

Parasha Chayei Sarah - Sarah's Lifetime.

Sunday - 24-Oct-10; (16-Cheshvan-5771). Day 1 before Shabbat - Parasha Chayei Sarah - Sarah's Lifetime.

Genesis 23.

1 . Sarah's Death and Burial. .

Sarah lived one hundred twenty-seven years. This was the length of Sarah's life.

2 Sarah died in Kiriath Arba (the same is Hebron), in the land of Canaan. Abraham came to mourn for Sarah, and to weep for her.

3 Abraham rose up from before his dead, and spoke to the children of Heth, saying,

4 "I am a stranger and a foreigner living with you. Give me a possession of a burying-place with you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight."

5 The children of Heth answered Abraham, saying to him,

6 "Hear us, my master. You are a prince of ELOHIM among us. Bury your dead in the best of our tombs. None of us will withhold from you his tomb. Bury your dead."

7 Abraham rose up, and bowed himself to the people of the land, even to the children of Heth.

8 He talked with them, saying, "If it be your mind that I should bury my dead out of my sight, hear me, and entreat for me to Ephron the son of Zohar,

9 that he may give me the cave of Machpelah, which he has, which is in the end of his field. For the full price let him give it to me among you for a possession of a burying-place."

10 Now Ephron was sitting in the middle of the children of Heth. Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the hearing of the children of Heth, even of all who went in at the gate of his city, saying,

11 "No, my master, hear me. I give you the field, and I give you the cave that is in it. In the presence of the children of my people I give it to you. Bury your dead."

12 Abraham bowed himself down before the people of the land.

13 He spoke to Ephron in the audience of the people of the land, saying, "But if you will, please hear me. I will give the price of the field. Take it from me, and I will bury my dead there."

14 Ephron answered Abraham, saying to him,

15 "My master, listen to me. What is a piece of land worth four hundred shekels of silver between me and you? Therefore bury your dead."

16 Abraham listened to Ephron. Abraham weighed to Ephron the silver which he had named in the audience of the children of Heth, four hundred shekels of silver, according to the current merchants' standard.

17 So the field of Ephron, which was in Machpelah, which was before Mamre, the field, the cave which was in it, and all the trees that were in the field, that were in all of its borders, were deeded

18 to Abraham for a possession in the presence of the children of Heth, before all who went in at the gate of his city.

19 After this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave of the field of Machpelah before Mamre (that is, Hebron), in the land of Canaan.

20 The field, and the cave that is in it, were deeded to Abraham for a possession of a burying place by the children of Heth.

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Genesis 24.

1 .A Bride for Isaac..

Abraham was old, and well stricken in age. YAHWEH had blessed Abraham in all things.

2 Abraham said to his servant, the elder of his house, who ruled over all that he had, "Please put your hand under my thigh.

3 I will make you swear by YAHWEH, the ELOHIM of heaven and the ELOHIM of the earth, that you shall not take a wife for my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I live.

4 But you shall go to my country, and to my relatives, and take a wife for my son Isaac."

5 The servant said to him, "What if the woman isn't willing to follow me to this land? Must I bring your son again to the land you came from?"

6 Abraham said to him, "Beware that you don't bring my son there again.

7 YAHWEH, the ELOHIM of heaven, who took me from my father's house, and from the land of my birth, who spoke to me, and who swore to me, saying, 'I will give this land to your seed.' He will send his angel before you, and you shall take a wife for my son from there.

8 If the woman isn't willing to follow you, then you shall be clear from this my oath. Only you shall not bring my son there again."

9 The servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master, and swore to him concerning this matter.

10 The servant took ten camels, of his master's camels, and departed, having a variety of good things of his master's with him. He arose, and went to Mesopotamia, to the city of Nahor.

11 He made the camels kneel down outside the city by the well of water at the time of evening, the time that women go out to draw water.

12 He said, "YAHWEH, the ELOHIM of my master Abraham, please give me success this day, and show kindness to my master Abraham.

13 Behold, I am standing by the spring of water. The daughters of the men of the city are coming out to draw water.

14 Let it happen, that the young lady to whom I will say, 'Please let down your pitcher, that I may drink,' and she will say, 'Drink, and I will also give your camels a drink,' let her be the one you have appointed for your servant Isaac. By this I will know that you have shown kindness to my master."

15 It happened, before he had finished speaking, that behold, Rebekah came out, who was born to Bethuel the son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher on her shoulder.

16 The young lady was very beautiful to look at, a virgin, neither had any man known her. She went down to the spring, filled her pitcher, and came up.

17 The servant ran to meet her, and said, "Please give me a drink, a little water from your pitcher."

18 She said, "Drink, my master." She hurried, and let down her pitcher on her hand, and gave him drink.

19 When she had done giving him drink, she said, "I will also draw for your camels, until they have done drinking."

20 She hurried, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again to the well to draw, and drew for all his camels.

21 The man looked steadfastly at her, remaining silent, to know whether YAHWEH had

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made his journey prosperous or not.

22 It happened, as the camels had done drinking, that the man took a golden ring of half a shekel weight, and two bracelets for her hands of ten shekels weight of gold,

23 and said, "Whose daughter are you? Please tell me. Is there room in your father's house for us to lodge in?"

24 She said to him, "I am the daughter of Bethuel the son of Milcah, whom she bore to Nahor."

25 She said moreover to him, "We have both straw and provender enough, and room to lodge in."

26 The man bowed his head, and worshiped YAHWEH!

27 He said, "Blessed be YAHWEH, the ELOHIM of my master Abraham, who has not forsaken his loving kindness and his truth toward my master. As for me, YAHWEH has led me in the way to the house of my master's relatives."

28 The young lady ran, and told her mother's house about these words.

29 Rebekah had a brother, and his name was Laban. Laban ran out to the man, to the spring.

30 It happened, when he saw the ring, and the bracelets on his sister's hands, and when he heard the words of Rebekah his sister, saying, "This is what the man said to me," that he came to the man. Behold, he was standing by the camels at the spring.

31 He said, "Come in, you blessed of YAHWEH! Why do you stand outside? For I have prepared the house, and room for the camels."

32 The man came into the house, and he unloaded the camels. He gave straw and provender for the camels, and water to wash his feet and the feet of the men who were with him.

33 Food was set before him to eat, but he said, "I will not eat until I have told my message." He said, "Speak on."

34 He said, "I am Abraham's servant.

35 YAHWEH has blessed my master greatly. He has become great. He has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male servants and female servants, and camels and donkeys.

36 Sarah, my master's wife, bore a son to my master when she was old. He has given all that he has to him.

37 My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live,

38 but you shall go to my father's house, and to my relatives, and take a wife for my son.'

39 I asked my master, 'What if the woman will not follow me?'

40 He said to me, 'YAHWEH, before whom I walk, will send his angel with you, and prosper your way. You shall take a wife for my son of my relatives, and of my father's house.

41 Then will you be clear from my oath, when you come to my relatives. If they don't give her to you, you shall be clear from my oath.'

42 I came this day to the spring, and said, 'YAHWEH, the ELOHIM of my master Abraham, if now you do prosper my way which I go

43 behold, I am standing by this spring of water. Let it happen, that the maiden who comes out to draw, to whom I will say, "Please give me a little water from your pitcher to drink,"

44 and she will tell me, "Drink, and I will also draw for your camels," let her be the woman whom YAHWEH has appointed for my master's son.'

45 Before I had finished speaking in my heart, behold, Rebekah came out with her pitcher on her shoulder. She went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, 'Please let me drink.'

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- 46 She hurried and let down her pitcher from her shoulder, and said, 'Drink, and I will also give your camels a drink.' So I drank, and she also gave the camels a drink.
- 47 I asked her, and said, 'Whose daughter are you?' She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him.' I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her hands.
- 48 I bowed my head, and worshiped YAHWEH, and blessed YAHWEH, the ELOHIM of my master Abraham, who had led me in the right way to take my master's brother's daughter for his son.
- 49 Now if you will deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me. If not, tell me, that I may turn to the right hand, or to the left."
- 50 Then Laban and Bethuel answered, "The thing proceeds from YAHWEH! We can't speak to you bad or good.
- 51 Behold, Rebekah is before you. Take her, and go, and let her be your master's son's wife, as YAHWEH has spoken."
- 52 It happened that when Abraham's servant heard their words, he bowed himself down to the earth to YAHWEH!
- 53 The servant brought out jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and clothing, and gave them to Rebekah. He also gave precious things to her brother and her mother.
- 54 They ate and drank, he and the men who were with him, and stayed all night. They rose up in the morning, and he said, "Send me away to my master."
- 55 Her brother and her mother said, "Let the young lady stay with us a few days, at least ten. After that she will go."
- 56 He said to them, "Don't hinder me, since YAHWEH has prospered my way. Send me away that I may go to my master."
- 57 They said, "We will call the young lady, and ask her."
- 58 They called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will go."
- 59 They sent away Rebekah, their sister, with her nurse, Abraham's servant, and his men.
- 60 They blessed Rebekah, and said to her, "Our sister, may you be the mother of thousands of ten thousands, and let your seed possess the gate of those who hate them."
- 61 Rebekah arose with her ladies. They rode on the camels, and followed the man. The servant took Rebekah, and went his way.
- 62 Isaac came from the way of Beer Lahai Roi, for he lived in the land of the South.
- 63 Isaac went out to meditate in the field at the evening. He lifted up his eyes, and saw, and, behold, there were camels coming.
- 64 Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she dismounted from the camel.
- 65 She said to the servant, "Who is the man who is walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It is my master." She took her veil, and covered herself.
- 66 The servant told Isaac all the things that he had done.
- 67 Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his wife. He loved her. Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

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Mark 13.

1 . YESHUA Predicts the Destruction of the Temple. .

As he went out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Rabbi, see what kind of stones and what kind of buildings!"

2 YESHUA said to him, "Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone on another, which will not be thrown down."

3 . The Signs of the Times and the End of the Age. .

As he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, Jacob, John, and Andrew asked him privately,

4 "Tell us, when will these things be? What is the sign that these things are all about to be fulfilled?"

5 YESHUA, answering, began to tell them, "Be careful that no one leads you astray.

6 For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and will lead many astray.

7 "When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, don't be troubled. For those must happen, but the end is not yet.

8 For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places. There will be famines and troubles. These things are the beginning of birth pains.

9 But watch yourselves, for they will deliver you up to councils. You will be beaten in synagogues. You will stand before rulers and kings for my sake, for a testimony to them.

10 The Good News must first be preached to all the nations.

11 When they lead you away and deliver you up, don't be anxious beforehand, or premeditate what you will say, but say whatever will be given you in that hour. For it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit.

12 "Brother will deliver up brother to death, and the father his child. Children will rise up against parents, and cause them to be put to death.

13 You will be hated by all men for my name's sake, but he who endures to the end, the same will be saved.

14 . The Great Tribulation. .

But when you see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not (let the reader understand), then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains,

15 and let him who is on the housetop not go down, nor enter in, to take anything out of his house.

16 Let him who is in the field not return back to take his cloak.

17 But woe to those who are with child and to those who nurse babies in those days!

18 Pray that your flight won't be in the winter.

19 For in those days there will be oppression, such as there has not been the like from the beginning of the creation which ELOHIM created until now, and never will be.

20 Unless ADONAI had shortened the days, no flesh would have been saved; but for the sake of the chosen ones, whom he picked out, he shortened the days.

21 Then if anyone tells you, 'Look, here is the Messiah!' or, 'Look, there!' don't believe it.

22 For there will arise false messiahs and false prophets, and will show signs and

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wonders, that they may lead astray, if possible, even the chosen ones.

23 But you watch. “Behold, I have told you all things beforehand.

24 . The Coming of the Song of Solomon of Man. .

But in those days, after that oppression, the sun will be darkened, the moon will not give its light,

25 the stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers that are in the heavens will be shaken.

26 Then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory.

27 Then he will send out his angels, and will gather together his chosen ones from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the sky.

28 . The Parable of the Fig-tree. .

“Now from the fig-tree, learn this parable. When the branch has now become tender, and puts forth its leaves, you know that the summer is near;

29 even so you also, when you see these things coming to pass, know that it is near, at the doors.

30 Most certainly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things happen.

31 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

32 . No One Knows the Day or Hour. .

But of that day or that hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.

33 Watch, keep alert, and pray; for you don’t know when the time is.

34 “It is like a man, traveling to another country, having left his house, and given authority to his servants, and to each one his work, and also commanded the doorkeeper to keep watch.

35 Watch therefore, for you don’t know when the master of the house is coming, whether at evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or in the morning;

36 lest coming suddenly he might find you sleeping.

37 What I tell you, I tell all: Watch.”

Mark 14.

1 . The Plot to Kill YESHUA. .

It was now two days before the feast of the Passover and the unleavened bread, and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might seize him by deception, and kill him.

2 For they said, “Not during the feast, because there might be a riot of the people.”

3 . The Anointing at Bethany. .

While he was at Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came having an alabaster jar of ointment of pure nard very costly. She broke the jar, and poured it over his head.

4 But there were some who were indignant among themselves, saying, “Why has this ointment been wasted?

5 For this might have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and given to the poor.” They grumbled against her.

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6 But YESHUA said, "Leave her alone. Why do you trouble her? She has done a good work for me.

7 For you always have the poor with you, and whenever you want to, you can do them good; but you will not always have me.

8 She has done what she could. She has anointed my body beforehand for the burying.

9 Most certainly I tell you, wherever this Good News may be preached throughout the whole world, that which this woman has done will also be spoken of for a memorial of her."

10 . Judas Agrees to Betray YESHUA. .

Judah Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went away to the chief priests, that he might deliver him to them.

11 They, when they heard it, were glad, and promised to give him money. He sought how he might conveniently deliver him.

12 . YESHUA Celebrates the Passover with His Disciples. .

On the first day of unleavened bread, when they sacrificed the Passover, his disciples asked him, "Where do you want us to go and prepare that you may eat the Passover?"

13 He sent two of his disciples, and said to them, "Go into the city, and there you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him,

14 and wherever he enters in, tell the master of the house, "The Rabbi says, "Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"

15 He will himself show you a large upper room furnished and ready. Get ready for us there."

16 His disciples went out, and came into the city, and found things as he had said to them, and they prepared the Passover.

17 When it was evening he came with the twelve.

18 As they sat and were eating, YESHUA said, "Most certainly I tell you, one of you will betray me he who eats with me."

19 They began to be sorrowful, and to ask him one by one, "Surely not I?" And another said, "Surely not I?"

20 He answered them, "It is one of the twelve, he who dips with me in the dish.

21 For the Son of Man goes, even 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."

22 . YESHUA Institutes YAHWEH's Supper. .

As they were eating, YESHUA took bread, and when he had blessed, he broke it, and gave to them, and said, "Take, eat. This is my body."

23 He took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave to them. They all drank of it.

24 He said to them, "This is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for many.

25 Most certainly I tell you, I will no more drink of the fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it anew in the Kingdom of ELOHIM!"

26 When they had sung the Hallel, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

27 . YESHUA Predicts Peter's Denial. .

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YESHUA said to them, "All of you will be made to stumble because of me tonight, for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.'

28 However, after I am raised up, I will go before you into Galilee."

29 But Peter said to him, "Although all will be offended, yet I will not."

30 YESHUA said to him, "Most certainly I tell you, that you today, even this night, before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times."

31 But he spoke all the more, "If I must die with you, I will not deny you." They all said the same thing.

32 . The Prayer in the Garden. .

They came to a place which was named Gethsemane. He said to his disciples, "Sit here, while I pray."

33 He took with him Peter, Jacob, and John, and began to be greatly troubled and distressed.

34 He said to them, "My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here, and watch."

35 He went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass away from him.

36 He said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible to you. Please remove this cup from me. However, not what I desire, but what you desire."

37 He came and found them sleeping, and said to Peter, "Simon, are you sleeping? Couldn't you watch one hour?"

38 Watch and pray, that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

39 Again he went away, and prayed, saying the same words.

40 Again he returned, and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy, and they didn't know what to answer him.

41 He came the third time, and said to them, "Sleep on now, and take your rest. It is enough. The hour has come. Behold, the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

42 Arise, let us be going. Behold, he who betrays me is at hand."

43 . Betrayal and Arrest in Gethsemane. .

Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judah, one of the twelve, came and with him a multitude with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders.

44 Now he who betrayed him had given them a sign, saying, "Whomever I will kiss, that is he. Seize him, and lead him away safely."

45 When he had come, immediately he came to him, and said, "Rabbi! Rabbi!" and kissed him.

46 They laid their hands on him, and seized him.

47 But a certain one of those who stood by drew his sword, and struck the servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear.

48 YESHUA answered them, "Have you come out, as against a robber, with swords and clubs to seize me?"

49 I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and you didn't arrest me. But this is so that the Scriptures might be fulfilled."

50 They all left him, and fled.

51 . A Young Man Flees Naked. .

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A certain young man followed him, having a linen cloth thrown around himself, over his naked body. The young men grabbed him,
52 but he left the linen cloth, and fled from them naked.

53 **. YESHUA Faces the Sanhedrin. .**

They led YESHUA away to the high priest. All the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes came together with him.

54 Peter had followed him from a distance, until he came into the court of the high priest. He was sitting with the officers, and warming himself in the light of the fire.

55 Now the chief priests and the whole council sought witnesses against YESHUA to put him to death, and found none.

56 For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony didn't agree with each other.

57 Some stood up, and gave false testimony against him, saying,

58 "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another made without hands.'"

59 Even so, their testimony did not agree.

60 The high priest stood up in the midst, and asked YESHUA, "Have you no answer? What is it which these testify against you?"

61 But he stayed quiet, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed?"

62 YESHUA said, "I am. You will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of the sky."

63 The high priest tore his clothes, and said, "What further need have we of witnesses?"

64 You have heard the blasphemy! What do you think?" They all condemned him to be worthy of death.

65 Some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to beat him with fists, and to tell him, "Prophecy!" The officers struck him with the palms of their hands.

66 **. Peter Denies YESHUA, and Weeps. .**

As Peter was in the courtyard below, one of the maids of the high priest came,

67 and seeing Peter warming himself, she looked at him, and said, "You were also with the Nazarene, YESHUA!"

68 But he denied it, saying, "I neither know, nor understand what you are saying." He went out on the porch, and the rooster crowed.

69 The maid saw him, and began again to tell those who stood by, "This is one of them."

70 But he again denied it. After a little while again those who stood by said to Peter, "You truly are one of them, for you are a Galilean, and your speech shows it."

71 But he began to curse, and to swear, "I don't know this man of whom you speak!"

72 The rooster crowed the second time. Peter remembered the word, how that YESHUA said to him, "Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times." When he thought about that, he wept.

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Genesis 25:1-18.

1 . Abraham and Keturah. .

Abraham took another wife, and her name was Keturah.

2 She bore him Zimran, Jokshan, Medan, Midian, Ishbak, and Shuah.

3 Jokshan became the father of Sheba, and Dedan. The sons of Dedan were Asshurim, Letushim, and Leummim.

4 The sons of Midian: Ephah, Epher, Hanoch, Abida, and Eldaah. All these were the children of Keturah.

5 Abraham gave all that he had to Isaac,

6 but to the sons of Abraham's concubines, Abraham gave gifts. He sent them away from Isaac his son, while he yet lived, eastward, to the east country.

7 . Abraham's Death and Burial. .

These are the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived: one hundred seventy-five years.

8 Abraham gave up the spirit, and died in a good old age, an old man, and full of years, and was gathered to his people.

9 Isaac and Ishmael, his sons, buried him in the cave of Machpelah, in the field of Ephron, the son of Zohar the Hittite, which is before Mamre,

10 the field which Abraham purchased of the children of Heth. Abraham was buried there with Sarah, his wife.

11 It happened after the death of Abraham that ELOHIM blessed Isaac, his son. Isaac lived by Beer Lahai Roi.

12 . The Families of Ishmael and Isaac. .

Now this is the history of the generations of Ishmael, Abraham's son, whom Hagar the Egyptian, Sarah's handmaid, bore to Abraham.

13 These are the names of the sons of Ishmael, by their names, according to the order of their birth: the firstborn of Ishmael, Nebaioth, then Kedar, Adbeel, Mibsam,

14 Mishma, Dumah, Massa,

15 Hadad, Tema, Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah.

16 These are the sons of Ishmael, and these are their names, by their villages, and by their encampments: twelve princes, according to their nations.

17 These are the years of the life of Ishmael: one hundred thirty-seven years. He gave up the spirit and died, and was gathered to his people.

18 They lived from Havilah to Shur that is before Egypt, as you go toward Assyria. He lived opposite all his relatives.

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Matthew 19.

1 . Marriage and Divorce. .

It happened when YESHUA had finished these words, he departed from Galilee, and came into the borders of Judea beyond the Jordan.

2 Great multitudes followed him, and he healed them there.

3 Pharisees came to him, testing him, and saying, "Is it legal for a man to divorce his wife for any reason?"

4 He answered, "Haven't you read that he who made them from the beginning made them male and female,

5 and said, 'For this cause a man shall leave his father and mother, and shall join to his wife; and the two shall become one flesh?'

6 So that they are no more two, but one flesh. What therefore ELOHIM has joined together, don't let man tear apart."

7 They asked him, "Why then did Moses command us to give her a bill of divorce, and divorce her?"

8 He said to them, "Moses, because of the hardness of your hearts, allowed you to divorce your wives, but from the beginning it has not been so.

9 I tell you that whoever divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another, commits adultery; and he who marries her when she is divorced commits adultery."

10 His disciples said to him, "If this is the case of the man with his wife, it is not expedient to marry."

11 . YESHUA Teaches on Celibacy. .

But he said to them, "Not all men can receive this saying, but 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 Kingdom of Heaven's sake. He who is able to receive it, let him receive it."

13 . YESHUA Blesses Little Children. .

Then little children were brought to him, that he should lay his hands on them and pray; and the disciples rebuked them.

14 But YESHUA said, "Allow the little children, and don't forbid them to come to me; for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to ones like these."

15 He laid his hands on them, and departed from there.

16 . YESHUA Counsels the Rich Young Ruler. .

Behold, one came to him and said, "Good Rabbi, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?"

17 He said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but one, that is, ELOHIM! But if you want to enter into life, keep the commandments."

18 He said to him, "Which ones?" YESHUA said, "'You shall not murder.' 'You shall not commit adultery.' 'You shall not steal.' 'You shall not offer false testimony.'

19 'Honor your father and mother.' And, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'"

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20 The young man said to him, “All these things I have observed from my youth. What do I still lack?”

21 YESHUA said to him, “If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have, and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.”

22 But when the young man heard the saying, he went away sad, for he was one who had great possessions.

23 . With ELOHIM All Things Are Possible. .

YESHUA said to his disciples, “Most certainly I say to you, a rich man will enter into the Kingdom of Heaven with difficulty.

24 Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through a needle’s eye, than for a rich man to enter into the Kingdom of ELOHIM!”

25 When the disciples heard it, they were exceedingly astonished, saying, “Who then can be saved?”

26 Looking at them, YESHUA said, “With men this is impossible, but with ELOHIM all things are possible.”

27 Then Peter answered, “Behold, we have left everything, and followed you. What then will we have?”

28 YESHUA said to them, “Most certainly I tell you that you who have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of Man will sit on the throne of his glory, you also will sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

29 Everyone who has left houses, or brothers, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name’s sake, will receive one hundred times, and will inherit eternal life.

30 But many will be last who are first; and first who are last.

Matthew 20.

1 . The Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard. .

“For the Kingdom of Heaven is like a man who was the master of a household, who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard.

2 When he had agreed with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard.

3 He went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the marketplace.

4 To them he said, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and whatever is right I will give you.’ So they went their way.

5 Again he went out about the sixth and the ninth hour, and did likewise.

6 About the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle. He said to them, ‘Why do you stand here all day idle?’

7 “They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ “He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and you will receive whatever is right.’

8 When evening had come, 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 those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came, they each received a denarius.

10 When the first came, they supposed that they would receive more; and they likewise each received a denarius.

11 When they received it, they murmured against the master of the household,

12 saying, ‘These last have spent one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat!’

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13 “But he answered one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Didn’t you agree with me for a denarius?’

14 Take that which is yours, and go your way. It is my desire to give to this last just as much as to you.

15 Isn’t it legal for me to do what I want to with what I own? Or is your eye evil, because I am good?’

16 So the last will be first, and the first last. For many are called, but few are chosen.”

17 **. YESHUA a Third Time Predicts His Death and Resurrection. .**

As YESHUA was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples aside, and on the way he said to them,

18 “Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn him to death,

19 and will hand him over to the Gentiles to mock, to scourge, and to crucify; and the third day he will be raised up.”

20 **. Greatness Is Serving. .**

Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came to him with her sons, kneeling and asking a certain thing of him.

21 He said to her, “What do you want?” She said to him, “Command that these, my two sons, may sit, one on your right hand, and one on your left hand, in your Kingdom.”

22 But YESHUA answered, “You don’t know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink, and be immersed with the immersion that I am immersed with?” They said to him, “We are able.”

23 He said to them, “You will indeed drink my cup, and be immersed with the immersion that I am immersed with, but to sit on my right hand and on my left hand is not mine to give; but it is for whom it has been prepared by my Father.”

24 When the ten heard it, they were indignant with the two brothers.

25 But YESHUA summoned them, and said, “You know that the rulers of the nations are masters over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them.

26 It shall not be so among you, but whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant.

27 Whoever desires to be first among you shall be your bondservant,

28 even as the Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

29 **. Two Blind Men Receive Their Sight. .**

As they went out from Jericho, a great multitude followed him.

30 Behold, two blind men sitting by the road, when they heard that YESHUA was passing by, cried out, “ADONAI, have mercy on us, you son of David!”

31 The multitude rebuked them, telling them that they should be quiet, but they cried out even more, “ADONAI, have mercy on us, you son of David!”

32 YESHUA stood still, and called them, and asked, “What do you want me to do for you?”

33 They told him, “ADONAI, that our eyes may be opened.”

34 YESHUA, being moved with compassion, touched their eyes; and immediately their eyes received their sight, and they followed him.

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Matthew 21.

1 . The Triumphal Entry. .

When they drew near to Jerusalem, and came to Bethsphage, to the Mount of Olives, then YESHUA sent two disciples,
2 saying to them, "Go into the village that is opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them, and bring them to me.
3 If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'ADONAI needs them,' and immediately he will send them."
4 All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through the prophet, saying,
5 "Tell the daughter of Zion, behold, your King comes to you, humble, and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey."
6 The disciples went, and did just as YESHUA commanded them,
7 and brought the donkey and the colt, and laid their clothes on them; and he sat on them.
8 A very great multitude spread their clothes on the road. Others cut branches from the trees, and spread them on the road.
9 The multitudes who went before him, and who followed kept shouting, "Hoshia'na to the son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of ADONAI! Hoshia'na in the highest!"
10 When he had come into Jerusalem, all the city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?"
11 The multitudes said, "This is the prophet, YESHUA, from Nazareth of Galilee."

12 . YESHUA Cleanses the Temple. .

YESHUA entered into the temple of ELOHIM, and drove out all of those who sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the money changers' tables and the seats of those who sold the doves.
13 He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer,' but you have made it a den of robbers!"
14 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 wonderful things that he did, and the children who were crying in the temple and saying, "Hoshia'na to the son of David!" they were indignant,
16 and said to him, "Do you hear what these are saying?" YESHUA said to them, "Yes. Did you never read, 'Out of the mouth of babes and nursing babies you have perfected praise?'"
17 He left them, and went out of the city to Bethany, and lodged there.

18 . The Fig-tree Withered. .

Now in the morning, as he returned to the city, he was hungry.
19 Seeing a fig-tree by the road, he came to it, and found nothing on it but leaves. He said to it, "Let there be no fruit from you forever!" Immediately the fig-tree withered away.

20 . The Lesson of the Withered Fig-tree. .

When the disciples saw it, they marveled, saying, "How did the fig-tree immediately wither away?"
21 YESHUA answered them, "Most certainly I tell you, if you have faith, and don't doubt, you will not only do what was done to the fig-tree, but even if you told this mountain, 'Be

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taken up and cast into the sea,' it would be done.

22 All things, whatever you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive.”

23 . YESHUA'S Authority Questioned. .

When he 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? Who gave you this authority?”

24 YESHUA answered them, “I also will ask you one question, which if you tell me, I likewise will tell you by what authority I do these things.

25 The immersion of John, where was it from? From heaven or from men?” They reasoned with themselves, saying, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will ask us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’

26 But if we say, ‘From men,’ we fear the multitude, for all hold John as a prophet.”

27 They answered YESHUA, and said, “We don’t know.” He also said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.

28 . The Parable of the Two Sons. .

But what do you think? A man had two sons, and he came to the first, and said, ‘Son, go work today in my vineyard.’

29 He answered, ‘I will not,’ but afterward he changed his mind, and went.

30 He came to the second, and said the same thing. He answered, ‘I go, sir,’ but he didn’t go.

31 Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said to him, “The first.” YESHUA said to them, “Most certainly I tell you that the tax collectors and the prostitutes are entering into the Kingdom of ELOHIM before you.

32 For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you didn’t believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. When you saw it, you didn’t even repent afterward, that you might believe him.

33 . The Parable of the Wicked Vinedressers. .

“Hear another parable. There was a man who was a master of a household, who planted a vineyard, set a hedge about it, dug a winepress in it, built a tower, leased it out to farmers, and went into another country.

34 When the season for the fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the farmers, to receive his fruit.

35 The farmers took his servants, beat one, killed another, and stoned another.

36 Again, he sent other servants more than the first: and they treated them the same way.

37 But afterward he sent to them his son, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’

38 But the farmers, when they saw the son, said among themselves, ‘This is the heir. Come, let’s kill him, and seize his inheritance.’

39 So they took him, and threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him.

40 When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those farmers?”

41 They told him, “He will miserably destroy those miserable men, and will lease out the vineyard to other farmers, who will give him the fruit in its season.”

42 YESHUA said to them, “Did you never read in the Scriptures, ‘The stone which the builders rejected, the same was made the head of the corner. This was from ADONAI. It is marvelous in our eyes?’

43 “Therefore I tell you, the Kingdom of ELOHIM will be taken away from you, and will

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be given to a nation bringing forth its fruit.

44 He who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, but on whomever it will fall, it will scatter him as dust.”

45 When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he spoke about them.

46 When they sought to seize him, they feared the multitudes, because they considered him to be a prophet.

Matthew 22.

1 **. The Parable of the Wedding Feast. .**

YESHUA answered and spoke again in parables to them, saying,

2 “The Kingdom of Heaven is like a certain king, who made a marriage feast for his son,
3 and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the marriage feast, but they would not come.

4 Again he sent out other servants, saying, “Tell those who are invited, “Behold, I have prepared my dinner. My cattle and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready. Come to the marriage feast!”

5 But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his merchandise,

6 and the rest grabbed his servants, and treated them shamefully, and killed them.

7 When the king heard that, he was angry, and sent his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city.

8 “Then he said to his servants, “The wedding is ready, but those who were invited weren’t worthy.

9 Go therefore to the intersections of the highways, and as many as you may find, invite to the marriage feast.’

10 Those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together as many as they found, both bad and good. The wedding was filled with guests.

11 But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man who didn’t have on wedding clothing,

12 and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you come in here not wearing wedding clothing?’ He was speechless.

13 Then the king said to the servants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and throw him into the outer darkness; there is where the weeping and grinding of teeth will be.’

14 For many are called, but few chosen.”

15 **. The Pharisees: Is It Lawful to Pay Taxes to Caesar?. .**

Then the Pharisees went and took counsel how they might entrap him in his talk.

16 They sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Rabbi, we know that you are honest, and teach the way of ELOHIM in truth, no matter whom you teach, for you aren’t partial to anyone.

17 Tell us therefore, what do you think? Is it legal to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?”

18 But YESHUA perceived their wickedness, and said, “Why do you test me, you hypocrites?

19 Show me the tax money.” They brought to him a denarius.

20 He asked them, “Whose is this image and inscription?”

21 They said to him, “Caesar’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to ELOHIM the things that are ELOHIM’s.”

22 When they heard it, they marveled, and left him, and went away.

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23 . The Sadducees: What About the Resurrection? .

On that day Sadducees (those who say that there is no resurrection) came to him. They asked him,
24 saying, “Rabbi, Moses said, ‘If a man dies, having no children, his brother shall marry his wife, and raise up seed for his brother.’
25 Now there were with us seven brothers. The first married and died, and having no seed left his wife to his brother.
26 In the same way, the second also, and the third, to the seventh.
27 After them all, the woman died.
28 In the resurrection therefore, whose wife will she be of the seven? For they all had her.”
29 But YESHUA answered them, “You are mistaken, not knowing the Scriptures, nor the power of ELOHIM!
30 For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are like ELOHIM’s angels in heaven.
31 But concerning the resurrection of the dead, haven’t you read that which was spoken to you by ELOHIM, saying,
32 ‘I am the ELOHIM of Abraham, and the ELOHIM of Isaac, and the ELOHIM of Jacob?’ ELOHIM is not the ELOHIM of the dead, but of the living.”
33 When the multitudes heard it, they were astonished at his teaching.

34 . The Scribes: Which Is the First Commandment of All? .

But the Pharisees, when they heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, gathered themselves together.
35 One of them, a Torah scholar, asked him a question, testing him.
36 “Rabbi, which is the greatest commandment in the Torah (teaching and instruction)?”
37 YESHUA said to him, “You shall love ADONAI your ELOHIM with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’
38 This is the first and great commandment.
39 A second likewise is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’
40 The whole Torah and the Prophets depend on these two commandments.”

41 . YESHUA: How Can David Call His Descendant Master? .

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, YESHUA asked them a question,
42 saying, “What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “Of David.”
43 He said to them, “How then does David in the Spirit call him ADONAI, saying,
44 ‘ADONAI said to my ADONAI, sit on my right hand, until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet?’
45 “If then David calls him ADONAI, how is he his son?”
46 No one was able to answer him a word, neither did any man dare ask him any more questions from that day forth.

Matthew 23.

1 . Woe to the Scribes and Pharisees. .

Then YESHUA spoke to the multitudes and to his disciples,
2 saying, “The scribes and the Pharisees sat on Moses’ seat.

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- 3 All things therefore whatever they tell you to observe, observe and do, but don't do their works; for they say, and don't do.
- 4 For they bind heavy burdens that are grievous to be borne, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not lift a finger to help them.
- 5 But all their works they do to be seen by men. They make their tefillin broad, enlarge the fringe of their garments,
- 6 and love the place of honor at feasts, the best seats in the synagogues,
- 7 the salutations in the marketplaces, and to be called 'Rabbi, Rabbi' by men.
- 8 But don't you be called 'Rabbi,' for one is your Rabbi, the Messiah, and all of you are brothers.
- 9 Call no man on the earth your father, for one is your Father, he who is in heaven.
- 10 Neither be called masters, for one is your master, the Messiah.
- 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 "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you devour widows' houses, and as a pretense you make long prayers. Therefore you will receive greater condemnation.
- 14 "But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! Because you shut up the Kingdom of Heaven against men; for you don't enter in yourselves, neither do you allow those who are entering in to enter.
- 15 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you travel around by sea and land to make one proselyte; and when he becomes one, you make him twice as much of a son of Gehinnom as yourselves.
- 16 "Woe to you, you blind guides, who say, 'Whoever swears by the temple, it is nothing; but whoever swears by the gold of the temple, he is obligated.'
- 17 You blind fools! For which is greater, the gold, or the temple that sanctifies the gold?
- 18 'Whoever swears by the altar, it is nothing; but whoever swears by the gift that is on it, he is obligated?'
- 19 You blind fools! For which is greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifies the gift?
- 20 He therefore who swears by the altar, swears by it, and by everything on it.
- 21 He who swears by the temple, swears by it, and by him who was living in it.
- 22 He who swears by heaven, swears by the throne of ELOHIM, and by him who sits on it.
- 23 "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you tithe mint, dill, and cumin, and have left undone the weightier matters of the Torah: justice, mercy, and faith. But you ought to have done these, and not to have left the other undone.
- 24 You blind guides, who strain out a gnat, and swallow a camel!
- 25 "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and unrighteousness.
- 26 You blind Pharisee, first clean the inside of the cup and of the platter, that its outside may become clean also.
- 27 "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitened tombs, which outwardly appear beautiful, but inwardly are full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness.
- 28 Even so you also outwardly appear righteous to men, but inwardly you are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.
- 29 "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you build the tombs of the prophets, and decorate the tombs of the righteous,
- 30 and say, 'If we had lived in the days of our fathers, we wouldn't have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets.'
- 31 Therefore you testify to yourselves that you are children of those who killed the

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prophets.

32 Fill up, then, the measure of your fathers.

33 You serpents, you offspring of vipers, how will you escape the judgment of Gehinnom?

34 Therefore, behold, I send to you prophets, wise men, and scribes. Some of them you will kill and crucify; and some of them you will scourge in your synagogues, and persecute from city to city;

35 that on you may come all the righteous blood shed on the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel to the blood of Zechariah son of Berechiah, whom you killed between the sanctuary and the altar.

36 Most certainly I tell you, all these things will come upon this generation.

37 **. YESHUA Laments over Jerusalem. .**

“Jerusalem, Jerusalem, who kills the prophets, and stones those who are sent to her! How often I would have gathered your children together, even as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you would not!

38 Behold, your house is left to you desolate.

39 For I tell you, you will not see me from now on, until you say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of ADONAI!’”

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1 Kings 1:1-31.

1 . Adonijah Presumes to Be King.. 1 The First Book of Kings!

Now king David was old and stricken in years; and they covered him with clothes, but he couldn't keep warm.

2 Therefore his servants said to him, "Let there be sought for my master the king a young virgin: and let her stand before the king, and cherish him; and let her lie in your bosom, that my master the king may keep warm."

3 So they sought for a beautiful young lady throughout all the borders of Israel, and found Abishag the Shunammite, and brought her to the king.

4 The young lady was very beautiful; and she cherished the king, and ministered to him; but the king didn't know her intimately.

5 Then Adonijah the son of Haggith exalted himself, saying, "I will be king." Then he prepared him chariots and horsemen, and fifty men to run before him.

6 His father had not displeased him at any time in saying, "Why have you done so?" and he was also a very handsome man; and he was born after Absalom.

7 He conferred with Joab the son of Zeruiah, and with Abiathar the priest: and they following Adonijah helped him.

8 But Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and Nathan the prophet, and Shimei, and Rei, and the mighty men who belonged to David, were not with Adonijah.

9 Adonijah killed sheep and cattle and fatlings by the stone of Zoheleth, which is beside En Rogel; and he called all his brothers, the king's sons, and all the men of Judah, the king's servants:

10 but Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah, and the mighty men, and Solomon his brother, he didn't call.

11 Then Nathan spoke to Bathsheba the mother of Solomon, saying, "Haven't you heard that Adonijah the son of Haggith reigns, and David our master doesn't know it?"

12 Now therefore come, please let me give you counsel, that you may save your own life, and the life of your son Solomon.

13 Go in to king David, and tell him, 'Didn't you, my master, king, swear to your handmaid, saying, Assuredly Solomon your son shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne? Why then does Adonijah reign?'

14 Behold, while you yet talk there with the king, I also will come in after you, and confirm your words."

15 Bathsheba went in to the king into the room. The king was very old; and Abishag the Shunammite was ministering to the king.

16 Bathsheba bowed, and showed respect to the king. The king said, "What would you like?"

17 She said to him, "My master, you swore by YAHWEH your ELOHIM to your handmaid, 'Assuredly Solomon your son shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne.'

18 Now, behold, Adonijah reigns; and you, my master the king, don't know it.

19 He has slain cattle and fatlings and sheep in abundance, and has called all the sons of the king, and Abiathar the priest, and Joab the captain of the army; but he hasn't called Solomon your servant.

20 You, my master the king, the eyes of all Israel are on you, that you should tell them who shall sit on the throne of my master the king after him.

21 Otherwise it will happen, when my master the king shall sleep with his fathers, that I

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and my son Solomon shall be counted offenders.”

22 Behold, while she yet talked with the king, Nathan the prophet came in.

23 They told the king, saying, “Behold, Nathan the prophet!” When he had come in before the king, he bowed himself before the king with his face to the ground.

24 Nathan said, “My master, king, have you said, ‘Adonijah shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne?’

25 For he is gone down this day, and has slain cattle and fatlings and sheep in abundance, and has called all the king’s sons, and the captains of the army, and Abiathar the priest. Behold, they are eating and drinking before him, and say, ‘Long live king Adonijah!’

26 But he hasn’t called me, even me your servant, and Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and your servant Solomon.

27 Is this thing done by my master the king, and you haven’t shown to your servants who should sit on the throne of my master the king after him?”

28 . David Proclaims Solomon King. .

Then king David answered, “Call to me Bathsheba.” She came into the king’s presence, and stood before the king.

29 The king swore, and said, “As YAHWEH lives, who has redeemed my soul out of all adversity,

30 most certainly as I swore to you by YAHWEH, the ELOHIM of Israel, saying, ‘Assuredly Solomon your son shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne in my place;’ most certainly so will I do this day.”

31 Then Bathsheba bowed with her face to the earth, and showed respect to the king, and said, “Let my master king David live forever!”

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Luke 17.

1 . YESHUA Warns of Offenses. .

He said to the disciples, "It is impossible that no occasions of stumbling should come, but woe to him through whom they come!"

2 It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were thrown into the sea, rather than that he should cause one of these little ones to stumble.

3 Be careful. If your brother sins against you, rebuke him. If he repents, forgive him.

4 If he sins against you seven times in the day, and seven times returns, saying, 'I repent,' you shall forgive him."

5 . Faith and Duty. .

The emissaries said to ADONAI, "Increase our faith."

6 ADONAI said, "If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you would tell this sycamore tree, 'Be uprooted, and be planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

7 But who is there among you, having a servant plowing or keeping sheep, that will say, when he comes in from the field, 'Come immediately and sit down at the table,'

8 and will not rather tell him, 'Prepare my supper, clothe yourself properly, and serve me, while I eat and drink. Afterward you shall eat and drink'?

9 Does he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded? I think not.

10 Even so you also, when you have done all the things that are commanded you, say, 'We are unworthy servants. We have done our duty.'"

11 . Ten Lepers Cleansed. .

It happened as he was on his way to Jerusalem, that he was passing along the borders of Samaria and Galilee.

12 As he entered into a certain village, ten men who were lepers met him, who stood at a distance.

13 They lifted up their voices, saying, "YESHUA, Master, have mercy on us!"

14 When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." It happened that as they went, they were cleansed.

15 One of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, glorifying ELOHIM with a loud voice.

16 He fell on his face at YESHUA's feet, giving him thanks; and he was a Samaritan.

17 YESHUA answered, "Weren't the ten cleansed? But where are the nine?"

18 Were there none found who returned to give glory to ELOHIM, except this stranger?"

19 Then he said to him, "Get up, and go your way. Your faith has healed you."

20 . The Coming of the Kingdom. .

Being asked by the Pharisees when the Kingdom of ELOHIM would come, he answered them, "The Kingdom of ELOHIM doesn't come with observation;

21 neither will they say, 'Look, here!' or, 'Look, there!' for behold, the Kingdom of ELOHIM is within you."

22 He said to the disciples, "The days will come, when you will desire to see one of the days of the Son of Man, and you will not see it.

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23 They will tell you, 'Look, here!' or 'Look, there!' Don't go away, nor follow after them,
24 for as the lightning, when it flashes out of the one part under the sky, shines to the other part under the sky; so will the Son of Man be in his day.
25 But first, he must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation.
26 As it happened in the days of Noah, even so will it be also in the days of the Son of Man.
27 They ate, they drank, they married, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ship, and the flood came, and destroyed them all.
28 Likewise, even as it happened in the days of Lot: they ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built;
29 but in the day that Lot went out from Sodom, it rained fire and sulfur from the sky, and destroyed them all.
30 It will be the same way in the day that the Son of Man is revealed.
31 In that day, he who will be on the housetop, and his goods in the house, let him not go down to take them away. Let him who is in the field likewise not turn back.
32 Remember Lot's wife!
33 Whoever seeks to save his life loses it, but whoever loses his life preserves it.
34 I tell you, in that night there will be two people in one bed. The one will be taken, and the other will be left.
35 There will be two grinding grain together. One will be taken, and the other will be left."
36 .
37 They, answering, asked him, "Where, ADONAI?" He said to them, "Where the body is, there will the vultures also be gathered together."

Luke 18.

1 . The Parable of the Persistent Widow. .

He also spoke a parable to them that they must always pray, and not give up,
2 saying, "There was a judge in a certain city who didn't fear ELOHIM, and didn't respect man.
3 A widow was in that city, and she often came to him, saying, 'Defend me from my adversary!'
4 He wouldn't for a while, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear ELOHIM, nor respect man,
5 yet because this widow bothers me, I will defend her, or else she will wear me out by her continual coming.'"
6 ADONAI said, "Listen to what the unrighteous judge says.
7 Won't ELOHIM avenge his chosen ones, who are crying out to him day and night, and yet he exercises patience with them?
8 I tell you that he will avenge them quickly. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

9 . The Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector. .

He spoke also this parable to certain people who were convinced of their own righteousness, and who despised all others.
10 "Two men went up into the temple to pray; one was a Pharisee, and the other was a tax collector.
11 The Pharisee stood and prayed to himself like this: 'ELOHIM, I thank you, that I am not like the rest of men, extortioners, unrighteous, adulterers, or even like this tax

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collector.

12 I fast twice a week. I give tithes of all that I get.'

13 But the tax collector, standing far away, wouldn't even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'ELOHIM, be merciful to me, a sinner!'

14 I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."

15 **. YESHUA Blesses Little Children. .**

They were also bringing their babies to him, that he might touch them. But when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them.

16 YESHUA summoned them, saying, "Allow the little children to come to me, and don't hinder them, for the Kingdom of ELOHIM belongs to such as these.

17 Most certainly, I tell you, whoever doesn't receive the Kingdom of ELOHIM like a little child, he will in no way enter into it."

18 **. YESHUA Counsels the Rich Young Ruler. .**

A certain ruler asked him, saying, "Good Rabbi, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?"

19 YESHUA asked him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good, except one ELOHIM!

20 You know the commandments: 'Don't commit adultery,' 'Don't murder,' 'Don't steal,' 'Don't give false testimony,' 'Honor your father and your mother.'"

21 He said, "I have observed all these things from my youth up."

22 When YESHUA heard these things, he said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell all that you have, and distribute it to the poor. You will have treasure in heaven. Come, follow me."

23 But when he heard these things, he became very sad, for he was very rich.

24 **. With ELOHIM All Things Are Possible. .**

YESHUA, seeing that he became very sad, said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter into the Kingdom of ELOHIM!

25 For it is easier for a camel to enter in through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the Kingdom of ELOHIM!"

26 Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?"

27 But he said, "The things which are impossible with men are possible with ELOHIM!"

28 Peter said, "Look, we have left everything, and followed you."

29 He said to them, "Most certainly I tell you, there is no one who has left house, or wife, or brothers, or parents, or children, for the Kingdom of ELOHIM's sake,

30 who will not receive many times more in this time, and in the world to come, eternal life."

31 **. YESHUA a Third Time Predicts His Death and Resurrection. .**

He took the twelve aside, and said to them, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and all the things that are written through the prophets concerning the Son of Man will be completed.

32 For he will be delivered up to the Gentiles, will be mocked, treated shamefully, and spit on.

33 They will scourge and kill him. On the third day, he will rise again."

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34 They understood none of these things. This saying was hidden from them, and they didn't understand the things that were said.

35 . A Blind Man Receives His Sight. .

It happened, as he came near Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the road, begging.

36 Hearing a multitude going by, he asked what this meant.

37 They told him that YESHUA of Nazareth was passing by.

38 He cried out, "YESHUA, you son of David, have mercy on me!"

39 Those who led the way rebuked him, that he should be quiet; but he cried out all the more, "You son of David, have mercy on me!"

40 Standing still, YESHUA commanded him to be brought to him. When he had come near, he asked him,

41 "What do you want me to do?" He said, "ADONAI, that I may see again."

42 YESHUA said to him, "Receive your sight. Your faith has healed you."

43 Immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying ELOHIM! All the people, when they saw it, praised ELOHIM!

Luke 19.

1 . YESHUA Comes to Zacchaeus' House. .

He entered and was passing through Jericho.

2 There was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector, and he was rich.

3 He was trying to see who YESHUA was, and couldn't because of the crowd, because he was short.

4 He ran on ahead, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was to pass that way.

5 When YESHUA came to the place, he looked up and saw him, and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for today I must stay at your house."

6 He hurried, came down, and received him joyfully.

7 When they saw it, they all murmured, saying, "He has gone in to lodge with a man who is a sinner."

8 Zacchaeus stood and said to ADONAI, "Behold, ADONAI, half of my goods I give to the poor. If I have wrongfully exacted anything of anyone, I restore four times as much."

9 YESHUA said to him, "Today, salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham.

10 For the Son of Man came to seek and to save that which was lost."

11 . The Parable of the Minas. .

As they heard these things, he went on and told a parable, because he was near Jerusalem, and they supposed that the Kingdom of ELOHIM would be revealed immediately.

12 He said therefore, "A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return.

13 He called ten servants of his, and gave them ten mina coins, and told them, 'Conduct business until I come.'

14 But his citizens hated him, and sent an envoy after him, saying, 'We don't want this man to reign over us.'

15 "It happened when he had come back again, having received the kingdom, that he commanded these servants, to whom he had given the money, to be called to him, that

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he might know what they had gained by conducting business.

16 The first came before him, saying, 'ADONAI, your mina has made ten more minas.'

17 "He said to him, 'Well done, you good servant! Because you were found faithful with very little, you shall have authority over ten cities.'

18 "The second came, saying, 'Your mina, ADONAI, has made five minas.'

19 "So he said to him, 'And you are to be over five cities.'

20 Another came, saying, 'ADONAI, behold, your mina, which I kept laid away in a handkerchief,

21 for I feared you, because you are an exacting man. You take up that which you didn't lay down, and reap that which you didn't sow.'

22 "He said to him, 'Out of your own mouth will I judge you, you wicked servant! You knew that I am an exacting man, taking up that which I didn't lay down, and reaping that which I didn't sow.

23 Then why didn't you deposit my money in the bank, and at my coming, I might have earned interest on it?'

24 He said to those who stood by, 'Take the mina away from him, and give it to him who has the ten minas.'

25 "They said to him, 'ADONAI, he has ten minas!'

26 'For I tell you that to everyone who has, will more be given; but from him who doesn't have, even that which he has will be taken away from him.

27 But bring those enemies of mine who didn't want me to reign over them here, and kill them before me.'"

28 . The Triumphal Entry. .

Having said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

29 It happened, when he drew near to Bethsphage and Bethany, at the mountain that is called Olivet, he sent two of his disciples,

30 saying, "Go your way into the village on the other side, in which, as you enter, you will find a colt tied, whereon no man ever yet sat. Untie it, and bring it.

31 If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' say to him: 'ADONAI needs it.'"

32 Those who were sent went away, and found things just as he had told them.

33 As they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?"

34 They said, "ADONAI needs it."

35 They brought it to YESHUA! They threw their cloaks on the colt, and set YESHUA on them.

36 As he went, they spread their cloaks in the way.

37 As he was now getting near, at the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise ELOHIM with a loud voice for all the mighty works which they had seen,

38 saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of ADONAI! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest!"

39 Some of the Pharisees from the multitude said to him, "Rabbi, rebuke your disciples!"

40 He answered them, "I tell you that if these were silent, the stones would cry out."

41 . YESHUA Weeps over Jerusalem. .

When he drew near, he saw the city and wept over it,

42 saying, "If you, even you, had known today the things which belong to your peace! But now, they are hidden from your eyes.

43 For the days will come on you, when your enemies will throw up a barricade against

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you, surround you, hem you in on every side,
44 and will dash you and your children within you to the ground. They will not leave in you one stone on another, because you didn't know the time of your visitation."

45 . YESHUA Cleanses the Temple. .

He entered into the temple, and began to drive out those who bought and sold in it,
46 saying to them, "It is written, 'My house is a house of prayer,' but you have made it a 'den of robbers!'"

47 He was teaching daily in the temple, but the chief priests and the scribes and the leading men among the people sought to destroy him.

48 They couldn't find what they might do, for all the people hung on to every word that he said.

Luke 20.

1 . YESHUA'S Authority Questioned. .

It happened on one of those days, as he was teaching the people in the temple and proclaiming the Good News, that the priests and scribes came to him with the elders.

2 They asked him, "Tell us: by what authority do you do these things? Or who is giving you this authority?"

3 He answered them, "I also will ask you one question. Tell me:

4 the immersion of John, was it from heaven, or from men?"

5 They reasoned with themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say, 'Why didn't you believe him?'"

6 But if we say, 'From men,' all the people will stone us, for they are persuaded that John was a prophet."

7 They answered that they didn't know where it was from.

8 YESHUA said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things."

9 . The Parable of the Wicked Vinedressers. .

He began to tell the people this parable. "A man planted a vineyard, and rented it out to some farmers, and went into another country for a long time.

10 At the proper season, he sent a servant to the farmers to collect his share of the fruit of the vineyard. But the farmers beat him, and sent him away empty.

11 He sent yet another servant, and they also beat him, and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty.

12 He sent yet a third, and they also wounded him, and threw him out.

13 The owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? I will send my beloved son. It may be that seeing him, they will respect him.'

14 "But when the farmers saw him, they reasoned among themselves, saying, 'This is the heir. Come, let's kill him, that the inheritance may be ours.'

15 They threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What therefore will the owner of the vineyard do to them?"

16 He will come and destroy these farmers, and will give the vineyard to others." When they heard it, they said, "May it never be!"

17 But he looked at them, and said, "Then what is this that is written, 'The stone which the builders rejected, the same was made the chief cornerstone?'"

18 Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, but it will crush whomever

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it falls on to dust.”

19 The chief priests and the scribes sought to lay hands on him that very hour, but they feared the people for they knew he had spoken this parable against them.

20 **. The Pharisees: Is It Lawful to Pay Taxes to Caesar? .**

They watched him, and sent out spies, who pretended to be righteous, that they might trap him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the power and authority of the governor.

21 They asked him, “Rabbi, we know that you say and teach what is right, and aren’t partial to anyone, but truly teach the way of ELOHIM!

22 Is it legal for us to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?”

23 But he perceived their craftiness, and said to them, “Why do you test me?

24 Show me a denarius. Whose image and inscription are on it?” They answered, “Caesar’s.”

25 He said to them, “Then give to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to ELOHIM the things that are ELOHIM’s.”

26 They weren’t able to trap him in his words before the people. They marveled at his answer, and were silent.

27 **. The Sadducees: What About the Resurrection? .**

Some of the Sadducees came to him, those who deny that there is a resurrection.

28 They asked him, “Rabbi, Moses wrote to us that if a man’s brother dies having a wife, and he is childless, his brother should take the wife, and raise up children for his brother.

29 There were therefore seven brothers. The first took a wife, and died childless.

30 The second took her as wife, and he died childless.

31 The third took her, and likewise the seven all left no children, and died.

32 Afterward the woman also died.

33 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife of them will she be? For the seven had her as a wife.”

34 YESHUA said to them, “The children of this age marry, and are given in marriage.

35 But those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage.

36 For they can’t die any more, for they are like the angels, and are children of ELOHIM, being children of the resurrection.

37 But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed at the bush, when he called ADONAI ‘The ELOHIM of Abraham, the ELOHIM of Isaac, and the ELOHIM of Jacob.’

38 Now he is not the ELOHIM of the dead, but of the living, for all are alive to him.”

39 Some of the scribes answered, “Rabbi, you speak well.”

40 They didn’t dare to ask him any more questions.

41 **. YESHUA: How Can David Call His Descendant Master? .**

He said to them, “Why do they say that the Messiah is David’s son?

42 David himself says in the scroll of Psalms, ‘ADONAI said to my ADONAI, “Sit at my right hand,

43 until I make your enemies the footstool of your feet.”’

44 “David therefore calls him ADONAI, so how is he his son?”

45 **. Beware of the Scribes. .**

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In the hearing of all the people, he said to his disciples,

46 “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk in long robes, and love greetings in the marketplaces, the best seats in the synagogues, and the best places at feasts;

47 who devour widows’ houses, and for a pretense make long prayers: these will receive greater condemnation.”

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