTING, BUT YOURS ARE
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19 JESUS ANSWERED: "HOW CAN THE GUESTS OF THE BRIDEGROOM
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23 "WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?" SAID JESUS.
24 "I WAS GOING THROUGH THE GRAINFIELDS, AND
MY DISCIPLES WALKED AROUND. THEY BEGAN TO PICK SOME HEADS
OF GRAIN. 25 THE PHARISEES SAID TO HIM: "LOOK, WHY ARE THEY
DOING THIS? IS IT UNLAWFUL ON THE SABBATH?"

26 HE ANSWERED: "HAVE YOU NEVER READ WHAT DAVID DID WHEN HE
AND HIS COMPANIONS WERE HUNGRY AND IN NEED? 26 IN THE DAYS
OF ABIAHAR THE HIGH PRIEST, HE ENTERED THE HOUSE OF GOD AND
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A FEW DAYS LATER, WHEN JESUS AGAIN ENTERED CAPERNAUM, THE PEOPLE HEARD THAT HE HAD COME HOME. 2 THEY GATHERED IN SUCH LARGE NUMBERS THAT THERE WAS NO ROOM LEFT, NOT EVEN OUTSIDE THE DOOR, AND HE PREACHED THE WORD TO THEM. 3 SOME MEN CAME, BRINGING TO HIM A PARALYZED MAN, CARRIED BY FOUR OF THEM. 4 SINCE THEY COULD NOT GET HIM TO JESUS BECAUSE OF THE CROWD, THEY MADE AN OPENING IN THE ROOF ABOVE JESUS BY DIGGING THROUGH IT AND THEN LOWERED THE MAN, THE MAN WAS LYING ON 5 WHEN JESUS SAW THEIR FAITH, HE SAID TO THE PARALYZED MAN, "SON, YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN."

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JESUS IMMEDIATELY KNEW IN HIS SPIRIT THAT THIS WAS WHAT THEY WERE THINKING IN THEIR HEARTS, AND HE SAID TO THEM, "WHY ARE YOU THINKING THESE THINGS? 9 WHICH IS EASIER, TO SAY TO THIS PARALYZED MAN, 'YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN,' OR TO SAY, 'GET UP, TAKE YOUR MAT AND WALK?' 10 BUT I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT THE SON OF MAN HAS AUTHORITY ON EARTH TO FORGIVE SINS." SO HE SAID TO THE MAN, "11 GET UP, TAKE YOUR MAT AND GO HOME." 12 HE GOT UP, TOOK HIS MAT AND WALKED OUT IN FULL VIEW OF THEM ALL. THIS AMAZED EVERYONE AND THEY PRAISED GOD, SAYING, "WE HAVE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS!"

JESUS CALLS LEVI AND EATS WITH SINNERS
13 ONCE AGAIN JESUS WENT OUT BESIDE THE LAKE. A LARGE CROWD CAME TO HIM, AND HE BEGAN TO TEACH THEM. 14 AS HE WALKED ALONG, HE SAW LEVI, SON OF ALPHEAUS SITTING AT THE TAX COLLECTOR'S BOOTH. "FOLLOW ME," JESUS TOLD HIM, AND LEVI GOT UP AND FOLLOWED HIM.

WHILE JESUS WAS HAVING DINNER AT LEVI'S HOUSE, MANY TAX COLLECTORS AND SINNERS WERE EATING WITH HIM AND HIS DISCIPLES. FOR THERE WERE MANY WHO FOLLOWED HIM. 16 WHEN THE TEACHERS OF THE LAW WHO WERE PHARISEES SAW HIM EATING WITH THE SINNERS AND TAX COLLECTORS, THEY ASKED HIS DISCIPLES, "WHY DOES HE EAT WITH TAX COLLECTORS AND SINNERS?"

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THEN JESUS ASKED THEM, "WHICH IS LAWFUL ON THE SABBATH, TO DO GOOD OR TO DO EVIL, TO SAVE LIFE OR TO KILL?" BUT THEY REMAINED SILENT.

HE LOOKED AROUND AT THEM IN ANGER AND DEEPLY DISTRESSED AT THEIR STUBBORN HEARTS, SAID TO THE MAN, "STRETCH OUT YOUR HAND." HE STRETCHED IT OUT, AND HIS HAND WAS COMPLETELY RESTORED. 6 THEN THE PHARISEES WENT OUT AND BEGAN TO PLOT WITH THE HERODIANS HOW THEY MIGHT KILL JESUS.

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7 JESUS WITHDREW WITH HIS DISCIPLES TO THE LAKE, AND A LARGE CROWD FROM GALILEE FOLLOWED. 8 WHEN THEY HEARD ABOUT ALL HE WAS DOING, MANY PEOPLE CAME TO HIM FROM JUDEA, JERUSALEM, IDUMEA, AND THE REGIONS ACROSS THE JORDAN AND AROUND TYRE AND SIDON. 9 BECAUSE OF THE CROWD HE TOLD HIS DISCIPLES TO HAVE A SMALL BOAT READY FOR HIM, TO KEEP THE PEOPLE FROM CROWDING HIM. 10 FOR HE HAD HEALED MANY, SO THAT THOSE WITH DISEASES WERE PUSHING FORWARD TO TOUCH HIM. 11 WHENEVER THE IMPURE SPIRITS SAW HIM, THEY FELL DOWN BEFORE HIM AND CRIED OUT, "YOU ARE THE SON OF GOD." 12 BUT HE GAVE THEM STRICT ORDERS NOT TO TELL OTHERS ABOUT HIM. 13 JESUS APPOINTED THE TWELVE. 14 HE WENT UP ON A MOUNTAINSIDE AND CALLED TO HIM THOSE HE WANTED, AND THEY CAME TO HIM. 15 HE APPOINTED TWELVE THAT THEY MIGHT BE WITH HIM AND THAT HE MIGHT SEND THEM OUT TO PREACH 16 AND TO HAVE AUTHORITY TO DRIVE OUT DEMONS. 17 THESE ARE THE TWELVE HE APPOINTED: SIMON (TO WHOM HE GAVE THE NAME PETER), 18 JAMES SON OF ZEBEDEE AND HIS BROTHER JOHN (TO THEM HE GAVE THE NAME BOANERGES, WHICH MEANS "SONS OF THUNDER"), 19 ANDREW, PHILIP, BARTHOLOMEW, MATTHEW THE TAX COLLECTOR, JAMES SON OF ALPHEAUS, THADDAEUS, SIMON THE CANNER, JUDAS ISCARIOT WHO BETRAYED HIM. 20 THEN JESUS ENTERED A HOUSE, AND AGAIN A CROWD GATHERED SO THAT HE AND HIS DISCIPLES WERE NOT EVEN ABLE TO EAT. 21 WHEN HIS FAMILY HEARD ABOUT THIS, THEY WENT TO TAKE CHARGE OF HIM, FOR THEY SAID, "HE IS OUT OF HIS MIND." 22 AND THE TEACHERS OF THE LAW WHO CAME DOWN FROM JERUSALEM SAID, "HE IS POSSESSED BY BEELZEBUL, BY THE PRINCE OF DEMONS. HE IS DRIVING OUT DEMONS."

SO JESUS CALLED THEM OVER TO HIM AND BEGAN TO SPEAK TO THEM IN PARABLES, "HOW CAN SATAN DRIVE OUT SATAN? 24 IF A

STAND, 25 IF A KINGDOM IS DIVIDED AGAINST ITSELF, THAT KINGDOM CANNOT STAND. 26 AND IF SATAN OPPOSES HIMSELF AND IS DIVIDED, HE CANNOT STAND. HIS END HAS COME. 27 IN FACT, NO ONE CAN ENTER A STRONG MAN'S HOUSE WITHOUT FIRST TRYING HIM UP. HE CAN PLUNDER THE STRONG MAN'S HOUSE. 28 TRULY I TELL YOU, PEOPLE CAN BE FORGIVEN ALL THEIR SINS AND EVERY SLANDER UTTERED. 29 BUT WHOEVER BLASPHEMES AGAINST THE HOLY SPIRIT CANNOT BE FORGIVEN, EITHER IN THIS AGE OR IN THE AGE TO COME, BECAUSE THEY WERE SAYING, 'HE HAS AN IMPURE SPIRIT.'"

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THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER
4 AGAIN JESUS BEGAN TO TEACH BY THE LAKE. THE CROWD THAT GATHERED AROUND HIM WAS SO LARGE THAT HE GOT INTO A BOAT AND SAT IN IT OUT ON THE LAKE, WHILE ALL THE PEOPLE WERE ALONG THE SHORE AT THE WATER'S EDGE. 2 HE TAUGHT THEM MANY THINGS BY PARABLES, AND IN HIS TEACHING SAID, 3 "LISTEN! A FARMER WENT OUT TO SOW HIS SEED. 4 AS HE WAS SCATTERING SEED, SOME FELL ALONG THE PATH, AND THE BIRDS CAME AND ATE IT UP. 5 SOME FELL ON ROCKY PLACES, WHERE IT DID NOT HAVE MUCH SOIL. IT SPRANG UP QUICKLY, BECAUSE THE SOIL WAS SHALLOW. WHEN THE SUN CAME UP, THE PLANTS WERE SCORCHED, AND THEY WITHERED BECAUSE THEY HAD NO ROOT. 7 OTHER SEED FELL AMONG THORNS, WHICH GREW UP AND CHOKED THE PLANTS, SO THAT THEY DID NOT BEAR GRAIN. 8 STILL OTHER SEED FELL ON GOOD SOIL. IT GREW AND PRODUCED A CROP, SOME MULTIPLYING THIRTY TIMES, SOME SIXTY, SOME A HUNDRED TIMES."

THEN JESUS SAID, "WHOEVER HAS EARS TO HEAR, LET THEM HEAR. 10 WHEN HE WAS ALONE, THE TWELVE AND THE OTHERS AROUND HIM ASKED HIM ABOUT THE PARABLES. 11 HE TOLD THEM, "THE SECRET OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD HAS BEEN GIVEN TO YOU, BUT TO THOSE OUTSIDE EVERYTHING IS SAID IN PARABLES. 12 SO THAT

"THEY MAY BE EVER SEEING BUT NEVER PERCEIVING, EVER HEARING BUT NEVER UNDERSTANDING, OTHERWISE THEY MIGHT TURN AND BE FORGIVEN!"

THEN JESUS SAID TO THEM, "DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND THIS PARABLE? HOW THEN WILL YOU UNDERSTAND ANY PARABLE? THE FARMER SOWS THE SEED, 15 SOME PEOPLE ARE LIKE SEED ALONG THE PATH, WHERE THE WORD IS SOWN AS SOON AS THEY HEAR IT, SATAN COMES AND TAKES AWAY THE WORD THAT WAS SOWN IN THEM. 16 OTHERS, LIKE SEED SOWN ON ROCKY PLACES, HEAR THE WORD AT ONCE, RECEIVE IT WITH JOY, 17 BUT SINCE THEY HAVE NO ROOT, THEY LAST ONLY A SHORT TIME. WHEN TROUBLE OR PERSECUTION COMES BECAUSE OF THE WORD, THEY QUICKLY FALL AWAY. 18 OTHERS, LIKE SEED SOWN AMONG THORNS, HEAR THE WORD, 19 BUT THE WORRIES OF THIS LIFE, THE DECEITFULNESS OF WEALTH AND THE DESIRE FOR OTHER THINGS, CHOKE THE WORD. 20 IT GROWS UP FOR A SHORT TIME, BUT SATAN COMES AND TAKES AWAY THE WORD. 21 SIXTYFOLD OR HUNDREDFOLD TIMES WHAT WAS SOWN."

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TAX COLLECTOR), JAMES SON OF ALPHEAUS, THADDAEUS, SIMON THE
KANAANITE, JUDAS ISCARIOT, WHO BETRAYED HIM.
JESUS ACCUSED BY HIS FAMILY AND BY TEACHERS OF THE LAW
20 THEN JESUS ENTERED A HOUSE, AND AGAIN A CROWD GATHERED
SO THAT HE AND HIS DISCIPLES WERE NOT EVEN ABLE TO EAT. 21
WHEN HIS FAMILY HEARD ABOUT THIS, THEY WENT TO TAKE CHARGE
OF HIM, FOR THEY SAID, "HE IS OUT OF HIS MIND."
22 AND THE TEACHERS OF THE LAW WHO CAME DOWN FROM
JERUSALEM SAID, "HE IS POSSESSED BY BEELZEBUL, BY THE PRINCE
OF DEMONS. HE IS DRIVING OUT DEMONS."
23 SO JESUS CALLED THEM OVER TO HIM AND BEGAN TO SPEAK TO
THEM IN PARABLES, "HOW CAN SATAN DRIVE OUT SATAN? 24 IF A

STAND UP AGAINST ITSELF, IT WILL BE DIVIDED AGAINST ITSELF, THAT HOUSE
CANNOT STAND. 25 AND IF SATAN OPPOSES HIMSELF AND IS DIVI
HE CANNOT STAND. HIS END HAS COME. 27 IN FACT, NO ONE CAN
ENTER A STRONG MAN'S HOUSE WITHOUT FIRST TRYING HIM UP.
HE CAN PL UNDER THE STRONG MAN'S HOUSE. 28 TRULY I TELL Y
PEOPLE CAN BE FORGIVEN ALL THEIR SINS AND EVERY SLANDE
UTTER. 29 BUT WHOEVER BLASPHEMES AGAINST THE HOLY SPIR
CAN NEVER BE FORGIVEN, BECAUSE THEY ARE GUILTY OF AN ETERNAL S
BECAUSE THEY WERE SAYING, "HE HAS AN IMPURE SPIRIT."
31 THEN HIS MOTHER AND BROTHERS ARRIVED, STANDING
OUTSIDE. THEY SENT SOMEONE IN TO CALL HIM. 32 A CROWD W
SITTING AROUND HIM, AND THEY TOLD HIM, "YOUR MOTHER
BROTHERS ARE OUTSIDE LOOKING FOR YOU."
33 "WHO ARE MY MOTHER AND MY BROTHERS?" HE ASKED.
34 THEN HE LOOKED AT THOSE SEATED IN A CIRCLE AROUND HIM
SAID, "HERE ARE MY MOTHER AND MY BROTHERS! 35 WHOEVER
GOD'S WILL IS MY BROTHER AND SISTER AND MOTHER."
THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER
4 AGAIN JESUS BEGAN TO TEACH BY THE LAKE. THE CROWD THA
GATHERED AROUND HIM WAS SO LARGE THAT HE GOT INTO A BO
AND SAT IN IT OUT ON THE LAKE, WHILE ALL THE PEOPLE WERE
ALONG THE SHORE AT THE WATER'S EDGE. 2 HE TAUGHT THEM M
THINGS BY PARABLES, AND IN HIS TEACHING SAID, 3 "LISTEN! A
FARMER WENT OUT TO SOW HIS SEED. 4 AS HE WAS SCATTERING
SEED, SOME FELL ALONG THE PATH, AND THE BIRDS CAME AND
UP. 5 SOME FELL ON ROCKY PLACES, WHERE IT DID NOT HAVE M
SOIL. IT SPRANG UP QUICKLY BECAUSE THE SOIL WAS SHALLOW.
WHEN THE SUN CAME UP, THE PLANTS WERE SCORCHED, AND TH
WITHERED BECAUSE THEY HAD NO ROOT. 7 OTHER SEED FELL A
THORNS, WHICH GREW UP AND CHOKED THE PLANTS, SO THAT I
DID NOT BEAR GRAIN. 8 STILL OTHER SEED FELL ON GOOD SOIL.
CAME UP, GREW AND PRODUCED A CROP, SOME MULTIPLYING TH
SOME SIXTY, SOME A HUNDRED TIMES."
9 THEN JESUS SAID, "WHOEVER HAS EARS TO HEAR, LET THEM H
10 WHEN HE WAS ALONE, THE TWELVE AND THE OTHERS AROUN
ASKED HIM ABOUT THE PARABLES. 11 HE TOLD THEM, "THE SECR
THE KINGDOM OF GOD HAS BEEN GIVEN TO YOU, BUT TO THOSE
THE OUTSIDE EVERYTHING IS SAID IN PARABLES. 12 SO THAT
"THEY MAY BE EVER SEEING BUT NEVER PERCEIVING,
AND EVER HEARING BUT NEVER UNDERSTANDING,
OTHERWISE THEY MIGHT TURN AND BE FORGIVEN!"
13 THEN JESUS SAID TO THEM, "DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND THIS
PARABLE? HOW THEN WILL YOU UNDERSTAND ANY PARABLE?
FARMER SOWS THE WORD, 15 SOME PEOPLE ARE LIKE SEED ALON
PATH, WHERE THE WORD IS SOWN AS SOON AS THEY HEAR IT, SA
COMES AND TAKES AWAY THE WORD THAT WAS SOWN IN THEM.
OTHERS, LIKE SEED SOWN ON ROCKY PLACES, HEAR THE WORD
AT ONCE RECEIVE IT WITH JOY. 17 BUT SINCE THEY HAVE NO RO
THEY LAST ONLY A SHORT TIME. WHEN TROUBLE OR PERSECUT
COMES BECAUSE OF THE WORD, THEY QUICKLY FALL AWAY. 18 S
OTHERS, LIKE SEED SOWN AMONG THORNS, HEAR THE WORD, 19
THE WORRIES OF THIS LIFE, THE DECEITFULNESS OF WEALTH AN
THE DESIRES OF THE FLESH CHOKE THE WORD. 20 IT DOES NOT
TAKE ROOT. 21 OTHERS, LIKE SEED SOWN ON GOOD SOIL, HE
RECEIVE THE WORD AND PRODUCE A CROP—SOME THIRTY, SO
SOME SIXTY, SOME A HUNDRED TIMES WHAT WAS SOWN."
22 THEN HE SAID TO THEM, "WHOEVER HEARS AND UNDERSTANDS
THE MEASURE YOU USE, IT WILL BE MEASURED TO YOU—AND

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Jesus' Family On Earth

- supernaturally implanted genetic father, Yahweh
- biological mother, Mary
- Joseph, father who adopted him
- half-brothers & half-sisters: James, Joses, Judas, Simon, "sisters"

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Greatly PERPLEXED ~ listening GLADLY (vss 19-20)

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