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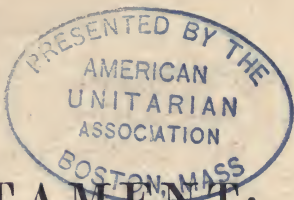
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## P R E F A C E.

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IN this translation I have strictly followed the text of Tischendorf's eighth critical edition of the Greek Testament as far as it has been published, namely to Luke xviii. 9; then, to the end of the Gospel of John, that of the second edition of his *Synopsis Evangelica*, published in 1864, after he had collated the Codex Sinaiticus; and that of his seventh edition (1859) in the remainder of the New Testament. I have chosen this text in preference to that of Griesbach or Lachmann, partly because I consider it as on the whole the best, and partly because I believe that it is so considered by the majority of competent scholars throughout the world, and thus deserves, more than any other, to be regarded as the modern received text. It is fortunate that, so far as theological opinion is concerned, there is no ground of choice between the three editions which have been named. I do not speak of the splendid edition of Tregelles, because only three-fourths of it have been published.

It is hardly necessary to say that my judgment does not coincide with that of Tischendorf in regard to every reading. It cannot be expected that there should be a

perfect uniformity of opinion in cases where the evidence, external and internal, is very evenly balanced. But for several reasons I have thought it best not to interpose my own judgment in regard to the Greek text in any instance. I am responsible only for the translation. Punctuation, however, is well known to be a matter of interpretation rather than of textual criticism; no punctuation marks of any consequence being found in the most ancient manuscripts. In this respect, therefore, I have occasionally used my right as translator; though I regard the punctuation of Tischendorf as in general very judicious.

I have also thought it inexpedient to depart from the Common Version in the arrangement of the General Epistles, namely, those of James, Peter, John, and Jude, which in Tischendorf's edition come between the Acts of the Apostles and the Epistles of Paul.

I request that every reader will bear in mind the Greek text which I have followed; otherwise some of my departures from the Common Version might seem to be unnecessary or arbitrary.

In regard to my translation, it is so difficult to state in few words the views and principles by which I have been guided, that I must leave it to speak for itself. I will merely say that it has been my aim to make a version more free from wholly or nearly obsolete words and phrases, more intelligible, more critically accurate, and on the whole even closer to the original than that of King James's translators, though less incumbered with mere Greek and Hebrew idioms. I have endeavored, with what success it is not for me to say, to retain what may be called the savor and spirit of our old



and familiar version, so far as is consistent with the paramount duties of a translator; and in doing this I have simply acted in conformity with my own judgment and taste.

Though mere professions of impartiality are deservedly held in light esteem, yet, as my book is published by the American Unitarian Association, it may not be wholly superfluous to state that my translation has not been supervised or corrected by any association, or by any authority whatever. Every word of it is the result of my own judgment, guided by universally acknowledged principles of scientific interpretation, without regard to creed or church. This does not mean, however, that I have not occasionally consulted with the accomplished Greek scholars of Cambridge, Professors Sophocles and Goodwin, as to the meaning of a word or a phrase. I would especially acknowledge my obligations to that thorough and accurate scholar, my friend Mr. Ezra Abbot, the assistant librarian of the University, who kindly offered his aid in looking over the proof-sheets; in the performance of which important service he also made many criticisms and suggestions, which have added much to the value of my translation. To the same gentleman I am indebted for access to a manuscript translation of the Epistles of Paul to the Romans and the Corinthians by that distinguished Biblical theologian, the late Professor Andrews Norton of our University. I have also had access to the most important translations of the whole or of parts of the New Testament in English, German, and French, and to the principal commentaries, ancient and modern.

References to the parallel passages in the four Gospels, and to those cited from the Old Testament, have been given in the margin, together with a few notes, containing some various readings, some renderings different from those in the text, and a few explanations of my own phraseology. But exposition, or interpretation, or argument, formed no part of my design. For this purpose another volume would have been required.

## EDITORIAL NOTE.

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THE preceding Preface was written by Dr. Noyes several months before his death, which took place June 3d, 1868. Though his physical strength had long been failing, his mind retained its accustomed clearness till near the close of his life, and he was able to revise the proof-sheets of his translation to the end of the Epistle to the Philippians. The manuscript of the remainder had already been placed in the hands of the printer. In performing the delicate and responsible task intrusted to me of revising the proof-sheets from the Epistle to the Colossians to the end of the volume, I have not hesitated to correct obvious oversights, and have occasionally made such verbal changes as I felt assured the author would have approved, could they have been submitted to his judgment. This liberty, however, has been used with great caution; and in no case have I presumed to substitute my own interpretation of a passage for one which appeared to have been deliberately adopted by Dr. Noyes. A few notes have been added, to which the initial "A." is appended.

In September of the present year, the fifth part of Tischendorf's eighth critical edition of the Greek Testament was published in Germany, extending from Luke xviii. 10 to John vi. 23. A list of the changes required to conform the translation to the text of this edition will be found at the end of the volume. It will be observed that Tischendorf now reads "only begotten *Son*" in John i. 18, instead of "only begotten *God*." For other changes worthy of notice, see Luke xxiii. 17; xxiv. 13, 21; John iii. 13; iv. 9.

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# THE GOSPEL



## ACCORDING TO MATTHEW.

I. THE genealogy of Jesus Christ, son of David, son of Abraham.

2 Abraham begat Isaac; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob  
3 begat Judah and his brothers. And Judah begat Pharez  
and Zarah, by Tamar. And Pharez begat Hezron; and  
4 Hezron begat Ram; and Ram begat Amminadab; and  
Amminadab begat Nahshon; and Nahshon begat Salmon;  
5 and Salmon begat Boaz by Rahab. And Boaz begat Obed  
6 by Ruth. And Obed begat Jesse; and Jesse begat Da-  
vid the king. And David begat Solomon by the wife of  
7 Uriah. And Solomon begat Rehoboam; and Rehoboam  
8 begat Abijah; and Abijah begat Asa; and Asa begat Je-  
hoshaphat; and Jehoshaphat begat Joram; and Joram be-  
9 gat Uzziah; and Uzziah begat Jotham; and Jotham begat  
10 Ahaz; and Ahaz begat Hezekiah; and Hezekiah begat  
Manasseh; and Manasseh begat Amon; and Amon be-  
11 gat Josiah; and Josiah begat Jeconiah and his brothers,  
at the time of the removal to Babylon.

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\* This title is not in Tischendorf's text, nor in that of the oldest manu-  
scripts, such as the Vatican and the Sinai manuscripts; but I presume that  
it is implied in the title, *According to Matthew*.

Ver. 1-17. Comp. Luke iii. 23-38.

Ver. 1. *The genealogy, &c.* Possibly, *The book of the birth*.

12 And after the removal to Babylon, Jeconiah begat She-  
 13 altiel; and Shealtiel begat Zerubbabel; and Zerubbabel  
 begat Abiud; and Abiud begat Eliakim; and Eliakim  
 14 begat Azor; and Azor begat Zadok; and Zadok begat  
 15 Achim; and Achim begat Eliud; and Eliud begat Elea-  
 zar; and Eleazar begat Matthan; and Matthan begat  
 16 Jacob; and Jacob begat Joseph the husband of Mary, of  
 whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ.

17 So all the generations from Abraham to David are  
 fourteen generations; and from David to the removal to  
 Babylon are fourteen generations; and from the removal  
 to Babylon unto Christ are fourteen generations.

18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ was in this manner.  
 When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph,  
 before they came together, she was found to be with  
 19 child by the Holy Spirit. Then Joseph her husband,  
 being righteous, and not willing to expose her to shame,  
 20 purposed to put her away privately. But while he  
 thought on these things, lo! an angel of the Lord ap-  
 peared to him in a dream, saying, Joseph, son of David,  
 fear not to take to thee Mary thy wife; for that which is  
 21 conceived in her is by the Holy Spirit. And she will bear  
 a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus; for he will  
 22 save his people from their sins. Now all this took place,  
 that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord  
 23 through the prophet, saying, "Behold, the virgin shall  
 be with child, and shall bear a son, and they shall call  
 his name Immanuel;"\* that is, when interpreted, God-is-  
 24 with-us. Then Joseph, on waking up from sleep, did as  
 the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took to him

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Ver. 16. *Christ*, i.e. *Anointed*, in reference to the claim of Jesus to be, in  
 some sense, a king.

Ver. 18. Comp. Luke i. 27.

Ver. 21. Comp. Luke ii. 21.

Ver. 21. *Jesus*, i.e. in its original meaning, *Saviour*.

\* Isa. vii. 14

25 his wife; and he knew her not till she had brought forth a son: and he called his name Jesus.

II. Now when Jesus had been born in Bethlehem of Judæa, in the days of Herod the king, lo! there came magians 2 from the East to Jerusalem, saying, Where is the king of the Jews that hath been born? for we saw his star in the 3 East, and came to do him homage. But when Herod the king heard of these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ 4 was to be born. And they said to him, In Bethlehem of 5 Judæa; for thus it is written by the prophet: "And thou Bethlehem, land of Judah, art by no means least among the princes of Judah; for out of thee shall come a ruler, who shall feed my people Israel."\*

7 Then Herod, having privately called the magians, ascertained from them exactly the time when the star appeared. 8 And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search carefully for the child; and when ye have found him, bring 9 me word, that I also may go and do him homage. When they had heard the king, they departed. And lo! the star, which they had seen in the East, went before them, till 10 it came and stood over where the child was. When they 11 saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy; and when they had come into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and did homage to him; and opening their treasures, they presented him 12 gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. And having been warned by God in a dream not to return to Herod, they went back to their own country another way.

Ver. 25. Comp. Luke ii. 7, 11.

Ver. 25. In some manuscripts, *her first-born son*.

Chap. II. 1. — *magians*; i.e. Persian, Median, or Chaldæan priests, who devoted themselves to astrology and kindred arts.

\* Mic. v. 2.

13 And when they had gone, lo! an angel of the Lord ap-  
 peareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the  
 child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and remain  
 there until I speak to thee; for Herod will seek the child,  
 14 to destroy him. And he arose, and took the child and his  
 15 mother by night, and went to Egypt; and was there until  
 the death of Herod; that it might be fulfilled which was  
 spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying, "I  
 16 called my son out of Egypt."\* Then Herod, when he  
 saw that he had been deceived by the magians, was  
 greatly enraged; and sent forth, and slew all the male  
 children that were in Bethlehem, and in all its borders,  
 from two years old and under, according to the time  
 17 which he had ascertained from the magians. Then was  
 fulfilled that which was spoken through Jeremiah the  
 18 prophet, saying, "A voice was heard in Ramah, weep-  
 ing, and great mourning; Rachel weeping for her chil-  
 dren, and refusing to be comforted, because they were no  
 19 more."† But when Herod was dead, lo! an angel of the  
 20 Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying,  
 Arise, and take the child and his mother, and go to the  
 land of Israel; for they who sought the child's life are  
 21 dead. And he arose, and took the child and his mother,  
 22 and came into the land of Israel. But when he heard that  
 Archelaus was reigning in Judæa in the place of his father  
 Herod, he was afraid to go thither; and being warned by  
 God in a dream, he withdrew into the parts of Galilee,  
 23 and came and took up his abode in a city called Naza-  
 reth; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through  
 the prophets, "He will be called a Nazarene."‡

III. In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the

\* Hosea xi. 1.

† Jer. xxxi. 15.

‡ Reference unknown; possibly to the Hebrew word *netser*, which is translated *branch*, in Isa. xi. 1.



2 wilderness of Judæa, saying, Repent, for the kingdom of  
3 heaven is at hand. For this is he that was spoken of  
through Isaiah the prophet, saying, "The voice of one  
crying in the wilderness, Prepare the way of the Lord,  
4 make straight his paths!"\* And John himself had his  
raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his  
loins; and his food was locusts and wild honey.

5 Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judæa, and  
6 all the country about the Jordan; and were baptized by  
7 him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But see-  
ing many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to be  
baptized, he said to them, Brood of vipers, who warned  
8 you to flee from the coming wrath? Bring forth there-  
9 fore fruit worthy of repentance, and think not to say  
within yourselves, We have Abraham for our father; for  
I say to you, that God is able out of these stones to raise  
10 up children to Abraham. And already is the axe lying  
at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that bear-  
eth not good fruit is to be cut down, and cast into the fire.  
11 I indeed baptize you in water, for repentance; but he that  
cometh after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am  
not worthy to bear; he will baptize you in the Holy Spirit  
12 and in fire. His winnowing-shovel is in his hand, and he  
will thoroughly cleanse his threshing-floor, and gather his  
wheat into the garner; but the chaff he will burn up with  
unquenchable fire.

13 Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to the Jordan to John,  
14 to be baptized by him. But John opposed him, saying,  
I have need to be baptized by thee, and dost thou come  
15 to me? And Jesus answering said to him, Suffer it  
now; for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness.

16 Then he suffered him. And Jesus, as soon as he was baptized, went up from the water; and, lo! the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God, descending like a  
 17 dove, coming upon him. And lo! a voice from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

IV. Then was Jesus led up by the Spirit into the wilderness, to be tempted by the Devil. And when he had fasted  
 3 forty days and forty nights, he was afterward hungry. And the tempter came and said to him, If thou art the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread.  
 4 But he answered and said, It is written, "Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that proceedeth  
 5 from the mouth of God."\* Then the Devil taketh him into the holy city, and setteth him on the pinnacle of the  
 6 temple; and saith to him, If thou art the Son of God, cast thyself down; for it is written, "He will give his angels charge concerning thee; and in their hands they will bear thee up, that thou mayst not dash thy foot against a  
 7 stone."† Jesus said to him, Again it is written, "Thou shalt not make trial of the Lord thy God."‡ Again, the Devil taketh him to an exceeding high mountain, and showeth him all the kingdoms of the world, and their  
 9 glory; and said to him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. Then saith Jesus to him, Be gone, Satan! for it is written, "Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve."§  
 11 Then the Devil leaveth him; and lo! angels came and ministered to him.  
 12 Now when Jesus heard that John had been cast into

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Chap. IV. 1-11. Comp. Mark i. 12, 13; Luke iv. 1-13.

Ver. 12-17. Comp. Mark i. 14, 15; Luke iv. 14, 15, 31.

\* Deut. viii. 3.

† Ps. xci. 11, 12.

‡ Deut. vi. 16.

§ Deut. vi. 13.

13 prison, he withdrew into Galilee. And leaving Nazara, he came and dwelt in Capernaum, on the shore of the lake, 14 in the borders of Zebulun and Naphtali; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, saying, "The land of Zebulun, and the land of Naphtali, by the way of the lake beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles, the people that sat in darkness, saw a great light; and upon those who sat in the region and shadow of death, light arose"\*

17 From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent; for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. And while walking by the lake of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into 19 the lake; for they were fishers. And he saith to them, 20 Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men. And 21 they immediately left their nets, and followed him. And going on from thence, he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called 22 them. And they immediately left the boat and their father, and followed him.

23 And he went round the whole of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the glad tidings of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among 24 the people. And his fame went forth into all Syria; and they brought to him all that were sick, afflicted with various diseases and torments, and those who were possessed by demons, and lunatics, and those who were struck with 25 palsy; and he healed them. And great multitudes followed

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Ver. 17. *Repent.* The prominent meaning of the Greek term is change of sentiment and character. "Repentance is a whole volume of duty, to which godly sorrow is but the titlepage."

Ver. 18-22. Comp. Mark i. 16-20; Luke v. 1-11.

Ver. 23-25. Comp. Mark i. 39; Luke iv. 44; Mark i. 28, iii. 7, 8; Luke vi. 17-19.

\* Isa. ix. 1, 2.

him from Galilee and Decapolis and Jerusalem and Judæa, and from beyond the Jordan.

V. And seeing the multitudes, he went up into the mountain; and when he had sat down, his disciples came to 2 him. And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying:—

3 Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

5 Blessed are the meek; for they will inherit the earth.

4 Blessed are they who mourn; for they will be comforted.

6 Blessed are they who hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they will be filled.

7 Blessed are the merciful; for they will obtain mercy.

8 Blessed are the pure in heart; for they will see God.

9 Blessed are the peace-makers; for they will be called sons of God.

10 Blessed are they who are persecuted for righteousness' sake; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 Blessed are ye, when men revile you, and persecute you, and say every thing that is bad against you, falsely, for my 12 sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad; for great is your reward in heaven; for so did they persecute the prophets that were before you.

13 Ye are the salt of the earth. But if the salt have lost its savor, wherewith shall itself be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot by men.

14 Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a 15 hill cannot be hid; nor do men light a lamp, and put it under the bushel, but on the lamp-stand; and it giveth 16 light to all that are in the house. In like manner let

your light shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.

17 Think not that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets: I came not to destroy, but to fulfil. For truly do I say to you, Not till heaven and earth pass away, shall one jot or one tittle pass from the Law, till all be fulfilled.

19 Whoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, will be called the least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever shall do and teach them, he will be called great in the kingdom of  
20 heaven. For I say to you, Unless your righteousness shall exceed that of the scribes and Pharisees, ye will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

21 Ye have heard that it was said to them of old time, "Thou shalt not kill; and whoever shall kill, shall be in  
22 danger of the Judges."\* But I say to you, that whoever is angry with his brother shall be in danger of the Judges; and whoever shall say to his brother, Simpleton! shall be in danger of the Council; and whoever shall say, Fool! shall be in danger of hell-fire.

23 Therefore, if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there  
24 remember that thy brother hath aught against thee, leave there thy gift before the altar, and go away; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy  
25 gift. Agree with thine adversary at law quickly, while thou art on the road with him; lest the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge to the officer, and  
26 thou be cast into prison. Truly do I say to thee, Thou wilt not come out thence, till thou hast paid the last farthing.

Ver. 18. — *not one jot, nor one tittle*; i.e. not the smallest letter, nor the smallest part of a letter.

Ver. 18. Comp. Luke xvi. 17.

Ver. 21. — *the Judges*; i.e. a lower court, consisting of five judges.

\* Exod. xx. 13; Lev. xxiv. 17.

27 Ye have heard that it was said, "Thou shalt not com-  
 28 mit adultery."\* But I say to you, that whoever looketh  
 on a woman to lust after her, hath committed adultery with  
 29 her already in his heart. And if thy right eye cause thee  
 to offend, pluck it out, and cast it from thee; for it is bet-  
 ter for thee that one of thy members should perish, than  
 30 that thy whole body should be cast into hell. And if thy  
 right hand cause thee to offend, cut it off, and cast it from  
 thee; for it is better for thee that one of thy members  
 should perish, than that thy whole body should go away  
 into hell.

31 And it was said, "Whoever shall put away his wife, let  
 32 him give her a writing of divorcement."† But I say to you,  
 that whoever putteth away his wife, unless it be on account  
 of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery; and who-  
 ever shall marry her when put away, committeth adultery.

33 Again ye have heard that it was said to them of old  
 time, "Thou shalt not swear falsely, but shalt perform to  
 34 the Lord thine oaths."‡ But I say to you, Swear not at  
 35 all; neither by heaven, for it is the throne of God; nor by  
 the earth, for it is his footstool; nor by Jerusalem, for it is  
 36 the city of the Great King; nor shalt thou swear by thy  
 head, for thou canst not make one hair white or black.  
 37 But let your language be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay; for what-  
 ever is more than these cometh of evil.

38 Ye have heard that it was said, "An eye for an eye,  
 39 and a tooth for a tooth."§ But I say to you, that ye  
 resist not the evil-doer; but whoever smiteth thee on the  
 40 right cheek, turn to him the other also; and if any one in-  
 tends to sue thee at the law, and take thy coat, give up to  
 41 him thy cloak also; and whoever shall compel thee to go

Ver. 37. — *of evil. Or, from the Evil One.*

\* Exod. xx. 14.

† Deut. xxiv. 1.

‡ Exod. xx. 7; Lev. xix. 12; Numb. xxx. 2; Deut. xxiii. 21.

§ Exod. xxi. 24; Lev. xxiv. 20; Deut. xix. 21.

42 one mile, go with him two. Give to him that asketh of thee; and from him that would borrow of thee, turn not away.

43 Ye have heard that it was said, "Thou shalt love thy  
44 neighbor, and hate thine enemy."\* But I say to you,  
Love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute  
45 you; that ye may become sons of your Father who is in  
heaven; for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on  
the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.  
46 For if ye love those who love you, what reward have  
47 ye? Do not even the publicans the same? And if ye  
salute your brethren only, what do ye that excelleth? Do  
48 not even the heathen the same? Be ye therefore perfect,  
as your heavenly Father is perfect.

VI. But take heed that ye do not your righteousness before  
men, to be seen by them; otherwise ye have no reward  
2 with your Father who is in heaven. Therefore when thou  
doest alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the  
hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that  
they may have glory of men. Truly do I say to you,  
3 They have received their reward. But when thou doest  
alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand  
4 doeth; that thine alms may be in secret; and thy Father,  
who seeth in secret, will reward thee.

5 And when ye pray, ye shall not be as the hypocrites  
are; for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and  
in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by  
men. Truly do I say to you, They have received their  
6 reward. But do thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy  
closet, and, when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy  
Father who is in secret; and thy Father, who seeth in  
secret, will reward thee.

7 But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the

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\* Lev. xix. 18.

heathen do; for they think that they shall be heard for  
8 the multitude of their words. Be not ye therefore like  
them; for your Father knoweth what things ye have  
9 need of, before ye ask him. After this manner therefore  
pray ye:—

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
10 thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in  
<sup>li</sup><sub>12</sub> heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us  
13 our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors; and lead  
us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

14 For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly  
15 Father will also forgive you; but if ye do not forgive men,  
neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

16 Moreover, when ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a  
sad countenance; for they disfigure their faces, that they  
may appear to men to be fasting. Truly do I say to you,  
17 They have received their reward. But do thou, when thou  
18 fastest, anoint thy head, and wash thy face; that thou ap-  
pear not to men to be fasting, but to thy Father who is in  
secret; and thy Father, who seeth in secret, will reward  
thee.

19 Lay not up for yourselves treasures on earth, where  
the moth and rust consume, and where thieves break  
20 through and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures  
in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumeth, and  
21 where thieves do not break through nor steal. For where  
22 thy treasure is, there will thy heart be also. The eye is  
the lamp of the body. If thine eye be clear, thy whole  
23 body will be in light; but if thine eye be disordered,  
thy whole body will be in darkness. If then the light  
that is within thee is darkness, how great that dark-

Ver. 9–13. Comp. Luke xi. 2–4.

Ver. 11. — *our daily bread.* Otherwise, *our needful bread.*

Ver. 13. — *from evil.* Or, *from the Evil One.*

Ver. 14, 15. Comp. Mark xi. 25, 26.



24 ness! No one can serve two masters; for either he  
will hate one, and love the other; or else he will cleave  
to one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and  
25 mammon. Therefore I say to you, Be not anxious for  
your life, what ye shall eat; nor yet for your body, what  
ye shall put on. Is not the life more than food, and the  
26 body than raiment? Behold the birds of the air, that they  
sow not, nor reap, nor gather into barns; and your heav-  
enly Father feedeth them. Are not ye of much greater  
27 value than they? But who of you by anxious thought can  
28 add to his life one cubit? And why are ye anxious about  
raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow.  
29 They toil not, neither do they spin; and yet I say to you,  
that not even Solomon in all his glory was arrayed like one  
30 of these. And if God so clothes the herbage of the field,  
which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into an oven, will he  
31 not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? Therefore  
be not anxious, saying, What shall we eat, or what shall  
32 we drink, or wherewith shall we be clothed? For after  
all these things do the gentiles seek; for your heavenly  
Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.  
33 But seek first his kingdom, and his righteousness; and all  
34 these things will also be given you. Be not then anxious  
about the morrow; for the morrow will be anxious about  
itself. Sufficient for the day is the evil thereof.

VII. Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judg-  
2 ment ye judge, ye will be judged; and with what meas-  
3 ure ye mete, it will be measured to you. And why dost  
thou look at the mote that is in thy brother's eye, and  
4 not perceive the beam in thine own eye? Or how wilt  
thou say to thy brother, Let me take the mote out of  
5 thine eye; when, lo! the beam is in thine own eye? Hypo

critic! first cast the beam out of thine own eye; and then wilt thou see clearly to take the mote out of thy brother's eye.

6 Give not that which is holy to dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine; lest they trample them under their feet, and turn upon you and rend you.

7 Ask, and it will be given you; seek, and ye will find; 8 knock, and the door will be opened to you. For every one that asketh, receiveth; and he that seeketh, findeth; 9 and to him that knocketh, the door will be opened. Or what man is there of you, who, if his son ask for bread, 10 will give him a stone? or, if he ask for a fish, will give 11 him a serpent? If ye then, though evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to them 12 that ask him! All things, then, whatever ye would that men should do to you, do ye also so to them; for this is the Law and the Prophets.

13 Enter in at the strait gate; for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction; and many are they 14 who go in thereat. For strait is the gate, and narrow the way, that leadeth to life; and few are they who find it.

15 Beware of the false prophets, who come to you in 16 sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravening wolves. Ye may know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes 17 of thorns, or figs of thistles? So every good tree bear- 18 eth good fruit; but a bad tree beareth bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good 19 fruit. Every tree that beareth not good fruit is cut down, 20 and cast into the fire. So then ye may know them by their fruits.

21 Not every one that saith to me, Lord, Lord, will enter

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Ver. 7-11. Comp. Luke xi. 9-13.

Ver. 13, 14. The words "is the gate" are inclosed in brackets by Tischendorf, to indicate that he regards them as of doubtful genuineness.

into the kingdom of heaven ; but he that doeth the will of  
 22 my Father who is in heaven. Many will say to me in  
 that day, Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in thy name,  
 and in thy name cast out demons, and in thy name work  
 23 many miracles ? And then will I declare to them, I never  
 knew you : depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

24 Every one then that heareth these sayings of mine, and  
 doeth them, shall be likened to a wise man, who built his  
 25 house upon a rock ; and the rain descended, and the  
 streams came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that  
 house ; and it fell not ; for it was founded upon a rock.  
 26 And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and  
 doeth them not, shall be likened to a foolish man, who  
 27 built his house upon the sand ; and the rain descended,  
 and the streams came, and the winds blew, and beat upon  
 that house ; and it fell ; and great was its fall.

28 And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these say-  
 ings, that the multitudes were astonished at his teaching.  
 29 For he taught them as having authority, and not as their  
 scribes.

VIII. When he had come down from the mountain, great  
 2 multitudes followed him. And lo ! there came a leper  
 and bowed down before him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt,  
 3 thou canst cleanse me. And he put forth his hand,  
 and touched him, saying, I will ; be thou cleansed. And  
 4 immediately his leprosy was cleansed. And Jesus saith  
 to him, See thou tell no one ; but go, show thyself to the  
 priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a  
 testimony to them.

5 And when he had entered into Capernaum, there came  
 6 to him a centurion, beseeching him, and saying, Lord,  
 7 my servant lieth at home palsied, sorely tormented. He

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Ver. 2-4. Comp. Mark i. 40-45 ; Luke v. 12-16.

Ver. 5-18. Comp. Luke vii. 1-10

8 saith to him, I will come and heal him. But the centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof; but only command with a  
9 word, and my servant will be made well. For even I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me; and I say to this one, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth  
10 it. When Jesus heard this, he marvelled, and said to those who followed, Truly do I say to you, Not even in  
11 Israel have I found such faith. And I say to you, that many will come from the east and the west, and recline at table with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of  
12 heaven. But the sons of the kingdom will go out into the outer darkness; there will be wailing and gnash-  
13 ing of teeth. And Jesus said to the centurion, Go thy way; as thou hast believed, so be it done to thee. And the servant was made well in that hour.

14 And when Jesus had come into Peter's house, he saw  
15 his wife's mother lying sick of a fever. And he touched her hand, and the fever left her; and she arose, and waited on him.

16 And when evening came, they brought to him many that were possessed by demons; and he cast out the  
17 spirits with a word, and healed all that were sick; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, saying, "He himself took our infirmities, and bore our diseases."\*

18 And Jesus, seeing great multitudes about him, gave  
19 orders to depart to the other side. And a certain scribe came and said to him, Teacher, I will follow thee where-  
20 ever thou goest. And Jesus saith to him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have lodging-places; but the

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Ver. 14-16. Comp. Mark i. 29-34; Luke iv. 38-41.

Ver. 16, 18, 23-34. Comp. Mark iv. 35-v. 20; Luke viii. 22-39.

Ver. 19-22. Comp. Luke ix. 57-60.

\* Isa. liiii. 4.

21 Son of man hath not where to lay his head. And another of the disciples said to him, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father. But he saith to him, Follow me, and let the dead bury their own dead.

23 And when he had gone on board the boat, his disciples followed him. And, lo! a great tempest arose on the lake, so that the boat was almost covered by the waves; but he was sleeping. And they came and awoke him, saying, Lord, save! we are perishing. And he saith to them, Why are ye fearful, ye of little faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the waves; and there was a great calm. And the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the waves obey him?

28 And when he had come to the other side, into the country of the Gadarenes, there met him two men possessed by demons, coming out of the tombs, exceedingly fierce, so that no one could pass by that way. And lo! they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Son of God? Didst thou come here to torment us before the time? Now there was at a distance from them a herd of many swine feeding. And the demons besought him, saying, If thou cast us out, send us into the herd of swine. And he said to them, Go. And they came out, and went into the swine. And lo! the whole herd rushed down the steep into the lake, and perished in the waters. And the herdsmen fled, and went away into the city, and told everything, and what had happened to the men possessed by demons. And lo! the whole city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw him, they besought him to depart from their borders.

IX. And going on board a boat, he crossed over, and came

2 to his own city. And lo! they brought to him a man  
that was palsied, lying on a bed. And Jesus, seeing their  
faith, said to the palsied man, Be of good cheer, son; thy  
3 sins are forgiven. And lo! some of the scribes said within  
4 themselves, This man is blaspheming. And Jesus seeing  
their thoughts, said, Wherefore have ye evil thoughts in  
5 your hearts? For which is easier? to say, Thy sins are  
6 forgiven? or to say, Arise, and walk? But that ye may  
know that the Son of Man hath authority on earth to  
forgive sins, — then he saith to the palsied man, — Arise,  
7 take up thy bed, and go to thy house. And he arose,  
8 and went away to his house. And when the multitudes  
saw it, they were struck with fear, and gave glory to God,  
who had given such power to men.

9 And as Jesus passed on from thence, he saw a man,  
named Matthew, sitting at the custom-house; and he saith  
to him, Follow me. And he arose and followed him.  
10 And it came to pass, as he was reclining at table in the  
house, lo! many publicans and sinners came and reclined  
11 with Jesus and his disciples. And when the Pharisees  
saw it, they said to his disciples, Why doth your teacher  
12 eat with the publicans and sinners? But when he heard  
that, he said, They who are well do not need a physician,  
13 but they who are sick. But go ye and learn what this  
meaneth: "I desire mercy, and not sacrifice."\* For I  
came not to call righteous men, but sinners.

14 Then come to him the disciples of John, saying, Why  
do we and the Pharisees fast, and thy disciples fast not?  
15 And Jesus said to them, Can the companions of the bride-  
groom mourn, as long as the bridegroom is with them?  
But the days will come, when the bridegroom will be  
16 taken from them, and then will they fast. No one putteth  
a patch of undressed cloth on an old garment; for the

piece that filleth in teareth away from the garment, and a  
17 worse rent is made. Nor do men put new wine into old  
skins; else the skins burst, and the wine runneth out, and  
the skins are spoilt. But they put new wine into new  
skins, and both are preserved together.

18 While he was thus speaking to them, lo! a certain ruler  
came in and bowed down before him, saying, My daugh-  
ter just now died; but come and lay thy hand upon her,  
19 and she will live. And Jesus arose and followed him,  
20 with his disciples. And, lo! a woman, who had had an  
issue of blood for twelve years, came up behind, and  
21 touched the fringe of his garment. For she said within  
herself, If I only touch his garment, I shall be made well.  
22 And he turned round, and seeing her, said, Be of good  
cheer, daughter; thy faith hath made thee well. And the  
woman was made well from that hour.

23 And Jesus coming into the ruler's house, and seeing  
24 the minstrels, and the crowd making a noise, said, With-  
draw; for the girl is not dead, but is sleeping. And they  
25 laughed him to scorn. But when the crowd had been  
put out, he went in, and took hold of her hand; and the  
26 girl arose. And the report of this went abroad into all  
that country.

27 And as Jesus passed on from thence, two blind men fol-  
lowed him, crying out and saying, Have pity on us, Son of  
28 David! And when he had come into the house, the blind  
men came to him; and Jesus saith to them, Do ye believe  
that I am able to do this? They say to him, Yea, Lord.  
29 Then he touched their eyes, saying, According to your  
30 faith be it done to you. And their eyes were opened.  
And Jesus sternly charged them, saying, See that no one  
31 know it. But they went out, and spread abroad his fame  
in all that country.

32 And as they were going out, lo! they brought to him  
 33 a dumb man, possessed by a demon. And when the  
 demon was cast out, the dumb man spoke. And the multi-  
 34 tudes marvelled, saying, Never was the like seen in Israel.  
 But the Pharisees said, He casteth out the demons through  
 the prince of the demons.

35 And Jesus went round all the cities and villages, teach-  
 ing in their synagogues, and preaching the glad tidings of  
 the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease.  
 36 And seeing the multitudes, he was moved with compassion  
 for them, because they were harassed and scattered about,  
 37 as sheep having no shepherd. Then he saith to his disci-  
 ples, The harvest indeed is great, but the laborers are few.  
 38 Pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send forth  
 laborers for his harvest.

X. And he called to him his twelve disciples, and gave them  
 power over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal  
 2 every sickness and every disease. Now the names of the  
 twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Pe-  
 ter, and Andrew his brother, and James the son of Zeb-  
 3 edee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew;  
 Thomas and Matthew the publican; James the son of  
 4 Alphæus, and Lebbæus; Simon of Cana, and Judas Isca-  
 riot, he who betrayed him.

5 These twelve Jesus sent forth, when he had charged  
 them, saying, Go not away to gentiles, and enter not  
 6 any city of the Samaritans; but go rather to the lost  
 7 sheep of the house of Israel. And, as ye go, proclaim,  
 8 saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick,  
 raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons; freely ye  
 9 received, freely give. Provide neither gold, nor silver,

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Ver. 37, 38. Comp. Luke x. 2.

Chap. X. 1-4. Comp. Mark iii. 13-19; Luke vi. 12-16.

Ver. 5-15. Comp. Mark vi. 7-11; Luke ix. 1-5, x. 3-12.



10 nor brass, in your girdles; nor bag for the journey, nor  
two coats, nor sandals, nor a staff. For the laborer is  
11 worthy of his living. And into whatever city or town ye  
enter, inquire who in it is worthy; and there abide  
12 till ye leave the place. And as ye enter the house, salute  
13 it. And if the house be worthy, let your peace come  
upon it; but if it be not worthy, let your peace return to  
14 you. And whoever shall not receive you, nor hear your  
words, when ye go out of that house or city, shake off  
15 the dust from your feet. Truly do I say to you, It will  
be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah in  
the day of judgment, than for that city.

16 Lo! I send you forth as sheep into the midst of wolves.  
Be therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.  
17 But beware of men. For they will deliver you up to the  
councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues;  
18 and ye will be brought before governors and kings for my  
sake, that ye may bear testimony to them and to the gen-  
tiles.

19 But when they deliver you up, be not anxious as to  
how or what ye shall speak; for it will be given you in  
20 that hour what ye shall speak. For it is not ye that speak,  
but the Spirit of your Father that speaketh in you.

21 And brother will deliver up brother to death, and the  
father his child; and children will rise up against their  
22 parents, and put them to death; and ye will be hated by  
all on account of my name. But he that endureth to  
the end will be saved.

23 And when they persecute you in one city, flee to  
another. For truly do I say to you, Ye will not have  
gone over the cities of Israel till the Son of man hath  
come.

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Ver. 16. See Luke x. 3.

Ver. 17-22. See chap. xxiv. 9, 13; Mark xiii. 9-13; Luke xxi. 12-19.

Ver. 19-20. Comp also Luke xii. 11, 12.

- 24 A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above  
 25 his lord. It is enough for the disciple to be as his teacher,  
 and the servant as his lord. If they have called the mas-  
 ter of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they so  
 call those of his household!
- 26 Fear them not therefore. For there is nothing covered  
 that will not be revealed; and hid, that will not be known.
- 27 What I say to you in darkness, speak ye in the light; and  
 28 what ye hear in the ear, proclaim ye upon the house-tops.  
 And fear not those who kill the body, but are not able to  
 kill the soul; but rather fear him who is able to destroy  
 both soul and body in hell.
- 29 Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? and not one of  
 30 them shall fall to the ground without your Father. But  
 31 even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not  
 therefore; ye are of more value than many sparrows.
- 32 Every one therefore who shall acknowledge me before  
 men, him will I also acknowledge before my Father who  
 33 is in heaven. But whoever shall deny me before men, him  
 will I also deny before my Father who is in heaven.
- 34 Think not that I came to send peace on earth: I came  
 35 not to send peace, but a sword. For I came to set a  
 man at variance with his father, and a daughter with her  
 36 mother, and a bride with her mother-in-law; and they of  
 37 a man's own household will be his foes.\* He that loveth  
 38 father or mother more than me, is not worthy of me; and  
 he that loveth son or daughter more than me, is not worthy  
 of me; and he that doth not take his cross, and follow me,  
 39 is not worthy of me. He that findeth his life will lose it;  
 and he that loseth his life for my sake will find it.
- 40 He that receiveth you, receiveth me; and he that re-

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Ver. 24, 25. See Luke vi. 40; John xiii. 16, xv. 20.

Ver. 26. See also Mark iv. 22; Luke viii. 17.

Ver. 26-33. See Luke xii. 2-9.

Ver. 34-36. See Luke xii. 51-53

Ver. 37, 38. See Luke xiv. 26, 27.

\* See Mic. vii. 6.

- 41 ceiveth me, receiveth him that sent me. He that receiveth a prophet because he is a prophet, will receive a prophet's reward, and he that receiveth a righteous man because he is a righteous man, will receive a righteous man's reward.
- 42 And whoever shall give to drink only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, truly do I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward.

XI. And it came to pass, when Jesus had made an end of his charge to his twelve disciples, that he departed thence, to teach and to preach in their cities.

2 And John, having heard in the prison of the works of  
3 Christ, sent by his disciples, and said to him, Art thou he  
4 that is to come, or are we to look for another? And Jesus  
5 answered and said to them, Go and tell John what ye hear  
6 and see. The blind receive sight and the lame walk, lepers  
7 are cleansed, and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised,  
8 and to the poor good tidings are brought; and blessed is  
9 he, whoever shall find no occasion of stumbling in me.

7 And, as these were going, Jesus began to say to the  
8 multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into  
9 the wilderness to see? the reeds shaken by the wind?  
10 But why did ye go out? to see a man clothed in soft rai-  
11 ment? Lo! they that wear soft clothing are in kings'  
12 houses. But why did ye go out? to see a prophet? Yea,  
13 I say to you, and more than a prophet. For this is he of  
14 whom it is written: "Lo! I send my messenger before thy  
15 face, who shall prepare thy way before thee."\* Truly do  
16 I say to you, Among those born of women there hath not  
17 risen a greater than John the Baptist. But he that is least  
18 in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

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Ver. 42. See Mark ix. 41. Chap. xi. 2-19. Comp. Luke vii. 18-35.

Ver. 8. In most manuscripts, *But what went ye out to see? a man, &c.*

Ver. 9. In many manuscripts, *But what went ye out to see? A prophet?*

\* Mal. iii. 1.

12 And from the days of John the Baptist until now, the  
kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent  
13 seize upon it. For all the Prophets and the Law, until  
14 John, prophesied. And if ye are willing to receive it, he  
15 is the Elijah who was to come. He that hath ears, let  
him hear.

16 But to what shall I liken this generation? It is like  
children sitting in the markets; who call to their fellows  
17 and say, We piped to you, and ye did not dance; we sung  
18 a dirge, and ye did not lament. For John came neither  
19 eating nor drinking; and they say, He hath a demon.  
The Son of man came eating and drinking; and they say,  
Behold, a glutton and a wine-bibber, a friend of publicans  
and sinners! But wisdom is justified by her works.

20 Then he began to upbraid the cities wherein most of his  
21 miracles were done, because they did not repent. Woe to  
thee, Chorazin! woe to thee, Bethsaida! for if the mira-  
cles that were done in you had been done in Tyre and  
Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth  
22 and ashes. But I say to you, It will be more tolerable  
for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you.  
23 And thou, Capernaum! shalt thou be exalted to heaven?  
Thou shalt be brought down to the underworld; for if the  
miracles which were done in thee had been done in Sodom,  
24 it would have remained until this day. But I say to you,  
that it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the  
day of judgment, than for thee.

25 At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee,

Ver. 12, 13. See Luke xvi. 16.

Ver. 19. — *by her works*; according to many manuscripts, *by her children*

Ver. 21-23. Comp. Luke x. 13-15.

Ver. 23. According to other manuscripts, *that hast been exalted to heaven, shalt be brought down, &c.*

Ver. 23. — *the underworld*, i.e. the abode of the dead in the interior of the earth. Figuratively, the lowest depth of misery.

Ver. 25-27. Comp. Luke x. 21, 22.

O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that, though thou didst hide these things from the wise and discerning, thou didst reveal them to babes. Yea, Father, for so it seemed good in thy sight. All things were delivered to me by my Father; and no one knoweth the Son but the Father; nor doth any one know the Father, but the Son, and he to whom it is the will of the Son to reveal him. Come to me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

XII. At that time Jesus went on the sabbath through the grain-fields; and his disciples were hungry, and began to pluck the ears of grain, and to eat. But the Pharisees, seeing it, said to him, Lo! thy disciples are doing that which it is not lawful to do on the sabbath. But he said to them, Have ye not read what David did, when he and those who were with him were hungry? how he went into the house of God, and they ate the show-bread, which it was not lawful for him to eat, nor for those who were with him, but for the priests alone? Or have ye not read in the Law, that on the sabbaths the priests in the temple profane the sabbath, and are blameless? But I say to you, that something greater than the temple is here. But if ye had known what this meaneth, "I desire mercy and not sacrifice,"\* ye would not have condemned the guiltless. For the Son of man is lord of the sabbath. And departing thence, he went into their synagogue. And lo! there was a man having a withered hand. And they asked him, saying, Is it lawful to heal on the sab-

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Ver. 1-8. Comp. Mark ii. 23-28; Luke vi. 1-5.

Ver. 9-14. Comp. Mark iii. 1-6; Luke vi. 6-11.

\* Hosea vi. 6.

11 bath? that they might accuse him. And he said to them, Who of you that owneth one sheep, if it fall into a pit on the sabbath, will not lay hold of it, and lift it  
12 out? Of how much more worth now is a man than a sheep! So then it is lawful to do well on the sabbath.  
13 Then saith he to the man, Stretch forth thy hand. And he stretched it forth; and it was restored sound as the other.

14 Then the Pharisees went out, and consulted together  
15 against him, how they might destroy him. But Jesus, knowing it, withdrew from thence; and many followed  
16 him; and he healed them all, and strictly charged them  
17 not to make him known; that it might be fulfilled which  
18 was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, saying, "Behold my servant, whom I chose; my beloved, with whom my soul is well pleased; I will put my Spirit upon him, and  
19 he will declare judgment to the nations. He will not strive, nor cry aloud, nor will any one hear his voice in the  
20 streets. A bruised reed he will not break, and smoking flax he will not quench, till he send forth judgment unto  
21 victory. And in his name will nations hope."\*

22 Then was brought to him one possessed by a demon, blind and dumb; and he healed him, so that the dumb man  
23 spoke and saw. And all the multitudes were amazed, and  
24 said, Is this the son of David? But the Pharisees, hearing it, said, This man doth not cast out the demons, except through Beelzebul, the prince of the demons.  
25 And he, knowing their thoughts, said to them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and no city or house divided against itself will stand.  
26 And if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself;  
27 how then shall his kingdom stand? And if I cast out

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Ver. 15, 16. Comp. Mark iii. 7-12; and see Luke vi. 17-19.

Ver. 22-50. Comp. Mark iii. 22-35; Luke xi. 14-32, and viii. 19-21.

\* Isa. xlii. 1-4.

- the demons through Beelzebul, through whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore shall they be judges of you.
- 28 But if I cast out the demons through the Spirit of God, then hath the kingdom of God already come to you. Or
- 29 how can one enter into a strong man's house, and seize upon his goods, unless he first bind the strong man, and then plunder his house?
- 30 He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.
- 31 Therefore I say to you, All manner of sin and evil-speaking will be forgiven to men; but blasphemy against
- 32 the Spirit will not be forgiven. And whoever speaketh a word against the Son of man, it will be forgiven him; but whoever speaketh against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven him, either in this world, or in the
- 33 world to come. Either say that the tree is good, and its fruit good; or say that the tree is bad, and its fruit bad;
- 34 for the tree is known by its fruit. Brood of vipers! How can ye, evil as ye are, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.
- 35 The good man, from his good treasure, bringeth out good things; and the evil man, from his evil treasure, bringeth
- 36 out evil things. And I say to you, that for every idle word that men shall speak, they will give account in the
- 37 day of judgment. For by thy words thou wilt be justified, and by thy words thou wilt be condemned.
- 38 Then some of the scribes and Pharisees answered him, saying, Teacher, we wish to see a sign from thee. But
- 39 he answered and said to them, A wicked and adulterous generation is seeking for a sign; and no sign will be
- 40 given to it, but the sign of Jonah the prophet. For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of man be three days and three

41 nights in the heart of the earth. The men of Nineveh will stand up in the judgment with this generation; and will condemn it; for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; 42 and, lo! something more than Jonah is here. The queen of the south will rise up in the judgment with this generation, and will condemn it; for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and lo! something more than Solomon is here.

43 But when the unclean spirit is gone out from a man, it goeth through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth it not. 44 Then it saith, I will return to my house whence I came out. And on coming, it findeth it empty, and swept, and 45 put in order. Then it goeth and taketh with it seven other spirits more wicked than itself, and they enter in, and dwell there; and the last state of that man becometh worse than the first. So will it be also with this wicked generation.

46 While he was yet speaking to the multitudes, lo! his mother and his brothers were standing without, seeking 47 to speak with him. And one said to him, Behold, thy mother and thy brothers are standing without, seeking to 48 speak with thee. But he answered and said to him that told him, Who is my mother, and who are my brothers? 49 And stretching forth his hand toward his disciples, he said, 50 Behold, my mother and my brothers! For whoever doeth the will of my Father who is in heaven, he is my brother, and sister, and mother.

XIII. The same day Jesus went out of the house, and sat by 2 the shore of the lake; and great multitudes were gathered together to him, so that he went into a boat, and sat down; 3 and all the multitude stood on the beach. And he spoke many things to them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower

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Ver. 47. This verse is inclosed with brackets by Tischendorf. See the note on chap. vii. 13, 14.

Chap XIII. 1-52. Comp. Mark iv. 1-34; Luke viii. 4-18.



- 4 went forth to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell by the way-side; and the birds came and devoured them.
- 5 And others fell upon rocky places, where they had not much earth; and they sprung up immediately, because
- 6 they had no depth of earth. But when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they
- 7 withered away. And others fell among thorns; and the
- 8 thorns grew up, and choked them. And others fell upon good ground; and yielded fruit, some a hundred fold, some
- 9 sixty, some thirty fold. He that hath ears, let him hear.
- 10 And the disciples came and said to him, Why dost thou
- 11 speak to them in parables? He answered and said, Because to you it hath been given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven; but to them it hath not been
- 12 given. For whoever hath, to him will be given, and he will have abundance; but whoever hath not, from him will be
- 13 taken away even what he hath. Therefore I speak to them in parables, because seeing they see not, and hearing they
- 14 hear not, nor understand. And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Isaiah, which saith, "Ye will hear indeed, and not understand; and ye will see indeed, and not perceive.
- 15 For this people's heart hath become gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and turn from their ways,
- 16 and I should heal them."\* But blessed are your eyes, for
- 17 they see; and your ears, for they hear. Truly do I say to you, that many prophets and righteous men desired to see the things which ye see, and did not see them; and to hear the things which ye hear, and did not hear them.
- <sup>18</sup><sub>19</sub> Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower. When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, the Evil One cometh, and snatcheth away that

which was sown in his heart ; this man is what was sown  
20 by the way-side. And what was sown on the rocky places,  
this is he that heareth the word, and immediately receiveth  
21 it with joy, but, having no root within him, endureth only  
for a time ; and when tribulation or persecution ariseth on  
22 account of the word, he immediately falleth away. And what  
was sown among the thorns, this is he that heareth the word,  
but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches  
23 choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful. And what was  
sown on the good ground, this is he that heareth the word,  
and understandeth it ; who also beareth fruit, and yieldeth,  
one a hundred fold, another sixty, another thirty fold.

24 Another parable he put forth to them, saying, The king-  
dom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his  
25 field. But while men slept, his enemy came, and sowed  
26 tares among the wheat ; and went away. But when the  
blade grew up, and put forth fruit, then appeared the tares  
27 also. So the servants of the householder came and said  
to him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field ?  
28 Whence then hath it tares ? He said to them, An enemy  
did this. The servants say to him, Dost thou wish then  
29 that we go and gather them up ? But he said, Nay ; lest,  
while ye gather up the tares, ye root up the wheat with  
30 them. Let both grow together until the harvest ; and in  
the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather up  
first the tares, and bind them in bundles, to burn them :  
but gather the wheat into my barn.

31 Another parable he put forth to them, saying, The king-  
dom of heaven is like a grain of mustard, which a man  
32 took and sowed in his field. Which is the least indeed of  
all seeds ; but when it is grown, it is greater than the herbs,  
and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and  
lodge in its branches.

- 33 Another parable he spoke to them: The kingdom of heaven is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.
- 34 All these things Jesus spoke to the multitudes in parables, and without a parable he spoke nothing to them; 35 that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through the prophet Isaiah, saying, "I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter things hidden from the foundation [of the world]."\*
- 36 Then he sent the multitudes away, and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, Explain 37 to us the parable of the tares of the field. He answered and said, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of 38 man. The field is the world; the good seed is the sons of the kingdom; but the tares are the sons of the Evil 39 One; the enemy that sowed them is the Devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are angels. 40 As therefore the tares are gathered up and burned with 41 fire, so will it be at the end of the world. The Son of man will send forth his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all the stumbling-blocks, and those who 42 do iniquity, and will cast them into the furnace of fire; 43 there will be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then will the righteous shine forth as the sun, in the kingdom of their Father. He that hath ears, let him hear.
- 44 The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hid in a field, which a man found and hid; and for joy thereof he goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field.
- 45 Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking goodly pearls. And having found one pearl of great price, he went and sold all that he had, and bought it.
- 47 Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net, cast into the 48 sea, and bringing together fish of every kind; which, when

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\* Ps. lxxviii. 2.

it was full, they drew upon the beach, and sat down and gathered the good into vessels, but threw the bad away.

49 So will it be at the end of the world. The angels will come forth, and separate the wicked from among the

50 righteous, and will cast them into the furnace of fire; there will be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

51 Did ye understand all these things? They say to him,

52 Yea. And he said to them, Thus then every scribe, instructed for the kingdom of heaven, is like a householder, who bringeth out from his storehouse things new and old.

53 And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these parables, that he departed thence. And having come into his own country, he taught them in their synagogue, so that they were astonished, and said, Whence hath this man this wisdom, and the miracles? Is not this the carpenter's son? Is not his mother called Mary, and his brothers, James,

56 and Joseph, and Simon, and Judas? And his sisters, are they not all with us? Whence then hath this man all

57 these things? And they took offence at him. But Jesus said to them, A prophet is not without honor, except in

58 his own country, and in his own house. And he did not work many miracles there, because of their unbelief.

XIV. At that time Herod the tetrarch heard of the fame

2 of Jesus, and said to his servants, This is John the Baptist; he hath risen from the dead, and therefore do these

3 powers work in him. For Herod had seized John, and bound him, and put him in prison, on account of

4 Herodias, his brother Philip's wife. For John said to him,

5 It is not lawful for thee to have her. And wishing to

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Ver. 52. — *instructed for the kingdom, &c.*, i.e. for its service.

Ver. 53-58. Comp. Mark vi. 1-6; Luke iv. 16-30.

Chap. XIV. 1-12. Comp. Mark vi. 14-29.

Ver. 1, 2. Comp. Luke ix. 7-9. Ver. 3-5. Comp. Luke iii. 19, 20.

Ver. 3. The word *Philip* is inclosed in brackets by Tischendorf.

put him to death, he feared the multitude, because they  
6 regarded him as a prophet. But when Herod's birthday  
was kept, the daughter of Herodias danced before them,  
7 and pleased Herod; whereupon he promised with an oath  
8 to give her whatever she might ask. And she, being set  
on by her mother, saith, Give me here on a platter the  
9 head of John the Baptist. And the king was sorry; but  
on account of his oaths, and of those at table with him  
10 he ordered it to be given, and sent and beheaded John in  
11 the prison. And his head was brought on a platter, and  
given to the damsel; and she brought it to her mother.  
12 And his disciples came and took up the body, and buried  
it, and went and told Jesus.

13 When Jesus heard of it, he withdrew thence in a boat  
into a desert place apart; and the multitudes hearing of it  
followed him on foot from the cities.

14 And when he came forth he saw a great multitude; and  
he was moved with compassion for them, and healed their  
15 sick. And when it was evening, the disciples came to  
him, saying, This is a desert place, and it is now late  
send the multitudes away therefore, that they may go to  
16 the villages and buy themselves victuals. But he said  
to them, They need not go away; do ye give them food.  
17 And they say to him, We have here only five loaves, and  
18 two fishes. He said, Bring them hither to me. And bid-  
ding the multitudes to lie down on the grass, he took the  
five loaves and the two fishes, and, looking up to heaven,  
he blessed; and having broken the loaves he gave them  
20 to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitudes. And  
they all ate, and were filled. And they took up of the  
21 fragments that remained, twelve baskets full. And they  
who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and  
children.

22 And he constrained the disciples to get into the boat,  
and to go before him to the other side, while he sent  
23 the multitudes away. And when he had sent the multi-  
tudes away, he went up into the mountain apart to pray.  
24 And when evening came, he was there alone. But the boat  
was now in the midst of the lake, tossed by the waves; for  
25 the wind was contrary. And in the fourth watch of the  
26 night, he went to them, walking on the lake. And see-  
ing him walking on the lake, they were dismayed, saying,  
27 It is a spectre; and they cried out for fear. But he  
immediately spoke to them, saying, Be of good cheer,  
28 it is I; be not afraid. And Peter answering him said,  
Lord, if it be thou, bid me come to thee on the water.  
29 And he said, Come. And Peter, coming down from the  
30 boat, walked on the water, and came to Jesus. But  
seeing the wind, he was afraid; and beginning to sink,  
31 he cried out, saying, Lord, save me! And Jesus imme-  
diately stretched out his hand, and took hold of him, and  
said to him, Thou of little faith, why didst thou doubt?  
32 And when they had got into the boat, the wind ceased.  
33 And they that were in the boat fell down before him,  
saying, Truly thou art the Son of God.  
34 And crossing over, they came to land, to Gennesaret.  
35 And the men of that place, when they saw who he was,  
sent out into all that country round, and brought to him  
36 all the diseased, and besought him that they might only  
touch the fringe of his garment; and as many as touched  
were made well.

XV. Then come to Jesus Pharisees and scribes from Jeru-  
2 salem, saying, Why do thy disciples transgress the tradi-  
tion of the elders? for they wash not their hands when

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Ver. 22-33. Comp. Mark vi. 45-52; John vi. 14-21.

Ver. 34-36. Comp. Mark vi. 53-56.

Chap. XV. 1-20. Comp. Mark vii. 1-23.

3 they eat bread. But he answered and said to them, Why  
 4 do ye too transgress the commandment of God for the sake  
 5 of your tradition? For God commanded, saying, "Honor  
 6 thy father and thy mother;" and, "He that curseth father  
 7 or mother, let him surely die."\* But ye say, Whoever  
 8 shall say to his father or his mother, Whatever thou  
 9 mightst receive in aid from me is a gift [to God], he shall  
 10 not honor his father or his mother. Thus have ye made  
 11 void the law of God for the sake of your tradition. Hypo-  
 12 crites! well did Isaiah prophesy concerning you, saying,  
 13 "This people honoreth me with their lips, but their heart  
 14 is far from me. But in vain do they worship me, teach-  
 15 ing as doctrines the commandments of men." †

16 And calling the multitude, he said to them, Hear, and  
 17 understand. Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth  
 18 a man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this de-  
 19 fileth a man.

20 Then come the disciples, and say to him, Dost thou know  
 21 that the Pharisees were offended, when they heard that say-  
 22 ing? But he answered and said, Every plant which my  
 23 heavenly Father did not plant will be rooted up. Let  
 24 them alone; they are blind leaders of the blind. And if  
 25 the blind lead the blind, both will fall into a ditch. And  
 26 Peter answering said to him, Explain to us that dark say-  
 27 ing. And he said, Are ye too still without discernment?  
 28 Do ye not understand, that whatever entereth the mouth  
 29 goeth into the stomach, and is cast out into the drain?  
 30 But the things which proceed from the mouth come out  
 31 of the heart; and these defile a man. For out of the  
 32 heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornica-  
 33 tions, thefts, false testimony, blasphemies. These are the  
 34 things which defile a man; but to eat with unwashed hands  
 35 defileth not a man.

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\* Exod. xx. 12, xxi. 17.

† Isa. xxix. 13.

- 21 And Jesus, going from thence, withdrew to the parts of  
 22 Tyre and Sidon. And, lo! a woman of Canaan came out  
 from those borders, and cried out, saying, Have compas-  
 sion on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is griev-  
 23 ously afflicted with a demon. But he did not answer her  
 a word. And his disciples came and besought him, say-  
 24 ing, Send her away; for she is crying out after us. But  
 he answered and said, I was not sent except to the lost  
 25 sheep of the house of Israel. Then she came and fell  
 26 down before him, saying, Lord, help me! But he answer-  
 ing said, It is not allowable to take the children's bread,  
 27 and throw it to the little dogs. And she said, Yea, Lord;  
 for the little dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from the  
 28 table of their masters. Then Jesus answering said to her,  
 O woman, great is thy faith; be it done to thee even as  
 thou wilt. And her daughter was cured from that hour.
- 29 And departing thence, Jesus came near the lake of  
 Galilee; and going up the mountain, he sat down there.  
 30 And great multitudes came to him, having with them  
 those who were lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many  
 others; and they laid them down at his feet, and he healed  
 31 them; so that the multitude wondered, when they saw the  
 dumb speaking, the maimed sound, and the lame walking,  
 and the blind seeing; and they gave glory to the God  
 of Israel.
- 32 And Jesus having called his disciples to him, said, I have  
 compassion on the multitude, because they have remained  
 with me now three days, and have nothing to eat; and I  
 am not willing to send them away fasting, lest they faint  
 33 on the road. And the disciples say to him, Whence should  
 we have so many loaves in a wilderness, as to fill so great  
 34 a multitude? And Jesus saith to them, How many loaves



have ye? And they said, Seven, and a few small fishes.  
<sup>35</sup> And bidding the multitude to lie down on the ground, he  
<sup>36</sup> took the seven loaves and the fishes, and gave thanks,  
 and broke, and gave them to the disciples, and the dis-  
<sup>37</sup> ciples to the multitudes. And they all ate, and were filled;  
 and they took up of the fragments that remained, seven  
<sup>38</sup> baskets full. And they who ate were four thousand men,  
<sup>39</sup> besides children and women. Then he sent away the  
 multitudes, and went on board the boat, and came into  
 the borders of Magadan.

XVI. And the Pharisees and Sadducees came to try him,  
 2 and asked him to show them a sign from heaven. And  
 he answering said to them, When it is evening, ye say,  
 3 Fair weather! for the sky is red. And in the morning,  
 A storm to-day! for the sky is red and lowering. Ye  
 know how to judge of the face of the sky, and can ye not  
 4 discern the signs of the times? A wicked and adulter-  
 ous generation seeketh after a sign; and no sign will be  
 given to it, but the sign of Jonah. And he left them and  
 went away.

5 And the disciples having come to the other side, had  
 6 forgotten to take bread. And Jesus said to them, Take  
 heed, and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and  
 7 Sadducees. And they reasoned among themselves, say-  
 8 ing, It is because we took no bread. And Jesus knowing  
 it, said, Why are ye reasoning among yourselves, ye of little  
 9 faith, because ye took no bread? Do ye not yet under-  
 stand, nor remember the five loaves of the five thousand,  
 10 and how many baskets ye took up? Nor the seven loaves  
 of the four thousand, and how many baskets ye took up?

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Chap. XVI. 1-12. Comp. Mark viii. 11-21.

Ver. 2. The words "When it is evening," *et seq.*, to the end of ver. 3,  
 are inclosed in brackets by Tischendorf.

Ver. 2, 3. See Luke xii. 54-56.

11 How is it that ye do not understand, that I spoke not to you of loaves? But [I said] Beware of the leaven of the  
12 Pharisees and Sadducees. Then they understood, that he did not bid them beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees, but of the teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees.

13 And Jesus, having come into the region of Cæsarea Philippi, asked his disciples, saying, Who do men say that  
14 the Son of man is? And they said, Some, John the Baptist; but some, Elijah; and others, Jeremiah, or one of the  
15 prophets. He saith to them, But who do ye say that I  
16 am? And Simon Peter answering said, Thou art the  
17 Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answering said to him, Blessed art thou, Simon, son of Jonah;  
for flesh and blood did not reveal it to thee, but my Father  
18 who is in heaven. And I on my part say to thee, that thou art Peter, a rock, and on this rock will I build my church,  
and the gates of the underworld shall not prevail against  
19 it. I will give thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever thou shalt bind on earth will be bound in  
heaven; and whatever thou shalt loose on earth will be  
20 loosed in heaven. Then he charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

21 From that time Jesus began to show to his disciples, that he must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be put to death,  
22 and rise again on the third day. Then Peter, taking him aside, began to rebuke him, saying, Be it far from thee,  
23 Lord! This shall not be to thee. But he turned and said to Peter, Get thee behind me, Satan! thou art my stumbling-block; for thy thoughts are not on the things of God, but on those of men.

24 Then Jesus said to his disciples, If any one chooseth to

come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross,  
 25 and follow me. For whoever chooseth to save his life will  
 lose it; and whoever shall lose his life for my sake will  
 26 find it. For what will a man be profited, if he gain the  
 whole world, and forfeit his life? or what shall a man give  
 27 as an exchange for his life? For the Son of man is to come  
 in the glory of his Father, with his angels; and then will  
 28 he render to every one according to his works. Truly do  
 I say to you, There are some of those standing here who  
 will not taste of death, till they have seen the Son of man  
 coming in his kingdom.

XVII. And after six days Jesus taketh with him Peter, and  
 James, and John his brother, and leadeth them up into a  
 2 high mountain apart. And he was transfigured before  
 them, and his face shone as the sun; and his garments  
 3 became white as the light. And lo! there appeared to  
 4 them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter  
 answering said to Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be  
 here; if thou wilt, I will make here three tents; one for  
 5 thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah. While he  
 was yet speaking, lo! a bright cloud overshadowed them;  
 and lo! a voice out of the cloud, saying, "This is my be-  
 loved Son, with whom I am well pleased; hear him."  
 6 And the disciples hearing it, fell on their face, and were  
 7 exceedingly afraid. And Jesus came and touched them,  
 8 and said, Arise, and be not afraid. And lifting up their  
 9 eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. And as they came  
 down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying,  
 Tell what hath been seen to no one, until the Son of man  
 hath risen from the dead.

10 And the disciples asked him, saying, Why then say the

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Ver. 28. — *in his kingdom*; i e. in his royalty, or as king.

Chap. XVII. 1-23. Comp. Mark ix. 2-32; Luke ix. 28-45.

11 scribes that Elijah must first come? And he answering  
12 said, Elijah indeed cometh, and will restore all things. But  
I say to you, that Elijah hath already come, and they knew  
him not, but did with him whatever they would. So also  
13 is the Son of man to suffer by them. Then the disciples  
understood that he spoke to them of John the Baptist.

14 And when they had come to the multitude, there came  
15 to him a man, kneeling down to him, and saying, Lord,  
have compassion on my son; for he is a lunatic, and is sorely  
afflicted; for he often falleth into the fire, and often into  
16 the water. And I brought him to thy disciples, and they  
17 could not cure him. Then Jesus answering said, Unbe-  
lieving and perverse generation! How long shall I be  
with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him  
18 hither to me. And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon  
went out of him; and the boy was cured from that hour.

19 Then the disciples came to Jesus apart, and said, Why  
20 could not we cast it out? And he said to them, Because  
of your want of faith. For truly do I say to you, If ye  
have faith as a grain of mustard, ye shall say to this moun-  
tain, Remove hence to yonder place, and it will remove;  
and nothing will be impossible to you.

22 And while they were together in Galilee, Jesus said to  
them, The Son of man is about to be delivered up into the  
23 hands of men, and they will put him to death; and on the  
third day he will rise again. And they were greatly  
grieved.

24 And when they had come to Capernaum, those who re-  
ceived the half-shekel came to Peter, and said, Doth not  
25 your teacher pay the half-shekel? He saith, Yes. And

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Ver. 21. In many manuscripts, *But this kind goeth not out except by prayer and fasting.* It is genuine in Mark ix. 29.

Ver. 24. — *the half-shekel?* See Exod. xxx. 13-15.

when he had come into the house, Jesus anticipated him, saying, What thinkest thou, Simon? Of whom do the kings of the earth take customs or taxes? Of their own  
26 sons, or of strangers? And when he said, Of strangers,  
27 Jesus said to him, Then are the sons free. But that we may not give them offence, go to the lake, and cast a hook, and take the fish that first cometh up; and on opening his mouth, thou wilt find a shekel; take that, and give it to them for me and thee.

XVIII. At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying,  
2 Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven? And he called a child to him, and set him in the midst of  
3 them, and said, Truly do I say to you, Unless ye are changed, and become as children, ye will not enter the  
4 kingdom of heaven. Whoever therefore shall humble himself as this child, he is the greatest in the kingdom of  
5 heaven. And whoever receiveth one such child in my  
6 name, receiveth me. But whoever shall cause one of these little ones that believe in me to fall away, it were better for him to have a great millstone hung round his neck, and be swallowed up in the depth of the sea.

7 Woe to the world because of stumbling-blocks! For it must needs be that stumbling-blocks come; but woe to  
8 the man through whom the stumbling-block cometh! And if thy hand or thy foot is causing thee to fall, cut it off, and cast it from thee; it is better for thee to enter into life maimed or lame, than having two hands, or two feet, to be  
9 cast into the everlasting fire. And if thine eye is causing thee to fall, pluck it out, and cast it from thee; it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, than having two eyes to be cast into hell-fire.

10 Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones;  
 for I say to you, that their angels in heaven continually  
 12 behold the face of my Father who is in heaven. What  
 think ye? If a man have a hundred sheep, and one of  
 them hath gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety-nine  
 upon the mountains, and go and seek that which hath  
 13 gone astray? And if it happen that he find it, truly do  
 I say to you, he rejoiceth over it more than over the  
 14 ninety-nine that did not go astray. Thus it is not the  
 will of your Father who is in heaven that one of these  
 little ones should perish.

15 Moreover, if thy brother sin, go and reprove him be-  
 tween thee and him alone. If he listen to thee, thou  
 16 hast gained thy brother; but if he do not listen, take  
 with thee one or two more; that by the mouth of two or  
 17 three witnesses every word may be established.\* And if  
 he disregard them, tell the matter to the church; but if he  
 disregard the church also, let him be to thee as a heathen  
 and a publican.

18 Truly do I say to you, Whatever ye shall bind on earth  
 will be bound in heaven; and whatever ye shall loose on  
 19 earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, I say to you, that  
 if two of you shall agree on earth concerning any thing  
 that they shall ask, it will be done for them by my Father  
 20 who is in heaven. For where two or three are gathered  
 together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

21 Then came Peter, and said to him, Lord, how often  
 shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him?  
 22 Until seven times? Jesus saith to him, I say not to  
 thee, until seven times, but until seventy times seven.

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Ver. 11. In some manuscripts, *For the Son of man came to save that which was lost.* It is genuine as found in Luke xix. 10.

Ver. 11. See Luke xix. 10. Ver. 12-14. See Luke xv. 3-7.

Ver. 15. See Luke xvii. 3. Ver. 21, 22. See Luke xvii. 3, 4.

\* See Deut. xix. 15.

23 Therefore the kingdom of heaven is likened to a king,  
24 who would settle accounts with his servants. And when  
he had begun to reckon, there was brought to him one, who  
25 owed him ten thousand talents. But as he was unable to  
pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, and his wife and chil-  
26 dren, and all that he had, and payment to be made. Then  
that servant fell down and did obeisance to him, saying,  
27 Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. And  
the lord of that servant, being moved with compassion,  
28 released him, and forgave him the debt. But that servant  
went out, and found one of his fellow-servants, who owed  
him a hundred denāries; and he laid hold of him, and took  
29 him by the throat, saying, Pay what thou owest. His fel-  
low-servant then fell down and besought him, saying, Have  
30 patience with me, and I will pay thee. And he would not;  
but went away and cast him into prison, till he should  
31 pay the debt. Then his fellow-servants, seeing what was  
done, were greatly grieved; and went and told their lord  
32 all that had been done. Then his lord, having called him,  
saith to him, Thou wicked servant! All that debt I forgave  
33 thee because thou didst beseech me; shouldst not thou also  
have had pity on thy fellow-servant, even as I had pity  
34 on thee? And his lord was enraged, and delivered him  
to the inflictors of punishment, till he should pay all that  
35 was due to him. So also will my heavenly Father do to  
you, if ye forgive not every one his brother from your  
hearts.

XIX. And it came to pass, that when Jesus had ended these  
sayings, he removed from Galilee, and came into the bor-  
2 ders of Judæa, beyond the Jordan. And great multitudes  
followed him; and he healed them there.

3 And the Pharisees came to him, trying him, and saying,

Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause

4 And he answering said, Have ye not read, that he who made them at the beginning, made them male and female? \*

5 And He said: "For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and cleave to his wife; and the two shall become  
6 one flesh." † So they are no longer two, but one flesh. What therefore God joined together, let not man put asunder.

7 They say to him, Why then did Moses ordain that a man may give his wife a writing of divorcement, and put  
8 her away? He saith to them, Moses, on account of your hardness of heart, allowed you to put away your wives;  
9 but in the beginning it was not so. And I say to you, Whoever putteth away his wife, except for fornication, and  
10 marrieth another, committeth adultery. The disciples say to him, If such be the case of a man with his wife,  
11 it is not good to marry. But he said to them, All cannot receive this saying, but they only to whom it  
12 is given. For there are eunuchs, who were so born from their mother's womb; and there are eunuchs, who were made eunuchs by men; and there are eunuchs, who made themselves eunuchs for the sake of the kingdom of heaven. He that is able to receive it, let him receive it.

13 Then there were brought to him children, that he might lay his hands on them, and pray; and the disciples  
14 rebuked them. But Jesus said to them, Suffer the children, and forbid them not to come to me; for to such  
15 belongeth the kingdom of heaven. And he laid his hands on them, and departed thence.

16 And lo! one came to him and said, Teacher, what good

Ver. 9. See Luke xvi. 18.

Ver. 13-15. Comp. Mark x. 13-16; Luke xviii. 15-17.

Chap. XIX. 16-chap. XX. 16. Comp. Mark x. 17-31; Luke xviii. 18-30.

\* Gen. i. 27, v. 1, 2.

† Gen. ii. 24.



17 thing shall I do, that I may have everlasting life? And he said to him, Why dost thou ask me concerning what is good? There is but one who is good. But if thou  
18 wilt enter into life, keep the commandments. Which? saith he. And Jesus said, These: "Thou shalt not kill; Thou shalt not commit adultery; Thou shalt not steal;  
19 Thou shalt not bear false witness; Honor thy father and thy mother;" and, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thy-  
20 self."\* The young man saith to him, All these things  
21 have I kept; in what am I still wanting? Jesus said to him, If thou wilt be perfect, go, sell what thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven;  
22 and come, follow me. But the young man, on hearing this, went away sorrowful; for he had great possessions.  
23 Then Jesus said to his disciples, Truly do I say to you, It will be hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of  
24 heaven. And again I say to you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to  
25 enter the kingdom of heaven. And the disciples, hearing this, were exceedingly amazed, saying, Who then can be  
26 saved? But Jesus, fixing his eyes on them, said, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.  
27 Then Peter answering said to him, Lo! we left all, and  
28 followed thee; what then shall we have? And Jesus said to them, Truly do I say to you, that, in the renovation when the Son of man sitteth on the throne of his glory, ye who have followed me shall also yourselves sit on  
29 twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who hath left brothers, or sisters, or father, or mother, or children, or lands, or houses, for the sake of my name, will receive many fold more, and will inherit  
30 everlasting life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first.

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\* Exod. xx. 12-16; Lev. xix. 18.

XX. For the kingdom of heaven is like a householder, who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. And having agreed with the laborers for a denāry a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and said to them, Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatever is right, I will give you. And they went. Again going out about the sixth and the ninth hour, he did likewise. And going out about the eleventh hour, he found others standing, and saith to them, Why stand ye here all the day idle? They say to him, Because no one hath hired us. He saith to them, Go ye also into the vineyard. And when evening came, the lord of the vineyard saith to his steward, Call the laborers, and give them their pay, beginning with the last, and going on to the first. And they who were hired about the eleventh hour came, and received each a denāry. But when the first came, they supposed that they should receive more; and they too received each a denāry. And when they had received it, they murmured against the householder, saying, These last have worked but one hour, and thou hast made them equal to us, who have borne the burden and heat of the day. But he answering said to one of them, Friend, I do thee no wrong; didst not thou agree with me for a denāry? Take thy due, and go. But I will give to this last even as to thee. Am I not free to do what I will with my own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good? Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.

And as Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve apart, and on the way said to them, Lo! we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of man will be deliv-



ered up to the chief priests and scribes ; and they will con-  
 19 demn him to death, and will deliver him up to the gentiles  
 to mock, and scourge, and crucify ; and on the third day  
 he will rise again.

20 Then came to him the mother of the sons of Zebedee  
 with her sons, falling down before him, and asking a cer-  
 21 tain thing of him. And he said to her, What is thy wish ?  
 She saith to him, Grant that these my two sons may sit,  
 one on thy right hand, and one on thy left, in thy king-  
 22 dom. But Jesus answering said, Ye know not what  
 ye ask. Can ye drink the cup which I am to drink ?  
 23 They say to him, We can. He saith to them, Ye  
 will indeed drink my cup ; but to sit on my right hand  
 and on my left is not mine to give, but it will be given  
 to those for whom it hath been prepared by my Father.

24 And when the ten heard this, they were much displeased  
 25 with the two brothers. But Jesus called them to him,  
 and said, Ye know that the rulers of the nations lord  
 it over them, and their great men exercise a strict au-  
 26 thority over them. Not so shall it be among you ; but  
 whoever desireth to become great among you, will be  
 27 your minister ; and whoever desireth to be first among  
 28 you, will be your servant ; even as the Son of man came  
 not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life a ransom  
 for many.

29 And as they were going out of Jericho, a great multi-  
 30 tude followed him. And lo ! two blind men, who were  
 sitting by the way-side, when they heard that Jesus was  
 passing by, cried out, saying, Have pity on us, Son of  
 31 David ! And the multitude sharply bade them be  
 silent. But they cried out the more, saying, Lord,  
 32 have pity on us, Son of David ! And Jesus stopped,

Ver. 20-28. Comp. Mark x. 35-45.

Ver. 29-34. Comp. Mark x. 46-52 ; Luke xviii. 35-43.

and called them, and said, What would ye have me do for<sup>33</sup>  
<sup>34</sup> you? They say to him, Lord, to open our eyes. Then  
 Jesus, moved with compassion, touched their eyes; and  
 they immediately received sight, and followed him.

XXI. And when they drew near to Jerusalem, and came to  
 Bethphage at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disci-  
 2 ples, saying to them, Go to the village over against you,  
 and immediately ye will find an ass tied, and a colt with  
 3 her; loose and bring them to me. And if any one say  
 aught to you, ye shall say, The Lord hath need of them;  
 4 and he will immediately send them. Now this took place,  
 that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through the  
 5 prophet, saying, "Say to the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy  
 king cometh to thee, meek, and riding on an ass, and on  
 6 a colt the foal of a beast of burden."\* And the disciples  
 7 went, and did as Jesus bade them, and brought the ass  
 and the colt, and put on them their garments, and he sat  
 8 on them. And very many of the multitude spread their  
 garments in the road; others cut down branches from the  
 9 trees, and strewed them in the road. And the multitudes  
 that went before him, and that followed, were crying out,  
 saying, Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he that  
 cometh in the name of the Lord!† Hosanna in the high-

10 est heavens! And when he came into Jerusalem, the  
 11 whole city was in commotion, saying, Who is this? And  
 the multitudes said, This is the prophet Jesus, from Naz-  
 areth of Galilee.

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Chap. XXI. 1-11, 14-17. Comp. Mark xi. 1-11; Luke xix. 28-44; John  
 xii. 12-19.

Ver. 12, 13. Comp. Mark xi. 15-18; Luke xix. 45-48; John ii. 13-17.

\* Zech. ix. 9. See also Isa. lxii. 11. † See Ps. cxviii. 25, 26.

13 who sold the doves; and said to them, It is written, "My  
 house shall be called a house of prayer;\* but ye make it  
 14 a den of robbers."† And the blind and lame came to him  
 15 in the temple, and he cured them. But the chief priests  
 and the scribes, when they saw the wonderful things which  
 he did, and the children that were crying out in the tem-  
 ple, and saying, Hosanna to the Son of David, were much  
 16 displeased; and said to him, Dost thou hear what these  
 say? But Jesus saith to them, Yea; did ye never read,  
 "From the mouth of babes and sucklings thou didst pre-  
 17 pare praise"?‡ And he left them, and went out of the  
 city to Bethany, and lodged there.

18 And in the morning, as he was returning to the city,  
 19 he was hungry. And seeing one fig-tree by the road-side,  
 he went up to it, and found nothing on it, but leaves only;  
 and he saith to it, Let there be no fruit from thee hence-  
 forward for ever. And immediately the fig-tree withered.  
 20 And the disciples seeing it, marvelled, saying, How sud-  
 21 denly did the fig-tree wither! Jesus answering said to  
 them, Truly do I say to you, If ye have faith, and do not  
 doubt, not only shall ye do what hath been done to the  
 fig-tree, but should ye even say to this mountain, Be thou  
 22 taken up and cast into the sea, it would be done. And all  
 things whatever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye will  
 receive.

23 And when he had come into the temple, the chief priests  
 and the elders of the people came to him as he was teach-  
 ing, and said, By what authority doest thou these things?  
 24 And who gave thee this authority? And Jesus answering  
 said to them, I also will ask you one question; which if  
 ye answer me, I too will tell you by what authority I do  
 25 these things. The baptism of John, whence was it?

Ver. 17-22. Comp. Mark xi. 11-14, 19-26.

Ver. 23-46. Comp. Mark xi. 27-xii. 12; Luke xx. 1-19.

\* Isa. lvi. 7.

† See Jer. vii. 11.

‡ Ps. viii. 2.

From heaven, or from men? And they reasoned among themselves, saying, If we say, From heaven, he will say  
26 to us, Why then did ye not believe him? But if we say,  
From men, we fear the multitude; for all regard John as a  
27 prophet. And they answered Jesus and said, We do not know. And he said to them, Neither do I tell you by what authority I do these things.

28 But what think ye? A man had two sons: he came to the first, and said, Son, go, work to-day in the vine-  
29 yard. And he answered and said, I will not. After-  
30 ward he repented, and went. And he came to the other and said the same. And he answered and said, I will, sir;  
31 and went not. Which of the two did the will of his father? They say, The first. Jesus saith to them, Truly do I say to you, that the publicans and the harlots go into  
32 the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you as a preacher of righteousness, and ye did not believe him; but the publicans and the harlots believed him; and ye, when ye had seen it, did not afterward repent, that ye might believe him.

33 Hear another parable. There was a householder, who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge about it, and dug in it a wine-press, and built a tower, and let it out to hus-  
34 bandmen, and went abroad. And when the season of the fruits drew near, he sent his servants to the husbandmen,  
35 that they might receive his fruits. And the husbandmen took his servants, and beat one, and killed another,  
36 and stoned another. Again he sent other servants more than the first; and they dealt with them in the same man-  
37 ner. And afterward he sent to them his son, saying, They  
38 will respect my son. But the husbandmen, when they saw the son, said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let  
39 us kill him, and get his inheritance. And they took him,  
40 and cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him. When therefore the lord of the vineyard cometh, what will he do

41 to those husbandmen? They say to him, He will bring those wicked men to a miserable end, and will let out his vineyard to other husbandmen, who will render him the  
42 fruits in their season. Jesus saith to them, Did ye never read in the Scriptures, "The stone which the builders rejected, the same hath become the corner-stone; from the Lord did this come, and it is marvellous in our eyes?"\*  
43 Therefore I say to you, that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you, and given to a nation yielding the fruits thereof.  
45 And the chief priests and the Pharisees when they heard  
46 his parables, knew that he was speaking of them. And they sought to seize him, but feared the multitudes, because they regarded him as a prophet.

XXII. And Jesus answered and spoke to them again in 2 parables, and said, The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king, who made a marriage-feast for his son, and 3 sent forth his servants to call to the feast those who had 4 been invited; and they would not come. Again, he sent other servants, saying, Tell those who have been invited, Behold, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready; come to the 5 feast. But they made light of it, and went away; one 6 to his farm, another to his merchandise. And the rest 7 seized his servants, and ill-treated and slew them. And the king was enraged; and sent forth his armies, and 8 destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then saith he to his servants, The feast is ready, but those who 9 were invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the thoroughfares, and as many as ye find, invite to the feast.  
10 So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all, as many as they found, both bad and

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\* Ps. cxviii. 22, 23.

good; and the bride-chamber was fully furnished with  
11 guests. And the king, coming in to view the guests, saw  
12 there a man who had not on a wedding garment; and he  
saith to him, Friend, how camest thou in here, not having  
13 a wedding garment? And he was struck dumb. Then  
the king said to the servants, Bind him hand and foot,  
and cast him out into the outer darkness; there will be  
14 wailing and gnashing of teeth. For many are called, but  
few are chosen.

15 Then the Pharisees went and consulted together how  
16 they might ensnare him in speech. And they send out to  
him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Teacher,  
we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God  
in truth, and thou carest for no one; for thou regardest not  
17 the person of men. Tell us, therefore, What thinkest  
18 thou? Is it lawful to give tribute to Cæsar, or not? But  
Jesus, perceiving their wickedness, said, Why are ye trying  
19 me, hypocrites? Show me the tribute money. And they  
20 brought to him a denāry. And Jesus saith to them, Whose  
21 is this image and inscription? They say, Cæsar's. Then  
saith he to them, Render then to Cæsar the things that  
22 are Cæsar's, and to God the things that are God's. And  
hearing this, they wondered, and left him, and went away.

23 The same day there came to him Sadducees, saying  
24 that there is no resurrection; and they asked him, saying,  
Teacher, Moses said, "If a man die having no children,  
his brother shall marry his wife, and raise up seed to his  
25 brother."\* Now there were with us seven brothers; and  
the first married and died; and, having no offspring, left  
26 his wife to his brother. And so also the second, and the  
27 third, even to the seventh. And last of all the woman  
28 died. In the resurrection, then, of which of the seven

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Chap. XXII. 15-22. Comp. Mark xii. 12-17; Luke xx. 20-26.

Ver. 23-33. Comp. Mark xii. 18-27; Luke xx. 27-40.

\* See Deut. xxv. 5, 6.



29 will she be the wife? For they all had her. Jesus answered and said to them, Ye err, not knowing the 30 Scriptures, nor the power of God. For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but 31 are as the angels of God in heaven. But concerning the resurrection of the dead, have ye not read that which was 32 spoken to you by God, saying, "I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob"?\* He is not 33 a God of the dead, but of the living. And when the multitudes heard this, they were astonished at his teaching.

34 And the Pharisees, hearing that he had put the Sadducees to silence, assembled together; and one of them, a 35 lawyer, asked, trying him, Teacher, which commandment is 36 great in the Law? And he said to him, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, 37 and with all thy mind." † This is the great and first commandment. There is a second like it: "Thou shalt love 38 thy neighbor as thyself." ‡ On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

41 And while the Pharisees were assembled, Jesus asked 42 them, saying, What think ye concerning the Christ? whose 43 son is he? They say to him, David's. He saith to them, How then doth David in the Spirit call him lord? saying, 44 "The Lord said to my lord, Sit thou on my right hand, 45 till I put thine enemies under thy feet." § If David then 46 calleth him lord, how is he his son? And no one was able to answer him a word; nor durst any one from that day question him any more.

XXIII. Then Jesus spoke to the multitudes, and to his dis-

Ver. 34-40. Comp. Mark xii. 28-34.

Ver. 41-46. Comp. Mark xii. 35-37; Luke xx. 41-44.

Chap. XXIII. Comp. Mark xii. 38-40; Luke xx. 45-47; and see Luke xi. 39-52.

\* Exod. iii. 6.

† Deut. vi. 5.

‡ Lev. xix. 18

§ Ps. cx. 1.

2 ciples, saying, The scribes and the Pharisees sit in the  
3 seat of Moses. All, therefore, whatever they bid you,  
do and observe; but do not according to their works; for  
4 they say, and do not. They bind heavy burdens, and lay  
them on men's shoulders, and will not themselves move  
5 them with a finger. And all their works they do to be  
observed by men. They make broad their phylacteries,  
6 and enlarge their fringes, and love the first place at feasts,  
7 and the chief seats in the synagogues, and salutations in the  
8 markets, and to be called by men, Rabbi. But be not ye  
called Rabbi; for one is your teacher; and ye are all  
9 brethren. And call no one your father on the earth; for  
10 one is your father, he who is in heaven. Nor be ye called  
11 leaders; for one is your leader, the Christ. But the greatest  
12 among you will be your servant. And whoever shall exalt  
himself will be humbled; and whoever shall humble him-  
self will be exalted.

13 But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! be-  
cause ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men; for  
ye go not in yourselves, nor suffer those who are entering  
15 to go in. Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!  
for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte; and  
when he is made, ye make him two-fold more a son of hell  
than yourselves.

16 Woe to you, blind guides, that say, Whoever sweareth  
by the temple, it is nothing; but whoever sweareth by  
17 the gold of the temple, is bound. Fools and blind! for  
which is greater, the gold, or the temple that sanctifieth  
18 the gold? And, Whoever sweareth by the altar, it is  
nothing; but whoever sweareth by the gift that is upon  
19 it, is bound. Blind men! For which is greater, the  
20 gift, or the altar that sanctifieth the gift? He then who  
sweareth by the altar, sweareth by it, and by all that is  
21 upon it; and he that sweareth by the temple, sweareth by  
22 it, and by him who dwelleth in it; and he who sweareth

by heaven, sweareth by the throne of God, and by him who sitteth thereon.

23 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithes of the mint, and the dill, and the cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the Law, justice, and mercy, and faith; these ought ye to have done, and  
24 not to leave those undone. Blind guides! who strain out a gnat, and swallow a camel.

25 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye make clean the outside of the cup and the platter, but  
26 within they are full of robbery and licentiousness. Blind Pharisee! cleanse first the inside of the cup, that its outside also may become clean.

27 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like whited sepulchres, which outwardly indeed appear beautiful, but within are full of dead men's bones,  
28 and of all uncleanness. Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous to men, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.

29 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because ye build the sepulchres of the prophets, and adorn the  
30 tombs of the righteous, and say, If we had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with  
31 them in the blood of the prophets. So that ye bear witness against yourselves, that ye are the sons of those who  
32 killed the prophets. Fill ye up then the measure of your  
33 fathers! Serpents, brood of vipers! how can ye escape the punishment of hell?

34 Therefore, behold, I send to you prophets, and wise men, and scribes; some of them ye will kill and crucify, and some of them ye will scourge in your synagogues, and  
35 persecute from city to city; that on you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel to the blood of Zechariah, son of Barachiah, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar.

36 Truly do I say to you, All these things will come upon this generation.

37 Jerusalem, Jerusalem, that killeth the prophets, and stoneth those who are sent to her! How often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen gathereth  
38 her chickens under her wings, and ye would not! Lo!  
39 your house is left to you desolate. For I say to you, Ye will not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

XXIV. And Jesus went out, and was going from the temple; and his disciples came to him, to show him the build-  
2 ings of the temple. And he answering said to them, See ye not all these? Truly do I say to you, There will not be left here one stone upon another, that will not be thrown down.

3 And as he was sitting upon the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, Tell us, when will these things be? and what will be the sign of thy coming,  
4 and of the end of the world? And Jesus answering said  
5 to them, See that no one deceive you. For many will come in my name, saying, I am the Christ, and will de-  
6 ceive many. And ye are to hear of wars, and rumors of wars; see that ye be not troubled; for these things must  
7 come to pass; but not yet is the end. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; and there  
8 will be famines and earthquakes in divers places. But all  
9 these things are the beginning of travail-pains. Then will they deliver you up to distress, and will kill you; and ye  
10 will be hated by all nations on account of my name. And then will many fall away; and will deliver up one another,  
11 and will hate one another. And many false prophets will

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Ver. 37-39. See Luke xiii. 34, 35.

Chap. XXIV. Comp. Mark xiii.; Luke xxi. 5-36.

Ver. 9, 13. See before, chap. x. 22.

12 arise, and will deceive many. And because iniquity shall  
13 abound, the love of the many will wax cold. But he that  
14 endureth to the end will be saved. And these glad tidings  
of the kingdom will be published throughout the whole  
world for a testimony to all the nations; and then will  
come the end.

15 When, therefore, ye see the abomination of desola-  
tion, spoken of through Daniel the prophet,\* standing in  
16 the holy place, (let him that readeth understand,) then let  
17 those who are in Judæa flee to the mountains; let not him  
that is on the house-top go down to take away the things  
18 belonging to his house; and let not him that is in the field  
19 turn back to take his garment. And woe to the women  
with child, and to those with children at the breast, in those  
20 days! And pray that your flight be not in winter, nor on  
21 a sabbath. For there will then be great distress, such  
as hath not been from the beginning of the world to this  
22 time; no, nor shall ever be. And were not those days to  
be shortened, no flesh would be saved; but, for the sake  
23 of the chosen, those days will be shortened. Then if any  
one say to you, Lo! here is the Christ; or there, believe  
24 him not. For there will rise up false Christs, and false  
prophets, and will show great signs and wonders, so that,  
25 if possible, even the chosen will be deceived. Lo! I have  
26 told you beforehand. If therefore they say to you, Lo!  
he is in the wilderness; go not forth; lo! he is in the  
27 private chambers; believe them not. For as the light-  
ning cometh from the east, and shineth even to the west,  
28 so will be the coming of the Son of man. Wherever the  
carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

29 And immediately after the distress of those days will the

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Ver. 17, 18. See Luke xvii. 31. Ver. 23, 26, 27. See Luke xvii. 23, 24.  
Ver. 28. See Luke xvii. 37. \* See Dan. ix. 27, xi. 31, xii. 11.

sun be darkened, and the moon will not give her light, and the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then will appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven; and all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and will see the Son of man coming upon the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he will send forth his angels with a great trumpet, and they will gather his chosen from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

And from the fig-tree learn its parable. When its branch hath now become tender, and putteth forth its leaves, ye know that summer is near. So also, when ye see all these things, know ye that he is near, at the doors. Truly do I say to you, This generation will not pass away, till all these things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

But that day and hour knoweth no one, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only. But as were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of man. For as in the days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and knew not, until the flood came, and took them all away, so also will be the coming of the Son of man. Then will two men be in the field; one will be taken, and one left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken, and one left. Watch, therefore, for ye know not on what day your Lord is coming. But be sure of this, that if the master of the house had known in what watch the thief was coming, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken through. There-

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Ver. 37-39. See Luke xvii. 26, 27.

Ver. 41. See Luke xvii. 35.

Ver. 42-51. See Luke xii. 35-46.

fore be ye also ready; for at an hour when ye think not,  
45 the Son of man cometh. Who then is the faithful and  
wise servant, whom his lord placed over his household, to  
46 give them their food in due season? Happy is that servant  
47 whom his lord, when he cometh, shall find so doing. Truly  
do I say to you, that he will place him in charge of all his  
48 substance. But if the bad servant say in his heart, My  
49 lord is tarrying long; and begin to beat his fellow-ser-  
50 vants, and eat and drink with the drunken, the lord of that  
servant will come in a day when he looketh not for it,  
51 and at an hour when he is not aware; and will cut him  
asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites;  
there will be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

XXV. Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins,  
who took their lamps, and went out to meet the bride-  
2 groom. And five of them were foolish, and five wise.  
3 For the foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with  
4 them. But the wise took oil in their vessels with their  
5 lamps. And as the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered  
6 and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, Lo! the  
7 bridegroom! go out to meet him. Then all those virgins  
8 arose, and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to  
the wise, Give us of your oil, for our lamps are going out.  
9 But the wise answered, saying, Perhaps there will not be  
enough for us and you; go rather to those who sell, and  
10 buy for yourselves. And while they went to buy, the bride-  
groom came; and they who were ready went in with him  
11 to the wedding; and the door was shut. Afterward come  
12 also the other virgins, saying, Lord, lord, open to us. But  
he answering said, Truly do I say to you, I know you not.  
13 Watch, therefore, for ye know not the day nor the hour.  
14 For it will be as when a man going abroad called his

15 own servants, and intrusted to them his property; and to  
one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one,  
16 to each according to his ability, and went abroad. He that  
had received the five talents went immediately and traded  
17 with the same, and gained five talents more. In like man-  
18 ner, he that had received the two gained two more. But  
he that had received the one went and dug in the earth,  
19 and hid his lord's money. And after a long time the lord  
20 of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them. And  
he that had received the five talents came and brought  
five talents more, saying, Lord, thou intrustedst to me five  
21 talents; see, I have gained five talents more. His lord said  
to him, Well done, good and faithful servant! thou hast  
been faithful over a little, I will place thee in charge of  
22 much; enter into the joy of thy lord. He also that had  
received the two talents came and said, Lord, thou intrust-  
edst to me two talents; see, I have gained two talents more.  
23 His lord said to him, Well done, good and faithful servant!  
thou hast been faithful over a little, I will place thee in  
24 charge of much; enter into the joy of thy lord. Then  
he also that had received the one talent came and said,  
Lord, I knew thee to be a hard man, reaping where  
thou didst not sow, and gathering where thou didst not  
25 scatter seed; and I was afraid, and went and hid thy  
26 talent in the earth. See! thou hast thine own. But his  
lord answered and said to him, Wicked and slothful ser-  
vant! Didst thou know that I reap where I sowed not,  
27 and gather where I did not scatter seed? Thou oughtest  
then to have put my money with the money-dealers, and  
on my coming I should have received mine own with  
28 interest. Take therefore the talent from him, and give  
29 it to him who hath the ten talents. For to every one  
that hath will be given, and he will have abundance; but  
from him that hath not, even that which he hath will be  
30 taken away. And cast out the unprofitable servant into



the outer darkness; there will be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

31 And when the Son of man shall come in his glory, and  
all the angels with him, then will he sit on the throne of  
32 his glory, and before him will be gathered all the nations;  
and he will separate men one from another, as a shepherd  
33 separateth the sheep from the goats; and he will set the  
34 sheep on his right hand, and the goats on the left. Then  
will the king say to those on his right hand, Come, ye  
blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for  
35 you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry,  
and ye gave me food; I was thirsty, and ye gave me  
36 drink; I was a stranger, and ye took me in; naked, and  
ye clothed me; I was sick, and ye visited me; I was in  
37 prison, and ye came to me. Then will the righteous  
answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee hungry,  
38 and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? and when  
saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and  
39 clothed thee? or when did we see thee sick, or in prison,  
40 and come to thee? And the king will answer and say to  
them, Truly do I say to you, Inasmuch as ye did it to one  
41 of the least of these my brethren, ye did it to me. Then  
will he say also to those on the left hand, Depart from  
me, ye cursed, into the everlasting fire, which is prepared  
42 for the Devil and his angels. For I was hungry, and ye  
gave me no food; I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink;  
43 I was a stranger, and ye took me not in; naked, and ye  
clothed me not; sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not.  
44 Then will they also answer, saying, Lord, when saw we  
thee hungry, or thirsty, or a stranger, or naked, or sick,  
45 or in prison, and did not minister to thee? Then will he  
answer them, saying, Truly do I say to you, Inasmuch as  
ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not  
46 to me. And these will go away into everlasting punish-  
ment; but the righteous into everlasting life.

XXVI. And it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all  
2 these sayings, that he said to his disciples, Ye know that  
after two days cometh the passover; and the Son of man  
is delivered up to be crucified.

3 Then the chief priests and the elders of the people as-  
sembled in the court of the palace of the high-priest,  
4 named Caiaphas; and took counsel together that they might  
5 seize Jesus by craft, and put him to death. But they said,  
Not at the feast, lest there be an uproar among the people.

6 Now when Jesus was at Bethany, in the house of Simon  
7 the leper, there came to him a woman having an alabaster  
bottle of very costly ointment, and poured it on his head  
8 while he was reclining at table. But the disciples seeing  
it, were much displeased, saying, To what purpose is this  
9 waste? For this might have been sold for much, and  
10 given to the poor. And Jesus, perceiving it, said to  
them, Why do ye trouble the woman? For she hath  
11 done a good deed to me. For the poor ye have always  
12 with you; but me ye have not always. For she, in  
pouring this ointment on my body, hath done it to pre-  
13 pare me for burial. Truly do I say to you, Wherever  
these glad tidings shall be published in the whole world,  
this too which she hath done will be told for a memorial  
of her.

14 Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went to  
15 the chief priests, and said, What will ye give me, and I  
will deliver him up to you? And they paid him thirty  
16 pieces of silver. And from that time he sought an oppor-  
tunity to deliver him up.

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Chap. XXVI. 1-5. Comp. Mark xiv. 1, 2; Luke xxii. 1, 2.

Ver. 6-13. Comp. Mark xiv. 3-9; John xii. 1-8.

Ver. 14-16. Comp. Mark xiv. 10, 11; Luke xxii. 3-6.

Ver. 15. — *thirty pieces, &c.* Probably, *shekels*; worth about fifty cents each.

17 And on the first of the days of unleavened bread  
the disciples came to Jesus, saying, Where wilt thou  
18 that we make ready for thee to eat the passover? And  
he said, Go into the city to such a man, and say to  
him, The Teacher saith, My time is at hand; I keep  
19 the passover at thy house with my disciples. And the  
disciples did as Jesus directed them, and made ready  
20 the passover. And when evening came, he took his place  
21 at table with the twelve disciples. And as they were  
eating, he said, Truly do I say to you, that one of you  
22 will betray me. And they were exceedingly sorrowful,  
23 and began every one to say to him, Is it I, Lord? And  
he answering said, He that hath dipped his hand with me  
24 in the dish, he will betray me. The Son of man indeed  
goeth away, as it hath been written concerning him; but  
woe to that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed!  
25 Well were it for that man if he had not been born. Then  
Judas, his betrayer, answering said, Is it I, Rabbi? He  
saith to him, It is.

26 And, as they were eating, Jesus took a loaf, and hav-  
ing blessed, broke it, and gave it to the disciples, and  
27 said, Take, eat; this is my body. And he took a cup, and  
gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of  
28 it; for this is my blood of the covenant, which is shed for  
29 many for remission of sins. And I say to you, I shall not  
drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day  
when I drink it new with you in the kingdom of my  
Father.

30 And having sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount  
31 of Olives. Then Jesus saith to them, This night wil'  
all of you fall away from me; for it is written, "I will  
smite the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be

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Ver. 17-29. Comp. Mark xiv. 12-25; Luke xxii. 7-38; John xiii.

Ver. 30-56. Comp. Mark xiv. 26-52; Luke xxii. 39-53; John xviii.

32 scattered."\* But after I have risen, I will go before you  
33 into Galilee. Peter answering said to him, Though all  
should fall away from thee, yet will I never fall away.  
34 Jesus said to him, Truly do I say to thee, that this night,  
35 before a cock crows, thou wilt thrice deny me. Peter  
saith to him, Even if I must die with thee, I will not  
deny thee. And so said all the disciples.

36 Then Jesus cometh with them to a place called Geth-  
semane, and saith to the disciples, Sit here, while I go  
37 yonder and pray. And taking with him Peter and the  
two sons of Zebedee, he began to be sorrowful and full of  
38 anguish. Then he saith to them, My soul is exceedingly  
sorrowful, even to death ; remain here, and watch with me.

39 And he came a little nearer, and fell on his face, pray-  
ing and saying, Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass  
from me ! nevertheless, not as I will, but as Thou wilt.  
40 And he cometh to the disciples, and findeth them sleeping,  
and saith to Peter, Is it so that ye could not watch with  
41 me one hour ? Watch, and pray that ye enter not into  
temptation ; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is  
weak.

42 Again he went away a second time, and prayed, saying,  
My Father, if this [cup] cannot pass away from me, but  
43 I must drink it, thy will be done ! And coming again he  
44 found them sleeping ; for their eyes were heavy. And  
leaving them, he went away again, and prayed the third  
45 time, saying again the same words. Then he cometh to  
the disciples, and saith to them, Sleep on, and take your  
rest ! Lo ! the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is  
46 delivered up into the hands of sinners. Rise, let us be  
going ; lo ! he is at hand that delivereth me up.

47 And while he was yet speaking, lo ! Judas, one of the

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Ver. 39. In some manuscripts, *went a little farther, &c.*

\* Zech. xiii. 7.

twelve, came, and with him a great multitude with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and elders of the people.  
 48 And his betrayer had given them a sign, saying, Whom-  
 49 ever I shall kiss, he is the man; seize him. And immediately going up to Jesus, he said, Hail, Rabbi! and kissed  
 50 him. And Jesus said to him, Friend, for what hast thou come! Then they came and laid hands on Jesus, and seized him.

51 And, lo! one of those who were with Jesus stretched out his hand, and drew his sword, and struck the servant of  
 52 the high-priest, and cut off his ear. Then Jesus saith to him, Put back thy sword into its place; for all they that  
 53 take the sword will perish by the sword. Dost thou think that I cannot pray to my Father, and he will now  
 54 give me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then shall the Scriptures be fulfilled, that thus it must be?

55 In that hour Jesus said to the multitudes, Ye have come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to take me; I sat daily teaching in the temple, and ye did not lay hands  
 56 on me. But all this hath been done, that the Scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled. Then all the disciples forsook him, and fled.

57 And they who seized Jesus led him away to Caiaphas the high-priest, where the scribes and the elders were  
 58 assembled. But Peter followed him at a distance, as far as to the court of the high-priest's palace, and went in, and sat with the officers to see the end.

59 And the chief priests and the whole council sought  
 60 false witness against Jesus, to put him to death; and they found none, though many false witnesses came for-  
 61 ward. But at last came two, and said, This man affirmed, I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to build it

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Ver. 57-75. Comp. Mark xiv. 53-72; Luke xxii. 54-71; John xviii. 12-27.

62 within three days. And the high-priest arose, and said  
to him, Dost thou make no answer to what these men  
63 testify against thee? But Jesus was silent. And the  
high-priest answering said to him, I adjure thee by the  
living God, that thou tell us whether thou art the Christ,  
64 the Son of God. Jesus saith to him, I am. Moreover I  
say to you, Henceforth ye will see the Son of man sitting  
on the right hand of Power, and coming on the clouds of  
65 heaven. Then the high-priest rent his garments, saying,  
He hath spoken blasphemy; what further need have we  
66 of witnesses? See! ye have now heard the blasphemy.  
What think ye? They answered and said, He should be  
67 punished with death. Then they spit in his face, and buf-  
feted him; and some smote him with the palms of their  
68 hands, saying, Prophecy to us, O Messiah! who it was  
that struck thee.

69 Now Peter was sitting outside in the court. And a  
maid-servant came to him, saying, Thou also wast with  
70 Jesus the Galilæan. But he denied before them all, say-  
71 ing, I know not what thou sayest. And when he had gone  
out into the porch, another woman saw him, and said to  
those who were there, This man was with Jesus the  
72 Nazarene. And again he denied with an oath: I do not  
73 know the man. And shortly after, they who were stand-  
ing by came and said to Peter, Surely thou too art one  
74 of them; for thy speech betrayeth thee. Then he began  
to curse and to swear, saying, I do not know the man.  
75 And immediately a cock crew. And Peter remembered  
the word of Jesus, who had said, Before a cock crows, thou  
wilt thrice deny me. And he went out, and wept bitterly.

XXVII. And when it was morning, all the chief priests  
and the elders of the people consulted together against Je-

2 sus, to put him to death. And having bound him, they led  
him away, and delivered him up to Pilate the governor.

3 Then Judas, who betrayed him, when he saw that he  
was condemned, repented, and brought back the thirty  
4 pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying,  
I sinned in betraying innocent blood. And they said,  
5 What is that to us? See thou to it. And he cast down  
the pieces of silver in the temple, and withdrew; and went  
away and hanged himself.

6 And the chief priests took the pieces of silver, and said,  
It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since they  
7 are the price of blood. And they consulted together, and  
bought with them the potter's field, for a burial-place for  
8 strangers. Wherefore that field hath been called, The  
9 Field of Blood, unto this day. Then was fulfilled that  
which was spoken through Jeremiah the prophet, saying,  
“And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of  
him that was priced, whom they of the sons of Israel  
10 priced, and gave them for the potter's field; as the Lord  
commanded me.”\*

11 And Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor  
questioned him, saying, Art thou the king of the Jews?  
12 And Jesus said, I am. And when he was accused by  
13 the chief priests and elders, he made no answer. Then  
saith Pilate to him, Dost thou not hear what things  
14 they are testifying against thee? And he made him  
no answer, not even to one word; so that the governor  
15 greatly wondered. Now at the feast the governor was  
wont to release to the multitude one prisoner, whom  
16 they would. And they had then a notorious prisoner,  
17 called Barabbas. When therefore they were assembled,  
Pilate said to them, Whom will ye that I release to  
18 you? Barabbas, or Jesus, who is called Christ? For he  
knew that for envy they had delivered him up.

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\* Zech. xi. 12, 13; see also Jer. xviii. 1, 2.

19 And while he was sitting on the judgment-seat, his wife sent to him, saying, Have nothing to do with that righteous man; for I have suffered much this day in a dream because of him.

20 But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the multitudes to ask for Barabbas, and to destroy Jesus. And the governor answering said to them, Which of the two will ye  
21 titudes to ask for Barabbas, and to destroy Jesus. And the governor answering said to them, Which of the two will ye  
22 that I release to you? And they said, Barabbas. Pilate saith to them, What then shall I do with Jesus, who is  
23 called Christ? They all say, Let him be crucified. And he said, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried  
24 out the more, saying, Let him be crucified. And when Pilate saw that it availed nothing, but that rather a tumult was arising, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of this blood; see ye  
25 to it. And all the people answering said, His blood be on us, and on our children. Then he released Barabbas to them, and having scourged Jesus, he delivered him up to be crucified.

27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's palace, and gathered to him the whole  
28 band. And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe. And having platted a crown of thorns, they put it  
29 robe. And having platted a crown of thorns, they put it on his head, and a reed in his right hand; and bowing the knee before him, they mocked him, saying, Hail, king of the  
30 Jews! And they spit upon him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. And after they had made sport  
31 of him, they took off the robe from him, and put on him his own garments, and led him away to crucify him.

32 And as they were going out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name, whom they compelled to carry  
33 his cross. And having come to a place called Golgotha, that is, Place of a Skull, they gave him wine to drink  
34 that is, Place of a Skull, they gave him wine to drink



mingled with gall; and when he had tasted it, he refused  
35 to drink. And when they had crucified him, they divided  
36 his garments among them, casting lots. And sitting down,  
37 they watched him there. And they set up over his head  
the charge against him in writing: "This is Jesus the king  
of the Jews."

38 Then are crucified with him two robbers, one on the  
39 right hand, and one on the left. And they who passed  
40 by reviled him, wagging their heads, and saying, Thou  
that destroyest the temple, and buildest it up in three days,  
save thyself, if thou art the Son of God, and come down  
41 from the cross. So also the chief priests, mocking, with  
42 the scribes and elders, said, He saved others, cannot he  
save himself? He is the king of Israel, let him now  
come down from the cross, and we will believe in him.  
43 He trusteth in God; let him now deliver him, if he  
44 desireth him; for he said, I am the Son of God. The  
robbers also, who were crucified with him, reviled him in  
the same manner.

45 And from the sixth hour there was darkness over all  
46 the land, until the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour  
Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lema  
sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast  
47 thou forsaken me?\* Some of those standing there, when  
48 they heard this, said, This man is calling for Elijah. And  
one of them immediately ran and took a sponge, and filled  
it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave it to him to  
49 drink. But the rest said, Hold! let us see whether Eli-  
50 jah will come to save him. And Jesus, crying out again  
with a loud voice, yielded up his spirit.

51 And, lo! the veil of the temple was rent in two from  
the top to the bottom; and the earth quaked, and the  
52 rocks were rent, and the tombs were opened; and many

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\* Ps. xxii. 1.

53 bodies of holy men that slept, arose, and coming out of the  
tombs after his resurrection went into the holy city and  
54 appeared to many. And the centurion and they who with  
him were watching Jesus, when they saw the earthquake,  
and what was taking place, were exceedingly afraid, say-  
ing, Truly this was the Son of God.

55 And many women were there, looking on from a dis-  
tance, who had followed Jesus from Galilee, rendering  
56 services to him; among whom was Mary the Magdalene,  
and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the  
mother of the sons of Zebedee.

57 And at evening there came a rich man of Arimathæa,  
named Joseph, who was himself also a disciple of Jesus.  
58 This man went to Pilate, and asked for the body of  
59 Jesus. Then Pilate ordered it to be given him. And  
Joseph took the body, and wrapped it in a clean linen  
60 cloth, and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn  
out in the rock, and having rolled a great stone to the  
61 door of the tomb, went away. And Mary the Magdalene  
was there, and the other Mary, sitting over against the  
sepulchre.

62 And on the next day, that following the day of the  
preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees came  
63 together to Pilate, saying, Sir, we remember that that  
deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I  
64 rise. Command therefore that the sepulchre be made  
secure until the third day, lest his disciples come and steal  
him away, and say to the people, He hath risen from the  
dead; and the last error will be worse than the first.  
65 Pilate said to them, Ye have a guard; go, make it as  
66 secure as ye know how. And they went, and made the  
sepulchre secure, sealing the stone, and setting the guard.

XXVIII. And the sabbath being over, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary the 2 Magdalene, and the other Mary, to view the sepulchre. And, lo! there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled 3 away the stone, and sat upon it. His appearance was 4 like lightning, and his raiment white as snow. And for fear of him the keepers shook, and became as dead men. 5 And the angel answering said to the women, Fear ye not; for I know that ye are seeking Jesus, who was 6 crucified. He is not here; for he hath risen, as he said. 7 Come, see the place where he lay. And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he hath risen from the dead; and, lo! he is going before you into Galilee; there shall ye 8 see him. Lo! I have told you. And they went away quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran 9 to tell his disciples. And lo! Jesus met them, saying, All hail! And they went up, and laid hold of his feet, 10 and knelt down before him. Then Jesus saith to them, Be not afraid; go, tell my brethren to depart into Galilee, and there they shall see me.

11 And as they were going, lo! some of the guard came into the city, and told the chief priests all that had taken 12 place. And having assembled with the elders, and taken counsel together, they gave a large sum of money to the 13 soldiers, saying, Say, His disciples came by night, and stole 14 him away, while we slept. And should the governor hear 15 of this, we will persuade him, and make you secure. So they took the money, and did as they were taught. And this story hath been commonly reported among the Jews to this day.

16 And the eleven disciples went into Galilee, into the  
17 mountain, where Jesus had directed them. And when  
they saw him, they knelt down before him; but some  
18 doubted. And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying,  
19 All power was given to me in heaven and on earth. Go,  
and make all nations my disciples, baptizing them into the  
name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy  
20 Spirit; teaching them to observe all things, whatever I  
have commanded you. And, lo! I am with you always,  
unto the end of the world.

## ACCORDING TO MARK.

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1. THE beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ; as it is  
2 written in Isaiah the prophet: "Lo! I send my messen-  
3 ger before thy face, who shall prepare thy way;"\* "The  
4 voice of one crying in the wilderness. Prepare the way of  
5 the Lord, make straight his paths!" † John the Baptizer  
6 appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repent-  
7 ance for the remission of sins. And there went out to  
8 him all the country of Judæa, and all they of Jerusalem;  
9 and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing  
10 their sins.

11 And John was clothed with camel's hair, and with a  
12 leathern girdle about his loins, and he ate locusts and wild  
13 honey. And he preached; saying, There cometh after me  
14 one mightier than I, the latchet of whose sandals I am not  
15 worthy to stoop down and loose. I have baptized you with  
16 water; but he will baptize you in the Holy Spirit.

17 And it came to pass that in those days Jesus came from  
18 Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized by John in the Jor-  
19 dan. And immediately on coming up out of the water, he  
20 saw the heavens parted, and the Spirit descending as a  
21 dove upon him. And there was a voice from the heavens,  
22 "Thou art my beloved Son; with thee I am well pleased."

23 And immediately the Spirit driveth him forth into the  
24 wilderness. And he was in the wilderness forty days,

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Chap. I. 1-11. Comp. Matt. iii. 1-17; Luke iii. 1-22.

Ver. 12, 13. Comp. Matt. iv. 1-11; Luke iv. 1-13.

\* Mal. iii. 1.

† Isa. xl. 3.

tempted by Satan, and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered to him.

14 But after John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the glad tidings of God, [saying,] The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe the glad tidings.

16 And as he was passing along by the lake of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon dragging a net in the lake; for they were fishers. And Jesus said to them, Come after me, and I will cause you to become fishers of men. And immediately they left their nets, and followed him. And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also were in the boat mending the nets; and immediately he called them. And leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, they went after him.

21 And they enter Capernaum; and immediately on the sabbath he was teaching in the synagogue. And they were astonished at his teaching; for he taught them as having authority, and not as the scribes.

23 And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus of Nazareth? Thou hast come to destroy us; we know who thou art, the Holy One of God. And Jesus rebuked him, [saying,] Be silent, and come out of him. And the unclean spirit convulsing him, and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. And they were all amazed, so that they questioned each other, saying, What is this? New teaching with authority; even the unclean spirits doth he command, and they obey him!  
28 And immediately his fame spread abroad everywhere through the whole surrounding country of Galilee.

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Ver. 14, 15. Comp. Matt. iv. 12-17; Luke iv. 14, 15.

Ver. 16-20. Comp. Matt. iv. 18-22; Luke v. 1-11.

Ver. 21-28. Comp. Luke iv. 31-37.

Ver. 23 See Matt. vii. 28, 29.

29 And having come out of the synagogue, they immediately entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James  
30 and John. And Simon's wife's mother lay sick of a fever;  
31 and they immediately speak to him about her. And he went to her, and took her by the hand, and raised her up; and the fever left her, and she waited on them.

32 And in the evening, when the sun had set, they brought to him all that were sick, and those who were possessed  
33 by demons; and the whole city was assembled at the door.  
34 And he healed many that were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he suffered not the demons to speak, because they knew him.

35 And rising early, long before day, he went out, and withdrew into a desert place, and there prayed. And Simon  
36 and those with him went in search of him, and found him.  
And they say to him, All people are in search of thee.  
38 And he saith to them, Let us go elsewhere into the neighboring towns, that I may preach there also; for, for this I  
39 came forth. And he went, preaching in their synagogues throughout all Galilee, and casting out the demons.

40 And there cometh a leper to him beseeching him, and kneeling down, saying to him, If thou wilt, thou canst  
41 cleanse me. And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth his hand, and touched him, and saith, I will; be  
42 thou cleansed. And immediately the leprosy left him,  
43 and he was cleansed. And sternly charging him, he  
44 immediately sent him away, saying to him, See that thou say nothing to any one; but go, show thyself to the priest, and offer for thy cleansing what Moses commanded, for a  
45 testimony to them. But he went away, and began to publish it constantly, and to spread the matter abroad, so that Jesus could no more enter a city openly, but was with-

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Ver. 29-34. Comp. Matt. viii. 14-16; Luke iv. 38-41.

Ver. 35-39. Comp. Luke iv. 42-44.

Ver. 40-45. Comp. Matt. viii. 2-4; Luke v. 12-16.

out in desert places; and they came to him from every quarter.

- II. And after some days he again entered Capernaum; and  
2 it was reported that he was in the house. And many  
were gathered together, so that there was no longer room  
for them, even at the door; and he was speaking the word  
3 to them. And they come to him, bringing one that was  
4 palsied, borne by four men. And not being able to bring  
him to him on account of the crowd, they took off the  
roof where he was; and when they had broken an opening,  
they let down the bed whereon the palsied man lay.  
5 And Jesus seeing their faith, saith to the palsied man,  
6 Son, thy sins are forgiven. But there were some of the  
7 scribes sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, Why  
doth this man speak thus? He blasphemeth; who can  
8 forgive sins but God only? And Jesus immediately per-  
ceiving in his spirit that they reasoned thus within them-  
selves, saith to them, Why do ye reason thus in your  
9 hearts? Which is easier? to say to the palsied man, Thy  
sins are forgiven? or to say, Arise, and take up thy bed  
10 and go? But that ye may know that the Son of man hath  
authority on earth to forgive sins, — he saith to the palsied  
11 man, — I say to thee, Arise, take up thy bed and go to  
12 thy house. And he arose, and immediately took up the  
bed and went forth before them all; so that they were  
all amazed, and gave glory to God, saying, We never  
saw it thus.
- 13 And he went forth again to the lake; and all the multi-  
14 tude came to him, and he taught them. And passing along,  
he saw Levi, the son of Alphæus, sitting at the custom-  
house; and he saith to him, Follow me. And he arose



15 and followed him. And it happened that he was reclining at table in his house; and many publicans and sinners were reclining with Jesus and his disciples; for there were many, and scribes of the Pharisees were also following him.

16 And when they saw that he was eating with the publicans and sinners, they said to his disciples, Doth he eat and drink

17 with publicans and sinners? And Jesus hearing it, saith to them, They who are well do not need a physician, but they who are sick. I came not to call righteous men, but sinners.

18 And the disciples of John and the Pharisees were fasting; and they come and say to him, Why do the disciples of John and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, and

19 thy disciples fast not? And Jesus said to them, Can the companions of the bridegroom fast, while the bridegroom is with them? As long as they have the bridegroom

20 with them, they cannot fast. But the days will come, when the bridegroom will be taken from them, and then

21 will they fast in that day. No one seweth a patch of undressed cloth on an old garment; for the new piece teareth away from the old garment, and a worse rent is

22 made. And no one putteth new wine into old skins; for the wine will burst the skins, and the wine is lost, and the skins.

23 And it came to pass, that he was going through the grain-fields on the sabbath, and his disciples began, as they

24 went along, to pluck the ears of grain. And the Pharisees said to him, See, why are they doing on the sabbath that

25 which is not lawful? And he saith to them, Did ye never read what David did, when he had need, and was hungry,

26 himself and they who were with him? how he went into the house of God in the days of Abiathar the high-priest, and ate the show-bread, which it is lawful for none but

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Ver. 23. — *began, &c.* Possibly, *began to make a way, plucking, &c.*

Ver. 23-28. Comp. Matt. xii. 1-8; Luke vi. 1-5.

the priests to eat, and gave also to those who were with  
27 him? And he said to them, The sabbath was made for  
28 man, and not man for the sabbath. So that the Son of  
man is lord even of the sabbath.

III. And he entered again into a synagogue; and there was  
2 a man there having a withered hand; and they watched  
him, whether he would heal him on the sabbath, that they  
3 might accuse him. And he saith to the man having the  
4 withered hand, Stand up in the midst. And he saith to  
them, Is it lawful to do good on the sabbath, or to do evil?  
5 to save life, or to kill? But they were silent. And look-  
ing round on them with anger, being grieved for the hard-  
ness of their hearts, he saith to the man, Stretch forth thy  
hand. And he stretched it forth; and his hand was re-  
6 stored. And the Pharisees went forth, and immediately  
had a consultation with the Herodians against him, how  
they might destroy him.

7 And Jesus withdrew with his disciples to the lake; and  
a great multitude from Galilee, and from Judæa followed;  
8 and from Jerusalem, and from Idumæa, and from beyond  
the Jordan, and the people about Tyre and Sidon, a great  
multitude, when they heard what great things he was  
9 doing, came to him. And he gave direction to his dis-  
ciples, that a boat should be in readiness for him because  
10 of the multitude, that they might not throng him. For he  
had healed many, so that as many as had plagues pressed  
11 upon him to touch him. And the unclean spirits, when  
they saw him, fell down before him, and cried out, saying,  
12 Thou art the Son of God. And he strictly charged them  
that they should not make him known.

13 And he goeth up into the mountain, and calleth to

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Chap. III. 1-6. Comp. Matt. xii. 9-14; Luke vi. 6-11.

Ver. 7-12. Comp. Matt. xii. 15, 16; and see Luke vi. 17-19.

Ver. 13-19. Comp. Matt. x. 1-4; Luke vi. 12-16.

14 him whom he would ; and they came to him. And he  
appointed twelve to be with him, and whom he might  
15 send forth to preach, and to have authority to cast out  
16 demons. And he appointed the twelve, and Simon he  
17 surnamed Peter ; and James the son of Zebedee, and  
John the brother of James ; and he surnamed them Bo-  
18 anerges, that is, Sons of thunder ; and Andrew, and  
Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and  
James the son of Alphæus, and Thaddæus, and Simon of  
19 Cana, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

20 And he cometh into the house. And again a multitude  
cometh together, so that they could not so much as eat  
21 bread. And his relations hearing of it went out to lay  
hold of him ; for they said, He is beside himself.

22 And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said,  
He hath Beelzebul ; and, He casteth out the demons  
23 through the prince of the demons. And calling them to  
him, he said to them in parables : How can Satan cast out  
24 Satan ? And if a kingdom be divided against itself, that  
25 kingdom cannot stand ; and if a house be divided against  
26 itself, that house will not be able to stand ; and if Satan  
rise up against himself, he is divided, and cannot stand, but  
27 hath an end. Moreover, no one can enter into a strong  
man's house, and plunder his goods, unless he first bind the  
28 strong man ; and then he will plunder his house. Truly  
do I say to you, All sins will be forgiven the sons of men,  
29 and the blasphemies wherewith they shall blaspheme ; but  
he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Spirit hath no  
forgiveness forever, but is exposed to everlasting sin. —  
30 Because they said, He hath an unclean spirit.

31 And his mother and his brothers came ; and, standing

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Ver. 22-35. Comp. Matt. xii. 22-50 ; Luke xi. 14-32, and viii. 19-21.

Ver. 28, 29. See Luke xii. 10.

Ver. 29. — *everlasting sin*. "Sin" seems here to denote its penal consequences

32 without, sent to him, to call him. And a multitude was sitting about him; and they say to him, Lo! thy mother and thy brothers and thy sisters are without, seeking for thee. And he answering saith to them, Who is my mother, 33 and my brothers? And looking round on those who sat about him, he saith, Behold my mother and my brothers. 34 Whoever shall do the will of God, he is my brother, and 35 sister, and mother.

IV. And again he began to teach by the shore of the lake; and there was gathered to him a very great multitude, so that he went into a boat, and sat down in it upon the lake; and all the multitude was by the lake on the land. 2 And he taught them many things in parables, and said to 3 them in his teaching, Hearken: Behold, a sower went 4 forth to sow. And it came to pass, as he sowed, some seeds fell by the way-side; and the birds came and devoured 5 them. And others fell on rocky ground, where they had not much earth; and they sprung up immediately, because 6 they had no depth of earth. But when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they 7 withered away. And others fell among thorns; and the thorns grew up, and choked them, and they yielded no 8 fruit. And others fell on good ground, and shooting up and growing yielded fruit; and bore as much as thirty, 9 and sixty, and a hundred fold. And he said, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

10 And when he was in private, they who were about him, 11 with the twelve, asked him about the parables. And he said to them, To you hath been given the mystery of the kingdom of God; but to them, who are without, all things 12 are done in parables; that seeing they may see, and not perceive, and hearing they may hear, and not understand;

13 lest they should turn, and be forgiven.\* And he saith to  
 them, Know ye not this parable? and how will ye know  
<sup>14</sup><sub>15</sub> all the parables? The sower soweth the word. And  
 these are they by the way-side, those where the word is  
 sown, and when they have heard, Satan cometh immedi-  
 ately, and taketh away the word that was sown in them.  
 16 And these in like manner are they that are sown on the  
 rocky places, those, who, when they have heard the word,  
 17 immediately receive it with joy, and have no root in them-  
 selves, but endure only for a time; then, when affliction or  
 persecutiōn ariseth on account of the word, they immedi-  
 18 ately fall away. And others are they that are sown among  
 19 the thorns; these are they who hear the word, but the  
 cares of the world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the  
 lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it  
 20 becometh unfruitful. And these are they who are sown  
 on the good ground; such as hear the word, and receive  
 it; and bear fruit, thirty, sixty, and a hundred fold.  
 31 And he said to them, Is a lamp brought to be put  
 under the bushel, or under the bed, and not to be set on  
 22 the lamp-stand? For there is nothing secret, unless to be  
 made known; nor was any thing hidden, but that it should  
 23 come to light. If any one hath ears to hear, let him hear.  
 24 And he said to them, Take heed what ye hear. With  
 what measure ye mete, it will be measured to you, and  
 25 more will be added to you. For he that hath, to him will  
 be given; and he that hath not, from him will be taken  
 away even what he hath.  
 26 And he said, Thus is the kingdom of God, as when  
 27 a man has cast seed upon the ground, and sleeps and  
 rises night and day, and the seed springs and grows up,

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Ver. 21. See Matt. v. 15; Luke xi. 33.

Ver. 22. See Matt x. 26; Luke xii. 2.

\* See Isa. vi. 9, 10.

28 he knows not how. For the earth brings forth fruit of  
itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain  
29 in the ear. But when the fruit puts itself forth, immedi-  
ately he sends out the sickle, because the harvest is come.

30 And he said, To what shall we liken the kingdom of  
31 God? or under what comparison shall we set it forth? It  
is like a grain of mustard, which, when it is sown in the  
32 earth, is less than all the seeds that are in the earth; and  
when it is sown, it grows up, and becomes greater than all  
the herbs, and puts forth great branches, so that the birds  
of the air can lodge under its shade.

33 And with many such parables he spoke the word to  
34 them, as they were able to hear. But without a parable  
he did not speak to them; but in private he explained all  
things to his own disciples.

35 And on the same day, when the evening was come,  
he saith to them, Let us pass over to the other side.

36 And leaving the multitude, they take him with them, as  
he was, in the boat; and there were also other boats with  
37 him. And there arose a great storm of wind, and the  
waves beat into the boat, so that it was already filling.

38 And he was in the stern, asleep on the pillow; and they  
awake him, and say to him, Teacher, carest thou not that

39 we are perishing? And he arose, and rebuked the wind,  
and said to the waves, Peace! be still! And the wind

40 ceased, and there was a great calm. And he said to them,  
Why are ye so fearful? How is it that ye have not faith?

41 And they feared exceedingly, and said one to another, Who  
then is this, that even the wind and the waves obey him?

V. And they came to the other side of the lake, into the  
2 country of the Gerasenes. And when he had come out

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Ver. 30-32. See Luke xiii. 18, 19.

Chap. IV. 35-V. 20. Comp. Matt. viii. 16, 18, 23-34; Luke viii. 22-30.

of the boat, immediately there met him out of the tombs  
3 a man with an unclean spirit, who had his dwelling in the  
tombs; and not even with a chain could any one bind him  
4 any longer; because he had often been bound with fetters  
and chains, and the chains had been snapped asunder by  
him, and the fetters broken in pieces; and no one could  
5 master him; and continually, night and day, in the tombs  
and in the mountains, he was crying out, and cutting him-  
6 self with stones. And seeing Jesus afar off, he ran and  
7 bowed down before him, and cried out with a loud voice,  
and said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, Son of the  
most high God? I adjure thee by God, do not torment  
8 me. For he was saying to him, Unclean spirit, come out  
9 from the man. And he asked him, What is thy name?  
And he saith to him, Legion is my name; for we are  
10 many. And he besought him much not to send them  
11 out of the country. Now there was there, by the moun-  
12 tain, a great herd of swine feeding. And they besought  
him, saying, Send us into the swine, that we may enter  
13 into them. And he gave them leave. And the unclean  
spirits coming out, entered into the swine; and the herd  
rushed down the steep into the lake, about two thousand,  
14 and were drowned in the lake. And they that fed them  
fled, and told the news in the city and in the country.  
15 And they came to see what had been done. And they  
come to Jesus, and see him who had been possessed by  
demons, sitting, clothed, and in his right mind, — him who  
16 had had the legion; and they were afraid. And they who  
saw it told them how it befell him that was possessed by  
17 the demons, and concerning the swine. And they began  
to beseech him to depart from their borders.  
18 And when he was going on board the boat, he that  
had been possessed by the demons besought him that he  
19 might be with him. And he did not permit him, but  
said to him, Go to thy house to thy friends, and tell

them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and  
20 that he hath had compassion on thee. And he departed,  
and began to publish in Decapolis how great things Jesus  
had done for him; and all wondered.

21 And when Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the  
other side, a great multitude gathered about him; and he  
was by the lake.

22 And there cometh one of the rulers of the synagogue,  
23 Jairus by name; and seeing him, he fell at his feet, and  
besought him much, saying, My little daughter lieth at the  
point of death; I pray thee, come and lay thy hands on  
24 her, that she may be saved and live. And he went with  
him; and a great multitude followed him, and pressed upon  
him.

25 And a woman, who had had an issue of blood twelve  
26 years, and had undergone much at the hands of many phy-  
sicians, and spent all that she had, and was not at all bene-  
27 fited, but rather grew worse, having heard about Jesus,  
28 came in the crowd behind, and touched his garment. For  
she said, If I touch even his garments, I shall be made  
29 well. And immediately the fountain of her blood was  
dried up; and she perceived in her body that she was  
30 cured of her plague. And Jesus immediately perceiving  
in himself that power had gone out from him, turned round  
31 in the crowd, and said, Who touched my garments? And his  
disciples said to him, Thou seest the multitude pressing on  
32 thee, and dost thou say, Who touched me? And he looked  
33 round to see her who had done this. But the woman, fear-  
ing and trembling, knowing what had been done to her,  
came and fell down before him, and told him all the truth.  
34 And he said to her, Daughter, thy faith hath made thee  
well; go in peace, and be recovered from thy plague.

35 While he was yet speaking, there came from the house



of the ruler of the synagogue some who said, Thy daughter is dead; why dost thou trouble the Teacher any further? And Jesus, overhearing those words, saith to the ruler of the synagogue, Fear not; only believe. And he suffered no one to follow him except Peter and James, and John the brother of James. And they come to the house of the ruler of the synagogue; and he seeth a tumult, and people weeping and wailing greatly. And going in, he saith to them, Why do ye make this confusion and weeping? The child is not dead, but is sleeping. And they laughed him to scorn. But putting them all out, he taketh the father of the child, and the mother, and those who were with him, and entereth where the child was. And taking hold of the hand of the child, he saith to her, Talitha, kûm; which is, when interpreted, Damsel, I say to thee, arise! And immediately the damsel arose and walked; for she was twelve years old. And immediately they were greatly astonished. And he charged them strictly that no one should know it, and bade that something should be given her to eat.

VI. And he went out from thence, and cometh into his own country; and his disciples follow him. And when the sabbath was come, he began to teach in the synagogue. And most people when they heard him were astonished, saying, Whence hath this man these things? And what is the wisdom which is given him? And how is it that such miracles are wrought by his hands? Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, and brother of James, and Joses, and Judah, and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us? And they took offence at him. And Jesus said to them, A prophet is not without honor except in his own country, and among his own kindred, and in his own house.

5 And he could not do any miracle there, except that he laid his hand upon a few sick persons, and cured them.

6 And he wondered at their want of faith.

And he went about the surrounding villages teaching.

7 And he calleth to him the twelve, and began to send them forth by two and two; and gave them power over the un-

8 clean spirits; and commanded them that they should take nothing for the way but a staff only; no bread, no bag, no

9 money in their girdle; but to be shod with sandals; and,

10 Do not put on two coats. And he said to them, Wherever ye enter a house, there abide till ye leave that place.

11 And whatever place shall not receive you, nor hear you, when ye go thence, shake off the dust under your feet as a testimony to them.

12 And they went out and preached that men should  
13 repent; and they cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many sick persons, and healed them.

14 And king Herod heard of him (for his name was spread abroad), and he said, John the Baptizer hath risen from the dead, and therefore do these powers work in him.  
15 But others said, It is Elijah. And others said, It is a  
16 prophet, as one of the prophets. But Herod hearing of it said, John, whom I beheaded, hath risen again.

17 For Herod himself had sent forth and seized John, and bound him in prison, on account of Herodias, his brother  
18 Philip's wife; for he had married her. For John had said to Herod, It is not lawful for thee to have thy  
19 brother's wife. And Herodias was enraged against him,  
20 and wished to put him to death, but could not. For Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and was regardful of him; and on hearing him,

Ver. 7-11. Comp. Matt. x. 5-15; Luke ix. 1-5.

Ver. 12, 13. Comp. Luke ix. 6.

Ver. 14-16. Comp. Luke ix. 7-9.

Ver. 14-29. Comp. Matt. xiv. 1-12.

Ver. 17-20. Comp. Luke iii. 19, 20.

21 was in much anxiety, and listened to him gladly. And a  
convenient day having come, when Herod on his birthday  
made a supper for his nobles and chief captains and the  
22 principal men of Galilee, and the daughter of Herodias  
came in and danced, she pleased Herod and those at table  
with him; and the king said to the damsel, Ask of me  
23 whatever thou wilt, and I will give it thee. And he swore  
to her, Whatever thou shalt ask of me, I will give thee, to  
24 the half of my kingdom. And she went out and said to  
her mother, What shall I ask? And she said, The head of  
25 John the Baptizer. And she came in immediately with  
haste to the king, and asked, saying, I desire that thou wilt  
give me immediately on a platter the head of John the  
26 Baptist. And the king was exceedingly sorry; but on  
account of his oaths, and of those at table with him, he  
27 would not refuse her. And the king immediately sent  
one of his guards, and ordered his head to be brought.  
28 And he went and beheaded him in the prison, and  
brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the damsel;  
29 and the damsel gave it to her mother. And his disciples,  
when they heard of it, came and took up his body, and  
laid it in a tomb.

30 And the apostles gather together to Jesus, and told  
31 him all which they had done and taught. And he saith  
to them, Come ye by yourselves apart into a desert place,  
and rest a while. For there were many coming and go-  
32 ing; and they had no leisure even to eat. And they  
33 went away into a desert place in the boat apart. And  
many saw them departing, and knew them, and ran to-  
gether on foot thither from all the cities, and arrived  
before them.

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Ver. 20. — *was in much anxiety.* Many manuscripts read, *did many things.*

Ver. 80-44. Comp. Matt. xiv. 13-21; Luke ix. 10-17; John vi. 1-13.

34 And when he came forth, he saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion for them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

35 And late in the day his disciples came to him, and said,  
36 This is a desert place, and it is now late; send them away, that they may go into the surrounding fields and villages  
37 and buy themselves something to eat. But he answering said to them, Give ye them to eat. And they say to him, Shall we go and buy two hundred denāries' worth of  
38 bread, and give them to eat? He saith to them, How many loaves have ye? Go and see. And when they knew, they  
39 say, Five, and two fishes. And he ordered them to make  
40 all lie down in companies upon the green grass. And  
41 they lay down in ranks, by hundreds, and by fifties. And taking the five loaves and the two fishes, he looked up to heaven and blessed, and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples to set before them; and the two fishes he  
42 divided among them all. And they all ate, and were filled.  
43 And they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments,  
44 and of the fishes. And they who ate of the loaves were five thousand men.

45 And he immediately constrained his disciples to get into the boat, and to go before to the other side to Bethsaida,  
46 while he sent the multitude away. And when he had taken leave of them, he went away into the mountain to pray.

47 And when evening came, the boat was in the midst of  
48 the lake; and he was alone on the land. And when he saw them toiling hard in rowing, for the wind was against them, about the fourth watch of the night he cometh to them, walking upon the lake. And he would have passed  
49 by them; but they, seeing him walking upon the lake,

50 thought it was a spectre, and cried out. For they all saw him, and were terrified. But he immediately spoke with them, and saith to them, Be of good cheer; it is I, be not 51 afraid. And he went up to them into the boat, and the wind ceased. And they were exceedingly astonished, be- 52 yond measure. For they did not consider the matter of 53 the loaves; but their heart was hardened. And crossing over, they came to land, to Gennesaret; and anchored there.

54 And when they had come out of the boat, the people 55 immediately knowing who he was, ran through all that region, and began to carry about on beds those that were 56 sick to the place where they heard he was. And wherever he entered into villages or cities or the open country, they laid the sick in the market-places, and besought him that they might touch if it were but the fringe of his garment; and as many as touched him were made well.

VII. And there come together to him the Pharisees, and some 2 of the scribes, who came from Jerusalem; and seeing some of his disciples eating bread with defiled, that is, unwashed 3 hands, (for the Pharisees, and all the Jews, unless they wash their hands often, do not eat, holding fast the tra- 4 dition of the elders; and on coming from the marketplace, unless they bathe, they do not eat; and there are many other things which they have received to hold, the dip- 5 ping of cups, and pitchers, and brazen vessels;) then the Pharisees and scribes ask him, Why do not thy disciples walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat bread 6 with defiled hands? And he said to them, Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, "This people honoreth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.

7 But in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the  
 8 commandments of men."\* Laying aside the command-  
 9 ment of God, ye hold fast the tradition of men. And he  
 said to them, Full well do ye reject the commandment  
 10 of God, that ye may keep your tradition! For Moses  
 said, "Honor thy father and thy mother;" and, "He that  
 11 curseth father or mother, let him surely die."† But ye  
 say, If a man say to his father or mother, Whatever thou  
 mightst receive in aid from me is Corban, that is, a gift  
 12 to God, [he is not bound by the command. Thus] ye  
 suffer him no longer to do anything for his father or his  
 13 mother; making void the word of God by your tradition,  
 which ye have handed down; and many such things ye do.  
 14 And again calling the multitude to him, he said to them,  
 15 Hearken to me all of you, and understand. Nothing that  
 entereth into a man from without can defile him; but the  
 things that come out of him are what defile a man.

17 And when he had gone into the house from the crowd,  
 18 his disciples asked him concerning the parable. And he  
 saith to them, Are ye too so without discernment? Do  
 ye not understand that whatever thing from without en-  
 19 tereth into a man, cannot defile him? because it entereth  
 not into his heart, but into the stomach; and goeth out  
 20 into the drain, which cleanseth all kinds of food. And he  
 said, That which cometh out of a man, that defileth a man.  
 21 For from within, out of the heart of men, come forth evil  
 22 thoughts, fornications, thefts, murders, adulteries, covet-  
 ousness, iniquities, deceit, wantonness, an evil eye, blas-  
 23 phemy, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from  
 within, and defile a man.

24 And rising up, he departed thence into the borders of  
 Tyre; and entering into a house, he desired that no one

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Ver. 24-31. Comp. Matt. xv. 21-29. \* Isa. xxix. 13.

† Exod. xx. 12, xxi. 17.

25 should know it; but he could not escape notice. But a  
woman, whose young daughter had an unclean spirit, im-  
26 mediately hearing of him, came in, and fell at his feet.  
The woman was a Greek, a Syrophœnician by nation; and  
she besought him that he would cast out the demon from  
27 her daughter. And he said to her, Let the children be  
filled first; for it is not well to take the children's bread  
28 and throw it to the little dogs. But she answered, and saith  
to him, Yea, Lord; even the little dogs under the table eat  
29 of the children's crumbs. And he said to her, For this say-  
ing go thy way; the demon hath gone out of thy daugh-  
30 ter. And going away to her house, she found the child  
laid upon the bed, and the demon gone out.

31 And again leaving the borders of Tyre, he came through  
Sidon to the lake of Galilee, through the midst of the bor-  
32 ders of Decapolis. And they bring to him one that was  
deaf, and had an impediment in his speech, and beseech  
33 him to lay his hand upon him. And taking him aside  
from the multitude, he put his fingers into his ears, and  
34 having spit, touched his tongue; and looking up to heaven,  
he sighed, and saith to him, Ephphatha, that is, Be opened.  
35 And his ears were opened; and the string of his tongue  
36 was immediately loosed, and he spoke plain. And he  
charged them to tell no one; but the more he charged  
37 them, the more did they publish it. And they were  
beyond measure astonished, saying, He hath done all  
things well; he maketh both the deaf to hear, and the  
dumb to speak.

VIII. In those days, there being again a great multitude,  
and they having nothing to eat, he called the disciples to  
2 him, and saith to them, I have compassion on the multi-  
tude, because they have remained with me now three days,

3 and they have nothing to eat. And if I send them away  
fasting to their houses, they will faint on the road; and  
4 some of them have come from afar. And his disciples  
answered him, Whence can any one satisfy these men  
5 with bread here in a wilderness? And he asked them,  
6 How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven. And  
he ordered the multitude to lie down on the ground; and  
he took the seven loaves, and gave thanks, and broke,  
and gave to his disciples to set before them; and they set  
7 them before the multitude. And they had a few small  
fishes; and having blessed them, he set them before them.  
8 And they ate, and were filled; and they took up of the  
9 fragments that remained, seven baskets. And they were  
about four thousand; and he sent them away.  
10 And immediately going on board the boat with his dis-  
11 ciples, he came into the region of Dalmanutha. And the  
Pharisees came out, and began to question with him, seek-  
12 ing of him a sign from heaven, trying him. And sighing  
deeply in his spirit, he saith, Why doth this generation  
seek for a sign? Truly do I say to you, A sign will not  
13 be given to this generation. And leaving them, he again  
went on board and crossed to the other side.  
14 And they had forgotten to take bread, and had not in  
15 the boat with them more than one loaf. And he charged  
them, saying, Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Phari-  
16 sees, and the leaven of Herod. And they reasoned among  
17 themselves, saying, It is because we have no bread. And  
knowing it, he saith to them, Why are ye reasoning, be-  
cause ye have no bread? Do ye not yet perceive nor  
18 understand? Have ye your mind still blinded? Having  
eyes, do ye not see? and having ears, do ye not hear?  
19 And do ye not remember, when I broke the five loaves  
among the five thousand, and how many baskets full of



- 20 fragments ye took up? They say to him, Twelve. When  
also the seven among the four thousand, how many baskets  
full of fragments did ye take up? And they say, Seven.
- 21 And he said to them, Do ye not yet understand?
- 22 And they come to Bethsaida. And they bring to him  
23 a blind man, and beseech him to touch him. And taking  
the blind man by the hand, he led him out of the village;  
and spitting on his eyes, and putting his hands on him, he  
24 asked him if he saw anything. And he looked up, and  
said, I can see men, for I see them as trees, walking.
- 25 Then he again put his hands on his eyes, and he saw  
clearly, and was restored, and saw all things distinctly.
- 26 And he sent him away to his house, saying, Go not into  
the village.
- 27 And Jesus went out, and his disciples, into the villages  
of Cæsarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his dis-  
28 ciples, saying to them, Who do men say that I am? And  
they answered him, saying, John the Baptist; and others,  
29 Elijah; and others, One of the prophets. And he asked  
them, But who do ye say that I am? Peter answering  
30 saith to him, Thou art the Christ. And he strictly charged  
them to tell no one concerning him.
- 31 And he began to teach them that the Son of man must  
suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and the  
chief priests and the scribes, and be put to death, and after  
32 three days rise again; and he told them this plainly. And  
33 Peter, taking him aside, began to rebuke him. But he  
turning about and looking at his disciples, rebuked Peter,  
and saith, Get thee behind me, Satan! for thy thoughts  
are not on the things of God, but on those of men.
- 34 And calling the multitude to him with his disciples also,  
he said to them, Whoever chooseth to follow me, let him  
35 deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. For

whoever chooseth to save his life, will lose it; but whoever shall lose his life for the sake of me and of the glad tidings, will save it. For what doth it profit a man to gain the whole world, and forfeit his life? For what can a man give as an exchange for his life? For whoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will also the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels. And he said to them, Truly do I say to you, There are some of those standing here who will not taste of death, till they have seen that the kingdom of God hath come with power.

2 And after six days Jesus taketh with him Peter and James and John, and leadeth them up into a high mountain apart by themselves; and he was transfigured before them. And his garments became glistening, very white, so as no fuller on earth can whiten. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. And Peter answering saith to Jesus, Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; and let us make three tents, one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah. For he knew not what to answer; for they were struck with terror. And there came a cloud overshadowing them; and a voice came out of the cloud, This is my beloved Son; hear him. And suddenly looking round, they no longer saw any one but Jesus alone with themselves. And as they came down from the mountain, he charged them to give no account of what they had seen to any one, till the Son of man should have risen from the dead.

10 And they kept these words in mind, questioning one another what rising from the dead might mean. And they asked him, saying, How is it that the Pharisees and

12 scribes say that Elijah must come first? And he said to them, Elijah cometh first, and restoreth all things. And how hath it been written of the Son of man? that he  
13 must suffer many things, and be set at nought. But I say to you that Elijah hath come, and they have done to him whatever they would; as it hath been written concerning him.

14 And coming to the disciples, they saw a great multitude  
15 about them, and scribes debating with them. And immediately the whole multitude on seeing him was struck with  
16 awe, and running to him, saluted him. And he asked them,  
17 About what are ye debating with them? And one of the multitude answered him, Teacher, I have brought to thee  
18 my son, who hath a dumb spirit. And wherever it seizeth hold of him, it throweth him down; and he foameth and gnasheth his teeth; and he pineth away. And I spoke to thy disciples to cast it out, and they were not able.  
19 He answereth and saith to them, O unbelieving generation! How long shall I be with you? How long shall I  
20 bear with you? Bring him to me. And they brought him to him. And as soon as he saw him, the spirit convulsed him; and he fell on the ground, and wallowed, foaming.  
21 And he asked his father, How long hath it been thus  
22 with him? And he said, From a child; and it hath often cast him both into fire, and into water, to destroy him; but if thou art able to do any thing, have compassion on  
23 us, and help us. Jesus said to him, If thou art able?  
24 All things are possible for him that believeth. The father of the child immediately cried out and said, I be-  
25 lieve; help thou my unbelief. And Jesus seeing that the multitude came running together, rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, Dumb and deaf spirit, I command thee, come out of him, and enter no more into him.  
26 And uttering a cry, and convulsing him much, it came out of him. And he became as one dead; so that very

27 many said, He is dead. But Jesus, taking hold of his hand, raised him, and he stood up.

28 And when he had come into the house, his disciples  
29 asked him privately, Why could not we cast it out? And he said to them, This kind can go out by nothing, except by prayer.

30 And departing thence, they passed through Galilee; and  
31 he would not that any one should know it. For he taught his disciples, and said to them, The Son of man is about to be delivered up into the hands of men, and they will put him to death; and when he hath been put to death,  
32 after three days he will rise again. But they understood not what he said, and were afraid to ask him.

33 And they came to Capernaum; and having come into the house, he asked them, About what were ye disputing  
34 on the road? But they were silent; for on the road they had been disputing with one another, who was greatest.  
35 And sitting down, he called the twelve, and saith to them, If any one desire to be first, he will be last of all, and servant of all. And he took a child, and placed him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to  
37 them, Whoever receiveth one of these children in my name, receiveth me; and whoever receiveth me, receiveth not me, but him that sent me.

38 John said to him, Teacher, we saw one casting out demons in thy name who followeth not us; and we for-  
39 bade him, because he did not follow us. But Jesus said, Forbid him not. For no one, who shall do a miracle  
40 in my name, can readily speak evil of me. For he that  
41 is not against us is for us. For whoever shall give you a cup of water to drink in my name, because ye belong to Christ, truly do I say to you, he will not lose

42 his reward. And whoever shall cause one of these little  
 ones that believe to fall away, it would be better for  
 him to have a great millstone hung round his neck, and  
 43 be cast into the sea. And if thy hand cause thee to fall  
 away, cut it off. It is better for thee to enter into life  
 maimed, than having the two hands to go away into hell,  
 45 into the fire that is unquenchable. And if thy foot is  
 causing thee to fall away, cut it off; it is better for thee  
 to enter into life lame, than having the two feet to be cast  
 47 into hell. And if thine eye is causing thee to fall away,  
 pluck it out; it is better for thee to enter into the king-  
 dom of God with one eye, than having two eyes to be cast  
 48 into hell, where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not  
 49 quenched.\* For every one will be salted with fire.

50 Salt is good; but if the salt have lost its saltness, where-  
 with will ye season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at  
 peace with one another.

X. And departing thence, he cometh into the borders of  
 Judæa, and to the other side of the Jordan; and multi-  
 tudes again come together to him; and, as he was wont,  
 2 he again taught them. And the Pharisees came to him,  
 and asked him whether it was lawful for a man to put  
 3 away his wife, trying him. And he answering said to  
 4 them, What did Moses command you? And they said,  
 Moses permitted to write a bill of divorcement, and to  
 5 put her away. † And Jesus said to them, On account of  
 6 your hardness of heart he wrote you this command. But,  
 from the beginning of the creation, [God] made them  
 7 male and female. ‡ “For this cause shall a man leave  
 8 his father and his mother; and the two shall become

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Ver. 42. See Luke xvii. 2. Ver. 50. See Matt. v. 13; Luke xi. 34  
 Chap. X. 1-12. Comp. Matt. xix. 1-12.

Ver. 1. See Luke ix. 51; John vii. 10.

\* See Isa. lxvi. 24. † See Deut. xxiv. 1. ‡ See Gen. i. 27, v. 1, 2.

- one flesh.”\* So they are no longer two, but one flesh.
- 9 What therefore God joined together, let not man put asunder.
- 10 And in the house his disciples asked him again about  
11 this matter. And he saith to them, Whoever putteth  
away his wife, and marrieth another, committeth adul-  
12 tery against her. And if she put away her husband, and  
be married to another, she committeth adultery.
- 13 And they brought children to him, that he might touch  
them; and the disciples rebuked those that brought them.  
14 But Jesus seeing it was much displeased, and said to them,  
Suffer the children to come to me; forbid them not; for-  
15 to such belongeth the kingdom of God. Truly do I say to you,  
Whoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a child,  
16 will not enter therein. And he took them in his arms,  
and blessed them, laying his hands upon them.
- 17 And as he was going out into the way, a certain one  
running up and kneeling to him, asked him, Good teacher,  
18 what shall I do that I may inherit everlasting life? And  
Jesus said to him, Why dost thou call me good? None is  
19 good but one, that is, God. Thou knowest the command-  
ments, “Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal,  
Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honor thy father  
20 and thy mother.”† And he said to him, Teacher, all these  
21 have I kept from my youth. And Jesus looking at him,  
loved him, and said to him, One thing thou lackest; go,  
sell whatever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou  
22 shalt have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me. But  
his countenance fell at that saying, and he went away sor-  
rowful; for he had great possessions.
- 23 And Jesus, looking round, saith to his disciples, How  
hardly shall they who have riches enter the kingdom

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Ver. 13-16. Comp. Matt. xix. 13-15; Luke xviii. 15-17.

Ver. 17-31. Comp. Matt. xix. 16-xx. 16; Luke xviii. 18-30.

\* Gen. ii. 24.

† See Exod. xx. 12-17.

24 of God! And the disciples were astonished at his words.

But Jesus answering again saith to them, Children, how  
 25 hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier  
 for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a  
 26 rich man to enter the kingdom of God. And they were  
 beyond measure astonished, saying among themselves, Who  
 27 then can be saved? Jesus looking upon them saith, With  
 men it is impossible, but not with God; for all things  
 are possible with God.

28 Peter began to say to him, Lo! we left all, and have  
 29 followed thee. Jesus said, Truly do I say to you, There  
 is no one who hath left house, or brothers, or sisters, or  
 mother, or father, or children, or lands, for the sake of me  
 30 and of the glad tidings, who will not receive a hundred-  
 fold in the time that now is, houses, and brothers, and sis-  
 ters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecu-  
 31 tions, and in the world to come everlasting life. But  
 many who are first will be last; and the last first.

32 And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem; and  
 Jesus was leading the way; and they were amazed, and  
 they that followed were afraid. And again taking the  
 twelve aside, he began to tell them what things were about  
 33 to befall him: Lo! we are going up to Jerusalem, and the  
 Son of man will be delivered up to the chief priests and  
 to the scribes; and they will condemn him to death, and  
 34 deliver him up to the gentiles; and they will mock him,  
 and spit upon him, and scourge him, and put him to death;  
 and after three days he will rise again.

35 And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, come to  
 him, saying to him, Teacher, we would that thou shouldst  
 36 do for us whatever we shall ask thee. And he said to  
 37 them, What would ye that I should do for you? And

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Ver. 24. — *how hard it is.* Some manuscripts add, *for those who trust in riches, &c.* Ver. 32-34. Comp. Matt. xx. 17-19; Luke xviii. 31-34.

Ver. 35-45. Comp. Matt. xx. 20-28.

they said to him, Grant to us that we may sit, one on  
38 thy right hand and one on thy left, in thy glory. But  
Jesus said to them, Ye know not what ye ask. Can ye  
drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the bap-  
39 tism that I am baptized with? And they said to him, We  
can. And Jesus said to them, Ye will drink the cup that  
I drink, and ye will be baptized with the baptism that I  
40 am baptized with; but to sit on my right hand or on my  
left is not mine to give, but it will be given to those for  
41 whom it hath been prepared. And the ten hearing it  
42 began to be much displeased with James and John. And  
Jesus, calling them to him, saith to them, Ye know that  
they who are accounted to rule over the nations lord it  
over them, and their great men exercise a strict authority  
43 over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever de-  
sireth to become great among you, will be your minister;  
44 and whoever of you desireth to become first, will be ser-  
45 vant of all; for even the Son of man came not to be  
served, but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for  
many.

46 And they come to Jericho; and as he was going out  
of Jericho with his disciples and a great multitude, the  
son of Timæus, Bartimæus, a blind beggar, was sitting by  
47 the way-side. And hearing that it was Jesus the Naza-  
rene, he began to cry out and say, Son of David, Jesus,  
48 have pity on me! And many sharply bade him be silent;  
but he cried out the more, Son of David, have pity on me!  
49 And Jesus stopped, and said, Call him. And they call  
the blind man, saying to him, Be of good courage, rise,  
50 he calleth thee. And throwing off his garment, he leaped  
51 up, and came to Jesus. And Jesus answering said to him,  
What dost thou wish me to do for thee? The blind man  
52 said to him, My master, to restore my sight. And Jesus



said to him, Go; thy faith hath saved thee. And he immediately received his sight, and followed him on the road.

XI. And when they were drawing near to Jerusalem and to Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, he sendeth forth two of his disciples, and saith to them, Go to the village over against you; and immediately on entering it ye will find a colt tied, on which no man hath yet sat; loose and bring it. And if any one say to you, Why do ye this? say, The Lord hath need of it, and will immediately send it back hither. And they went, and found the colt tied by the door without, on the street; and they loose it. And some of those who were standing there said to them, What are ye about, loosing the colt? And they said to them as Jesus had commanded; and they let them go. And they bring the colt to Jesus, and put their garments on it; and he sat upon it. And many spread their garments on the road; and others boughs, having cut them from the fields. And they that went before, and they that followed, cried, Hosanna! Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord!\* Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest heavens!

11 And he entered Jerusalem, and the temple; and having looked round on all things, the evening being now come, he went out to Bethany, with the twelve.

12 And on the morrow, when they had come from Beth-  
13 any, he was hungry; and seeing a fig-tree afar off having leaves, he went to see whether he might find anything on it; and on coming to it he found nothing but leaves;

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Chap. XI. 1-11. Comp. Matt. xxi. 1-11, 14-17; Luke xix. 28-44; John xii. 12-19.

Ver. 11-14. Comp. Matt. xxi. 17-19.

\* See Ps. cxviii. 25, 26.

- 14 for the season of figs had not come. And he answering said to it, Let no one eat fruit from thee henceforth for ever. And his disciples heard him.
- 15 And they come to Jerusalem. And he went into the temple, and began to cast out those who sold and bought in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money-changers, and the seats of those who sold the doves; and he suffered no one to carry any vessel through the temple. And he taught, and said to them, Is it not written, "My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations?"\* but ye have made it a den of robbers."† And the chief priests and the scribes heard it, and sought how they might destroy him; for they feared him; because all the multitude was astonished at his teaching. And when it became late, he went out of the city.
- 20 And in the morning, as they were passing by, they saw the fig-tree withered from the roots. And Peter remembered and said to him, Rabbi, see! the fig-tree which thou didst curse is withered away. And Jesus answering saith to them, Have faith in God. Truly do I say to you, that whoever shall say to this mountain, Be thou taken up, and cast into the sea, and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that what he saith will come to pass, he shall have it. Therefore I say to you, All things whatever ye pray for and ask, believe that ye have obtained, and ye shall have them. And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have aught against any one, that your Father who is in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses.
- 27 And they come again to Jerusalem. And as he was

Ver. 15-18. Comp. Matt. xxi. 12, 13; Luke xix. 45-48; John ii. 13-17.

Ver. 19-26. Comp. Matt. xxi. 20-22.

Ver. 24. — *believe that ye have obtained*; i.e. have faith in the Divine determination to bestow them.

Chap. XI. 27—chap. XII. 12. Comp. Matt. xxi. 23-46; Luke xx. 1-19.

\* Isa. lvi. 7.

† See Jer. vii. 11.

walking in the temple, there come to him the chief priests  
28 and the scribes and the elders ; and they said to him, By  
what authority doest thou these things ? or who gave thee  
29 this authority to do these things ? And Jesus said to them,  
I will ask you one question ; and answer me, and I will tell  
30 you by what authority I do these things. The baptism of  
John, was it from heaven, or from men ? Answer me.  
31 And they reasoned among themselves, saying, If we say,  
From heaven, he will say, Why then did ye not believe  
32 him ? But shall we say, From men ? They feared the  
33 people ; for all regarded John as truly a prophet. And  
they answered and said to Jesus, We do not know. And  
Jesus saith to them, Neither do I tell you by what author-  
ity I do these things.

XII. And he began to speak to them in parables : A man  
planted a vineyard, and set a hedge about it, and dug a  
wine-vat, and built a tower ; and let it out to husbandmen,  
2 and went abroad. And at the season he sent to the hus-  
bandmen a servant, that he might receive from the husband-  
3 men of the fruits of the vineyard. And they took him, and  
4 beat him, and sent him away empty-handed. And again  
he sent to them another servant ; and him they wounded  
5 in the head, and treated shamefully. And he sent another ;  
and him they killed ; and many others, beating some, and  
6 killing some. Still he had one beloved son ; he sent him  
7 last to them, saying, They will respect my son. But  
those husbandmen said among themselves, This is the  
heir ; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be  
8 ours. And they took him and killed him, and cast him  
9 out of the vineyard. What will the lord of the vine-  
yard do ? He will come and destroy the husbandmen,  
10 and will give the vineyard to others. And have ye  
not read this scripture : "The stone which the builders  
11 rejected, the same hath become the corner-stone ; from

the Lord did this come, and it is marvellous in our eyes"?\*

- 12 And they sought to seize him, but feared the multitude; for they knew that he spoke the parable against them. And they left him, and went away.
- 13 And they send to him some of the Pharisees and of  
14 the Herodians, to ensnare him in speech. And they come and say to him, Teacher, we know that thou art true, and carest for no one; for thou regardest not the person of men, but teachest the way of God in truth. Is it law-  
15 ful to give tribute to Cæsar, or not? Shall we give, or shall we not give? But he, seeing their hypocrisy, said to them, Why are ye trying me? Bring me a denāry, that  
16 I may see it. And they brought one. And he saith to them, Whose is this image and inscription? And they  
17 said to him, Cæsar's. And Jesus said to them, Render to Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's, and to God the things that are God's. And they marvelled at him exceedingly.
- 18 Then come to him Sadducees, who say that there is no  
19 resurrection; and they asked him, saying, Teacher, Moses wrote to us, "If a man's brother die, and leave a wife and no child, his brother shall take his wife, and raise up seed  
20 to his brother."† There were seven brothers; and the  
21 first took a wife, and dying left no seed. And the second took her and died, leaving no seed; and the third likewise.  
22 And the seven left no seed. Last of all, the woman also  
23 died. In the resurrection, when they have risen, of which of them will she be wife? for the seven had her for a wife.  
24 Jesus said to them, Do ye not err on this account, that  
25 ye know not the Scriptures, nor the power of God? For when they have risen from the dead, they neither marry,

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Ver. 13-17. Comp. Matt. xxii. 15-22; Luke xx. 20-26.

Ver. 18-27. Comp. Matt. xii. 23-33; Luke xx. 27-40.

\* Ps. cxviii. 22, 23.

† See Deut. xxv. 5, 6.

nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels in heaven.

26 And concerning the dead, that they are raised, have ye not read in the book of Moses, at the Bush, how God spoke to him, saying, "I am the God of Abraham, and 27 the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob"?\* He is not the God of the dead, but of the living. Ye err greatly.

28 And one of the scribes came up, having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, Which commandment is first of all? 29 Jesus answered, The first is, "Hear, O Israel, the Lord our 30 God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy 31 mind, and with all thy strength."† The second is this: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."‡ There is no 32 other commandment greater than these. And the scribe said to him, In truth, Teacher, thou hast well said, that He 33 is one, and that there is no other but he; and to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbor as one's self, is more than all the whole burnt-offerings and the sacrifices. 34 And Jesus, perceiving that he answered wisely, said to him, Thou art not far from the kingdom of God. And after this no one dared to question him.

35 And Jesus answered and said, while he was teaching in the temple, How is it that the scribes say, that the Christ 36 is David's son? David himself said in the Holy Spirit, "The Lord said to my lord, Sit thou on my right hand, 37 till I make thine enemies thy footstool."§ David himself calleth him lord; and how can he be his son? And the great multitude heard him gladly.

Ver. 26. — *at the Bush*: i.e. at that part of the book of Moses, in which the narrative of the burning bush is contained.

Ver. 28-34. Comp. Matt. xxii. 34-40.

Ver. 35-37. Comp. Matt. xxii. 41-46; Luke xx. 41-44.

\* Exod. iii. 6. † Deut. vi. 4, 5. ‡ Lev. xix. 18. § Ps. cx. 1.

38 And he said in his teaching, Beware of the scribes, who  
 like to walk about in long robes, and love salutations  
 39 in the markets, and the chief seats in the synagogues, and  
 40 the first places at feasts; who devour widows' houses, and  
 for a pretence make long prayers. These will receive a  
 far greater condemnation.

41 And he sat over against the treasury, and was behold-  
 ing how the people cast money into the treasury. And  
 42 many that were rich were casting in much. And a cer-  
 tain poor widow came and threw in two mites, which make  
 43 a farthing. And he called to him his disciples, and said  
 to them, Truly do I say to you, that this poor widow hath  
 cast in more than all those who are casting into the trea-  
 44 sury. For they all threw in of their abundance; but she  
 out of her penury threw in all that she had, her whole  
 living.

XIII. And as he went out of the temple, one of his disci-  
 ples saith to him, Teacher, see! what stones, and what  
 2 buildings! And Jesus said to him, Seest thou these great  
 buildings? There will not be left one stone upon another,  
 that will not be thrown down. .

3 And as he was sitting on the Mount of Olives, over  
 against the temple, Peter and James and John and An-  
 4 drew asked him privately, Tell us, when will these things  
 be? and what will be the sign when all these things are  
 5 about to be accomplished? And Jesus began to say to  
 6 them, See that no one deceive you. Many will come in  
 7 my name, saying, I am He; and will deceive many. And  
 when ye hear of wars, and rumors of wars, be not troubled;  
 8 they must come to pass; but not yet is the end. For na-  
 tion will rise against nation, and kingdom against king-

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Ver. 38-40. Comp. Matt. xxiii.; Luke xx. 45-47.

Ver. 41-44. Comp. Luke xxi. 1-4.

Chap. XIII. Comp. Matt. xxiv.; Luke xxi. 5-36.

dom; there will be earthquakes in divers places; there will be famines. These things are the beginning of travail-pains.

9 But do ye take heed to yourselves; they will deliver you up to councils, and ye will be taken into synagogues and beaten; and ye will be brought before governors and  
10 kings for my sake, for a testimony to them. And the glad tidings must first be published to all the nations.

11 And when they lead you away to deliver you up, be not anxious beforehand as to what ye shall speak; but whatever shall be given you in that hour, that speak; for it is  
12 not ye that speak, but the Holy Spirit. And brother will deliver up brother to death, and the father his child; and children will rise up against parents, and put them to  
12 death. And ye will be hated by all on account of my name. But he that endureth to the end will be saved.

14 But when ye see the abomination of desolation standing where it ought not, — let him that readeth understand, — then let those who are in Judæa flee to the mountains;  
15 let not him that is on the house-top go down, nor enter, to  
16 take anything out of his house; and let not him that is in  
17 the field turn back to take his garment. And woe to the women with child, and to those with children at the breast,  
18 in those days! And pray that it may not be in winter.  
19 For those days will be a time of distress, such as hath not been from the beginning of the creation which God cre-  
20 ated until now, nor shall be. And if the Lord had not shortened the days, no flesh would have been saved; but for the sake of the chosen whom he chose, he shortened the days.

21 And then if any one shall say to you, See! here is the

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Ver. 9-13. See Matt. x. 17-22.

Ver. 11. See Luke xii. 11, 12.

Ver. 15, 16. See Luke xvii. 31.

Ver. 21. See Luke xvii. 23.

22 Christ; see! there; believe him not. For false Christs  
and false prophets will rise up, and will do signs and  
23 wonders, to lead astray, if possible, the chosen. But do ye  
take heed! I have told you all beforehand.

24 But in those days, after that distress, the sun will be  
25 darkened, and the moon will not give her light; and the  
stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers that are  
26 in the heavens will be shaken. And then will they see  
the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power  
27 and glory. And then will he send forth the angels, and  
will gather the chosen ones from the four winds, from  
the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of  
heaven.

28 And from the fig-tree learn its parable. When its  
branch hath now become tender, and putteth forth its  
29 leaves, ye know that summer is near. So also, when ye  
see these things coming to pass, know ye that he is near,  
30 at the doors. Truly do I say to you, that this genera-  
tion will not pass away, till all these things take place.  
31 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not  
pass away.

32 But that day or hour knoweth no one, not even the  
33 angels in heaven, nor the Son, but the Father. Take heed,  
34 watch; for ye know not when the time is. As a man go-  
ing abroad, having left his house and given authority to his  
servants, to each one his work, also commanded the porter  
35 to watch, so also watch ye; for ye know not when the  
master of the house is coming, whether at evening, or at  
36 midnight, or at the cock-crowing, or in the morning; lest  
37 coming suddenly, he find you sleeping. And what I say  
to you, I say to all: Watch.

**XIV.** And two days after was the passover, and the feast of



unleavened bread ; and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might seize him by craft, and put him  
2 to death. For they said, Not at the feast, lest there be an uproar among the people.

3 And when he was at Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper, as he was reclining at table, there came a woman having an alabaster bottle of ointment of pure spikenard, very precious ; and breaking the bottle, she poured it on  
4 his head. And there were some that were much displeased, [and said] among themselves, Why is this waste of the  
5 ointment made? For this ointment might have been sold for more than three hundred denāries, and given to the  
6 poor. And they chid her harshly. But Jesus said, Let her alone ; why do ye trouble her? A good deed hath  
7 she done for me. For the poor ye have always with you, and whenever ye will, ye can do good to them ; but me ye  
8 have not always. She hath done what she could ; she hath  
9 anointed my body beforehand for its burial. And truly do I say to you, Wherever the glad tidings shall be published throughout the whole world, this too which she hath done will be told for a memorial of her.

10 And Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, went to the chief  
11 priests, that he might deliver him up to them. And they when they heard it were glad, and promised to give him money. And he sought a good opportunity to deliver him up.

12 And on the first day of the feast of unleavened bread, when they used to kill the passover, his disciples say to him, Where wilt thou that we go and make ready for thee  
13 to eat the passover? And he sendeth forth two of his disciples, and saith to them, Go into the city, and there will meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water ; follow him,

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Ver. 3-9. Comp. Matt. xxvi. 6-13; John xii. 1-8; Luke vii. 37, note.

Ver. 10, 11. Comp. Matt. xxvi. 14-16; Luke xxii. 3-6.

Ver. 12-25. Comp. Matt. xxvi. 17-29; Luke xxii. 7-38; John xiii.

14 and wherever he goeth in, say to the master of the house,  
The Teacher saith, Where is my guest-chamber, where I  
15 may eat the passover with my disciples? And he will  
show you a large upper room furnished and prepared; and  
16 there make ready for us. And the disciples went forth,  
and came into the city, and found as he had told them; and  
they made ready the passover.

17 And when it was evening, he cometh with the twelve.  
18 And as they were reclining at table and eating, Jesus said,  
Truly do I say to you, that one of you will betray me, —  
19 one that is eating with me. They began to be sorrow-  
20 ful, and to say to him one by one, Is it I? And he said to  
them, It is one of the twelve, one that is dipping with me  
21 in the dish. For the Son of man indeed goeth away, as it  
hath been written concerning him; but woe to that man by  
whom the Son of man is betrayed! Well were it for that  
man if he had not been born.

22 And as they were eating, he took a loaf, and blessed,  
and broke it, and gave it to them, and said, Take; this is  
23 my body. And he took a cup, and having given thanks,  
24 gave it to them; and they all drank of it. And he said  
to them, This is my blood of the covenant, which is shed  
25 for many. Truly do I say to you, I shall not drink here-  
after of the fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink  
it new in the kingdom of God.

26 And having sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount  
27 of Olives. And Jesus saith to them, Ye will all fall away  
from me; for it is written, "I will smite the shepherd, and  
28 the sheep will be scattered."\* But after I have risen, I  
29 will go before you into Galilee. But Peter said to him,  
30 Even if all shall fall away, yet will not I. And Jesus saith  
to him, Truly do I say to thee, that even thou, to-day, on

this night, before a cock crow twice, wilt thrice deny me.

31 But he spoke the more vehemently: If I must die with thee, I will not deny thee. And so also said they all.

32 And they come to a place called Gethsemane; and he  
33 saith to his disciples, Sit here, while I pray. And he taketh with him Peter and James and John; and began to be  
34 in great consternation and anguish. And he saith to them, My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death; remain  
35 here and watch. And going on a little farther, he fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it was possible, the hour  
36 might pass from him. And he said, Abba, Father, all things are possible to thee! take away this cup from me. But not what I will, but what thou wilt.

37 And he cometh and findeth them sleeping; and he saith to Peter, Simon, sleepest thou? Couldst not thou watch  
38 one hour? Watch, and pray that ye enter not into temptation; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

39 And again he went away and prayed, saying the same  
40 words. And returning, he found them again sleeping, for their eyes were heavy; and they knew not what to answer him.

41 And he cometh the third time, and saith to them, Sleep on, and take your rest! It is enough! the hour is come: lo! the Son of man is delivered up into the hands of  
42 sinners. Rise, let us be going; lo! he that delivereth me up is at hand.

43 And immediately, while he was yet speaking, cometh Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, and with him a multitude with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the  
44 scribes and elders. And his betrayer had given them a signal, saying, Whomever I shall kiss, he is the man; seize  
45 him, and lead him away securely. And on coming he immediately went up to him, and said, Rabbi! and kissed him.

46 And they laid hands on him and seized him. And one of

those who stood by drew his sword, and smote the servant of the high-priest, and cut off his ear.

48 And Jesus answering said to them, Ye have come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs, to take me. 49 I was daily with you in the temple, teaching, and ye did not lay hands on me; but [thus it is], that the Scriptures 50 may be fulfilled. And all forsook him and fled.

51 And there followed him a certain young man having a linen cloth wrapped round his naked body; and they laid 52 hold of him. And he left the linen cloth behind, and fled naked.

53 And they led Jesus away to the high-priest; and all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes come together. 54 And Peter followed him afar off, even into the court of the palace of the high-priest, and was sitting with the officers, and warming himself at the fire.

55 And the chief priests and the whole council sought for testimony against Jesus in order to put him to death; and 56 they found none. For many bore false witness against 57 him, but their testimonies did not agree together. And some stood up and bore false witness 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 not 59 made with hands. And not even so did their testimony 60 agree. And the high-priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, saying, Dost thou make no answer to what 61 these men testify against thee? But he was silent, and answered nothing. Again the high-priest asked him, and saith to him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed? 62 And Jesus said, I am; and ye will see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of Power, and coming with the 63 clouds of heaven. Then the high-priest rent his gar-

ments, and said, What further need have we of witnesses? Ye have heard the blasphemy; what think ye? And they all condemned him as deserving the punishment of death.

65 And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face and buffet him, and say to him, Prophecy! And the officers, with blows, took him in charge.

66 And as Peter was below in the court, there cometh one of the maid-servants of the high-priest; and seeing Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said, Thou 67 too wast with the Nazarene, Jesus. But he denied, saying, I do not know nor understand what thou sayest.

And he went out into the fore-court; and a cock crew.

69 And the maid-servant, seeing him, began again to say to those who were standing by, This is one of them. And

he denied it again. And shortly after, those who were standing by said again to Peter, Surely thou art one of

71 them; for thou art a Galilæan. But he began to curse and to swear, saying, I know not this man of whom ye speak.

72 And immediately a cock crew a second time. And Peter called to mind the word that Jesus had said to him, Before a cock crows twice, thou wilt thrice deny me. And when he thought thereon, he wept.

XV. And as soon as it was morning, the chief priests, having held a consultation with the elders and the scribes, and the whole council, bound Jesus, and carried him away, 2 and delivered him up to Pilate. And Pilate asked him, Art thou the king of the Jews? And he answering saith 3 to him, I am. And the chief priests brought many charges 4 against him. And Pilate asked him again, Dost thou make no answer? See what things they are testifying

- 5 against thee! But Jesus made no further answer; so that Pilate marvelled.
- 6 Now at the feast he was wont to release to them one  
7 prisoner, whom they might ask. And there was one named  
8 Barabbas, who lay bound with insurgents who had com-  
9 mitted murder in the insurrection. And the multitude,  
10 coming up, began to ask him to do as he had been wont  
11 to do for them. And Pilate answered them, saying, Will  
12 ye that I release to you the king of the Jews? For he  
13 knew that for envy the chief priests had delivered him  
14 up. But the chief priests stirred up the multitude, that  
15 he should rather release to them Barabbas. And Pilate  
16 answering again said to them, What then would ye have  
17 me do with him whom ye call the king of the Jews?  
18 And they cried out again, Crucify him! Then Pilate said  
19 to them, Why, what evil hath he done? And they cried  
20 out the more, Crucify him! And Pilate, wishing to  
21 satisfy the multitude, released to them Barabbas; and,  
when he had scourged Jesus, delivered him up to be  
crucified.
- 16 And the soldiers led him away into the court, which is  
the Prætorium; and they call together the whole band.  
17 And they clothe him with purple, and having platted a  
18 crown of thorns, they put it on him. And they began  
19 to salute him: Hail, king of the Jews! And they struck  
him on the head with a reed, and spit upon him, and  
20 kneeling down, did him homage. And after they had  
made sport of him, they stripped him of the purple robe,  
and put his own garments on him.
- 21 And they lead him out to crucify him. And they com-  
pel one Simon a Cyrenæan, who was passing by, coming  
from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to

22 carry his cross. And they bring him to the place Gol-  
23 gotha; which is, when interpreted, Place of a Skull. And  
they gave him wine mingled with myrrh; but he did not  
24 take it. And they crucify him, and divide his garments,  
25 casting lots for them, what each should take. And it was  
26 the third hour when they crucified him. And on the cross  
the inscription of the charge against him was written:  
27 "The king of the Jews." And with him they crucify  
two robbers; one on his right hand, and one on his left.  
29 And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads,  
and saying, Ha! thou that destroyest the temple, and build-  
30 est it up in three days, save thyself, and come down from  
31 the cross. In like manner also the chief priests, with the  
scribes, making sport among themselves, said, He saved  
32 others, cannot he save himself? Let the Christ, the king  
of Israel, come down now from the cross, that we may see  
and believe. And they that were crucified with him were  
reviling him.

33 And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness  
34 over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the  
ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, Eloi, Eloi, lema  
sabachthani? which is, when interpreted, My God, my  
35 God, why hast thou forsaken me?\* And some of those  
who stood by, when they heard it, said, See! he is calling for  
36 Elijah. And one ran and filled a sponge with vinegar, and  
put it on a reed, and gave it to him to drink, saying, Hold!  
Let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.

<sup>37</sup><sub>38</sub> And Jesus, having uttered a loud cry, expired. And the  
veil of the temple was rent in two from the top to the  
39 bottom. And the centurion who stood over against him,  
seeing that he so expired, said, Truly this man was the Son  
of God.

40 There were also women looking on from a distance;

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\* Ps. xxii. 1.

among whom was Mary the Magdalene, and Mary the  
 41 mother of James the less and of Joses, and Salome; who,  
 when he was in Galilee, followed him, and rendered him  
 their services; and many other women who came up with  
 him to Jerusalem.

42 And evening having now come, because it was the  
 43 preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph  
 of Arimathæa, an honorable councillor, who was himself  
 waiting for the kingdom of God, came, and boldly went  
 44 in to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate  
 wondered that he was already dead; and calling to him the  
 centurion, he asked him whether he had been long dead.  
 45 And having been informed by the centurion, he gave the  
 46 body to Joseph. And having bought fine linen, he took  
 him down, and wrapped him in the linen, and laid him in  
 a tomb which was hewn out of a rock, and rolled a stone  
 47 to the door of the tomb. And Mary the Magdalene and  
 Mary the mother of Joses saw where he was laid.

XVI. And when the sabbath was past, Mary the Magdalene,  
 and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices,  
 / 2 that they might come and anoint him. And very early on  
 the first day of the week, they came to the tomb at the  
 3 rising of the sun. And they said to one another, Who  
 will roll away for us the stone from the door of the  
 4 tomb? And looking up they see that the stone had been  
 5 rolled back; for it was very large. And they entered the  
 tomb, and saw a young man sitting on the right side,  
 clothed in a long white garment; and they were af-  
 6 frightened. But he saith to them, Be not affrighted; ye  
 seek Jesus the Nazarene who was crucified; he hath

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Ver. 42-47. Comp. Matt. xxvii. 57-61; Luke xxiii. 50-56; John xix.  
 38-42.

Chap. XVI. 1-8. Comp. Matt. xxviii. 1-8; Luke xxiv. 1-11; John xx.  
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risen; he is not here; behold the place where they laid  
 7 him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter, that he is  
 going before you into Galilee; there ye will see him, as  
 8 he said to you. And they went out, and fled from the  
 tomb; for trembling and amazement had seized them, and  
 they said nothing to any one; for they were terrified.

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[The remaining twelve verses, according to Tischendorf and others, made originally no part of Mark's Gospel. As the passage was added very early, however, since it is referred to by Irenæus in the latter part of the second century, it is here given, as an appendix.]

- 9 And having risen early, on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary the Magdalene, out of whom he  
 10 had cast seven demons. She went and reported it to those who had been with him, who were mourning and weeping.  
 11 And they, when they heard that he was alive, and had been seen by her, did not believe.
- 12 After this, he manifested himself in another form to two  
 13 of them as they walked, going into the country. And they went and reported it to the rest; and even them they did not believe.
- 14 Afterward he manifested himself to the eleven themselves, as they were reclining at table, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they did not believe those who had seen him after he had  
 15 risen. And he said to them, Go ye into all the world, and  
 16 preach the glad tidings to the whole creation. He that believeth and is baptized will be saved; but he that doth  
 17 not believe will be condemned. And these signs will ac-

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Ver. 9-11. Comp. Matt. xxviii. 9, 10; John xx. 1, 11-18.

Ver. 12, 13. Comp. Luke xxiv. 13-35.

Ver. 14-18. Comp. Luke xxiv. 36-49; John xx. 19-23; Acts i. 8-8.

company believers: In my name they will cast out demons;  
18 they will speak with new tongues; they will take up ser-  
pents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not hurt  
them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will  
recover.

19 So then, the Lord, after he had spoken to them, was  
taken up into heaven, and sat down on the right hand  
20 of God; and they went forth, and preached every where,  
the Lord working with them, and confirming the word  
by the signs which followed it.

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Ver. 19. Comp. Luke xxiv. 50-53; Acts i. 9-12.

## ACCORDING TO LUKE.

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I. INASMUCH as many have undertaken to arrange a narrative of those things which are fully believed among us, 2 even as they were delivered to us by those who were eye-witnesses from the beginning and became ministers of the 3 word, it seemed good to me also, having accurately traced up all things from the first, to write to thee a connected ac- 4 count, most excellent Theophilus, that thou mightst know the exact truth with regard to those things in which thou wast instructed.

5 THERE was in the days of Herod, king of Judæa, a certain priest named Zachariah, of the course of Abijah; and he had a wife of the daughters of Aaron, and her name 6 was Elizabeth. And they were both righteous in the sight of God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances 7 of the Lord blameless. And they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren, and they were both far advanced 8 in years. And it came to pass, that, while he was serving as priest before God in the order of his course, according to the custom of the priesthood the lot fell to him to go into the temple of the Lord and burn the incense. 10 And the whole multitude of the people was praying without at the time of the incense. And there appeared to him 11 an angel of the Lord, standing on the right of the altar of incense. And Zachariah was troubled at the sight, and 12 fear fell upon him. But the angel said to him, Fear not, Zachariah; for thy prayer was heard, and thy wife Eliza-

beth shall bear thee a son; and thou shalt call his name  
 14 John. And thou wilt have joy and gladness, and many  
 15 will rejoice for his birth. For he will be great in the  
 sight of the Lord; and will drink neither wine nor strong  
 drink; and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit from his  
 16 very birth. And many of the sons of Israel will he turn  
 17 to the Lord their God. And he will go before his face  
 in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of  
 fathers to children,\* and the disobedient to the wisdom  
 of the righteous, to make ready for the Lord a prepared  
 people.

18 And Zachariah said to the angel, Whereby shall I know  
 this? for I am an old man, and my wife is far advanced  
 19 in years. And the angel answering said to him, I am  
 Gabriel, who stand in the presence of God; and I was  
 sent to speak to thee, and to tell thee these glad tidings.  
 20 And lo! thou shalt be silent, and not able to speak,  
 until the day when these things shall come to pass, be-  
 cause thou didst not believe my words, which will be ful-  
 21 filled in their season. And the people were looking for  
 Zachariah, and wondering that he remained so long in the  
 22 temple. And on coming out, he was not able to speak to  
 them; and they perceived that he had seen a vision in  
 the temple; and he was beckoning to them, and remained  
 speechless.

23 And it came to pass, when the days of his ministration  
 24 were completed, that he returned to his house. And after  
 those days his wife Elizabeth conceived, and hid herself  
 25 five months, saying, Thus hath the Lord dealt with me in  
 the days wherein he looked on me to take away my re-  
 proach among men.

26 And in her sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from

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Ver. 14. *And thou wilt have, &c.* Possibly, *And he will be to thee, &c.*

\* See Mal. iv. 5, 6.

27 God to a city of Galilee, called Nazareth, to a virgin be-  
trotthed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of  
28 David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And the angel  
came in to her and said, Hail, thou that art highly favored!  
29 the Lord is with thee. And she was troubled at the words,  
30 and was considering what this salutation could mean. And  
the angel said to her, Fear not, Mary; for thou hast found  
31 favor with God. And lo! thou shalt conceive in thy womb,  
32 and bear a son, and shalt call his name Jesus. He shall be  
great, and shall be called the Son of the Most High; and  
the Lord God will give to him the throne of David his  
33 father; and he shall reign over the house of Jacob for  
34 ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Then  
said Mary to the angel, How shall this be, since I know  
35 not a man? And the angel answering said to her, The  
Holy Spirit will come upon thee, and the power of the  
Most High will overshadow thee; wherefore the holy one  
36 that is to be born will be called the Son of God. And lo!  
Elizabeth, thy kinswoman, she also hath conceived a son  
in her old age; and this is the sixth month with her who  
37 is called barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.  
38 And Mary said, Lo, the handmaid of the Lord! May it  
be to me according to thy word. And the angel departed  
from her.

39 And Mary arose and went in those days into the hill-  
40 country with haste, into a city of Judah. And she en-  
tered the house of Zachariah, and saluted Elizabeth.  
41 And it came to pass, when Elizabeth heard the saluta-  
tion of Mary, that the babe leaped in her womb; and  
42 Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and cried out  
with a loud voice, and said, Blessed art thou among wo-  
43 men; and blessed is the fruit of thy womb! And whence  
is this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to

44 me? For lo! as soon as the voice of thy salutation came  
to my ears, the babe leaped in my womb in exultation.  
45 And blessed is she who hath believed that there will be  
an accomplishment of those things which were told her  
from the Lord.

<sup>46</sup>  
<sup>47</sup> And Mary said, My soul magnifieth the Lord, and my  
48 spirit hath exulted in God my Saviour; for he hath  
looked upon the low estate of his handmaiden. For lo!  
49 from this time all generations will call me blessed; for  
the Mighty One hath done great things for me; and holy  
50 is his name; and his mercy is from generation to genera-  
51 tion on them that fear him. He hath wrought mightily  
with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the device  
52 of their heart. He hath cast down princes from thrones,  
53 and exalted men of low degree. The hungry he hath filled  
with good things, and the rich he hath sent away empty.  
54 He hath given help to Israel his servant, in remembrance  
of his mercy toward Abraham and his offspring for ever,  
55 as he spoke to our fathers.

56 And Mary abode with her about three months, and  
returned to her own house.

57 Now Elizabeth's full time came that she should be de-  
58 livered; and she brought forth a son. And her neighbors  
and her kinsfolk heard that the Lord had showed great  
mercy toward her; and they rejoiced with her.

59 And it came to pass that on the eighth day they came  
to circumcise the child; and they were about to call him  
60 Zachariah, after the name of his father. And his mother  
61 answering said, Not so; but he shall be called John. And  
they said to her, There is no one of thy kindred that is  
62 called by this name. And they made signs to his father,  
63 how he would have him named. And he asked for a  
writing-tablet, and wrote, saying, His name is John. And  
64 they all marvelled. And his mouth was opened immedi-  
ately, and his tongue was loosed; and he spoke, blessing

65 God. And fear came on all that dwelt around them;  
and all these things were talked of throughout the whole  
66 of the hill-country of Judæa. And all that heard them  
laid them up in their hearts, saying, What then will this  
child be? For the hand of the Lord was with him.

67 And Zachariah his father was filled with the Holy Spirit,  
68 and prophesied, saying, Blessed be the Lord, the God of  
69 Israel! for he hath visited and redeemed his people, and  
hath raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of  
70 David his servant,—as he spoke by the mouth of his holy  
71 prophets of old,—salvation from our enemies, and from the  
72 hand of all that hate us, to accomplish his mercy toward  
73 our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant, the oath  
74 which he swore to Abraham our father, to grant to us, that  
being delivered from the hand of our enemies, we might  
75 worship him without fear, in holiness and righteousness  
76 before him, all our days. And thou, child, shalt be called  
a prophet of the Most High; for thou shalt go in advance  
77 before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways, to give  
knowledge of salvation to his people in the remission of  
78 their sins through the tender mercy of our God, whereby  
79 the day-spring from on high hath visited us, to give light  
to those sitting in darkness and the shadow of death, to  
guide our feet into the way of peace.

80 And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit; and was  
in the deserts till the day of his manifestation to Israel.

II. And it came to pass in those days that there went out  
a decree from Cæsar Augustus, that all the world should  
2 be registered. (This registering was the first made while  
3 Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And all went to be  
4 registered, each to his own city. And Joseph also went  
up from Galilee out of the city of Nazareth into Judæa,  
to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he  
5 was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered

with Mary who had been betrothed to him, who was with child.

6 And it came to pass, while they were there, that the  
7 days for her delivery were completed. And she brought  
forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swathing-  
clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no  
room for them in the inn.

8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding  
in the field, and keeping watch over their flock by night.  
9 And an angel of the Lord came to them, and the glory of  
the Lord shone around them; and they were in great fear.  
10 And the angel said to them, Fear not; for lo! I bring you  
good tidings of great joy, which shall be to the whole peo-  
11 ple; for to you hath been born this day, in the city of Da-  
12 vid, a Saviour, who is the Christ, the Lord. And this shall  
be the sign to you: Ye shall find a babe wrapped in swath-  
13 ing-clothes, [lying] in a manger. And suddenly there was  
with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising  
14 God, and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on  
15 earth peace among men of good will!" And it came to  
pass, when the angels had gone away from them into  
heaven, that the shepherds said one to another, Let us  
go at once to Bethlehem, and see that which hath come  
16 to pass, which the Lord hath made known to us. And  
they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and  
17 the babe lying in the manger. And when they had seen  
it, they made known abroad what had been told them  
18 concerning this child. And all who heard wondered at  
19 the things which were told them by the shepherds. But  
Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her  
20 heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and prais-  
ing God for all which they had heard and seen, as had  
been told them.



- 21 And when eight days were completed for him to be circumcised, his name was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.
- 22 And when the days of their purification according to the law of Moses were completed, they brought him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, as it is written in the law of the Lord: "Every first-born male shall be called holy to the Lord,"\* and to offer a sacrifice, according to what is directed in the law of the Lord: "A pair of turtle doves, or two young pigeons." †
- 25 And lo! there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and he was a righteous and devout man, waiting for the consolation of Israel. And the Holy Spirit was upon him; and it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit, that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. And he came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the law, <sup>28</sup><sub>29</sub> he took him in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord! <sup>30</sup><sub>31</sub> now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all the peoples; a light to enlighten the gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
- 33 And his father and his mother marvelled at what was spoken concerning him. And Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary his mother, Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that will be spoken against;—yea, a sword will pierce through thine own soul,—that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.

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Ver. 35. — *may be revealed.* The meaning probably is, that what caused the anguish of Mary, namely, the death of her son, would cause the thoughts of many hearts to be manifested by faith or want of faith in him who was crucified.

\* Exod. xiii. 2.

† Lev. xii. 8.

36 And there was Anna, a prophetess, daughter of Phae-  
nuel, of the tribe of Asher ; she was of great age, and had  
37 lived with a husband seven years from her virginity ; and  
she was a widow eighty-four years old, who never left  
the temple, worshipping with fastings and prayers night  
38 and day. And she came up at this very time, and gave  
thanks to God, and spoke of him to all that were looking  
for the redemption of Jerusalem.

39 And when they had performed all things according to  
the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their  
40 own city Nazareth. And the child grew, and waxed  
strong, being filled with wisdom ; and the grace of God  
was upon him.

41 Now his parents used to go yearly to Jerusalem at the  
42 feast of the passover. And when he was twelve years old,  
43 and they went up, after the custom of the feast, and had  
completed the days, on their returning, the child Jesus tar-  
ried behind in Jerusalem ; and his parents did not know  
44 it, but, supposing him to be in the company, went a day's  
journey ; and they sought him among their kinsfolk and  
45 acquaintance ; and not finding him, they returned to Jeru-  
46 salem in search of him. And it came to pass, that after  
three days they found him in the temple sitting in the  
midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking  
47 them questions. And all who heard him were astonished  
48 at his understanding and his answers. And when they saw  
him, they were amazed ; and his mother said to him, Son,  
why hast thou thus dealt with us ? behold, thy father and I  
49 have been seeking thee in much distress. And he said to  
them, Why is it that ye have been seeking me ? Did ye  
not know that I must be about my Father's business ?  
50 And they understood not what he spoke to them.

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Ver. 39. Comp. Matt. ii. 22.

Ver. 49. — *about my Father's business ? Possibly, in my Father's house ?*

51 And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth,  
and was subject to them. And his mother kept all these  
52 things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and  
stature, and in favor with God and men.

III. Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius  
Cæsar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judæa, and  
Herod tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch  
of Ituræa and of the region of Trachonitis, and Lysanias  
2 tetrarch of Abilene, when Annas and Caiaphas were high-  
priests, the word of God came to John, the son of Zacha-  
3 riah, in the wilderness. And he came into all the country  
about the Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance  
4 for the remission of sins; as it is written in the book of  
the words of Isaiah the prophet: "The voice of one cry-  
ing in the wilderness, Prepare the way of the Lord,  
5 make straight his paths! Every valley shall be filled,  
and every mountain and hill shall be made low; and the  
crooked places shall be made straight, and the rough ways  
6 smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."\*

7 He said therefore to the multitudes that came forth to  
be baptized by him, Brood of vipers, who warned you to  
8 flee from the coming wrath? Bring forth therefore fruits  
worthy of repentance; and begin not to say within your-  
selves, We have Abraham for our father; for I say to  
you, that God is able out of these stones to raise up  
9 children to Abraham. And already also is the axe lying  
at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that bear-  
eth not good fruit is to be cut down, and cast into the  
fire.

10 And the multitudes asked him, saying, What then must  
11 we do? He answered and said to them, He that hath two  
coats, let him impart to him that hath none; and he that

12 hath food, let him do likewise. And there came also publicans to be baptized, and said to him, Teacher, what must  
 13 we do? And he said to them, Exact no more than hath  
 14 been ordered you. And soldiers also asked him, saying, And what must we do? And he said to them, Do violence to no one, accuse no one falsely, and be content with your wages.

15 And while the people were in expectation, and all were considering in their hearts concerning John, whether he  
 16 were the Christ, John answered and said to them all, I indeed baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming, the latchet of whose sandals I am not worthy to loose; he will baptize you in the Holy Spirit  
 17 and in fire. His winnowing-shovel is in his hand to thoroughly cleanse his threshing-floor, and gather the wheat into his garner; but the chaff he will burn up with unquenchable fire.

18 And giving many other exhortations he published the glad tidings to the people.

19 But Herod the tetrarch, being reprovèd by him on account of Herodias the wife of his brother, and on account  
 20 of all the evil deeds which Herod had done, added this also to them all, that he shut up John in prison.

21 And it came to pass, when all the people had been baptized, and Jesus also had been baptized, and was praying,  
 22 that the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in a bodily shape as a dove; and a voice came from heaven: "Thou art my beloved Son; with thee I am well pleased."

23 And Jesus himself was, when he began, about thirty years of age, being, as was supposed, the son of Joseph,  
 24 who was the son of Heli, who was the son of Matthat,

Ver. 19, 20. Comp. Matt. xiv. 3-5; Mark vi. 17-20.

Ver. 23. — *when he began*; i.e. his ministry.

Ver. 23-38. Comp. Matt. i. 1-17.

who was the son of Levi, who was the son of Melchi, who  
25 was the son of Jannai, who was the son of Joseph, who  
was the son of Mattathias, who was the son of Amos, who  
was the son of Nahum, who was the son of Esli, who was  
26 the son of Naggai, who was the son of Maath, who was the  
son of Mattathias, who was the son of Shimei, who was  
27 the son of Josech, who was the son of Joda, who was the  
son of Joanan, who was the son of Rhesa, who was the  
son of Zerubbabel, who was the son of Shealtiel, who was  
28 the son of Neri, who was the son of Melchi, who was the  
son of Addi, who was the son of Kosam, who was the son  
29 of Elmadam, who was the son of Er, who was the son of  
Jesus, who was the son of Eliezer, who was the son of Jo-  
rim, who was the son of Matthath, who was the son of  
30 Levi, who was the son of Simeon, who was the son of Ju-  
dah, who was the son of Joseph, who was the son of Jonam,  
31 who was the son of Eliakim, who was the son of Melea,  
who was the son of Menna, who was the son of Mattatha,  
who was the son of Nathan, who was the son of David,  
32 who was the son of Jesse, who was the son of Obed, who  
was the son of Boaz, who was the son of Salma, who was  
33 the son of Nahshon, who was the son of Amminadab, who  
was the son of Admin, who was the son of Arni, who was  
the son of Hezron, who was the son of Pharez, who was  
34 the son of Judah, who was the son of Jacob, who was the  
son of Isaac, who was the son of Abraham, who was the  
35 son of Terah, who was the son of Nahor, who was the son  
of Serug, who was the son of Reu, who was the son of  
Peleg, who was the son of Eber, who was the son of She-  
36 lah, who was the son of Cainan, who was the son of Ar-  
phaxad, who was the son of Shem, who was the son of  
37 Noah, who was the son of Lamech, who was the son of  
Methuselah, who was the son of Enoch, who was the son  
of Jared, who was the son of Mahalaleel, who was the  
38 son of Cainan, who was the son of Enos, who was the

son of Seth, who was the son of Adam, who was the son of God.

IV. And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the  
 2 Jordan, and was led in the Spirit in the wilderness forty  
 3 days, tempted by the Devil. And he ate nothing in those  
 4 days; and when they were ended, he was hungry. And  
 5 the Devil said to him, If thou art the Son of God, command  
 6 this stone that it become a loaf of bread. And Jesus answered  
 7 him, It is written, "Not on bread alone shall man  
 8 live."\* And taking him up, he showed him all the king-  
 9 doms of the world in a moment of time. And the Devil  
 10 said to him, All this power will I give thee, and their  
 11 glory; because to me it hath been delivered, and I give  
 12 it to whomever I will. If thou then wilt worship me, it  
 13 shall all be thine. And Jesus answering said to him, It  
 14 is written, "Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and  
 15 him only shalt thou serve."†

9 And he brought him to Jerusalem, and set him on the  
 10 pinnacle of the temple, and said to him, If thou art the Son  
 11 of God, cast thyself down from hence; for it is written,  
 12 "He will give his angels charge concerning thee, to guard  
 13 thee; and in their hands they will bear thee up, that thou  
 14 mayst not dash thy foot against a stone."‡ And Jesus  
 15 answering said to him, It hath been said, "Thou shalt not  
 16 make trial of the Lord thy God."§ And when he had  
 17 brought every temptation to an end, the Devil departed  
 18 from him for a season.

14 And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into  
 15 Galilee; and there went out a report concerning him  
 16 through all the surrounding country. And he taught in  
 17 their synagogues, honored by all.

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Chap. IV. 1-13. Comp. Matt. iv. 1-11; Mark i. 12, 13.

Ver. 14, 15. Comp. Matt. iv. 12; Mark i. 14, 15.

\* Deut. viii. 3. † Deut. vi. 13. ‡ Ps. xci. 11, 12. § Deut. vi. 16.

16 And he came to Nazara, where he had been brought  
up, and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue  
17 on the sabbath-day; and stood up to read. And there  
was delivered to him the book of the prophet Isaiah; and  
unrolling the book, he found the place where it was writ-  
18 ten, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he  
anointed me to preach glad tidings to the poor; he hath  
sent me to proclaim deliverance to the captives, and recover-  
19 ing of sight to the blind, to set at liberty the oppressed,  
20 to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord."\* And roll-  
ing up the book, he gave it back to the attendant, and sat  
down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed  
21 upon him. And he began to say to them, To-day hath  
22 this scripture been fulfilled in your ears. And they all  
spoke in his praise, and wondered at the words of grace  
which proceeded from his mouth; and they said, Is not  
23 this Joseph's son? And he said to them, Ye will doubt-  
less say to me this proverb, "Physician, heal thyself;"  
whatever things we have heard of as having been done  
24 in Capernaum, do here too in thy own country. And  
he said; Truly do I say to you, No prophet is acceptable  
25 in his own country. But I tell you in truth, that there  
were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when  
the heaven was shut up three years and six months,  
and there was a great famine throughout all the land;  
26 and yet to none of them was Elijah sent, but to Sarepta  
27 in Sidonia, to a woman that was a widow. And there  
were many lepers in Israel in the time of Elisha the  
prophet; and not one of them was cleansed, but only  
Naaman the Syrian.

28 And all in the synagogue, when they heard this, were  
29 filled with wrath. And they rose up, and forced him out

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Ver. 16-31. Comp. Matt. xiii. 53-58; Mark vi. 1-6.

\* Isa. lxi. 1, 2; lviii. 6.

of the city and took him to the brow of the hill on which  
30 their city was built, to cast him down headlong; but he,  
passing through the midst of them, went away.

31 And he came down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee,  
32 and was teaching them on the sabbath. And they were  
astonished at his teaching; for his word was with au-  
33 thority. And in the synagogue there was a man having  
a spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a  
34 loud voice, Ha! what have we to do with thee, Jesus  
of Nazareth? Thou hast come to destroy us. I know  
35 who thou art, the Holy One of God. And Jesus rebuked  
him, saying, Be silent, and come out of him. And the  
demon threw him down in the midst, and came out of  
36 him, having done him no hurt. And all were amazed;  
and they spoke with one another, saying, What kind of  
word is this, that with authority and power he com-  
37 mandeth the unclean spirits, and they come out? And  
there went out a report concerning him into every place  
of the surrounding country.

38 And he arose and went from the synagogue into the  
house of Simon. And Simon's wife's mother was seized  
39 with a great fever; and they besought him for her. And  
standing over her, he rebuked the fever, and it left her.  
And immediately she arose and waited on them.

40 And when the sun was setting, all who had any sick  
with divers diseases brought them to him; and he laid  
41 his hands on every one of them, and healed them. And  
demons also came out from many, crying out, and saying,  
Thou art the Son of God. And he rebuked them, and  
did not suffer them to speak, because they knew that he  
was the Christ.

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Ver. 31. Comp. Matt. iv. 13. Ver. 31-37. Comp. Mark i. 21-28.

Ver. 32. See Matt. vii. 28, 29.

Ver. 38-41. Comp. Matt. viii. 14-16; Mark i. 29-34.



42 And when it was day, he went out, and betook himself  
to a desert place; and the multitudes went in search of  
him; and they came to him, and would have prevented  
43 him from leaving them. But he said to them, I must pub-  
lish the good tidings of the kingdom of God to the other  
44 cities also; because for this I was sent forth. And he  
continued to preach in the synagogues of Galilee.

V. And it came to pass, as the multitude was pressing upon  
him and hearing the word of God, that he was standing  
2 by the lake of Gennesaret, and saw two boats standing by  
the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them, and  
3 had washed the nets. And going into one of the boats,  
which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from  
the land. And sitting down in the boat, he taught the  
multitudes.

4 And when he had done speaking, he said to Simon  
Put out into deep water, and let down your nets for a  
5 draught. And Simon answering said, Master, we toiled  
all night, and took nothing; but at thy word I will let  
6 down the nets. And having done this, they inclosed a  
great multitude of fishes; and their nets began to break.  
7 And they beckoned to their partners in the other boat, to  
come and help them; and they came, and filled both the  
8 boats, so that they began to sink. And Simon Peter  
seeing it fell down at the knees of Jesus, saying, Depart  
9 from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man. For he and all  
that were with him were amazed at the draught of fishes  
10 which they had taken; and so were also James and John  
the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon.  
And Jesus said to Simon, Fear not; henceforth thou  
11 shalt catch men. And when they had brought their boats  
to land, they left everything, and followed him.

12 And it came to pass, when he was in one of the cities,  
lo! a man full of leprosy; and seeing Jesus, he fell on  
his face, and besought him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt,  
13 thou canst cleanse me. And he put forth his hand and  
touched him, saying, I will; be thou cleansed. And im-  
14 mediately the leprosy left him. And he charged him  
to tell no one: but go, and show thyself to the priest,  
and offer for thy cleansing as Moses commanded, for a  
15 testimony to them. But so much the more went abroad  
the report concerning him; and great multitudes came  
together to hear, and to be healed of their infirmities.  
16 But he was wont to withdraw to desert places, and pray.  
17 And it came to pass on a certain day, that he was  
teaching, and there were sitting by Pharisees and teach-  
ers of the law, who had come from every town of Galilee  
and Judæa, and from Jerusalem; and the power of the  
18 Lord was present that he might heal. And lo! men  
brought on a bed a man that was palsied; and they en-  
deavored to bring him in, and to set him before him.  
19 And not finding any way to bring him in because of  
the multitude, they went upon the house-top, and let him  
down through the tiling with the couch into the midst be-  
20 fore Jesus. And seeing their faith, he said, Man; thy sins  
21 have been forgiven thee. And the scribes and the Phari-  
sees began to reason, saying, Who is this that speaketh  
22 blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone? But  
Jesus, perceiving their thoughts, answered and said to  
23 them, What are ye thinking in your hearts? Which is  
easier? to say, Thy sins have been forgiven thee? or to  
24 say, Arise, and walk? But that ye may know that the  
Son of man hath authority on earth to forgive sins,—he  
said to the palsied man,—I say to thee, Arise, and take

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Ver. 12-16. Comp. Matt. viii. 2-4; Mark i. 40-45.

Ver. 17-26. Comp. Matt. ix. 1-8; Mark ii. 1-12.

25 up thy couch, and go to thy house. And he immediately rose up before them, and took up that whereon he lay, and went away to his house, giving glory to God.  
26 And amazement seized them all, and they gave glory to God, and were filled with fear, saying, We have seen strange things to-day.

27 And after these things he went out, and saw a publican named Levi, sitting at the custom-house; and he said  
28 to him, Follow me. And leaving everything, he arose and  
29 followed him. And Levi made a great feast for him at his house, and there was a great company of publicans and  
30 others, who were reclining at table with them. And the Pharisees and their scribes murmured against his disciples, saying, Why do ye eat and drink with the publicans and  
31 sinners? And Jesus answering said to them, They who are well do not need a physician, but they who are sick.  
32 I have not come to call righteous men, but sinners to repentance.

33 And they said to him, The disciples of John fast often, and make prayers, and likewise those of the Pharisees;  
34 but thine eat and drink. But Jesus said to them, Can ye make the companions of the bridegroom fast while the  
35 bridegroom is with them? But the days will come —and when the bridegroom is taken from them, then  
36 will they fast in those days. And he spoke also a parable to them: No one taketh a patch from a new garment and putteth it upon an old one; for then both the new garment would be rent, and the patch from the  
37 new garment would not match with the old. And no one putteth new wine into old skins; for the new wine would burst the skins, and would itself run out, and  
38 the skins would be spoilt. But new wine must be put

39 into new skins. And no one, having drunk old wine, desireth new; for he saith, The old is good.

VI. And it came to pass on the second sabbath after the first, that he was going through grain-fields; and his disciples plucked the ears of grain, and ate them, rubbing 2 them with their hands. And some of the Pharisees said, Why are ye doing that which it is not lawful to do on 3 the sabbath? And Jesus answering them, said, Have ye not even read what David did, when he was himself hungry, and they who were with him? how he went into the 4 house of God, and took and ate the show-bread, and gave it also to those who were with him, which it is not lawful 5 for any to eat but the priests alone? And he said to them, The Son of man is lord even of the sabbath.

6 And it came to pass on another sabbath, that he entered into the synagogue, and taught; and there was a man there 7 whose right hand was withered. And the scribes and the Pharisees were watching whether he would heal on the sabbath, that they might find an accusation against him. 8 But he knew their thoughts; and he said to the man having the withered hand, Rise, and stand up in the 9 midst. And he arose, and stood up. And Jesus said to them, I ask you whether it is lawful on the sabbath 10 to do good, or to do evil; to save life, or to kill? And looking round on them all, he said to him, Stretch forth thy hand. And he did so; and his hand was restored. 11 But they were filled with madness, and conferred with one another as to what they should do to Jesus.

12 And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into the mountain to pray; and he continued all night in prayer 13 to God. And when it was day, he called to him his dis-

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Chap. VI. 1-5. Comp. Matt. xii. 1-8; Mark ii. 23-28.

Ver. 6-11. Comp. Matt. xii. 9-14; Mark iii. 1-6.

Ver. 12-16. Comp. Matt. x. 1-4; Mark iii. 13-19.

ciples; and he chose from them twelve, whom he also  
14 named apostles; Simon, whom he named Peter, and An-  
drew his brother, and James and John, and Philip and  
15 Bartholomew, and Matthew and Thomas, and James the  
16 son of Alphæus, and Simon called the zealot, and Judas  
the brother of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a  
17 traitor. And he came down with them, and stood on  
a level place with a great multitude of his disciples, and  
a great crowd of the people from all Judæa and Jerusa-  
lem and the sea-coast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to  
18 hear him, and to be healed of their diseases. And they  
19 that were harassed with unclean spirits were cured. And  
the whole multitude sought to touch him, because power  
went out of him and healed all.

20 And raising his eyes toward his disciples, he said,  
Blessed are ye poor; for yours is the kingdom of God.  
21 Blessed are ye that hunger now; for ye will be filled.  
22 Blessed are ye that weep now; for ye will laugh. Blessed  
are ye when men hate you, and when they exclude you,  
and revile and cast out your name as evil, on account of  
23 the Son of man. Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy;  
for lo! your reward is great in heaven; for thus their  
fathers did to the prophets.

24 But woe to you that are rich! for ye have received  
25 your consolation. Woe to you that are full now! for ye  
will hunger. Woe to you that laugh now! for ye will  
26 mourn and weep. Woe, when all men speak well of you!  
for so did their fathers of the false prophets.

27 But I say to you who hear: Love your enemies; do  
28 good to those who hate you; bless those who curse you;  
29 pray for those who are spiteful to you. To him that  
smiteth thee on one cheek, offer also the other; and him

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Ver. 17-19. See Matt. iv. 24, 25; xii. 15, 16; Mark iii. 7-12.

Ver. 20-49. Comp. Matt. v.-vii.

that taketh away thy cloak, forbid not to take thy coat  
 30 also. Give to every one that asketh of thee; and from  
 him that taketh away thy goods, demand them not again.  
 31 And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also in  
 like manner to them.

32 And if ye love those who love you, what thanks do  
 ye deserve? for sinners also love those who love them.  
 33 For if ye do good to those who do good to you, what  
 34 thanks do ye deserve? even sinners do the same. And  
 if ye lend to those from whom ye expect to receive, what  
 thanks do ye deserve? even sinners lend to sinners, to  
 35 receive as much in return. But love your enemies, and  
 do good and lend, despairing of no one; and your reward  
 will be great, and ye will be sons of the Most High; for  
 36 he is kind to the unthankful and wicked. Be merciful,  
 as your Father is merciful.

37 And judge not, and ye will not be judged; and con-  
 demn not, and ye will not be condemned; forgive, and ye  
 38 will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you; good  
 measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over,  
 will men give into your bosom; for with what measure ye  
 mete, it will be measured to you in return.

39 And he spoke also a parable to them: Can the blind  
 40 lead the blind? Will they not both fall into a ditch? A  
 disciple is not above his teacher; but every one when fully  
 instructed will be as his teacher.

41 And why dost thou look at the mote in thy brother's  
 eye, and not perceive the beam that is in thine own eye?  
 42 How canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me take

Ver. 35. — *despairing of no one.* In many manuscripts, *expecting nothing in return.* Or, possibly, *despairing of nothing.*

Ver. 37. — *forgive, &c.* The Greek term here seems to have special reference to the release of a creditor from arrest. Comp. Matt. xviii. 27.

Ver. 39. See Matt. xv. 14.

Ver. 40. See Matt. x. 24; John xiii. 16, xv. 20.

out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself perceivest not the beam in thine own eye? Hypocrite! first cast the beam out of thine own eye, and then thou wilt see clearly to take out the mote that is in thy brother's eye.

43 For there is no good tree that beareth bad fruit; and again,  
44 there is no bad tree that beareth good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit; for from thorns men do not gather figs, nor from a bramble-bush do they gather grapes.

45 The good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and the evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth that which is evil; for out of the abundance of his heart his mouth speaketh.

46 But why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things  
47 which I say? Every one that cometh to me and heareth my sayings and doeth them, I will show you whom he is  
48 like. He is like a man building a house, who dug deep, and laid its foundation on a rock; and when a flood arose, the stream dashed against that house, and could not shake  
49 it; because it was well built. But he that heareth and doeth not, is like a man that built a house upon the earth without a foundation; against which the stream dashed, and it fell at once, and the ruin of that house was great.

VII. When he had ended all his discourse in the hearing  
2 of the people, he entered Capernaum. And a certain centurion's servant, who was dear to him, was sick, and about  
3 to die. And having heard about Jesus, he sent to him elders of the Jews, and besought him to come and save  
4 his servant. And they came to Jesus, and besought him earnestly, saying, He is worthy that thou shouldst do  
5 this for him; for he loveth our nation, and himself built  
6 the synagogue for us. And Jesus went with them. And

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Ver. 43-45. See Matt. xii. 33-35.

Chap. VII. 1-10. Comp. Matt. viii. 5-13.

when he was now not far from the house, the centurion sent friends, saying, Lord, trouble not thyself; for I am  
7 not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof; on which account I did not think myself worthy to come to thee; but command with a word, and let my servant be  
8 healed. For even I am a man set under authority, having soldiers under me; and I say to this one, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my  
9 servant, Do this, and he doeth it. And Jesus hearing this, wondered at him; and turning round said to the multitude that followed him, I say to you, Not even in Israel have I  
10 found such faith. And they who were sent, returning to the house, found the servant well.

11 And it came to pass the day after, that he was going to a city called Nain; and many of his disciples were with  
12 him, and a great multitude. And as he came near the gate of the city, lo! there was carried out dead an only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a great multitude  
13 from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he was moved with compassion for her, and said to her,  
14 Weep not. And he came up, and touched the bier; and they who bore it stood still; and he said, Young man, I  
15 say to thee, Rise. And he that was dead sat up and began  
16 to speak; and he gave him to his mother. And fear seized on all, and they gave glory to God, saying, A great prophet hath risen up among us; and, God hath visited his people.  
17 And this report about him went forth in all Judæa, and in all the neighboring country.

<sup>18</sup><sub>19</sub> And the disciples of John told him all these things. And calling to him two of his disciples, John sent them to the Lord, saying, Art thou he that is to come, or are we to  
20 look for another? And the men came to him and said, John the Baptist hath sent us to thee, saying, Art thou



21 he that is to come, or are we to look for another? In that  
hour he cured many of diseases, and plagues, and evil  
22 spirits, and to many who were blind he gave sight. And  
he answered and said to them, Go and tell John what ye  
have seen and heard; that the blind receive sight, the lame  
walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised,  
23 to the poor good tidings are brought; and blessed is he,  
whoever shall find no occasion of stumbling in me.

24 And when the messengers of John had departed, he  
began to say to the multitudes concerning John, What  
have ye gone out into the wilderness to see? the reeds  
25 shaken by the wind? But what have ye gone out to see?  
a man clothed in soft raiment? Lo! they who wear  
gorgeous apparel, and live luxuriously, are in kings'  
26 palaces. But what have ye gone out to see? A prophet?  
27 Yea, I say to you, and more than a prophet. This is he of  
whom it is written, "Lo! I send my messenger before thy  
28 face, who shall prepare thy way before thee."\* I say to  
you, Among those born of women there is no greater  
prophet than John; but he that is least in the kingdom  
29 of God is greater than he. And all the people when  
they heard him, and the publicans, acknowledged God  
as righteous by being baptized with the baptism of John.  
30 But the Pharisees and the lawyers rejected the purpose  
of God toward themselves, not being baptized by him.  
31 To what then shall I compare the men of this genera-  
32 tion, and what are they like? They are like children  
sitting in the market-place, and calling one to another,  
saying, We piped to you, and ye did not dance; we sung  
33 a dirge, and ye did not weep. For John the Baptist hath  
come not eating bread, nor drinking wine; and ye say,  
34 He hath a demon. The Son of man hath come eating and  
drinking; and ye say, Behold, a glutton and a wine-bib-

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\* Mal. iii. 1.

35 ber, a friend of publicans and sinners! But wisdom is  
acknowledged by all her children.

36 And one of the Pharisees asked him to eat with him;  
and he went into the Pharisee's house, and reclined  
37 at the table. And lo! a woman who was in the city,  
a sinner, learning that he was at table in the Pharisee's  
38 house, brought an alabaster-bottle of ointment, and stand-  
ing behind at his feet, weeping, began to wet his feet with  
tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head, and kissed  
39 his feet, and anointed them with the ointment. And the  
Pharisee who had invited him, when he saw this, said  
within himself, This man, if he were a prophet, would  
know who, and what sort of woman, this is that toucheth  
40 him; for she is a sinner. And Jesus answering said to  
him, Simon, I have somewhat to say to thee. And he  
41 saith, Teacher, say on. A certain money-lender had two  
debtors; one owed five hundred denāries, and the other  
42 fifty. When they had nothing to pay, he freely remitted  
the debt of both. Which of them, now, will love him  
43 the most? Simon answering said, He, I suppose, to  
whom he remitted the most. And he said to him, Thou  
44 hast judged rightly. And turning to the woman, he  
said to Simon, Seest thou this woman? I entered thy  
house, no water didst thou give me for my feet; but she  
wet my feet with tears, and wiped them with her hair.  
45 No kiss didst thou give me; but she, from the time I  
46 came in, did not cease to kiss my feet. My head with  
oil thou didst not anoint; but she anointed my feet  
47 with costly ointment. Wherefore, I say to thee, her

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Ver. 37. — *alabaster-bottle*: having probably a long, narrow neck, sealed, which the woman in Mark xiv. 3 is said to have broken off, instead of removing the seal; thus indicating her eager devotedness, and her intention not to reserve any part of its contents for herself. The ointment was liquid, though distinguished from oil in ver. 46 as being more valuable, probably on account of its strong and costly perfume.

many sins have been forgiven; for she loved much; but  
48 he to whom little is forgiven loveth little. And he said to  
49 her, Thy sins have been forgiven. And those who were  
at table with him began to say within themselves, Who is  
50 this that even forgiveth sins? But he said to the woman,  
Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.

VIII. And it came to pass afterward, that he journeyed  
through cities and villages, preaching and publishing the  
glad tidings of the kingdom of God; and the twelve were  
2 with him, and certain women who had been cured of evil  
spirits and infirmities, Mary called Magdalene, out of whom  
3 had come seven demons, and Joanna, the wife of Chuzas,  
Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others, who af-  
forded them aid from their substance.

4 And a great multitude collecting together, and people  
from the cities going out to him, he spoke by a parable:  
5 A sower went forth to sow his seed; and as he sowed,  
some seeds fell by the way-side; and they were trodden  
6 down, and the birds of the air devoured them. And others  
fell upon rocky ground; and when they had sprung up  
7 they withered away, because they had no moisture. And  
others fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up with  
8 them, and choked them. And others fell upon good ground,  
and sprung up, and bore fruit, a hundred-fold. While  
saying these things, he cried aloud, He that hath ears  
to hear, let him hear.

9 And his disciples asked him what this parable meant.  
10 And he said, To you it hath been given to know the  
mysteries of the kingdom of God; but to others [these  
things are spoken] in parables; that while seeing they  
may not see, and while hearing they may not understand.\*

- 11 Now the meaning of the parable is this. The seed is  
 12 the word of God. Those by the way-side are they that  
 hear; then cometh the Devil and taketh away the word  
 from their heart, that they may not believe and be saved.
- 13 Those on the rocky ground are they who, when they hear,  
 receive the word with joy; and these have no root; and for  
 a while they believe, and in time of temptation fall away.
- 14 And those seeds which fell among the thorns, these are  
 they who, when they have heard, go away and are choked  
 with the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and bring  
 15 no fruit to perfection. But the seeds on the good ground,  
 these are they who in an honest and good heart, when  
 they have heard the word, hold it fast, and bear fruit  
 with constancy.
- 16 And no one having lighted a lamp, covereth it with a  
 vessel, or putteth it under a bed; but setteth it on a lamp-  
 17 stand, that those who come in may see the light. For  
 nothing is secret, that will not be made manifest; nor  
 18 hidden, that will not be known, and come to light. Take  
 heed therefore how ye hear; for whoever hath, to him  
 will be given; and whoever hath not, from him will be  
 taken even what he seemeth to have.
- 19 And his mother and his brothers came where he was,  
 20 and could not get to him on account of the crowd. And  
 word was brought to him, Thy mother and thy brothers  
 21 stand without, desiring to see thee. And he answering  
 said to them, My mother and my brothers are these, who  
 hear the word of God, and do it.
- 22 Now it came to pass on a certain day, that he went  
 into a boat with his disciples, and said to them, Let us  
 go over to the other side of the lake; and they put off

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Ver. 16. See Matt. v. 15, and Luke xi. 33.

Ver. 17. See Matt. x. 26, and Luke xii. 2.

Ver. 19-21. Comp. Matt. xii. 46-50; Mark iii. 31-35.

Ver. 22-39. Comp. Matt. viii. 16, 18, 23-34; Mark iv. 35-v. 20.

23 But as they were sailing, he fell asleep. And there came  
down a storm of wind on the lake, and they were filling  
24 with water, and were in jeopardy. And they came and  
awoke him, saying, Master, master, we are perishing!  
And he rose, and rebuked the wind, and the surging of  
25 the water; and they ceased, and there was a calm. And  
he said to them, Where is your faith? And they were  
afraid, and wondered, saying one to another, Who then is  
this, that he commandeth even the winds and the water,  
and they obey him?

26 And they sailed to the country of the Gergesenes,  
27 which is over against Galilee. And when he had landed,  
there met him a certain man out of the city who had de-  
mons, and for a long time had worn no clothes, and abode  
28 not in a house, but in the tombs. And seeing Jesus,  
he cried out, and fell down before him, and said with  
a loud voice, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, Son  
of the most high God? I beseech thee, do not tor-  
29 ment me. For he was about to command the unclean  
spirit to come out of the man; for it had possessed him  
for a long time, and he had been kept bound and secured  
with chains and fetters; and bursting the bands, he had  
30 been driven by the demon into the wilderness. And Je-  
sus asked him, saying, What is thy name? And he said,  
31 Legion; because many demons had entered into him. And  
they besought him not to command them to go away into  
32 the abyss. Now there was there a herd of many swine  
feeding on the mountain; and they besought him to permit  
33 them to go into them. And he permitted them. And the  
demons coming out of the man went into the swine; and  
the herd rushed down the steep into the lake, and were  
34 drowned. And the herdsmen, seeing what was done, fled,  
35 and told the news in the city and in the country. And  
they went out to see what had been done. And they came  
to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had

gone out sitting, clothed, and in his right mind, at the feet  
36 of Jesus; and they were afraid. And they who had  
seen it told them how he that was possessed by demons  
37 was made well. And the whole multitude in the sur-  
rounding country of the Gergesenes besought him to  
depart from them; for they were seized with great fear.  
38 And he went on board a boat and returned. And the  
man out of whom the demons had gone besought him  
that he might be with him. But he sent him away,  
39 saying, Return to thy house, and tell what great things  
God hath done for thee. And he went and published  
through the whole city what great things Jesus had done  
for him.

40 And it came to pass when Jesus returned, that the  
multitude welcomed him; for they were all waiting for  
41 him. And lo! there came a man, named Jairus, and  
he was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at the feet  
42 of Jesus, he besought him to come into his house; for  
he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age,  
and she was dying.

43 And as he went, the multitudes thronged him. And a  
woman who had had an issue of blood twelve years, and  
had spent all her living upon physicians, and could not  
44 be cured by any one, came up behind and touched the  
fringe of his garment; and immediately her issue of  
45 blood ceased. And Jesus said, Who touched me? And  
when all denied it, Peter and those with him said, Master,  
the multitudes are thronging thee, and pressing against  
46 thee. But Jesus said, Some one touched me; for I per-  
47 ceived that power went out from me. And the woman,  
seeing that she was discovered, came trembling, and fall-  
ing down before him declared before all the people for

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Ver. 35. — *at the feet of Jesus*; i.e. listening as a disciple.

Ver. 40-56. Comp. Matt. ix. 1, 18-26; Mark v. 21-43.

what cause she had touched him, and how she was cured  
48 immediately. And he said to her, Daughter, thy faith  
hath made thee well; go in peace.

49 While he was yet speaking, there cometh one from the  
house of the ruler of the synagogue, saying, Thy daugh-  
50 ter is dead; trouble not the Teacher any further. But  
Jesus hearing this, answered him, Fear not; only believe,  
51 and she will be made well. And going into the house,  
he suffered no one to go in with him but Peter and John  
and James, and the father of the maiden, and the mother.  
52 And all were weeping, and lamenting for her. But he  
53 said, Weep not; she is not dead, but sleeping. And they  
54 laughed him to scorn, knowing that she was dead. But  
he took hold of her hand, and called aloud, saying, Maiden,  
55 arise! And her spirit returned, and she immediately arose.  
56 And he ordered food to be given to her. And her parents  
were amazed. But he charged them to tell no one what  
had been done.

IX. And he called together the twelve, and gave them  
power and authority over all demons, and to cure diseases.  
2 And he sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God,  
3 and to heal. And he said to them, Take nothing for the  
journey, neither a staff, nor a bag, nor bread, nor money  
4 nor have two coats apiece. And into whatever house ye  
enter, there abide, and from it take your departure.  
5 And whoever shall not receive you, shake off, when ye  
leave that city, even the dust from your feet as a testimony  
6 against them. And they departed, and went through the  
towns publishing the glad tidings, and performing cures  
everywhere.  
7 And Herod the tetrarch heard of all that was taking

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Chap. IX. 1-5. Comp. Matt. x. 5-15; Mark vi. 7-11.

Ver. 6. Comp. Mark vi. 12, 13.

Ver. 7-9. Comp. Matt. xiv. 1, 2; Mark vi. 14-16.

place, and was perplexed; because it was said by some  
8 that John had risen from the dead; and by some, that  
Elijah had appeared; and by others, that one of the old  
9 prophets had risen. But Herod said, John I beheaded;  
but who is this, about whom I hear such things? And he  
sought to see him.

10 And the apostles returned and told him what they had  
done; and taking them with him, he withdrew privately  
11 to a city called Bethsaida. But the multitudes, when they  
knew it, followed him; and he welcomed them, and spoke  
to them about the kingdom of God, and healed those who  
12 had need of healing. And when the day began to decline,  
the twelve came and said to him, Send the multitude away,  
that they may go into the villages around, and the open  
country, and lodge, and get food; for we are here in a  
13 desert place. But he said to them, Do ye give them food.  
And they said, We have not more than five loaves and  
two fishes, unless we ourselves should go and buy food for  
14 all these people. They were about five thousand men.  
And he said to his disciples, Make them lie down in com-  
15 panies of fifty. And they did so, and made them all  
16 lie down. Then he took the five loaves and the two  
fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed them, and  
broke and gave them to the disciples to set before the  
17 multitude. And they ate, and were all filled; and what  
remained to them of fragments was taken up, twelve bas-  
kets.

18 And it came to pass as he was in a private place pray-  
ing, that his disciples were with him; and he asked them,  
19 saying, Who do the multitudes say that I am? And they  
answering said, John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and  
20 others, that one of the old prophets hath risen. And he

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Ver. 10-17. Comp. Matt. xiv. 13-21; Mark vi. 30-44; John vi. 1-13.

Ver. 18-27. Comp. Matt. xvi. 13-28; Mark viii. 27-ix. 1.



said to them, But who do ye say that I am? And Peter  
 21 answering said, The Christ of God. But he strictly  
 charged them, and commanded them to tell this to no  
 22 one; saying, The Son of man must suffer many things, and  
 be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and  
 be put to death, and rise again on the third day.

23 And he said to all, If any one chooseth to come after  
 me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily, and  
 24 follow me. For whoever chooseth to save his life, will  
 lose it; and whoever loseth his life for my sake, he will  
 25 save it. For what is a man profited, if he gain the whole  
 26 world, and lose or forfeit himself? For whoever shall  
 be ashamed of me and of my words, of him will the Son  
 of man be ashamed, when he cometh in his glory, and  
 27 that of his Father, and of the holy angels. And I tell  
 you in truth, that there are some of those standing here  
 who will not taste of death, till they have seen the king-  
 dom of God.

28 And it came to pass about eight days after this discourse,  
 that he took with him Peter and John and James, and  
 29 went up into the mountain to pray. And while he was  
 praying, the appearance of his countenance was changed,  
 30 and his raiment became white and glistening. And lo! two  
 men were talking with him, who were Moses and Elijah;  
 31 who appeared in glory, and spoke of his departure which  
 32 he was about to fulfil in Jerusalem. But Peter and those  
 who were with him were weighed down with sleep. But  
 when they awoke, they saw his glory, and the two men  
 33 that stood with him. And it came to pass as they were  
 parting from him, that Peter said to Jesus, Master, it is  
 good for us to be here; and let us make three tents,

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Ver. 28-45. Comp. Matt. xvii. 1-23; Mark ix. 2-32.

Ver. 32. — *when they awoke.* Possibly, *having kept awake.*

one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah; —  
34 not knowing what he said. But as he was saying this,  
there came a cloud and overshadowed them; and they  
35 were afraid as they entered the cloud. And there came  
a voice out of the cloud, saying, "This is my chosen  
36 Son; hear him." And when the voice had come, Jesus  
was found alone. And they kept it secret, and told no  
one in those days anything of what they had seen.  
37 And it came to pass that on the next day, when they  
had come down from the mountain, a great multitude  
38 met him. And lo! a man from the multitude cried out,  
saying, Teacher, I beseech thee, look upon my son, for  
39 he is my only child; and lo! a spirit seizeth him, and  
suddenly crieth out, and convulseth him so that he foam-  
eth, and it departeth from him hardly, taking away all his  
40 strength. And I besought thy disciples to cast it out,  
41 and they could not. And Jesus answering said, O un-  
believing and perverse generation, how long shall I be  
with you, and bear with you? Bring thy son hither.  
42 And while he was yet coming, the demon threw him  
down, and convulsed him. But Jesus rebuked the un-  
clean spirit, and healed the child, and delivered him to  
43 his father. And they were all amazed at the mighty  
power of God.

But while they were all wondering at all the things  
44 which he did, he said to his disciples, As for you, let these  
words sink into your ears; for the Son of man is about  
45 to be delivered up into the hands of men. But they  
knew not the meaning of these words, and it was hid-  
den from them, that they might not perceive it; and  
they were afraid to ask him about these words.  
46 And there arose a reasoning among them, which of  
47 them was greatest. And Jesus knowing the reasoning

48 of their heart, took a child and set him by his side, and said to them, Whoever receiveth this child in my name, receiveth me; and whoever receiveth me, receiveth him who sent me. For he that is least among you all, he is great.

49 And John answering said, Master, we saw one casting out demons in thy name, and we forbade him, because  
50 he doth not follow in our company. But Jesus said to him, Forbid him not; for he that is not against you is for you.

51 And it came to pass, when the time was near for his being received up, that he himself steadily set his face  
52 to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers before him; and they went and entered a city of the Samaritans, to  
53 make ready for him. And they did not receive him, because his face was as if he were going to Jerusa-  
54 lem. And the disciples James and John, on seeing it, said, Lord, wilt thou have us bid fire come down from  
55 heaven, and consume them? But he turned and rebuked  
56 them. And they went to another village.

57 And as they were travelling on the way, one said to  
58 him, I will follow thee wherever thou goest. And Jesus said to him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have lodging-places; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head.

59 And he said to another, Follow me. But he said, Suffer  
60 me first to go and bury my father. And he said to him, Let the dead bury their own dead; but go thou and carry the tidings of the kingdom of God.

61 And another also said, I will follow thee, Lord; but first let me bid farewell to those who are in my house.

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Ver. 51. See Matt. xix. 1; Mark x. 1; John vii. 10.

Ver. 55. Some manuscripts and many versions add, *and said, Ye know not of what spirit ye are.*

Ver. 57-60. See Matt. viii. 19-22.

62 And Jesus said to him, No one who looketh back after putting his hand to the plough is fit for the kingdom of God.

X. After these things, the Lord appointed also seventy others, and sent them two and two before him into every city and place where he himself was about to come.  
 2 And he said to them, The harvest is great, but the laborers are few. Pray therefore the Lord of the harvest  
 3 to send forth laborers for his harvest. 7 Go forth; lo! I  
 4 send you as lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; salute no one by the way.  
 5 And into whatever house ye enter, first say, Peace be to  
 6 this house. And if a son of peace be there, your peace  
 7 shall rest upon it; if not, it shall return to you. And abide in the same house, eating and drinking such things as they give; for the laborer is worthy of his  
 8 wages. Do not go from house to house. And into whatever city ye enter, and they receive you, eat what is set  
 9 before you, and heal the sick that are therein, and say to  
 10 them, The kingdom of God hath come near to you. But into whatever city ye enter, and they receive you not, go  
 11 out into its streets and say, Even the dust of your city that cleaveth to our feet we wipe off to you; but know  
 12 this, that the kingdom of God hath come near. And I tell you, that it will be more tolerable in that day for Sodom,  
 13 than for that city. Woe to thee, Chorazin! woe to thee, Bethsaida! for if the miracles that were done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would long ago  
 14 have repented, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. But it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon in the judgment, than  
 15 for you. And thou, Capernaum! shalt thou be exalted to heaven? thou shalt be brought down to the underworld.

16 He that hearkeneth to you, hearkeneth to me; and he that rejecteth you, rejecteth me; but he that rejecteth me, rejecteth him that sent me.

17 And the seventy returned with joy, saying, Lord, even 18 the demons are subject to us in thy name. And he said to them, I saw Satan fall from heaven like lightning.

19 Lo! I have given you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the might of the enemy; and nothing 20 shall by any means hurt you. Yet rejoice not in this, that the spirits are subject to you; but rejoice that your names have been written in heaven.

21 In that hour he rejoiced in the Holy Spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that, though thou didst hide these things from the wise and discerning, thou didst reveal them to babes. Yea, Father, for so it seemed good in thy sight. And turning to the 22 disciples he said, All things were delivered to me by my Father; and no one knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and he to whom it is the will of the Son to reveal him.

23 And turning to the disciples, he said privately, Blessed are the eyes which see the things that ye are seeing.

24 For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see the things which ye are seeing, and saw them not; and to hear the things which ye are hearing, and heard them not.

25 And lo! a certain lawyer stood up to try him, saying, 26 Teacher, what shall I do to inherit everlasting life? And he said to him, What is written in the Law? How read- 27 est thou? And he answering said "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul,

Ver. 18. *I saw Satan fall, &c.*; i.e. while the apostles were engaged in their work.

Ver. 21, 22. Comp. Matt. xi. 25-27.

Ver. 23, 24. See Matt. xiii. 16, 17.

and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and  
28 thy neighbor as thyself." \* And he said to him, Thou  
29 hast answered rightly; do this, and thou shalt live. But  
he, wishing to justify himself, said to Jesus, And who is  
30 my neighbor? Jesus answering said, A certain man was  
going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among  
robbers; who after stripping him of his raiment, and  
31 wounding him, departed, leaving him half dead. And by  
chance a certain priest was going down on that road;  
and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.  
32 And in like manner also a Levite, having arrived at the  
place, came and saw, and passed by on the other side.  
33 But a certain Samaritan, as he was journeying, came  
where he was, and when he saw him, had compassion,  
34 and went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring on  
oil and wine, and setting him on his own beast, brought  
35 him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next  
day, he took out two denāries and gave them to the host,  
and said, Take care of him; and whatever thou spendest  
36 more, I, when I come back, will repay thee. Which of  
these three, dost thou think, was neighbor to him that  
37 fell among the robbers? And he said, He that took pity  
on him. Then said Jesus to him, Go, and do thou like-  
wise.

38 And it came to pass, as they journeyed, that he entered  
into a certain village; and a certain woman, named Mar-  
39 tha, received him into her house. And she had a sister  
called Mary, who sat down at the feet of the Lord, and  
40 listened to his word. But Martha was cumbered about  
much serving; and she came to him, and said, Lord, dost  
thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone?  
41 Tell her therefore to help me. But the Lord answer-  
ing said to her, Martha, Martha, thou art anxious and

42 troubled about many things. But one thing is needful.  
For Mary hath chosen the good part, which shall not  
be taken away from her.

XI. And it came to pass, as he was in a certain place  
praying, that when he ceased one of his disciples said to  
him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disci-  
2 ples. And he said to them, When ye pray, say, Father!  
3 hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; give us day  
4 by day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, for even  
we ourselves forgive every one that is indebted to us;  
and lead us not into temptation.

5 And he said to them, Which of you shall have a  
friend, and shall go to him at midnight, and say to him,  
6 Friend, lend me three loaves; for a friend of mine has  
come to me from a journey, and I have nothing to set  
7 before him? And he from within shall answer and say,  
Trouble me not; the door is now shut, and I and my  
8 children are in bed; I cannot rise and give thee. I say  
to you, though he will not rise and give him because he  
is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise  
9 and give him as many as he needeth. And I say to  
you, Ask, and it will be given you; seek, and ye will find;  
10 knock, and the door will be opened to you. For every  
one that asketh, receiveth; and he that seeketh, findeth;  
11 and to him that knocketh, the door will be opened. And  
what father is there among you, who, if his son ask for  
bread, will give him a stone? or if he ask for a fish, will  
12 instead of a fish give him a serpent? or, if he ask for an  
egg, will give him a scorpion? If ye then, though evil,  
13 know how to give good gifts to your children, how much  
more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to  
those who ask him!

14 And he was casting out a demon, and it was dumb ;  
and it came to pass, when the demon had gone out, that  
15 the dumb man spoke. And the multitudes wondered. But  
some of them said, He casteth out the demons through  
16 Beelzebul, the prince of the demons ; and others, to make  
17 trial of him, asked of him a sign from heaven. But  
he, knowing their thoughts, said to them, Every king-  
dom divided against itself is brought to desolation ; and  
18 house divided against house falleth. And if Satan also be  
divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand ?  
For ye say that I cast out the demons through Beelze-  
19 bul. But if I cast out the demons through Beelzebul,  
through whom do your sons cast them out ? Therefore  
20 shall they be judges of you. But if I cast out the de-  
mons through the finger of God, then hath the kingdom  
21 of God already come to you. When a strong man  
22 armed guardeth his palace, his goods are in peace ; but  
when one stronger than he cometh upon him and over-  
cometh him, he taketh from him his whole armor wherein  
23 he trusted, and divideth his spoils. He that is not with me  
is against me ; and he that gathereth not with me scatter-  
24 eth abroad. When the unclean spirit is gone out from a  
man, it goeth through dry places, seeking rest ; and find-  
ing none, it saith, I will return to my house whence I  
25 came out. And on coming, it findeth it swept and put in  
26 order. Then it goeth, and taketh with it seven other  
spirits more wicked than itself, and they enter in, and  
dwell there ; and the last state of that man becometh  
worse than the first.

27 And it came to pass, as he was saying these things,  
that a certain woman lifted up her voice from the crowd,

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Ver. 14-32. Comp. Matt. xii. 22-45 ; Mark iii. 22-30.

Ver. 17. — *and house divided against house falleth. Otherwise, and house falleth upon house.*



and said to him, Blessed is the womb that bore thee, and  
28 the breasts from which thou drewest nourishment. But  
he said, Blessed rather are they that hear the word of God  
and keep it.

29 And when the crowds were thronging about him, he be-  
gan to say, 'This generation is a wicked generation; it seek-  
eth a sign; and no sign will be given it, but the sign of  
30 Jonah. For as Jonah was a sign to the Ninevites, so will  
31 also the Son of man be to this generation. The queen  
of the south will rise up in the judgment with the men  
of this generation, and will condemn them; for she came  
from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solo-  
mon; and lo! something more than Solomon is here.  
32 The men of Nineveh will stand up in the judgment with  
this generation, and will condemn it; for they repented  
at the preaching of Jonah; and lo! something more than  
33 Jonah is here. No one when he has lighted a lamp, puts  
it into a secret place, or under the bushel, but on the  
lamp-stand, that they who come in may see the light.  
34 The lamp of the body is thine eye. When thine eye is  
clear, thy whole body also is in the light; but when it  
35 is disordered, thy body also is in darkness. Take heed  
therefore, that the light which is within thee be not dark-  
36 ness. If then thy whole body is enlightened, having no  
part dark, the whole will be as fully enlightened, as when  
a lamp with its bright shining giveth thee light.

37 And when he had done speaking, a Pharisee asked him  
to dine with him. And he went in and reclined at the  
38 table. And the Pharisee, seeing it, wondered that he did  
39 not bathe before dinner. But the Lord said to him, Now  
ye Pharisees cleanse the outside of the cup and the plat-

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Ver. 33. See Matt. v. 15; Mark iv. 21; Luke viii. 16.

Ver. 34-36. See Matt. vi. 22, 23.

Ver. 39-52. See Matt. xxiii. 4-36.

ter; but your inside is full of rapacity and wickedness.  
40 Fools, did not he who made the outside, make the inside  
41 also? But give what they contain in alms, and lo! all  
42 is clean to you. But woe to you Pharisees! for ye pay  
tithes of the mint, and the rue, and every herb; and pass  
by justice and the love of God. These ought ye to have  
43 done, and not to leave those undone. Woe to you Phari-  
sees! for ye love the chief seats in the synagogues, and  
44 salutations in the markets. Woe to you, for ye are as  
tombs which are unseen, and men walking over them  
know it not.

45 And one of the lawyers answering saith to him,  
Teacher, in saying these things, thou revilest us also.  
46 And he said, To you lawyers also, woe! for ye load men  
with burdens grievous to be borne, and ye yourselves  
47 touch not the burdens with one of your fingers. Woe  
to you! for ye build the tombs of the prophets, and your  
48 fathers killed them. So then ye bear witness to and ap-  
prove the deeds of your fathers; for they indeed killed  
49 them, and ye are building [their tombs]. Therefore the  
wisdom of God also said, I will send them prophets and  
apostles, and some of them they will kill and persecute;  
50 that the blood of all the prophets, which hath been shed  
from the foundation of the world, may be required of this  
51 generation; from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zech-  
ariah, who was slain between the altar and the temple.  
Yea, I tell you, it will be required of this generation.  
52 Woe to you lawyers! because ye have taken away the  
key of knowledge; ye have not entered yourselves, and  
those who were entering ye have hindered.

53 And as he came out thence, the scribes and the Phari-  
sees began to be very spiteful, and to press him to speak  
54 off hand about many things, lying in wait to catch some-  
thing out of his mouth.

XII. In the mean time, when the multitude was gathered together in myriads, so that they trod one upon another, he began to say to his disciples first, Beware of the 2 leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy. But there is nothing covered, that will not be revealed; and hid, 3 that will not be known. Therefore, whatever ye have said in darkness, will be heard in the light; and what ye have spoken in the ear in closets, will be proclaimed 4 upon the house-tops. And I say to you my friends, Fear not those who kill the body, and after this can 5 do nothing more. But I will warn you whom to fear; fear him who after he hath killed hath power to cast 6 into hell; yea, I say to you, fear him. Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? and not one of them is for- 7 gotten before God. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not: ye are of more value than many sparrows.

8 And I say to you, Every one that acknowledgeth me before men, him will the Son of man also acknowledge 9 before the angels of God. But he that hath denied me before men, shall be denied before the angels of God. 10 And every one that shall speak a word against the Son of man, it will be forgiven him; but to him that hath blasphemed against the Holy Spirit, it will not be for- 11 given. And when they bring you to the synagogues and the magistrates and the authorities, be not anxious as to how or what ye shall answer, or what ye shall 12 say; for the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what ye ought to say.

13 And one from the multitude said to him, Teacher, bid

Chap. XII. 2-9. See Matt. x. 26-33.

Ver. 2. See also Mark iv. 22; Luke viii. 17.

Ver. 10. See Matt. xii. 31, 32; Mark iii. 28, 29.

Ver. 11, 12. See Matt. x. 19, 20; Mark xiii. 11.

14 my brother divide the inheritance with me. But he said to him, Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?

15 And he said to them, Take heed and beware of all covetousness; for even when one hath great abundance, his life doth not depend upon his possessions.

16 And he spoke a parable to them, saying, The ground  
17 of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully. And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do? for  
18 I have not where to store my crops. And he said, This will I do; I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I store all my crops and my  
19 goods; and I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast many goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink,  
20 be merry. But God said to him, Fool! this night will thy soul be required of thee; and whose will those things  
21 be which thou hast laid up? So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich towards God.

22 And he said to his disciples, Therefore I say to you, Be not anxious for the life, what ye shall eat; nor for  
23 the body, what ye shall put on. The life is more than  
24 its food, and the body than its raiment. Consider the ravens, that they neither sow nor reap; which have neither store-house, nor barn; and God feedeth them.  
25 Of how much greater value are ye than the birds! And who of you can by anxious thought add a cubit to his  
26 life? If then ye cannot do even that which is least, why are ye anxious about the rest?

27 Consider the lilies, that they neither spin nor weave; and yet I say to you, Not even Solomon in all his  
28 glory was arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the herbage in the field, which is to-day, and to-morrow is cast into an oven, how much more will he  
29 clothe you, O ye of little faith! And seek not ye what

ye shall eat, and what ye shall drink; and be not of a  
30 doubtful mind. For all these things do the nations of  
the world seek after; and your Father knoweth that ye  
31 have need of these things. But rather seek his kingdom,  
and these things will also be given you.

32 Fear not, little flock! for it is your Father's good pleas-  
33 ure to give you the kingdom. Sell what ye have, and give  
alms. Make for yourselves purses which wax not old, a  
treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief  
34 approacheth, nor moth destroyeth. For where your treas-  
ure is, there will your heart be also.

35 Let your loins be girded about, and your lamps burn-  
36 ing; and be yourselves like men waiting for the return of  
their lord from the wedding; that when he cometh and  
37 knocketh, they may open to him immediately. Happy are  
those servants, whom their lord when he cometh shall find  
watching; truly do I say to you, that he will gird himself,  
and place them at table, and will come and wait on them.  
38 And if in the second, or if in the third watch, he cometh  
39 and findeth them thus, happy are they. And be sure of  
this, that if the master of the house had known at what  
hour the thief was coming, he would not have suffered his  
40 house to be broken through. Be ye also ready; for at an  
hour when ye think not the Son of man cometh.

41 And Peter said to him, Lord, dost thou speak this para-  
42 ble to us, or also to all? And the Lord said, Who then  
is the faithful, the wise steward, whom his lord will place  
over his household, to give the portion of food in due  
43 season? Happy is that servant whom his lord, when he  
44 cometh, shall find so doing. I say to you in truth, that  
45 he will place him in charge of all his substance. But if  
that servant say in his heart, My lord is long in coming;

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Ver. 33, 34. See Matt. vi. 20, 21.

Ver. 35-46. See Matt. xxv. 1; xxiv. 42-51

and begin to beat the men-servants and maid-servants,  
 46 and to eat and drink and be drunken, the lord of that  
 servant will come in a day when he looketh not for  
 him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will  
 cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with  
 47 the unfaithful. And that servant who knew his lord's  
 will, and did not make ready, nor do according to his will,  
 48 will be beaten with many stripes; but he that knew not  
 and did things worthy of stripes, will be beaten with  
 few. And from every one to whom much hath been  
 given, will much be required; and to whom much hath  
 been entrusted, of him will the more be demanded.

49 I came to cast fire upon the earth; and what do I  
 50 wish, if it hath been already kindled? But I have a  
 baptism to be baptized with; and how is my soul trou-  
 51 bled, till it be accomplished! Think ye that I came to  
 give peace in the earth? I tell you, nay, but rather  
 52 division. For from this time forth five in one house  
 will be divided, three against two, and two against three.  
 53 They will be divided, father against son, and son against  
 father; mother against daughter, and daughter against  
 mother; the mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law,  
 and the daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law.

54 And he said also to the multitudes, When ye see a  
 cloud rising in the west, ye say at once, A shower is  
 55 coming; and it is so; and when ye perceive the south  
 wind blowing, ye say, It will be hot; and it cometh to  
 56 pass. Hypocrites! ye know how to judge of the face  
 of the earth and the sky; but how is it that ye know  
 not how to judge of this time?

57 And why even of yourselves do ye not judge what  
 58 is right? When thou art going with thine adversary

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Ver. 49. — *what do I wish*; i.e. in regard to my coming to send fire, &c.

Ver. 51-53. See Matt. x. 34-36. Ver. 54-56. See Matt. xvi. 2, 3.

Ver. 58, 59. See Matt. v. 25, 26.

at law to the magistrate, take pains, while on the way, to be released by him; lest he drag thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and the officer  
59 cast thee into prison. I tell thee, Thou wilt not come out thence, till thou hast paid the very last mite.

XIII. There were present also at the same time some who told him of the Galilæans, whose blood Pilate mingled  
2 with their sacrifices. And he answering said to them, Do ye think that these Galilæans were sinners above all the Galilæans, because they have suffered such things?  
3 I tell you, nay; but unless ye repent, ye will all in like  
4 manner perish. Or those eighteen, on whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were offenders above all the men that dwell in Jerusalem?  
5 I tell you, nay; but unless ye repent, ye will all in like manner perish.

6 He spoke also this parable: A certain man had a fig-tree planted in his vineyard; and he came seeking  
7 fruit thereon, and found none. Then said he to the vine-dresser, Lo! three years I have come seeking fruit on this fig-tree, and have found none; cut it down; why  
8 cumbereth it the ground? And he answering saith to him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig  
9 about it, and dung it; and if it bear fruit hereafter, well; but if not, thou shalt cut it down.

10 And he was teaching in one of the synagogues on  
11 the sabbath. And lo! there was a woman who had had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years; and she was bent  
12 together, and wholly unable to lift herself up. And Jesus, seeing her, called to her, and said to her, Woman,  
13 thou art set free from thy infirmity. And he laid his hands on her; and immediately she stood upright, and  
14 gave glory to God. But the ruler of the synagogue answering, being filled with indignation because Jesus

had performed a cure on the sabbath, said to the multitude, There are six days in which it is proper to work; on those therefore come and be cured, and not on the  
15 sabbath-day. But the Lord answered him and said, Hypocrites, doth not each of you on the sabbath loose his ox or his ass from the stall, and lead him away and water  
16 him? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo! for eighteen years, to  
17 be loosed from this bond on the sabbath-day? And on his speaking thus, all his adversaries were ashamed; and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by him.

18 He said therefore, To what is the kingdom of God  
19 like? and to what shall I compare it? It is like a grain of mustard, which a man took, and cast into his garden; and it grew, and became a tree, and the birds of the air lodged in its branches.

20 And again he said, To what shall I liken the king-  
21 dom of God? It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

22 And he went through the cities and villages, teaching,  
23 and journeying towards Jerusalem. And one said to him, Lord, are there few that are to be saved? And  
24 he said to them, Strive to enter in through the narrow door; for many, I say to you, will seek to enter in, and  
25 will not be able. When once the master of the house shall have risen, and shut the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, open to us, and he answering shall say to you, I know not whence  
26 ye are; then will ye begin to say, We ate and drank in  
27 thy presence, and thou didst teach in our streets. And he will say, I tell you, I know not whence ye are; depart



28 from me, all ye workers of iniquity. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth there, when ye see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom  
29 of God, and yourselves thrust out. And from the east and the west and the north and the south will men come, and take their places at table in the kingdom of  
30 God. And lo! there are last who will be first, and there are first who will be last.

31 In the same hour there came certain Pharisees, saying to him, Depart, and go hence; for Herod designeth to kill  
32 thee. And he said to them, Go, tell that fox, Lo! I cast out demons and perform cures to-day and to-morrow, and  
33 on the third day I make an end. But to-day and to-morrow and the next day I must go on; for it cannot be that  
34 a prophet should perish out of Jerusalem. Jerusalem! Jerusalem! that killeth the prophets, and stoneth those who are sent to her! How often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen gathereth her brood under her  
35 wings, and ye would not! Lo! your house is abandoned to you. I declare to you, Ye will not see me until the time come when ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

XIV. And it came to pass, when he had come into the house of one of the chief men of the Pharisees on the sabbath  
2 to eat bread, that they were watching him. And lo! there was a certain man before him, who had the dropsy.  
3 And Jesus answering spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, Is it lawful to cure on the sabbath, or not?  
4 But they were silent. And taking hold of him, he cured  
5 him, and sent him away. And he answered them and said, Who is there of you, who, if his son or his ox fall into a pit, will not immediately pull him out on

6 the sabbath-day? And they could make no answer to this.

7 And he spoke a parable to those who were invited, when he observed how they chose out the highest places  
8 at the table, saying to them, When thou art invited by any one to a wedding, do not take the highest place, lest one more honorable than thou may have been invited by him; and he who invited thee and him come and say to  
9 thee, Give place to this man; and then thou wilt begin  
10 with shame to take the lowest place. But when thou art invited, go and recline in the lowest place, that when he who invited thee cometh, he may say to thee, Friend, go up higher. Then wilt thou have honor in the presence  
11 of all who are at table with thee. For every one that exalteth himself will be humbled; and he that humbleth himself will be exalted.

12 And he said also to him who invited him, When thou makest a dinner or a supper, do not invite thy friends, nor thy brothers, nor thy kinsmen, nor rich neighbors; lest they too invite thee in return, and a  
13 recompense be made thee. But when thou makest a feast, call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind;  
14 and thou shalt be blessed, because they cannot recompense thee; but thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the righteous.

15 And one of those who were at table with him, hearing this, said to him, Blessed is he who shall eat bread  
16 in the kingdom of God. And he said to him, A certain  
17 man made a great supper, and invited many. And at the hour of supper he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, Come, for things are now ready.  
18 And all with one accord began to excuse themselves. The first said to him, I have bought a piece of land, and must needs go out and see it; I pray that I may be  
19 excused. And another said, I have bought five yoke of

oxen, and am going out to try them ; I pray that I may  
20 be excused. And another said, I have married a wife,  
21 and therefore I cannot come. And the servant came,  
and reported these things to his lord. Then the master  
of the house, being angry, said to his servant, Go out  
quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring  
in hither the poor, and the maimed, the blind, and the  
22 lame. And the servant said, Lord, what thou didst com-  
23 mand hath been done, and yet there is room. And  
the lord said to the servant, Go out into the highways  
and hedges, and constrain them to come in, that my house  
24 may be filled. For I say to you, that none of those men  
who were invited shall taste of my supper.

25 And great multitudes were going with him ; and he  
26 turned and said to them, If any one cometh to me, and  
hateth not his father and mother and wife and children  
and brothers and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he  
27 cannot be my disciple. Whoever doth not bear his own  
28 cross and follow me, cannot be my disciple. For which  
of you, intending to build a tower, doth not sit down  
first and count the cost, whether he hath the means to  
29 finish it? lest haply when he hath laid a foundation, and  
is not able to finish, all that behold begin to make sport of  
30 him, saying, This man began to build, and was not able  
31 to finish. Or what king, setting out to give battle to an-  
other king, will not first sit down and consider whether he  
be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against  
32 him with twenty thousand? Else, while the other is yet  
a great way off, he sendeth an embassy, and asketh con-  
33 ditions of peace. So likewise, whoever of you doth not  
34 forsake all that he hath, cannot be my disciple. Salt  
then is good ; but if the salt itself have lost its savor,  
35 wherewith shall it be seasoned? It is fit neither for the

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Ver. 26, 27. See Matt. x. 37, 38.

Ver. 34, 35. See Matt. v. 13; Mark ix. 50.

land, nor for the dung-hill; men cast it out. He that hath ears, let him hear.

XV. And all the publicans and the sinners were drawing near to him, to hear him. And the Pharisees and the scribes murmured, saying, This man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them. And he spoke to them this parable, saying, What man of you having a hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he findeth it? And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he hath come home, he calleth together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost. I say to you, that in like manner there will be joy in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety-nine righteous men who have no need of repentance.

8 Or what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a lamp, and sweep the house, and search carefully till she findeth it? And when she hath found it, she calleth together her friends and neighbors, saying, Rejoice with me; for I have found the piece which I lost. I say to you, that thus there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

11 He said also, A certain man had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me the portion of the property that falleth to me. And he divided to them his living. And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, and went abroad into a far country; and there wasted his substance in riotous living. And when he had spent all, there arose

a great famine in that country; and he began to be  
15 in want. And he went and joined himself to one of  
the citizens of that country; and he sent him into his  
16 fields to feed swine. And he longed to fill himself with  
the husks that the swine ate; and no one gave to him.  
17 And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired  
servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare,  
18 and I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to  
my father, and will say to him, Father, I have sinned  
19 against Heaven and before thee; I am no longer worthy  
to be called thy son; make me as one of thy hired  
servants.

20 And he arose, and went to his father. But when he  
was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and was  
moved with compassion, and ran and fell on his neck,  
21 and kissed him. And the son said to him, Father, I  
have sinned against Heaven and before thee; I am no  
22 longer worthy to be called thy son. But the father  
said to his servants, Bring out the best robe, and put  
it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and sandals on  
23 his feet. And bring the fatted calf; kill it, and let us  
24 eat and make merry. For this my son was dead, and is  
alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began  
to make merry.

25 Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and  
26 drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And  
calling one of the servants, he inquired what these things  
27 meant. And he said to him, Thy brother is come; and  
thy father hath killed the fatted calf, because he hath re-  
28 ceived him safe and sound. But he was angry, and would  
not go in; and his father came out, and entreated him.  
29 And he answering said to his father, Lo! for so many

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Ver. 16. — *husks*. More literally, *carobs*; i.e. the unshelled fruit of the carob-tree.

years have I served thee, and never transgressed thy command; and yet to me thou never gavest a kid, that  
30 I might make merry with my friends. But as soon as this thy son came, who devoured thy living with harlots,  
31 thou didst kill for him the fatted calf. And he said to him, Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine.  
32 It was meet that we should make merry and be glad; for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.

XVI. And he said also to the disciples, There was a certain rich man, who had a steward; and the same was accused to him as wasting his goods. And he called him, and said to him, What is this that I hear of thee? Give an account of thy stewardship; for thou canst be no longer  
3 steward. Then the steward said within himself, What shall I do, now that my lord taketh away from me the steward-  
4 ship? I cannot dig, I am ashamed to beg. I am resolved what to do, that, when I am put out of the stewardship,  
5 I may be received into their houses. So he called to him every one of his lord's debtors, and said to the  
6 first, How much dost thou owe my lord? And he said, A hundred measures of oil. And he said to him, Take thy  
7 bond, and sit down quickly, and write fifty. Then he said to another, And how much owest thou? And he said, A  
8 hundred measures of wheat. He saith to him, Take thy bond, and write eighty. And the lord commended the unjust steward for having done wisely; for the sons of  
9 this world are wiser toward their generation than the sons of light. And I say to you, Make to yourselves  
10 friends with the unrighteous mammon; that, when it fail-eth, ye may be received into everlasting habitations.  
11 He that is faithful in that which is least, is faithful also in much; and he that is unjust in the least, is unjust also in much. If therefore ye have not been faithful in the un-

righteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true  
 12 riches? and if ye have not been faithful in that which is  
 13 another's, who will give you that which is your own? No  
 servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate one,  
 and love the other; or he will cleave to one, and despise  
 the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

14 And the Pharisees, who were covetous, heard all this,  
 15 and they derided him. And he said to them, Ye are  
 they who justify yourselves before men; but God know-  
 eth your hearts; for that which is highly exalted among  
 men is an abomination before God.

16 The Law and the Prophets were till John; from that  
 time the glad tidings of the kingdom of God have been  
 17 published, and every one is forcing his way into it. But  
 it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away, than for one  
 tittle of the law to fail.

18 Whoever putteth away his wife, and marrieth another,  
 committeth adultery; and he who marrieth a woman that  
 hath been put away from her husband, committeth adul-  
 tery.

19 There was a certain rich man, who was clothed in  
 purple and fine linen, and feasted sumptuously every  
 20 day. And a certain beggar named Lazarus was laid at  
 21 his gate, full of sores, and longing to be fed with what  
 fell from the rich man's table. But even the dogs  
 22 came and licked his sores. And it came to pass, that  
 the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to the  
 bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was  
 23 buried. And in the underworld he lifted up his eyes,  
 being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Laz-  
 24 arus in his bosom. And he called and said, Father Abra-  
 ham, have pity on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip

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Ver. 13. See Matt. vi. 24.

Ver. 16. See Matt. xi. 12, 13.

Ver. 17. See Matt. v. 18.

Ver. 18. See Matt. v. 31, 32; xix. 9.

of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou didst receive thy good things in thy lifetime, and Lazarus in like manner his evil things; but now he is comforted here, and thou art tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is placed a great gulf, so that those who wish to cross from hence to you may not be able, and that those on that side cannot cross over to us. Then he said, I pray thee then, father, to send him to my father's house; for I have five brothers; that he may give earnest warning to them, that they too may not come into this place of torment. But Abraham saith, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. But he said, Nay, father Abraham; but if one should go to them from the dead, they would repent. But he said to him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, they will not be persuaded, though one should rise from the dead.

XVII. And he said to his disciples, It is impossible but that stumbling-blocks will come; but woe to him through whom they come! It were better for him to have a millstone hung round his neck, and be cast into the sea, than to cause one of these little ones to fall away.

3 Take heed to yourselves. If thy brother sin, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him. And if he sin against thee seven times in a day, and seven times turn to thee, saying, I repent, thou shalt forgive him.

5 And the apostles said to the Lord, Give us more faith. 6 But the Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain of mustard, ye might say to this sycamine-tree, Be plucked up by the roots, and planted in the sea! and it would obey you.

7 And which of you having a servant plowing, or feeding



- cattle, will say to him, when he hath come in from the  
8 field, Come immediately and place thyself at table? Will  
he not rather say to him, Make ready wherewith I may  
sup, and gird thyself and serve me till I have eaten  
and drunken, and afterward thou shalt eat and drink?  
9 Doth he owe any thanks to that servant, because he did  
10 what was commanded? So also do ye, when ye have  
done all that hath been commanded you, say, We are  
unprofitable servants; we have done what we were bound  
to do.
- 11 And it came to pass, as he was going to Jerusalem, that  
he was travelling on the confines of Samaria and Galilee.  
12 And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten  
13 lepers, who stood afar off. And they lifted up their voice,  
14 saying, Jesus, Master, have pity on us. And when he saw  
them, he said to them, Go, show yourselves to the priests.  
And it came to pass, that, as they were on their way, they  
15 were cleansed. And one of them, perceiving that he was  
freed from his disease, turned back, giving glory to God  
16 with a loud voice; and he fell down on his face at his feet,  
17 giving thanks to him; and he was a Samaritan. And Je-  
sus answering said, Were not the ten cleansed? Where  
18 are the nine? Were there none found returning to give  
19 glory to God but this foreigner? And he said to him,  
Rise and go; thy faith hath made thee well.
- 20 And being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom  
of God was coming, he answered them and said, The king-  
dom of God cometh not in such a manner as to be watched  
21 for; nor will they say, Lo here! or there! for behold, the  
kingdom of God is in the midst of you.
- 22 And he said to the disciples, The days will come, when  
ye will desire to see one of the days of the Son of man,

23 and will not see it. And they will say to you, Lo there!  
 24 lo here! Go not away, and follow not. For as the light-  
 ning, that lighteneth out of one part under heaven, shineth  
 to the other part under heaven, so will the Son of man be  
 25 in his day. But first he must suffer much, and be rejected  
 26 by this generation. And as it was in the days of Noah,  
 27 so will it be also in the days of the Son of man. They  
 ate, they drank, they married, they were given in mar-  
 riage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and the  
 28 flood came and destroyed them all. In like manner, as it  
 was in the days of Lot; they ate, they drank, they bought,  
 29 they sold, they planted, they builded; but on the day when  
 Lot went out of Sodom, it rained fire and brimstone from  
 30 heaven, and destroyed them all. Thus will it be in the  
 31 day when the Son of man is revealed. In that day, let  
 not him who is upon the house-top, and whose furniture  
 is in the house, come down to take it away; and he that  
 32 is in the field, let him likewise not turn back. Remember  
 33 Lot's wife. Whoever shall seek to save his life will lose  
 34 it; and whoever shall lose it will preserve it. I tell you,  
 In that night there will be two men on one bed; one will  
 35 be taken, and the other will be left. Two women will be  
 grinding together; one will be taken, and the other left.  
 37 And they answering say to him, Where, Lord? And he  
 said to them, Where the body is, there also will the eagles  
 be gathered together.

XVIII. And he spoke a parable to them to show that they  
 2 ought to pray always, and not be faint-hearted: saying,  
 There was in a certain city a judge, who feared not God,  
 3 nor regarded man. And there was a widow in that city;

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Ver. 23. See Matt. xxiv. 23, 26; Mark xiii. 21.

Ver. 24. See Matt. xxiv. 27. Ver. 26, 27. See Matt. xxiv. 37-39.

Ver. 31. See Matt. xxiv. 17, 18; Mark xiii. 15, 16.

Ver. 35. See Matt. xxiv. 41. Ver. 37. See Matt. xxiv. 38.

and she kept coming to him, saying, Avenge me of my ad-  
4 versary! And he would not for some time. But after-  
ward he said within himself, Though I neither fear God,  
5 nor regard man, yet, because this widow troubleth me, I  
will avenge her; lest by coming for ever she weary me  
6 out. And the Lord said, Hear what the unjust judge saith.  
7 And will not God avenge his chosen, who cry to him day  
and night, though he be slow to punish in their behalf?  
8 I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. But yet,  
when the Son of man cometh, will he find faith on the  
earth?

9 And to some who trusted in themselves that they were  
righteous, and despised all others, he spoke this parable:  
10 Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a  
11 Pharisee, and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood  
and prayed by himself thus: O God, I thank thee that I  
am not as the rest of men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers,  
12 or even as this publican. I fast twice in the week; I give  
13 tithes of all that I gain. But the publican, standing afar  
off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven; but smote  
14 his breast, saying, O God, be merciful to me a sinner! I  
tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather  
than the other; for every one that exalteth himself will be  
humbled; but he that humbleth himself will be exalted.

15 And they brought to him infants also, that he might  
touch them; and the disciples, on seeing it, rebuked them.  
16 But Jesus called them to him, saying, Suffer the little  
children to come to me, and forbid them not; for to such  
17 belongeth the kingdom of God. Truly do I say to you,  
Whoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little  
child, will not enter therein.

18 And a certain ruler asked him, saying, Good teacher,

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Ver. 15-17. Comp. Matt. xix. 13-15; Mark x. 13-16.

Ver. 18-30. Comp. Matt. xix. 16-xx. 16; Mark x. 17-31.

19 what shall I do to inherit everlasting life? And Jesus said to him, Why dost thou call me good? None is good  
20 but one, that is, God. Thou knowest the commandments: "Do not commit adultery; Do not kill; Do not steal; Do not bear false witness; Honor thy father and thy mother."\*

<sup>21</sup><sub>22</sub> And he said, All these have I kept from my youth. And Jesus hearing this said to him, One thing thou still lackest—sell all that thou hast, and distribute to the poor, and thou  
23 shalt have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me. But when he heard this, he became very sorrowful; for he was very rich.

24 And Jesus seeing him said, How hardly do they that  
25 have riches enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich  
26 man to enter the kingdom of God. And those who heard  
27 this said, Who then can be saved? But he said, What is impossible with men is possible with God.

28 Then Peter said, Lo! we left what we had, and followed  
29 thee. And he said to them, Truly do I say to you, There is no one that hath left house, or wife, or brothers, or pa-  
30 rents, or children, for the sake of the kingdom of God, who will not receive many fold more in the present time, and in the world to come everlasting life.

31 And taking the twelve aside, he said to them, Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and all that hath been written by the prophets concerning the Son of man will be ac-  
32 complished. For he will be delivered up to the gentiles,  
33 and will be mocked, and insulted, and spit upon; and they will scourge him, and put him to death; and the third day  
34 he will rise again. And they understood none of these things; and the meaning of these words was hidden from them, and they did not comprehend what was said.

35 And it came to pass, as he drew near to Jericho, that  
 a certain blind man was sitting by the way-side begging.  
 36 And hearing a multitude passing by, he asked what this  
 37 meant. And they told him that Jesus of Nazareth was  
 38 passing by. And he cried out, saying, Jesus, Son of Da-  
 39 vid, have pity on me! And they who went before sharply  
 bade him hold his peace. But he cried out the more,  
 40 Son of David, have pity on me! And Jesus stopped, and  
 ordered him to be brought to him. And when he had  
 41 come near, he asked him, What dost thou wish me to do  
 42 for thee? And he said, Lord, to restore my sight. And  
 Jesus said to him, Receive thy sight; thy faith hath saved  
 43 thee. And immediately he received his sight, and followed  
 him, giving glory to God; and all the people on seeing it  
 gave praise to God.

XIX. And he entered and was passing through Jericho.  
 2 And lo! a man named Zacchæus; and he was a chief  
 3 publican, and he was rich. And he sought to see Jesus,  
 what sort of man he was; and he could not on account  
 4 of the multitude; because he was small of stature. And he  
 ran on before, and climbed up a sycamore-tree to see him;  
 5 for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to  
 the place, he looked up, and said to him, Zacchæus, make  
 haste and come down; for to-day I must abide at thy  
 6 house. And he made haste and came down, and received  
 7 him joyfully. And when they saw it, they all murmured,  
 8 saying, He hath gone in to be the guest of a sinner. And  
 Zacchæus stood up, and said to the Lord, Behold, Lord, the  
 half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken  
 anything from any one by false representation, I restore  
 9 him four-fold. And Jesus said to him, This day hath sal-  
 vation come to this house, inasmuch as he also is a son

10 of Abraham; for the Son of man came to seek and to save that which was lost.

11 And while they were hearing these things, he proceeded and spoke a parable, because he was near to Jerusalem, and they thought that the kingdom of God  
12 would immediately appear. He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself  
13 a kingdom, and to return. And he called his ten servants, and gave them ten pounds, and said to them, Trade  
14 with these, till I come. But his citizens hated him, and sent an embassy after him, saying, We will not have this  
15 man to reign over us. And it came to pass, when he had returned, having received the kingdom, that he com-  
manded these servants to whom he had given the money to be called to him, that he might know what each had  
16 gained by trading. And the first came, saying, Lord, thy  
17 pound hath gained ten pounds. And he said to him, Well done, good servant! because thou hast been faithful in a  
18 very little, have authority over ten cities. And the second came, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained five pounds.  
19 And he said also to this servant, And be thou over five  
20 cities. And another came, saying, Lord, behold thy  
21 pound, which I have kept laid up in a napkin. For I feared thee, because thou art a harsh man; thou takest  
up what thou didst not lay down, and reapest what thou  
22 didst not sow. He saith to him, Out of thy mouth will I judge thee, wicked servant! thou knewest that I was a  
harsh man, taking up what I laid not down, and reaping  
23 what I did not sow; why then didst thou not put my money into a bank? Then I at my coming might have  
24 received it back with interest. And he said to them that stood by, Take from him the pound, and give it to him

25 that hath the ten pounds. (And they said to him, He  
26 hath ten pounds, Lord.) I say to you, that to every one  
who hath, will be given; but from him that hath not,  
27 even what he hath will be taken away. But as for those  
enemies of mine, who would not that I should reign over  
them, bring them here, and slay them before me.

28 And when he had thus spoken, he went forward, going  
29 up to Jerusalem. And it came to pass, as he drew near to  
Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount called the Mount  
30 of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying, Go to the  
village over against us; on entering which ye will find a  
colt tied, whereon no man ever sat; and loose, and bring  
31 it. And if any one ask you, Why are ye loosing it? ye  
32 shall say thus, The Lord hath need of it. And they  
who were sent went and found just as he told them.  
33 And as they were loosing the colt, its owners said to  
34 them, Why are ye loosing the colt? And they said, The  
35 Lord hath need of it. And they brought it to Jesus; and  
having thrown their garments on the colt, they set Jesus  
36 thereon. And as he went on, they spread their garments  
in the road.

37 And as he was drawing near, just at the descent of  
the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disci-  
ples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice  
38 for all the miracles which they had seen; saying, Blessed  
be the King in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven,  
39 and glory in the highest heavens! And some of the  
Pharisees from among the multitude said to him, Teacher,  
40 rebuke thy disciples. And he answering said, I tell you,  
that if these are silent, the stones will cry out.

41 And when he came near, as he beheld the city, he wept  
42 over it, saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, and that  
in this thy day, the things that concern thy peace! but

43 now they are hidden from thine eyes. For the days will come upon thee, when thine enemies will cast up a mound about thee, and compass thee round, and shut thee in on  
44 every side, and will level thee with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they will not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation.

45 And entering the temple, he began to cast out those  
46 who sold, saying to them, It is written, "And my house shall be a house of prayer;\* but ye have made it a den of robbers." †

47 And he was teaching daily in the temple; but the chief priests, and the scribes, and the leading men of the  
48 people sought to destroy him. And they could not find an opportunity of doing any thing; for all the people hung upon him, listening.

XX. And it came to pass, on one of those days, as he was teaching the people in the temple, and publishing the good tidings, that the priests and the scribes with the  
2 elders came upon him, and spoke to him, saying, Tell us, by what authority doest thou these things? Or who is he  
3 that gave thee this authority? And he answering said to them, I also will ask you a question; and tell me:|  
4 The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or from men?  
5 And they reasoned among themselves, saying, If we say, From heaven, he will say, Why did ye not believe him?  
6 But if we say, From men, all the people will stone us;  
7 for they are persuaded that John was a prophet. And they answered, that they did not know whence it was.  
8 And Jesus said to them, Neither do I tell you by what authority I do these things.

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Ver. 45-48. Comp. Matt. xxi. 12, 13; Mark xi. 15-18; John ii. 13-17.  
Chap. XX. 1-19. Comp. Matt. xxi. 23-46; Mark xi 27-xii. 12.

\* Isa. lvi. 7.

† See Jer. vii. 11.



- 9 And he began to speak to the people this parable:  
A man planted a vineyard, and let it out to husband-  
10 men, and went abroad for a long time. And at the  
season he sent a servant to the husbandmen, that they  
should give him of the fruit of the vineyard; but the  
husbandmen beat him, and sent him away empty-handed.  
11 And he sent still another servant; and they beat him  
also, and treated him shamefully, and sent him away  
12 empty-handed. And he went on to send a third; and  
13 they wounded him also, and cast him out. And the  
lord of the vineyard said, What shall I do? I will  
send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.  
14 But when the husbandmen saw him, they reasoned  
among themselves, saying, This is the heir; let us kill  
15 him, that the inheritance may become ours. So they  
cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What  
16 then will the lord of the vineyard do to them? He  
will come and destroy these husbandmen, and will give  
the vineyard to others. And when they heard this,  
17 they said, God forbid! But he, looking upon them,  
said, What then is this which is written, "The stone  
which the builders rejected, the same hath become the  
18 corner-stone"?\* Every one who falleth upon that stone  
will be broken; but on whomever it falleth, it will grind  
him to powder.  
19 And the scribes and the chief priests sought to lay  
hands on him in that hour, but they feared the people;  
for they knew that he spoke this parable against them.  
20 And they kept watch on him, and sent forth spies feign-  
ing themselves to be righteous men, that they might take  
hold of his words, in order to deliver him up to the civil  
21 power and to the authority of the governor. And they

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Ver. 20-26. Comp. Matt. xxii. 15-22; Mark xii. 12-17.

\* Ps. cxviii. 22.

asked him, saying, Teacher, we know that thou sayest and  
 22 teachest rightly, and hast no regard to the person of men,  
 23 but teachest the way of God truly. Is it lawful for us to  
 24 give tribute to Cæsar, or not? But perceiving their crafti-  
 25 ness, he said to them, Show me a denāry. Whose image  
 and inscription hath it? And they answered and said,  
 26 Cæsar's. And he said to them, Render then to Cæsar  
 the things that are Cæsar's, and to God the things  
 27 that are God's. And they could not take hold of his  
 words before the people; and marvelling at his answer,  
 they held their peace.

27 Then some of the Sadducees, who deny that there is a  
 28 resurrection, came to him, and asked him, saying, Teacher,  
 Moses wrote to us, "If a man's brother die, having a  
 wife, and the same die without children, his brother shall  
 29 take his wife, and raise up seed to his brother."\* Now  
 there were seven brothers; and the first took a wife  
 30 and died childless. And the second and the third took  
 31 her; and in like manner also the seven left no children,  
 32 and died. At last the woman also died. In the resurrec-  
 33 tion then, of which of them is the woman the wife? for  
 34 the seven had her for a wife. And Jesus said to them,  
 The sons of this world marry, and are given in marriage;  
 35 but they who have been accounted worthy to obtain that  
 world, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry,  
 36 nor are given in marriage; for they cannot die any more;  
 for they are like the angels, and are sons of God, being  
 37 sons of the resurrection. But that the dead are raised,  
 even Moses hath shown at the Bush, when he calleth the  
 Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the  
 38 God of Jacob.† Now he is not a God of the dead, but  
 39 of the living; for all live to him. Then some of the

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Ver. 27-40. Comp. Matt. xxii. 23-33; Mark xii. 18-27.

\* See Deut. xxv. 5, 6.

† Exod. iii. 6.

scribes answering, said, Teacher, thou hast well said.  
40 For they dared no longer to ask him any question.

41 And he said to them, How is it that men say that the  
42 Christ is David's son? For David himself saith in the  
book of Psalms, "The Lord said to my lord, Sit thou  
43 on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy foot-  
44 stool."\* David then calleth him lord; and how is he  
his son?

45 And in the hearing of all the people he said to his  
46 disciples, Beware of the scribes, who like to walk about  
in long robes, and love salutations in the markets, and  
the chief seats in the synagogues, and the first places  
47 at feasts; who devour widows' houses, and for a pretence  
make long prayers. These will receive a far greater con-  
demnation.

XXI. And he looked up and saw the rich men casting  
2 their gifts into the treasury. And he saw also a certain  
3 poor widow casting in thither two mites. And he said,  
In truth I say to you, that this poor widow hath cast  
4 in more than they all. For all these out of their abun-  
dance cast in to the offerings; but she out of her pen-  
ury cast in all the living that she had.

5 And as some were saying of the temple, that it was  
adorned with goodly stones, and sacred gifts, he said,  
6 As for these things which ye behold, the days will come,  
in which there will not be left here one stone upon an-  
7 other, that will not be thrown down. And they asked  
him, saying, Teacher, when then will these things be?  
and what will be the sign when these things are about

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Ver. 41-44. Comp. Matt. xxii. 41-46; Mark xii. 35-37.

Ver. 45-47. Comp. Matt. xxiii.; Mark xii. 38-40.

Chap. XXI. 1-4. Comp. Mark xii. 41-44.

Ver. 5-36. Comp. Matt. xxiv.; Mark xiii.

\* Ps. cx. 1.

8 to come to pass? And he said, Take heed that ye be not deceived. For many will come in my name, saying, I am  
9 He, and the time is at hand. Go not after them. And when ye hear of wars and tumults, be not terrified; for these things must first come to pass; but not immediately is the end.

10 Then he said to them, Nation will rise against nation,  
11 and kingdom against kingdom; and there will be great earthquakes, and in divers places famines and pestilences; and there will be fearful sights and great signs from  
12 heaven. But before all these things they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to synagogues, and into prisons, and bringing you before  
13 kings and governors on account of my name. It will turn out to you an opportunity for bearing testimony.  
14 Settle it therefore in your hearts not to meditate be-  
15 forehand what ye shall answer. For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries will not be able to withstand or gainsay.

16 And ye will be delivered up both by parents and brothers and kinsmen and friends; and some of you will  
17 they put to death. And ye will be hated by all on ac-  
18 count of my name. But not a hair of your head will be  
19 lost. By your constancy secure your lives.

20 But when ye see Jerusalem encompassed by armies,  
21 then know that her desolation is at hand. Then let those who are in Judæa flee to the mountains; and let those who are within the city go out of it, and let not those in the  
22 open country enter it. For these are days of vengeance,  
23 that all things which are written may be fulfilled. But woe to the women with child, and to those having chil-

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Ver. 12-19. See Matt. x. 17-22.

Ver. 21. — *within the city*; i.e. in Jerusalem. — *open country*; i.e. as distinguished from the city.

dren at the breast, in those days! For there will be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people; 24 and they will fall by the edge of the sword, and will be led away captive into all the nations; and Jerusalem will be trodden down by the gentiles, until the times of the gentiles are fulfilled.

25 And there will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; and on the earth distress of nations, in perplexity 26 at the roaring of the sea and waves; men's hearts failing them from fear, and from looking for those things which are coming on the world; for the powers of the heavens 27 will be shaken. And then will they see the Son of man 28 coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.

29 And he spoke to them a parable: Behold the fig-tree 30 and all the trees; when they have already shot forth, ye see it, and know of yourselves that summer is now 31 nigh at hand. So also, when ye see these things coming to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at 32 hand. Truly do I say to you, that this generation will 33 not pass away, till all shall have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

34 But take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be weighed down with surfeiting and drunkenness and worldly cares, and that day come upon you unawares. 35 For as a snare will it come on all that dwell on the face 36 of the whole earth. But watch at all times, and pray that ye may be able to escape all the things that are about to come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.

37 And during the daytime he was teaching in the temple; but at night he went out, and lodged in the mount called 38 the Mount of Olives. And all the people came early in the morning to him in the temple, to hear him.

XXII. Now the feast of unleavened bread, which is called  
2 the passover, was drawing near; and the chief priests and  
the scribes were seeking how they might kill him; for  
3 they feared the people. And Satan entered into Judas  
called Iscariot, who was of the number of the twelve.  
4 And he went away, and consulted with the chief priests  
5 and captains, how he might deliver him up to them. And  
they were glad, and covenanted to give him money.  
6 And he agreed with them, and sought a good opportunity  
to deliver him up to them in the absence of the multitude.  
7 Then came the day of unleavened bread, when the pass-  
8 over must be killed; and he sent Peter and John, saying,  
Go and make ready for us the passover, that we may eat  
9 it. And they said to him, Where wilt thou that we make  
10 it ready? And he said to them, Lo! when ye have en-  
tered the city, there will meet you a man bearing a pitcher  
of water; follow him into the house where he goeth in;  
11 and ye shall say to the master of the house, The Teacher  
saith to thee, Where is the guest-chamber, where I may eat  
12 the passover with my disciples? And he will show you a  
13 large upper room furnished; there make ready. And they  
went and found as he had said to them; and they made  
ready the passover.  
14 And when the hour had come, he placed himself at table,  
15 and the apostles with him. And he said to them, Earnestly  
have I desired to eat this passover with you, before I suf-  
16 fer. For I say to you, that I shall eat it no more, until it  
17 be fulfilled in the kingdom of God. And he took a cup,  
and gave thanks, and said, Take this, and divide it among

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Chap. XXII. 1, 2. Comp. Matt. xxvi. 1-5; Mark xiv. 1, 2.

Ver. 3-6. Comp. Matt. xxvi. 14-16; Mark xiv. 10, 11.

Ver. 4. — *captains*; i.e. officers commanding the Levitical guard of the temple. Comp. ver. 52.

Ver. 7-38. Comp. Matt. xxvi. 17-29; Mark xiv. 12-25; John xiii.

18 yourselves. For I say to you, that I shall not drink henceforth of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall have come.

19 And he took a loaf, and gave thanks, and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, This is my body, which is given  
20 for you; this do in remembrance of me. And in like manner he took the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is about to be shed for you.

21 But lo! the hand of him that betrayeth me is with me  
22 on the table. For the Son of man indeed goeth away, as it hath been determined; but woe to that man by whom  
23 he is betrayed! And they began to inquire among themselves, which of them it was that was about to do this.

24 And there arose also a contention among them, which  
25 of them should be accounted the greatest. And he said to them, The kings of the nations rule as lords over them, and they who exercise authority over them are called bene-  
26 factors. But it is not to be so with you; but let the greatest among you be as the youngest; and he that is chief,  
27 as he that serveth. For which is greater? he who reclineth at the table, or he who serveth? Is not he that reclineth at the table? But I am in the midst of you as he  
28 who serveth. Ye however are they who have continued  
29 steadfastly with me in my trials. And I appoint to you  
30 a kingdom, as my Father appointed to me; that ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom; and ye shall sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

31 Simon, Simon, lo! Satan hath asked for you, that he  
32 may sift you as wheat. But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not. And do thou, when thou hast returned  
33 to me, strengthen thy brethren. And he said to him, Lord, I am ready to go with thee both to prison and to  
34 death. And he said, I tell thee, Peter, a cock will not

crow this day, till thou hast thrice denied that thou knowest me.

35 And he said to them, When I sent you without purse, or bag, or sandals, were ye in need of anything? And  
36 they said, Of nothing. Then he said to them, But now, he that hath a purse, let him take it, and likewise a bag; and he that hath not, let him sell his garment, and buy a  
37 sword. For I say to you, that this which is written must be accomplished in me: "And he was reckoned among transgressors."\* For that which concerneth me also hath  
38 an end. And they said, Lord, behold, here are two swords. And he said to them, It is enough!

39 And going out, he went, as he was wont, to the Mount  
40 of Olives; and the disciples followed him. And when he was at the place, he said to them, Pray that ye may not  
41 enter into temptation. And he withdrew from them about  
42 a stone's throw; and kneeling down he prayed, saying, Father, if thou art willing to remove this cup from me —  
43 yet not my will, but thine be done! And there appeared  
44 to him an angel from heaven, strengthening him. And being in an agony, he prayed more earnestly. And his  
45 sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling to the  
46 ground. And rising up from prayer, he came to the dis-

47 While he was yet speaking, lo! a multitude, and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, was at the head  
48 of them; and he drew near to Jesus to kiss him. But Jesus said to him, Judas, dost thou betray the Son of man  
49 with a kiss? And they who were about him, seeing what would follow, said, Lord, shall we smite with the sword?

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Ver. 39-53. Comp. Matt. xxvi. 30-56; Mark xiv. 26-52; John xviii. 1-11.

\* Isa. liii. 12.



50 And one of them smote the servant of the high-priest,  
51 and cut off his right ear. But Jesus answering said, Per-  
52 mit thus far; and touched his ear, and healed him. Then  
Jesus said to the chief priests and captains of the temple  
and elders who had come to him, Ye have come out as  
53 against a robber, with swords and clubs; when I was daily  
with you in the temple, ye did not put forth your hands  
against me; but this is your hour, and the power of dark-  
ness.

54 And they seized him, and led him away, and brought  
him into the house of the high-priest. And Peter followed  
afar off.

55 And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the  
court, and had sat down together, Peter sat down among  
56 them. But a certain maid-servant saw him sitting at the  
fire, and steadily looking at him said, This man also was  
57 with him. And he denied him, saying, Woman, I do not  
know him.

58 And after a little while another saw him, and said, Thou  
also art one of them. And Peter said, Man, I am not.

59 And in about one hour's time, another confidently af-  
firmed, saying, In truth this man also was with him; for  
60 he is a Galilæan. And Peter said, Man, I know not what  
thou sayest. And immediately, while he was yet speaking,  
61 a cock crew. And the Lord turned and looked upon Pe-  
ter; and Peter remembered the word of the Lord, that he  
had said to him, Before a cock crows this day, thou wilt  
62 thrice deny me. And he went out, and wept bitterly.

63 And the men that held Jesus mocked him, and beat  
64 him; and having blindfolded him, they asked him, saying,  
65 Prophecy, who is it that struck thee? And many other  
things did they scoffingly say against him.

66 And when it was day, the elders of the people, both  
 chief priests and scribes, came together, and brought him  
 67 before their council, saying, If thou art the Christ, tell us.  
 And he said to them, If I tell you, ye will not believe;  
 68 and if I ask, ye will not answer. But from this time the  
 69 Son of man will sit on the right hand of the power of  
 70 God. Then they all said, Art thou then the Son of God?  
 71 And he said to them, Ye say what is true; for I am. And  
 they said, What further need have we of testimony? For  
 we have ourselves heard from his own mouth.

XXIII. And the whole assemblage of them arose, and car-  
 2 ried him before Pilate. And they began to accuse him,  
 saying, We found this man perverting our nation, and for-  
 bidding to give tribute to Cæsar, and saying that he himself  
 3 is the Christ, the king. And Pilate asked him, saying, Art  
 thou the king of the Jews? And he answering said to him,  
 4 I am. And Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowd,  
 5 I find nothing criminal in this man. But they were the  
 more violent, saying, He stirreth up the people, teaching  
 throughout all Judæa, beginning from Galilee, even to this  
 6 place. And when Pilate heard this, he asked whether the  
 7 man was a Galilæan. And on learning that he belonged  
 to Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who was  
 himself also at Jerusalem at this time.

8 Now Herod, when he saw Jesus, was very glad; for he  
 had been wishing to see him for a long time, because he  
 had heard about him; and he hoped to see some sign  
 9 wrought by him. And he put many questions to him;  
 10 but he gave him no answer. And the chief priests and  
 11 scribes stood vehemently accusing him. And Herod also

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Chap. XXIII. 1-25. Comp. Matt. xxvii. 1-26; Mark xv. 1-15; John  
 xviii. 28-40.

Ver. 2. — *is the Christ, the king.* More closely, *is Christ, king;* or, *is  
 king, the Christ.*

with his guard of soldiers set him at nought and mocked him, and having arrayed him in a gorgeous robe, sent him  
12 back to Pilate. And Herod and Pilate on that day became friends with each other; for they had before been at enmity.

13 And Pilate, when he had called together the chief  
14 priests and the rulers and the people, said to them, Ye have brought to me this man, as one that perverteth the people; and behold, I have examined him before you, and have found nothing in this man to sustain the charges  
15 which ye bring against him. No, nor yet Herod; for he hath sent him back to us; and lo! nothing deserving death  
16 hath been done by him. I will therefore chastise, and re-  
17 lease him. Now it was necessary for him to release to  
18 them one at the feast. And they cried out all at once, saying, Away with this man, and release to us Barabbas;  
19 who, for a certain sedition made in the city, and for murder, had been cast into prison. But Pilate again spoke  
20 to them, wishing to release Jesus. But they cried out, saying, Crucify, crucify him! And he said to them the  
21 third time, Why, what evil hath this man done? I have found him guilty of nothing deserving death; I will there-  
22 fore chastise, and release him. But they were urgent with  
23 loud voices, demanding that he should be crucified; and  
24 their voices prevailed. And Pilate gave sentence that  
25 what they demanded should be done. And he released him who for sedition and murder had been cast into prison, whom they asked for; but Jesus he delivered up to their will.

26 And when they had led him away, they laid hold on one Simon a Cyrenæan, coming out of the country, and laid on him the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus.

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Ver. 17. This verse is bracketed by Tischendorf, as of doubtful genuineness.

Ver. 26-49. Comp. Matt. xxvii. 27-56; Mark xv. 16-41; John xix. 1-30.

- 27 And there followed him a great multitude of the people, and of women who were bewailing and lamenting him.
- 28 But Jesus turning to them said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me; but weep for yourselves, and for your
- 29 children. For lo! the days are coming, in which they will say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never
- 30 bore, and the breasts that never gave nourishment. Then will they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and
- 31 to the hills, Cover us.\* For if they do these things in the green tree, what will be done in the dry?
- 32 And two others, who were malefactors, were led with
- 33 him to be put to death. And when they had come to the place which is called the Skull, they there crucified him, and the malefactors; one on the right hand, and the
- 34 other on the left. And Jesus said, Father, forgive them! for they know not what they do. And they divided his garments, casting lots.
- 35 And the people stood looking on; and the rulers sneered, saying, Others he saved; let him save himself, if this is the
- 36 Christ of God, the chosen one. And the soldiers also came up to him and made sport of him, offering him vinegar,
- 37 and saying, If thou art the king of the Jews, save thyself.
- 38 There was also an inscription over him: "This is the king of the Jews."
- 39 And one of the crucified malefactors railed at him, saying, Art thou not the Christ? save thyself and us. But
- 40 the other answering said, rebuking him, Dost not thou fear God, since thou art in the same condemnation? And we
- 41 indeed justly; for we are receiving the due reward of our
- 42 deeds; but this man hath done nothing amiss. And he said, Jesus, remember me when thou comest in thy king-
- 43 dom. And he said to him, Truly do I say to thee, To-day shalt thou be with me in Paradise.

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\* See Hos. x. 8.

44 And it was now about the sixth hour, and there was  
 45 darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, the  
 sun having failed; and the veil of the temple was rent in  
 46 two. And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and said, Father,  
 into thy hands I commend my spirit!\* And having said  
 this, he expired.

47 And the centurion, seeing what was done, gave glory to  
 48 God, saying, Surely this was a righteous man. And all  
 the multitudes that had come together to that sight, when  
 they had seen the things which were done, returned, beat-  
 49 ing their breasts. And all his acquaintances stood at a  
 distance, and women that came with him from Galilee,  
 beholding these things.

50 And lo! a man named Joseph, of Arimathæa, a city of  
 the Jews, being a councillor, and a good and righteous  
 51 man, who was not consenting to their purpose and deed,  
 52 and was waiting for the kingdom of God,—this man  
 53 went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And  
 he took it down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a  
 tomb that was hewn out of the rock; wherein no one had  
 54 yet lain. And it was the day of preparation, and the sab-  
 bath was now coming on.

55 And the women also, who had come with him from  
 Galilee, followed after, and saw the tomb, and how his  
 56 body was laid. And they returned, and prepared spices  
 and ointments; and on the sabbath they rested, according  
 to the commandment.

XXIV. Now on the first day of the week, very early in the  
 morning, they came to the tomb, bringing the spices which

Ver. 44. — *the whole land.* Otherwise, *the whole earth.*

Ver. 50-56. Comp. Matt. xxvii. 57-61; Mark xv. 42-47; John xix.  
 38-42.

Chap. XXIV. 1-11. Comp. Matt. xxviii. 1-8; Mark xvi. 1-8; John xx.

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\* See Ps. xxxi. 5.

2 they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away  
3 from the tomb; and on entering they found not the body  
4 of the Lord Jesus. And it came to pass, as they were  
5 much perplexed about this, lo! two men stood by them  
6 in glittering apparel; and when they were terrified, and  
7 bowed their faces to the earth, the men said to them,  
8 Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not  
9 here, but hath risen. Remember how he spoke to you  
10 while yet in Galilee, saying, The Son of man must be  
11 delivered up into the hands of sinners, and be crucified, and  
12 rise again on the third day. And they remembered his  
13 words. And returning from the tomb, they told all  
14 these things to the eleven, and to all the rest. It was  
15 Mary the Magdalene, and Joanna, and Mary the mother  
16 of James; and the other women with them told these  
17 things to the apostles. And these words seemed to them  
18 as an idle tale, and they did not believe them.

19 And lo! two of them were going the same day to a  
20 village called Emmaus, distant a hundred and sixty fur-  
21 longs from Jerusalem. And they were conversing to-  
22 gether about all those things which had taken place.  
23 And it came to pass, while they were conversing and  
24 reasoning, that Jesus himself drew near, and went with  
25 them. But their eyes were restrained from knowing  
26 him. And he said to them, What discourse is this which  
27 ye have one with another, as ye are walking? And they  
28 stood sad. And one, whose name was Cleopas, answering  
29 said to him, Art thou the only sojourner in Jerusalem that  
30 doth not know the things which have come to pass there  
31 in these days? And he said to them, What things?  
32 And they said to him, The things relating to Jesus the

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Ver. 12. *But Peter arose and ran to the tomb, and stooping down he saw nothing but the linen cloths lying there, and returned home wondering at what had taken place.* This verse, which is omitted by Tischendorf, is found in many manuscripts. Comp. John xx. 3-10.

Ver. 13-35. Comp. Mark xvi. 12, 13.

Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in word and deed  
20 before God and all the people; and how the chief priests  
and our rulers delivered him up to be condemned to  
21 death, and crucified him. But we are hoping that it is  
he who is to redeem Israel; moreover, besides all this, it  
22 is the third day since these things were done. And fur-  
thermore certain women of our company have amazed us;  
23 for going early to the tomb, they did not find his body,  
and came, saying that they had even seen a vision of  
24 angels, who said that he was alive. And some of those  
who were with us went to the tomb, and found it to be  
as the women had said; but him they saw not.

25 And he said to them, O dull of apprehension, and slow  
of heart to believe all that the Prophets have spoken!  
26 Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these  
27 things, and enter into his glory? And beginning with  
Moses and all the Prophets he explained to them in  
all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

28 And they drew near to the village whither they were  
going; and he made as though he would go further.  
29 But they constrained him, saying, Abide with us, for it  
is towards evening, and the day is now far spent. And  
30 he went in to stay with them. And it came to pass, as  
he was at table with them, that he took the bread, and  
31 blessed it, and broke and gave it to them. And their  
eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished  
32 out of their sight. And they said one to another, Did  
not our hearts burn within us while he talked with us  
on the way, while he opened to us the Scriptures?

33 And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jeru-  
salem; and they found the eleven and those who were  
34 with them gathered together, saying, The Lord hath risen

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Ver. 21. — *we are hoping*, &c. Many ancient manuscripts and nearly  
all the other ancient authorities, read, *we were hoping*, &c.

35 indeed, and hath appeared to Simon. And they told what had happened on the way, and how he became known to them in the breaking of the bread.

36 And while they were thus speaking, he himself stood in  
37 the midst of them. But they were terrified and affrighted,  
38 and supposed that they beheld a spirit. And he said to them, Why are ye troubled? and why do doubts arise in  
39 your hearts? See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and  
41 bones, as ye see me have. And while they still disbelieved for joy, and wondered, he said to them, Have ye  
42 anything here to eat? And they gave him a piece of a  
43 broiled fish. And he took and ate it before them.

44 And he said to them, These are my words which I spoke to you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled which are written in the Law of Moses, and  
45 the Prophets, and the Psalms, concerning me. Then he opened their understanding, that they might understand  
46 the Scriptures. And he said to them, Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer, and should rise from the dead  
47 on the third day, and that repentance for the remission of sins should be preached in his name among all the nations,  
48 beginning at Jerusalem. Ye are witnesses of these things.  
49 And I send forth upon you that which hath been promised by my Father; but do ye tarry in the city, until ye are endued with power from on high.

50 And he led them out as far as to Bethany; and he  
51 lifted up his hands and blessed them. And it came to pass, while he blessed them, that he parted from them.

<sup>52</sup><sub>53</sub> And they returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the temple, praising God.

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Ver. 36-49. Comp. Mark xvi. 14-18; John xx. 19-23; Acts i. 3-8.

Ver. 50-53. Comp. Mark xvi. 19, 20; Acts i. 9-12.



## ACCORDING TO JOHN.

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1. IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with  
2 God, and the Word was God. The same was in the be-  
3 ginning with God. All things were made through him;  
and without him was nothing made that hath been made.  
4 In him is life; and the life was the light of men. And the  
light hath been shining in the darkness; and the darkness  
received it not.

6 There was a man, sent from God, whose name was  
7 John. He came as a witness, to bear witness of the  
8 light, that through him all might believe. He was not  
9 the light, but came to bear witness of the light. The  
true light, which enlighteneth every man, was coming  
10 into the world. He was in the world, and the world  
was made through him, and the world knew him not.

11 He came to his own, and his own received him not. But  
12 as many as received him, to them he gave power to be-  
come children of God,—to those who believed in his  
13 name; who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of  
the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

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Ver. 3. — *through him*. Otherwise, *through it*; the Greek pronoun in its relation to the Word in this prologue being, in itself considered, ambiguous.

Ver. 5. — *the light hath been shining, &c.* i.e. Ever since the first sin of man, the light of the Word has been present in the world to dispel its darkness by the communication of some ideas concerning God and the true way of serving him, both to every man by inward inspiration and the works of nature and providence, and also by patriarchs and prophets; and lastly by Christ, in whom the Word became flesh, and by the apostles who followed him.

14 And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, full  
of grace and truth; and we beheld his glory, a glory as  
15 of an only begotten of a father. John beareth witness of  
him, and crieth, saying, This was he of whom I said, He  
that cometh after me hath gone before me; for he was  
16 before me. For out of his fulness have we all received,  
17 and grace upon grace. For the Law was given through  
18 Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No  
one hath ever seen God; the only begotten God, who is  
in the bosom of the Father, he hath made him known.

19 And this is the witness of John, when the Jews sent  
priests and Levites from Jerusalem, to ask him, Who art  
20 thou? And he declared, and did not deny; and he de-  
21 clared, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What  
then? Art thou Elijah? And he said, I am not. Art  
22 thou the prophet? And he answered, No. They said  
therefore to him, Who art thou? that we may give an  
answer to those who sent us; what sayest thou of thy-  
23 self? He said, I am "a voice of one crying aloud in the  
wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord,"\* as said  
24 Isaiah the prophet. And they were sent from the Phari-  
25 sees; and they asked him and said to him, Why then dost  
thou baptize, if thou art not the Christ, nor Elijah, nor  
26 the prophet? John answered them, saying, I baptize in  
water. There standeth one among you whom ye know  
27 not, he who cometh after me, the latchet of whose sandal

Ver. 14. — *dwelt*; literally, *tabernacled*. — *glory as of an only begotten of a father*. Here the comparison is not with other sons, but with the abstract idea of sonship. In the Word become flesh, the Son of God, was seen a glory such as it was fit and natural that an only begotten son should have.

Ver. 15. — *hath gone*; literally, *hath become*.

Ver. 18. — *only begotten God*. In many ancient manuscripts, and most of the ancient versions, including the two oldest, *only begotten Son*. [Tischendorf in his eighth edition (1868) has adopted the reading *Son*. — A.]

Ver. 19–34. See Matt. iii. 1–17; Mark i. 1–11; Luke iii. 1–22.

\* Isa. xl. 3.

28 I am not worthy to loose. These things took place in Bethany beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

29 The next day he seeth Jesus coming to him, and saith, Behold, the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sin of  
30 the world! This is he of whom I said, After me cometh a man, who hath gone before me; for he was before  
31 me. And I knew him not; but that he might be made manifest to Israel, therefore I came baptizing in water.  
32 And John bore witness, saying, I have seen the Spirit descending as a dove from heaven, and it abode upon him.  
33 And I knew him not; but he who sent me to baptize in water, the same said to me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending and abiding on him, he it is that baptizeth in the Holy Spirit. And I have seen and have borne witness, that this is the Son of God.

35 On the morrow John was again standing, and two of his  
36 disciples; and looking upon Jesus as he was walking, he  
37 saith, Behold, the Lamb of God! The two disciples heard  
38 him speaking, and they followed Jesus. Jesus turning and seeing them following, saith to them, What seek ye? And they said to him, Rabbi, (that is to say, when interpreted,  
39 Teacher,) where dost thou dwell? He saith to them, Come, and ye shall see. They came therefore and saw where he dwelt; and they abode with him that day. It was about the tenth hour.

40 One of the two who heard what John said, and followed him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first findeth his own brother Simon, and saith to him, We have found the Messiah; (which is, when interpreted, the  
42 Christ.) He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looking upon him said, Thou art Simon, the son of John; thou shalt be called Cephas; (which signifieth Peter, that is, Rock.)

43 On the morrow he determined to go forth into Galilee, and findeth Philip. And Jesus saith to him, Follow  
44 me. Now Philip was of Bethsaida, the city of Andrew

45 and Peter. Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith to him,  
 We have found him of whom Moses in the Law, and  
 the Prophets wrote, Jesus, the son of Joseph, who is of  
 46 Nazareth. And Nathanael said to him, Can any good  
 thing come out of Nazareth? Philip saith to him, Come  
 47 and see. Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and saith  
 of him, Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile.  
 48 Nathanael saith to him, Whence dost thou know me?  
 Jesus answered and said to him, Before Philip called  
 thee, when thou wast under the fig-tree, I saw thee.  
 49 Nathanael answered him, Rabbi, thou art the Son of  
 50 God, thou art the king of Israel. Jesus answered and  
 said to him, Because I said to thee, I saw thee under  
 the fig-tree, dost thou believe? Thou shalt see greater  
 51 things than these. And he saith to him, Truly, truly do  
 I say to you, Ye will see heaven opened, and the angels  
 of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man.

II. And on the third day there was a marriage-feast in  
 Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there.  
 2 And both Jesus and his disciples were invited to the  
 3 feast. And they had no wine, because the wine of the  
 feast had failed. Then the mother of Jesus saith to  
 4 him, There is no wine. Jesus saith to her, Woman, what  
 5 have I to do with thee? My hour is not yet come. His  
 mother saith to the servants, Whatever he saith to you,  
 6 do it. Now there were set there six water-pots of stone,  
 in conformity with the Jews' custom of purifying, contain-  
 7 ing two or three firkins apiece. Jesus saith to them, Fill  
 the water-pots with water. And they filled them up to the  
 8 brim. And he saith to them, Draw out now, and bear it  
 9 to the master of the feast. And they bore it. But when

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Chap. II. 6. — *two or three firkins*; i.e. from eighteen to twenty-seven gallons.

the master of the feast tasted the water that had been made wine, not knowing whence it was, — but the servants who drew the water knew, — he called the bridegroom and said to him, Every man setteth on the good wine first, and when men have drunk freely, that which is worse.

11 Thou hast kept the good wine until now. This beginning of the signs Jesus made in Cana of Galilee, and manifested his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

12 After this he went down to Capernaum, he and his mother, and his brothers, and his disciples; and they abode there not many days.

13 And the passover of the Jews was near; and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. And he found in the temple those who sold oxen, and sheep, and doves, and the money-changers sitting. And having made a scourge of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, both the sheep and the oxen; and poured out the money of the exchangers, and overthrew the tables; and said to those who sold the doves, Take these things hence; make not my Father's house a house of merchandise. His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for thy house will consume me."\* The Jews therefore answered and said to him, What sign dost thou show us, seeing thou doest these things? Jesus answered and said to them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up. Then said the Jews, Forty-six years was this temple building; and wilt thou raise it up in three days? But he spoke of the temple of his body. When therefore he had risen from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the Scripture, and the word which Jesus had spoken.

23 And when he was in Jerusalem at the passover, at the

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Ver. 13-17. Matt. xxi. 12, 13; Mark xi. 15-17; Luke xix. 45, 46.

\* Ps. lxi. 9.

feast, many believed in his name, when they saw his signs  
 24 which he wrought. But Jesus did not trust himself to  
 25 them, because he knew all men; and had no need that  
 any one should testify concerning man; for he himself  
 knew what was in man.

III. And there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicode-  
 2 mus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to him by night,  
 and said to him, Rabbi, we know that thou hast come as a  
 teacher from God; for no one can do these signs which  
 3 thou doest, unless God be with him. Jesus answered and  
 said to him, Truly, truly do I say to thee, Unless a man  
 4 be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nico-  
 demus saith to him, How can a man be born when he is  
 old? Can he enter his mother's womb a second time, and  
 5 be born? Jesus answered, Truly, truly do I say to thee,  
 Unless a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he can-  
 6 not enter the kingdom of heaven. That which is born of  
 the flesh, is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit,  
 7 is spirit. Marvel not that I said to thee, Ye must be born  
 8 again. The wind bloweth where it will; and thou hear-  
 est the sound thereof, but knowest not whence it cometh,  
 and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the  
 9 Spirit. Nicodemus answered and said to him, How can  
 10 these things be? Jesus answered and said to him, Art  
 thou the teacher of Israel, and understandest not these  
 11 things? Truly, truly do I say to thee, We speak that  
 which we know, and testify that which we have seen;  
 12 and ye receive not our testimony. If I have told you  
 earthly things, and ye believe not, how will ye believe  
 13 if I tell you heavenly things? And no one hath ascended  
 into heaven, but he who came down from heaven, even  
 14 the Son of man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in

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Ver. 3. — *born again.* Possibly, *born from above.*

Ver. 13. Many manuscripts add the words, *who is in heaven.*

the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up ;  
15 that every one who believeth in him may have everlasting  
life.

16 For God so loved the world, that he gave the only be-  
gotten Son, that every one who believeth in him may not  
17 perish, but may have everlasting life. For God sent not  
the Son into the world to condemn the world, but that  
18 through him the world might be saved. He that believ-  
eth in him is not condemned ; he that believeth not hath  
already been condemned, because he hath not believed in  
19 the name of the only begotten Son of God. And this is  
the condemnation, that the light hath come into the world,  
and men loved the darkness rather than the light ; for  
20 their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hat-  
eth the light, and cometh not to the light, lest his deeds  
21 should be reprov'd. But he that doeth the truth cometh  
to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that  
they are wrought in God.

22 After these things Jesus and his disciples came into  
the land of Judæa ; and there he remained with them,  
23 and baptized. And John also was baptizing in Ænon,  
near Salim, because there was much water there ; and  
24 they came, and were baptized. For John was not yet  
25 thrown into prison. Then there arose a question on the  
part of John's disciples with a Jew about purifying.  
26 And they came to John, and said to him, Rabbi, he  
who was with thee beyond the Jordan, to whom thou  
hast borne witness, behold, he baptizeth, and all men are  
27 going to him. John answered and said, A man can re-  
28 ceive nothing, unless it be given him from heaven. Ye  
yourselves bear me witness, that I said, I am not the  
29 Christ, but that I was sent before that man. He that  
hath the bride is the bridegroom ; but the friend of  
the bridegroom, who standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth  
greatly because of the bridegroom's voice. This my joy

30 then hath become full. He must increase, but I must  
 31 decrease. He that cometh from above is above all. He  
 that is from the earth is earthly, and speaketh earthly  
 32 things; he that cometh from heaven testifieth what he  
 hath seen and heard; and no one receiveth his testi-  
 33 mony. He that hath received his testimony hath set his  
 34 seal that God is true. For he whom God sent speak-  
 eth the words of God; for he giveth not the Spirit by  
 35 measure. The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all  
 36 things into his hand. He that believeth in the Son hath  
 everlasting life; and he that disobeyeth the Son shall not  
 see life, but the wrath of God abideth on him.

IV. When therefore Jesus knew that the Pharisees had  
 heard that Jesus made and baptized more disciples than  
 2 John, (though Jesus himself did not baptize, but his dis-  
 3 ciples,) he left Judæa, and went again to Galilee. And he  
 5 must necessarily pass through Samaria. He cometh there-  
 fore to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the piece of  
 6 land which Jacob gave to his son Joseph. And Jacob's  
 well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied with the  
 journey, was sitting thus by the well. It was about the  
 sixth hour.

7 There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water.  
 8 Jesus saith to her, Give me to drink. For his disciples  
 9 had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samari-  
 tan woman saith to him, How is it that thou, who  
 art a Jew, askest drink of me, who am a Samaritan  
 woman? For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.  
 10 Jesus answered and said to her, If thou hadst known

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Ver. 31. Literally, *He that is from the earth is from the earth, and speaketh from the earth.*

Ver. 9. *For Jews, &c.* This sentence is bracketed by Tischendorf, as of doubtful genuineness.



the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink, thou wouldst have asked of him, and he  
11 would have given thee living water. The woman saith to him, Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with, and the  
12 well is deep. Whence hast thou the living water? Art thou greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his sons, and his  
13 cattle? Jesus answered and said to her, Every one that drinketh of this water, will thirst again; but whoever drinketh of the water that I will give him, will never  
14 thirst; but the water that I will give him will become within him a well of water springing up to everlasting  
15 life. The woman saith to him, Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come hither to draw. He saith  
17 to her, Go, call thy husband, and come hither. The woman answered, I have no husband. Jesus saith to her,  
18 Thou saidst well, that thou hast no husband. For thou hast had five husbands; and he whom thou now hast is  
19 not thy husband; in this thou hast spoken truly. The woman saith to him, Sir, I perceive that thou art a  
20 prophet. Our fathers worshipped on this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought  
21 to worship. Jesus saith to her, Believe me, woman, the hour is coming, when ye shall neither on this mountain,  
22 nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. Ye worship that which ye know not; we worship that which we know;  
23 for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshippers will worship the  
Father in spirit and in truth; for such worshippers the  
24 Father seeketh. God is a spirit; and they who worship must worship in spirit and in truth.

25 The woman saith to him, I know that Messiah cometh (who is called Christ); when he hath come, he will tell  
26 us all things. Jesus saith to her, I who speak to thee  
27 am he. And upon this his disciples came, and marvelled

that he was talking with a woman. Yet no one said, What  
28 dost thou seek? or, Why dost thou talk with her? The  
woman then left her water-pot, and went away into the  
29 city, and saith to the men, Come, see a man who told  
me all things which I have done. Is this the Christ?  
30 They went out of the city, and came to him.

31 In the mean while the disciples asked him, saying,  
32 Rabbi, eat. But he said to them, I have food to eat  
33 that ye know not of. The disciples therefore said to  
one another, Hath any one brought him anything to eat?  
34 Jesus saith to them, My food is to do the will of him  
35 that sent me, and to finish his work. Do ye not say,  
There are yet four months, and the harvest cometh?  
Lo! I say to you, lift up your eyes, and look on the  
36 fields, that they are white for harvest. Already is the  
reaper receiving wages, and gathering fruit unto ever-  
lasting life; that both the sower and the reaper may  
37 rejoice together. And herein is fulfilled the true say-  
38 ing, One soweth, and another reapeth. I have sent you  
to reap that whereon ye have not labored. Others have  
labored, and ye have entered into their labor.

39 And many of the Samaritans of that city believed  
in him because of the words of the woman, who testified,  
40 He told me all things which I have done. When therefore  
the Samaritans came to him, they besought him to remain  
41 with them; and he remained there two days. And many  
42 more believed on account of his word; and said to the  
woman, No longer do we believe on account of what  
thou hast told us; for we have ourselves heard him, and  
know that this is in truth the Saviour of the world.

43 And after the two days he went from that place into  
44 Galilee. For Jesus himself testified, that a prophet hath  
45 no honor in his own country. When therefore he came  
into Galilee, the Galilæans received him, having seen all  
that he did in Jerusalem at the feast; for they also went

46 to the feast. So he came again into Cana of Galilee, where he made the water wine.

And there was a certain nobleman, whose son was 47 sick, at Capernaum. He, having heard that Jesus had come out of Judæa into Galilee, went to him, and asked him to go down and heal his son; for he was at the 48 point of death. Then Jesus said to him, Unless ye see 49 signs and wonders, ye will not believe. The nobleman 50 saith to him, Sir, come down before my child die. Jesus saith to him, Go; thy son liveth. The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him, and went away. 51 And as he was now going down, the servants met him, 52 and brought word that his child was living. Then he inquired of them the hour when he began to mend. And they said to him, Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever 53 left him. So the father knew that it was in the same hour in which Jesus said to him, Thy son is living. And 54 he himself believed, and his whole house. This again, a second sign, Jesus wrought, when he had come out of Judæa into Galilee.

V. After these things there was the feast of the Jews, and 2 Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is at Jerusalem, by the sheep-gate, a pool, which is called in Hebrew 3 Bethzatha, having five porches. In these were lying a 5 multitude of diseased persons, blind, lame, withered. And a certain man was there, who had had his infirmity thirty- 6 eight years. Jesus saw this man lying there, and knowing that he had been for a long time diseased, saith to him, 7 Dost thou wish to be made well? The diseased man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool; but while I am coming, 8 another goeth down before me. Jesus saith to him, Rise, 9 take up thy bed, and walk. And immediately the man was made well, and took up his bed, and walked.

10 And that day was the sabbath. The Jews therefore  
said to him that was cured, It is the sabbath ; and it is  
11 not lawful for thee to take up the bed. He answered  
them, He that made me well, the same said to me,  
12 Take up thy bed, and walk. They asked him, Who is  
13 the man that said to thee, Take up, and walk? But the  
diseased man knew not who it was ; for Jesus had with-  
14 drawn himself, there being a crowd in the place. After-  
wards Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him,  
Behold, thou art made well ; sin no more, lest something  
15 worse befall thee. The man went away, and told the Jews  
16 that it was Jesus who had made him well. And on this  
account the Jews persecuted Jesus, because he did these  
17 things on the sabbath. But he answered them, My Father  
18 is working up to this time, and I work. On this account  
the Jews sought the more to kill him, because he not  
only broke the sabbath, but also said that God was his  
19 own Father, making himself equal with God. Then  
answered Jesus and said to them, Truly, truly do I say  
to you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what  
he seeth the Father doing ; for whatever He doeth, these  
20 things the Son also doeth in like manner ; for the Father  
loveth the Son, and showeth him all things which he him-  
self doeth ; and greater works than these will he show him,  
21 so that ye will wonder. For as the Father raiseth up the  
dead, and giveth them life, so the Son also giveth life to  
22 whom he will. For neither doth the Father judge any  
23 one, but hath committed all judgment to the Son ; that  
all may honor the Son, as they honor the Father. He  
that honoreth not the Son, honoreth not the Father, who  
sent him.

24 Truly, truly do I say to you, He that heareth my word,  
and believeth him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and  
cometh not into condemnation, but hath passed out of  
25 death into life. Truly, truly do I say to you, The hour

is coming and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and they that hear will live.  
26 For as the Father hath life in himself, so did he give  
27 to the Son also to have life in himself. And he gave  
him authority to execute judgment, because he is a son  
28 of man. Marvel not at this; for the hour is coming, in  
29 which all that are in the tombs will hear his voice, and  
will come forth, they that have done good, to a resurrection of life; they that have done evil, to a resurrection of condemnation.

30 I can of myself do nothing. As I hear, I judge; and my judgment is just, because I seek not my own will, but the will of him that sent me.

31 If I bear witness of myself, my witness is not true.  
32 There is another who beareth witness of me; and ye know that the witness which he witnesseth of me is true.  
33 Ye have sent to John, and he hath borne witness to the  
34 truth. But the testimony which I receive is not from man; but these things I say, that ye may be saved.  
35 He was the burning and shining lamp: and ye were  
36 willing for a season to rejoice in his light. But the testimony which I have, is greater than that of John; for the works which the Father hath given me to perform, the works themselves which I do, bear witness of  
37 me, that the Father hath sent me. And the Father who sent me, he hath borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his form.  
38 And ye have not his word abiding in you; for whom he sent, him ye believe not.

39 Ye search the Scriptures, because ye yourselves think that in them ye have everlasting life; and it is they  
40 which testify of me; and ye are not willing to come  
41 to me, that ye may have life. I receive not honor from  
42 men; but I know you, that ye have not the love of God  
43 in you. I have come in my Father's name, and ye

receive me not; if another come in his own name, him  
44 ye will receive. How can ye believe while ye receive  
honor from one another, and seek not the honor that is  
45 from him who alone is God? Do not think that I shall  
accuse you to the Father; there is one that accuseth you,  
46 even Moses, in whom ye have placed your hope. For  
if ye believed Moses, ye would believe me; for he wrote  
47 of me. But if ye do not believe his writings, how will  
ye believe my words?

VI. After these things Jesus went away across the lake  
2 of Galilee, that of Tiberias. And a great multitude  
followed him, because they saw the signs which he  
3 wrought on the diseased. And Jesus went up into the  
4 mountain, and sat there with his disciples. And the pass-  
5 over, the feast of the Jews, was near. Jesus then lifting  
up his eyes, and seeing that a great crowd was coming  
to him, saith to Philip, Whence are we to buy bread, that  
6 these may eat? But this he said to try him; for he  
7 himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered  
him, Two hundred denāries' worth of bread is not suffi-  
8 cient for them, that each one may take a little. One of  
his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith to him,  
9 There is a lad here, who hath five barley-loaves, and two  
10 small fishes; but what are they among so many? Jesus  
said, Make the men lie down. Now there was much grass  
in the place. So the men lay down, in number about five  
11 thousand. Jesus then took the loaves, and having given  
thanks, distributed to those that were lying down; in like  
12 manner also of the fishes, as much as they desired. And  
when they were filled, he saith to his disciples, Gather up  
the fragments that remain over, that nothing may be lost.  
13 So they gathered them up, and filled twelve baskets with

the fragments of the five barley-loaves, which remained over and above to those that had eaten.

14 The men therefore seeing the sign which he wrought, said, This is truly the prophet that was to come into the  
15 world. Jesus therefore, knowing that they were about to come and take him by force to make him a king, withdrew again to the mountain alone.

16 But when evening came, his disciples went down to the  
17 lake, and having gone on board a boat, were going over the lake to Capernaum. And darkness had overtaken  
18 them, and Jesus had not yet come to them. And as a  
19 strong wind was blowing, the waves ran high. When therefore they had rowed about twenty-five or thirty  
20 furlongs, they saw Jesus walking on the lake, and drawing  
21 near the boat; and they were afraid. But he saith to them, It is I, be not afraid. Then they were willing to receive him into the boat; and immediately the boat was at the land whither they were going.

22 The day following, the multitude which stood on the other side of the lake having seen that there was no other boat there but one, and that Jesus did not go with his disciples into the boat, but that his disciples  
23 went away alone, (but there came other boats from Tiberias near the place where they ate the bread, when  
24 the Lord had given thanks;) when therefore the multitude saw that Jesus was not there nor his disciples, they went on board the boats, and came to Capernaum, seeking Jesus.

25 And having found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, Rabbi, when didst thou come hither?  
26 Jesus answered them and said, Truly, truly do I say to you, Ye seek me, not because ye saw signs, but because  
27 ye ate of the loaves, and were filled. Labor not for the

food that perisheth, but for the food that endureth to everlasting life, which the Son of man giveth to you; 28 for on him hath the Father set his seal, even God. Then they said to him, What are we to do, that we may work 29 the works of God? Jesus answered and said to them, This is the work of God, that ye believe in him whom 30 he sent. They said therefore to him, What sign doest thou, that we may see, and believe thee? What dost 31 thou work? Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to 32 eat."\* Jesus therefore said to them, Truly, truly do I say to you, Moses hath not given you the bread from heaven; but my Father is giving you the true bread 33 from heaven. For the bread of God is that which is coming down from heaven, and giving life to the world.

34 They said therefore to him, Lord, evermore give us this 35 bread. Jesus therefore said to them, I am the bread of life; he that cometh to me will not hunger; and he that 36 believeth in me will never thirst. But I said to you, 37 that ye have even seen, and do not believe. All that the Father giveth me will come to me; and him that cometh 38 to me I will in no wise cast out; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him 39 that sent me. And this is the will of him that sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, 40 but should raise it up in the last day. For this is the will of my Father, that every one who looketh on the Son and believeth in him, shall have everlasting life; and I will raise him up in the last day.

41 The Jews therefore murmured about him, because he said, I am the bread which came down from heaven; 42 and they said, Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, one whose father and mother we know? How is it then that 43 this man saith, I have come down from heaven? Jesus

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\* Ps. lxxviii. 24.



therefore answered and said to them, Murmur not among  
44 yourselves. No one can come to me, unless the Father,  
who sent me, draw him: and I will raise him up in the  
45 last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall  
all be taught of God."\* Every one that hath heard the  
46 Father, and hath learnt from him, cometh to me. Not  
that any one hath seen the Father, but he who is from  
47 God; he hath seen the Father. Truly, truly do I say to  
48 you, He that believeth hath everlasting life. I am the  
49 bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the wilder-  
50 ness, and died. This is the bread which is coming down  
51 from heaven, that one may eat of it and not die. I am the  
living bread which came down from heaven; if any one  
eat of my bread, he will live for ever. Yea, and the bread  
which I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.

52 The Jews therefore contended with one another, saying,  
53 How can this man give us his flesh to eat? Jesus there-  
fore said to them, Truly, truly do I say to you, Unless ye  
eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, ye  
54 have no life in you. He that eateth my flesh and drink-  
eth my blood hath everlasting life; and I will raise him  
55 up in the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my  
56 blood is true drink. He that eateth my flesh and drink-  
57 eth my blood dwelleth in me, and I in him. As the liv-  
ing Father sent me, and I live by reason of the Father;  
so he that eateth me, he also shall live by reason of me.  
58 This is the bread which came down from heaven; not as  
the fathers ate, and died; he that eateth this bread will  
59 live for ever. These things he said in a synagogue, while  
teaching in Capernaum.

60 Many therefore of his disciples, when they heard this,  
61 said, This teaching is hard; who can listen to it? Jesus  
therefore knew within himself that his disciples were

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\* Isa. liv. 13.

murmuring about this, and said to them, Doth this offend  
62 you? What then if ye behold the Son of man ascending  
63 where he was before? It is the spirit which maketh  
alive; the flesh profiteth nothing. The words which I  
64 have spoken to you are spirit, and are life. But there  
are some of you who do not believe. For Jesus knew  
from the beginning who they were that did not believe,  
65 and who it was that would betray him. And he said,  
For this cause I have told you, that no one can come to  
me, unless it hath been given him from the Father.

66 From this time many of his disciples went back, and  
67 walked no more with him. Jesus therefore said to the  
68 twelve, Do ye also wish to go away? Simon Peter  
answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast  
69 words of everlasting life; and we have believed and  
70 known, that thou art the Holy One of God. Jesus an-  
swered them, Did not I choose you twelve? and one of  
71 you is a devil! He spoke of Judas, the son of Simon  
Iscariot; for it was he that was about to betray him,  
being one of the twelve.

VII. After these things Jesus walked in Galilee; for he  
would not walk in Judæa, because the Jews sought to kill  
2 him. Now the feast of the Jews, the feast of tabernacles,  
3 was at hand. His brothers therefore said to him, Depart  
hence, and go into Judæa, that thy disciples also may  
4 see thy works which thou art doing. For no one doeth  
anything in secret, and yet himself seeketh to be known  
openly. If thou doest these things, manifest thyself to  
5 the world. For even his brothers did not believe in him.  
6 Jesus saith to them, My time is not yet come; but your  
7 time is always ready. The world cannot hate you; but  
me it hateth, because I testify of it, that its works are  
8 evil. Go ye up to the feast; I go not up to this feast;  
for my time is not yet fully come.

9 Having said these things, he remained in Galilee. But  
when his brothers had gone up to the feast, then he also  
11 went up, not openly, but as it were in secret. The Jews  
therefore sought him at the feast, and said, Where is that  
12 man? And there was much debating among the multitude  
concerning him. Some said, He is a good man; others  
13 said, Nay, but he deceiveth the multitude. No one, how-  
ever, spoke openly of him, for fear of the Jews.

14 But when it was now the midst of the feast, Jesus  
15 went up into the temple and taught. The Jews therefore  
 marvelled, saying, How knoweth this man letters, having  
16 never learned? Jesus therefore answered them, and said,  
17 My teaching is not mine, but his that sent me. If any  
one is desirous to do his will, he will know concerning the  
teaching, whether it is from God, or whether I speak from  
18 myself. He that speaketh from himself seeketh his own  
glory; but he that seeketh the glory of him that sent  
19 him, he is true, and in him is no unrighteousness. Hath  
not Moses given you the Law? and none of you keepeth  
20 the Law! Why do ye seek to kill me? The multitude  
answered, Thou hast a demon! Who seeketh to kill thee?  
21 Jesus answered and said to them, I have done one good  
22 work, and ye are all wondering. Moses hath given you  
circumcision, (not that it is from Moses, but from the  
23 fathers;) and ye on the sabbath circumcise a man. If a  
man receive circumcision on the sabbath, that the law of  
Moses may not be broken, are ye angry at me, because I  
have restored soundness to the whole body of a man on  
24 the sabbath? Judge not according to the appearance, but  
judge righteous judgment.

25 Then some of the men of Jerusalem said, Is not this he  
26 whom they seek to kill? and see! he speaketh boldly, and

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Ver. 12. — *debating*. The Greek, for which we have no exactly corre-  
sponding word, seems to indicate that it was in a low voice.

they say nothing to him. Have the rulers discovered cer-  
27 tainly that this man is the Christ? Still, as to this man,  
we know whence he is; but when the Christ cometh, no  
one knoweth whence he is.

28 Jesus therefore cried aloud, teaching in the temple and  
saying, Ye both know me, and ye know whence I am;  
and I have not come of myself, but there is in truth one  
29 who sent me, whom ye know not. I know him, because  
I am from him, and he hath sent me.

30 Therefore they sought to take him; but no one laid  
31 hands on him, because his hour had not yet come. But  
of the multitude many believed in him, and said, When  
the Christ cometh, will he do more signs than these  
32 which this man doeth? The Pharisees heard the multi-  
tude thus debating concerning him; and the chief priests  
and the Pharisees sent officers to seize him.

33 Jesus therefore said, Yet a little while I am with you,  
34 and then I go to him that sent me. Ye will seek me and  
35 not find me; and where I am, ye cannot come. The Jews  
therefore said among themselves, Whither will this man  
go, that we shall not find him? Will he go to the dis-  
36 persed among the Greeks, and teach the Greeks? What  
meaneth this which he said, Ye will seek me, and not find  
me; and where I am, ye cannot come?

37 On the last day, which is the great day, of the feast,  
Jesus stood and cried aloud, saying, If any one thirst, let  
38 him come to me, and drink. He that believeth in me,  
from within him, as the Scripture hath said, will flow  
39 rivers of living water. But this he said of the Spirit,  
which those that believed in him were to receive; for  
the Spirit was not yet, because Jesus was not yet glori-  
40 fied. Some of the multitude therefore, when they heard  
41 these words, said, This is in truth the prophet. Others  
said, This is the Christ. Others said, Doth the Christ  
42 then come from Galilee? Hath not the Scripture said,

that the Christ cometh from the seed of David, and from  
 43 Bethlehem, the town where David was? So there was  
 44 a division among the multitude because of him. And  
 some of them wished to seize him; but no one laid hands  
 on him.

45 The officers therefore came to the chief priests and  
 Pharisees, who said to them, Why did ye not bring him?  
 46 The officers answered, Never man spoke like this man.  
 47 The Pharisees answered them, Have ye also been de-  
 48 ceived? Hath any one of the rulers believed in him?  
 49 or of the Pharisees? but this multitude that know not  
 50 the Law are accursed. Nicodemus saith to them, being  
 51 one of them, Doth our law judge a man, unless it first  
 52 hear from him, and know what he doeth? They an-  
 swered and said to him, Art thou too from Galilee?  
 Search and see that no prophet ariseth from Galilee.

Chap. VII. 53-VIII. 12. — This passage is omitted as ungenueine by Tischendorf and most critical editors of the Greek Testament. It is found in some manuscripts, but not in the most ancient. It is, however, very generally regarded as a genuine relic of the teaching of Christ, though not forming a part of the fourth Gospel. I give it in the text of Tregelles, omitting the words which he incloses in brackets. Tregelles, however, does not suppose it to be genuine.

<sup>53</sup>  
 1 *And they went each to his house; but Jesus went to the mount of Olives.*  
 2 *And early in the morning he came again to the temple, and all the people*  
 3 *were coming to him. And he sat down and taught them. And the scribes*  
 4 *and the Pharisees bring to him a woman taken in adultery; and having*  
 5 *set her in the midst, they say to him, Teacher, this woman was taken in*  
 6 *adultery, in the very act. Now in the Law Moses commanded us to stone*  
 7 *such persons; what then dost thou say? But this they said to try him, that*  
 8 *they might be able to accuse him. But Jesus stooped down, and with his*  
 9 *finger wrote on the ground. But when they continued asking him, he*  
 10 *lifted himself up, and said to them, Let him that is without sin among*  
 11 *you first cast a stone at her. And again he stooped down, and wrote on*  
 the ground. And when they heard this, they went out one by one, begin-  
 ning with the oldest; and Jesus was left alone, and the woman who was in  
 the midst. And Jesus lifted himself up and said to her, Woman, where are  
 they? Did no one condemn thee? And she said, No one, Lord. And Jesus  
 said, Neither do I condemn thee; go, and sin no more.

## VIII.

- 12 Again therefore Jesus spoke to them, saying, I am the  
light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in  
13 the darkness, but shall have the light of life. The Phari-  
sees therefore said to him, Thou bearest witness of thy-  
14 self; thy witness is not true. Jesus answered and said to  
them, Though I bear witness of myself, my witness is true;  
for I know whence I came, and whither I go; ye know not  
15 whence I come, or whither I go. Ye judge according to the  
16 flesh; I judge no one. But even if I myself should judge,  
my judgment is true, because I am not alone, but I and  
17 he who sent me. Moreover, it is written in your law, that  
18 the witness of two men is true.\* I am one who bear wit-  
ness of myself, and the Father who sent me beareth witness  
19 of me. They said therefore to him, Where is thy Father?  
Jesus answered, Ye know neither me, nor my Father. If  
20 ye knew me, ye would know my Father also. These words  
he spoke in the treasury, while teaching in the temple; and  
no one laid hands on him, because his hour had not yet  
come.
- 21 Again therefore he said to them, I go away, and ye will  
seek me, and will die in your sin. Whither I go, ye can-  
22 not come. The Jews therefore said, Will he kill himself,  
23 that he saith, Whither I go, ye cannot come? And he said  
to them, Ye are from beneath, I am from above; ye are  
24 of this world, I am not of this world. Therefore I said to  
you, that ye will die in your sins; for unless ye believe  
25 that I am He, ye will die in your sins. They said there-  
fore to him, Who art thou? Jesus said to them, In the  
26 first place, I am just that which I speak to you. I have  
many things to say, and to judge, concerning you; but he

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Ver. 25. The meaning seems to be, that they might judge what he was from his discourses. He was to be known by his teaching, rather than by a mere name.

\* Deut. xix. 15.

who sent me is true; and I speak to the world what I  
 27 heard from him. They understood not that he spoke to  
 28 them of the Father. Jesus therefore said, When ye have  
 lifted up the Son of man, then ye will know that I am  
 He, and do nothing of myself, but speak these things as  
 29 the Father taught me. And he that sent me is with me;  
 he hath not left me alone, for I always do the things that  
 please him.

<sup>30</sup>  
<sup>31</sup> As he spoke these words, many believed in him. Jesus  
 therefore said to those Jews who believed in him, If ye  
 32 continue in my word, ye are truly my disciples; and ye  
 will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.  
 33 They answered him, We are Abraham's offspring, and have  
 never been in bondage to any one; how sayest thou, Ye  
 34 will be made free? Jesus answered them, Truly, truly do  
 I say to you, Every one that committeth sin is a bond-  
 35 servant of sin. And the bond-servant abideth not in the  
 36 house for ever; the son abideth for ever. If therefore the  
 37 Son make you free, ye will be free indeed. I know that  
 ye are Abraham's offspring; but ye seek to kill me, be-  
 38 cause my word is not received within you. I speak what  
 I have seen with the Father; and ye accordingly do what  
 39 ye have seen with your father. They answered and said  
 to him, Abraham is our father. Jesus saith to them, If  
 ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of  
 40 Abraham. But now ye seek to kill me, a man that  
 hath spoken to you the truth, which I heard from God;  
 41 this did not Abraham. Ye do the works of your father.  
 They said to him, We were not born of fornication; we  
 42 have one Father, God. Jesus said to them, If God were  
 your Father, ye would love me; for from God I pro-  
 ceeded forth and am come; neither came I of myself, but  
 43 he sent me. Why do ye not understand my language?

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Ver. 38. — *with your father*; literally, *with the father*. This last would imply an ironical allusion to Satan.

44 It is because ye cannot listen to my word. Ye are of your father the Devil, and what your father desireth ye are ready to do. He was a murderer from the beginning; and he abideth not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh from his own nature; for he is a liar, and the father of  
45 it. But because I speak the truth, ye believe me not.

46 Which of you convicteth me of sin? If I speak truth,  
47 why do ye not believe me? He that is of God heareth God's words; for this cause ye do not hear, because ye  
48 are not of God. The Jews answered and said to him, Say we not well, that thou art a Samaritan, and hast a de-  
49 mon? Jesus answered, I have not a demon, but I honor  
50 my Father, and ye dishonor me. But I seek not my own  
51 glory; there is one that seeketh and judgeth. Truly, truly do I say to you, If any one keep my word, he will never  
52 see death. The Jews said to him, Now we know that thou hast a demon. Abraham died, and the prophets; and thou sayest, If any one keep my word, he will never taste  
53 of death. Art thou greater than our father Abraham, who died? The prophets also died. Whom dost thou make  
54 thyself? Jesus answered, If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father that glorifieth me, of whom ye  
55 say, He is our God: yet ye know him not; but I know him. And if I should say, I know him not, I should be a  
56 liar like you. But I know him, and keep his word. Your father Abraham exulted that he might see my day; and  
57 he saw it, and was glad. The Jews therefore said to him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abra-  
58 ham? Jesus said to them, Truly, truly do I say to you, From before Abraham was, I have been.

59 They therefore took up stones to throw at him; but Jesus concealed himself, and went out of the temple.



IX. And as he was passing along, he saw a man who had  
2 been blind from his birth. And his disciples asked him,  
saying, Rabbi, who sinned, this man, or his parents, that  
3 he was born blind? Jesus answered, Neither did this man  
sin, nor his parents; but that the works of God might be  
4 made manifest in him. We must work the works of him  
that sent me, while it is day; the night is coming, when  
5 no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the  
light of the world.

6 Having thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made  
clay with the spittle, and anointed his eyes with the clay,  
7 and said to him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam; (which  
is, when translated, Sent.) He went away therefore, and  
washed, and came seeing.

8 The neighbors therefore, and they who before had  
seen him as a beggar, said, Is not this he that sits and  
9 begs? Some said, This is he. Others said, No, but he  
10 is like him. He said, I am he. They said therefore to  
11 him, How then were thine eyes opened? He answered,  
The man who is called Jesus made clay and anointed  
my eyes, and said to me, Go to Siloam, and wash. I  
12 went therefore and washed, and received sight. And  
they said to him, Where is that man? He saith, I do  
not know.

13 They bring to the Pharisees him who had once been  
14 blind. And the day on which Jesus made the clay and  
15 opened his eyes was the sabbath. Again therefore the  
Pharisees also asked him how he received his sight. He  
said to them, He put clay on my eyes, and I washed  
16 them, and I see. Therefore some of the Pharisees said,  
This man is not from God, because he keepeth not the  
sabbath. Others said, How can a man that is a sinner  
do such signs? And there was a division among them.  
17 They say therefore to the blind man again, What dost

thou say of him for having opened thine eyes? And he said, He is a prophet.

- 18 The Jews therefore did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind, and received his sight, until they called the parents of him that had received his sight.
- 19 And they asked them, saying, Is this your son, who ye  
20 say was born blind? How then doth he now see? His parents answered and said, We know that this is our son,  
21 and that he was born blind; but by what means he now seeth, we know not; or who opened his eyes, we know not; ask him, he is of age; he will speak for himself.
- 22 This his parents said, because they feared the Jews. For the Jews had already agreed, that if any one should acknowledge him as the Christ, he should be put out of  
23 the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, He is of age; ask him.
- 24 They therefore called a second time the man that had been blind, and said to him, Give glory to God;  
25 we know that this man is a sinner. He therefore answered, Whether he is a sinner, I know not; one thing I  
26 know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see. They said to him, What did he do to thee? How did he open  
27 thine eyes? He answered them, I have already told you, and ye did not hear; why would ye hear it again?  
28 Are ye also inclined to become his disciples? They reviled him, and said, Thou art his disciple; but we are  
29 disciples of Moses. We know that God hath spoken to Moses; but as for this man, we know not whence  
30 he is. The man answered and said to them, Why, herein is a marvellous thing, that ye know not whence he is, and  
31 yet he opened my eyes. We know that God heareth not sinners; but if any one is a worshipper of God, and

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Ver. 24. — *Give glory to God.* This seems to be a form of adjuration, denoting here, that the blind man ought to confess the truth, that a sabbath breaker could not have restored his sight. See Joshua vii. 19.

32 doeth his will, him he heareth. Since the world began,  
it was never heard that any one opened the eyes of a  
33 man born blind. If this man were not from God, he  
34 could do nothing. They answered and said to him, Thou  
wast wholly born in sins, and dost thou teach us? And  
they cast him out.

35 Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and he found  
36 him, and said, Dost thou believe in the Son of man? He  
answered and said, And who is he, Lord, that I may be-  
37 lieve in him? Jesus said to him, Thou hast both seen  
38 him, and it is he that talketh with thee. And he said, I  
believe, Lord; and he prostrated himself before him.

39 And Jesus said, For judgment came I into this world;  
that they who see not might see, and that they who see  
40 might become blind. Some of the Pharisees who were  
with him heard this, and said to him, Are we also blind?  
41 Jesus said to them, If ye were blind, ye would not have  
sin; but now ye say, We see. Your sin remaineth.

X. Truly, truly do I say to you, He that entereth not  
through the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some  
2 other way, the same is a thief and a robber; but he that  
entereth through the door is the shepherd of the sheep.  
3 To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his  
voice; and his own sheep he calleth by name, and leadeth  
4 them out. When he hath put forth all his own, he goeth  
before them, and the sheep follow him, because they  
5 know his voice. But a stranger they will not follow,  
but will flee from him; because they know not the voice  
of strangers.

6 This parable Jesus spoke to them; but they did not un-  
derstand what the things were which he spoke to them.

7 Jesus therefore said, Truly, truly do I say to you, I am  
8 the door of the sheep. All those who came are thieves  
9 and robbers; but the sheep did not hear them. I am the

door; if any one enter through me, he will be saved, and  
10 will go in and out, and find pasture. The thief cometh  
not but to steal, and to kill, and to destroy; I came that  
11 they might have life, and have abundance. I am the good  
shepherd; the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.  
12 He that is a hireling and not a shepherd, nor the owner of  
the sheep, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep,  
and fleeth; and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth  
13 the sheep; because he is a hireling, and careth not for the  
14 sheep. I am the good shepherd, and I know my sheep, and  
15 they know me, even as the Father knoweth me, and I know  
16 the Father; and I give my life for the sheep. And other  
sheep I have, which are not of this fold; them also I must  
bring; and they will hear my voice, and there will be one  
17 flock, one shepherd. On this account the Father loveth  
me, because I lay down my life, that I may take it again.  
18 No one taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I  
have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take  
it again; this charge I received from my Father.

19 Again there arose a division among the Jews on ac-  
20 count of these words. Many of them said, He hath a  
21 demon, and is mad; why do ye hear him? Others said,  
These are not the words of one that hath a demon. Can  
a demon open the eyes of the blind?

22 And the feast of the dedication came at Jerusalem. It  
23 was winter; and Jesus was walking in the temple, in  
24 Solomon's porch. Then came the Jews around him, and  
said to him, How long dost thou hold our minds in sus-  
pense? If thou art the Christ, tell us plainly.

25 Jesus answered them, I have told you, and ye do not be-  
lieve. The works that I do in my Father's name, these  
26 bear witness of me. But ye do not believe, because ye  
27 are not of my sheep, as I said to you. My sheep hear  
28 my voice, and I know them, and they follow me; and I  
give them everlasting life; and they shall never perish

29 nor shall any one tear them out of my hand. That which  
 my Father hath given me is greater than all; and no one  
 30 is able to tear [them] out of the Father's hand. I and the  
 Father are one.

<sup>31</sup><sub>32</sub> The Jews again took up stones to stone him. Jesus an-  
 swered them, Many good works have I shown you from  
 the Father; for which of those works do ye stone me?  
 33 The Jews answered him, Not for a good work do we stone  
 thee, but for blasphemy, and because thou, who art a man,  
 34 makest thyself God. Jesus answered them, Is it not writ-  
 35 ten in your Law, "I said, ye are gods"?\* If he called  
 them gods, to whom the word of God came, and the Scrip-  
 36 ture cannot be made void, say ye of him whom the Father  
 sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest, be-  
 37 cause I said, I am the Son of God? If I do not the works  
 38 of my Father, believe me not. But if I do them, though  
 ye believe not me, believe the works; that ye may learn  
 and know that the Father is in me, and I in the Father.

39 They sought therefore to seize him; and he went forth  
 out of their hands.

40 And he went away again beyond the Jordan, to the  
 place where John was at first baptizing; and there he  
 41 abode. And many came to him, and said, John indeed  
 wrought no sign; but everything that John said of this  
 42 man was true. And many believed in him there.

XI. But there was a certain man sick, Lazarus of Bethany,  
 2 the town of Mary and her sister Martha. It was the Mary  
 who anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped his feet  
 3 with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick. The sis-  
 ters therefore sent to him, saying, Lord, behold, he whom

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Ver. 29. — *is greater than all*; i.e. is safe beyond the reach of any force  
 which can be arrayed against it. The other reading, however, *My Father,*  
*who hath given them to me, &c.*, has many manuscripts in its favor.

\* Ps. lxxxii. 6.

4 thou lovest is sick. And Jesus hearing this said, This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it.

5 Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus.  
6 When therefore he heard that he was sick, he remained in  
7 the place where he was two days. Then after this he saith  
8 to the disciples, Let us go into Judæa again. The disciples  
say to him, Rabbi, the Jews but just now were seeking to  
9 stone thee, and goest thou thither again? Jesus answered,  
Are there not twelve hours in the day? If a man walk in  
the day, he stumbleth not, because he seeth the light of  
10 this world; but if a man walk in the night, he stumbleth;  
11 because the light is not in him. This he spoke, and afterwards  
said to them, Our friend Lazarus hath fallen asleep;  
12 but I go that I may awake him out of sleep. The disciples  
therefore said to him, Lord, if he hath fallen asleep,  
13 he will recover. But Jesus had spoken of his death; but  
they thought that he spoke of the taking of rest in sleep.  
14 Then therefore Jesus said to them plainly: Lazarus is dead.  
15 And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there; that  
16 ye may believe; but let us go to him. Then said Thomas,  
who was called Didymus, to his fellow-disciples, Let us also  
go, that we may die with him.

17 Having come, therefore, Jesus found that he had been  
18 four days in the tomb. Now Bethany was near Jerusa-  
19 lem, about fifteen furlongs off; and many of the Jews had  
come to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning  
their brother.

20 Martha therefore, as soon as she heard that Jesus was  
coming, went to meet him; but Mary continued sitting in  
21 the house. Then said Martha to Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst  
22 been here, my brother had not died; and even now I know  
that whatever thou shalt ask of God, God will give it thee.

<sup>23</sup><sub>24</sub> Jesus saith to her, Thy brother will rise again. Martha  
saith to him, I know that he will rise again in the resur-

25 rection at the last day. Jesus said to her, I am the res-  
urrection and the life: he that believeth in me, though he  
26 have died, will live; and whoever liveth and believeth in  
27 me will never die. Believest thou this? She saith to him,  
Yea, Lord; <sup>†</sup>I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of  
God, he who was to come into the world.

28 And having said this, she went away, and called Mary  
her sister secretly, saying, The Teacher is here and call-  
29 eth for thee. She, when she heard this, riseth quickly  
and cometh to him.

30 Now Jesus had not yet come into the town, but was  
31 still in the place where Martha met him. The Jews then  
who were with her in the house and comforting her, when  
they saw that Mary rose up hastily and went out, followed  
her, thinking that she was going to the tomb to weep there.  
32 Then Mary, when she came where Jesus was, as soon as she  
saw him fell down at his feet, saying to him, Lord, if thou  
33 hadst been here, my brother had not died. Jesus therefore  
when he saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping who  
came with her, was greatly moved in his spirit, and much  
34 troubled, and said, Where have ye laid him? They say to  
35 him, Lord, come and see. Jesus wept.

<sup>36</sup><sub>37</sub> The Jews therefore said, See, how he loved him! But  
some of them said, Could not he, who opened the eyes of  
the blind man, have also caused that this man should not  
38 have died? Jesus therefore, again greatly moved within  
himself, cometh to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone  
39 lay against it. Jesus saith, Take away the stone. Martha,  
the sister of him that was dead, saith to him, Lord, by this  
time the body is offensive; for he hath been dead four days.  
40 Jesus saith to her, Did I not tell thee, that if thou wouldst  
41 believe, thou shouldst see the glory of God? They there-  
fore took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes  
to heaven, and said, Father! I thank thee that thou hast  
42 heard me. Yet I knew that thou hearest me always; but

for the sake of the multitude standing around I said it,  
43 that they might believe that thou didst send me. And  
having thus spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus,  
44 come forth! He that was dead came forth, bound hand  
and foot with grave-clothes; and his face was bound about  
with a napkin. 'Jesus saith to them, Loose him, and let  
him go.

45 Many of the Jews therefore who had come to Mary, and  
46 had seen what he did, believed in him. But some of them  
went away to the Pharisees, and told them what Jesus had  
done.

47 Therefore the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered  
a council, and said, What are we to do, seeing that this  
48 man worketh many signs? If we thus let him alone, all  
will believe in him; and the Romans will come, and take  
49 away both our place and nation. And a certain one of  
them, Caiaphas, being high-priest that year, said to them,  
50 Ye know nothing at all; nor do ye consider that it is ex-  
pedient for us that one man die for the people, and not  
51 the whole nation perish. And this he spoke not from  
himself; but being high-priest that year he prophesied  
52 that Jesus was about to die for the nation; and not for  
the nation only, but that he might also gather together in  
one body the children of God that are scattered abroad.  
53 Therefore from that day forth they consulted together to  
put him to death.

54 Jesus therefore no longer walked openly among the  
Jews, but departed thence to the country near the wil-  
derness, to a city called Ephraim, and there abode with  
the disciples.

55 And the passover of the Jews was at hand; and many  
went out of the country up to Jerusalem before the pass-  
56 over, to purify themselves. They sought therefore for Je-  
sus, and said one to another, as they stood in the temple,  
57 What think ye? that he will not come to the feast? Now



the chief priests and the Pharisees had given orders, that, if any one knew where he was, he should give information, that they might seize him.

XII. Jesus, therefore, six days before the passover, came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus raised from the dead. They made therefore a supper for him there, and Martha served; but Lazarus was one of those who reclined at the table with him. Then Mary, taking a pound of ointment of pure spikenard, very costly, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped his feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the odor of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples, he who was about to betray him, saith, Why was not this ointment sold for three hundred denāries, and given to the poor? And this he said, not because he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and kept the purse, and bore what was put therein. Then said Jesus, Let her alone, that she may keep it until the day of my burial. For the poor ye have always with you, but me ye have not always.

9 The great multitude of the Jews therefore knew that he was there; and they came, not only on account of Jesus, but that they might see Lazarus also, whom he raised from the dead.

10 But the chief priests consulted together that they might put Lazarus also to death; because on his account many of the Jews were going away, and believing in Jesus.

12 On the next day, a great multitude that had come to the feast, hearing that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, took branches of palm-trees, and went forth to meet him, crying aloud, Hosanna! blessed is he who cometh in the

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Chap. XII. 1-8. Comp. Matt. xxvi. 6-13; Mark xiv. 3-9.

Ver. 6. — *the purse*; more literally, perhaps, *the money-box*. — *bore*; possibly, *purloined*.

Ver. 12-19. Comp. Matt. xxi. 1-11; Mark xi. 1-11; Luke xix. 28-44.

14 name of the Lord, even the king of Israel! And Jesus, having found a young ass, sat thereon, as it is written, 15 "Fear not, daughter of Zion! lo! thy king cometh, sitting 16 on an ass's colt."\* These things his disciples did not understand at the first; but when Jesus had been glorified, then they remembered that these things were written of him, and that they had done these things to him.

17 The multitude therefore that was with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the 18 dead bore witness. For this cause also the multitude met him, because they had heard that he had wrought 19 this sign. The Pharisees therefore said among themselves, Ye see that ye effect nothing; lo! the world hath gone after him.

20 Now there were certain Greeks among those who 21 came up to worship at the feast. These came therefore to Philip, who was of Bethsaida of Galilee, and asked 22 him, saying, Sir, we wish to see Jesus. Philip goeth and telleth Andrew; Andrew and Philip go and tell Jesus. 23 But Jesus answereth them, saying, The hour hath 24 come that the Son of man should be glorified. Truly, truly do I say to you, Unless a grain of wheat fall into the ground and die, itself abideth alone; but if it die, it 25 beareth much fruit. He that loveth his life loseth it; and he that hateth his life in this world will keep it unto 26 everlasting life. If any one be a servant to me, let him follow me; and where I am, there also will my servant be; if any one serve me, the Father will honor him. 27 Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour! But for this cause I came to 28 this hour. Father, glorify thy name! Then came there a voice from heaven: Yea, I have glorified it, and will 29 glorify it again. The multitude therefore that stood by,

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\* Zech. ix. 9.

hearing this, said that it thundered. Others said, An  
30 angel hath spoken to him. Jesus answered and said,  
This voice hath come not for my sake, but for yours.  
31 Now is the judgment of this world; now will the prince  
32 of this world be cast out; and I, if I be lifted up from  
33 the earth, shall draw all men to me. This he said, sig-  
nifying what kind of death he was to die.

34 The multitude therefore answered him, We have heard  
out of the Law that the Christ abideth for ever; how  
then dost thou say that the Son of man must be lifted  
35 up? Who is this Son of man? Jesus therefore said to  
them, Yet a little while is the light among you. Walk  
while ye have the light, that darkness may not overtake  
you; and he that walketh in the darkness knoweth not  
36 whither he goeth. While ye have the light, believe in  
the light, that ye may become sons of light.

These things spoke Jesus, and went away, and hid  
37 himself from them. But though he had wrought so  
many signs before them, they did not believe in him;  
38 that what was spoken by Isaiah the prophet might be  
fulfilled, "Lord, who hath believed our report? and to  
39 whom hath the arm of the Lord been revealed?"\* For  
this cause they could not believe, because Isaiah said  
40 again, "He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their  
heart; lest they should see with their eyes, and under-  
stand with their heart, and turn from their ways, and I  
41 should heal them."† These things said Isaiah, because  
42 he saw his glory, and spoke of him. Yet even of the rul-  
ers many believed in him; but on account of the Phari-  
sees they did not acknowledge him, lest they should be  
43 put out of the synagogue; for they loved the glory that  
is of men more than the glory that is of God.

44 But Jesus cried aloud, and said, He that believeth in

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\* Isa. liii. 1.

† Isa. vi. 10.

45 me, believeth not in me, but in him that sent me; and he  
 46 that beholdeth me, beholdeth him that sent me. I have  
 come a light into the world, that whoever believeth in me  
 47 may not remain in the darkness. And if any one hear my  
 words, and keep them not, I do not judge him; for I came  
 48 not to judge the world, but to save the world. He that  
 rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that  
 judgeth him; the word that I have spoken, that will judge  
 49 him in the last day. Because I have not spoken from my-  
 self; but the Father who sent me hath himself committed  
 50 to me what I should say, and what I should speak; and  
 I know that what he hath committed to me is everlasting  
 life. What I speak therefore, I speak as the Father hath  
 directed me.

XIII. Now before the feast of the passover, Jesus, knowing  
 that his hour had come that he should depart out of this  
 world to the Father, having loved his own who were in  
 2 the world, loved them unto the end. And supper being  
 served,—the Devil having already put it into the heart  
 3 of Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon, to betray him,—he,  
 knowing that the Father had given all things into his  
 hands, and that he came forth from God, and was going  
 4 to God, riseth from the supper, and layeth aside his gar-  
 5 ments, and took a towel, and girded himself. Then he  
 poureth water into the basin, and began to wash the dis-  
 ciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he  
 6 was girded. So he cometh to Simon Peter; who saith to  
 7 him, Lord, dost thou wash my feet? Jesus answered and  
 said to him, What I do thou knowest not now, but thou  
 8 wilt know hereafter. Peter saith to him, Thou shalt never  
 wash my feet. Jesus answered him, If I wash thee not,

9 thou hast no part with me. Simon Peter saith to him,  
Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head.  
10 Jesus saith to him, He that hath bathed needeth not to  
wash himself, but is wholly clean; and ye are clean, but  
11 not all. For he knew who was about to betray him; for  
this reason he said, Ye are not all clean.

12 So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his  
garments, and placed himself again at the table, he said  
13 to them, Know ye what I have done to you? Ye call me  
the Teacher, and the Lord; and ye say well; for so I am.  
14 If I then, the Lord and the Teacher, have washed your  
15 feet, ye also ought to wash one another's feet. For I  
have given you an example, that ye also should do as  
16 I have done to you. Truly, truly do I say to you, A  
servant is not greater than his lord, nor one who is sent  
17 greater than he that sent him. If ye know these things,  
18 happy are ye if ye do them. I speak not of you all; I  
know whom I chose; but that the Scripture may be ful-  
filled, "He that eateth bread with me, hath lifted up his  
19 heel against me."\* I tell you now before it hath come to  
pass, that when it hath come to pass ye may believe that I  
20 am He. Truly, truly do I say to you, He that receiveth  
whomever I send, receiveth me; and he that receiveth me,  
receiveth him who sent me.

21 Having said this, Jesus was troubled in spirit, and  
testified, and said, Truly, truly do I say to you, that one  
22 of you will betray me. The disciples therefore looked at  
23 one another, doubting of whom he spoke. There was re-  
clining on Jesus' bosom one of his disciples, whom Jesus  
24 loved. To him therefore Simon Peter maketh a sign, and  
25 saith to him, Tell who it is of whom he is speaking. He,  
therefore, leaning back on the breast of Jesus, saith to  
26 him, Lord, who is it? Jesus answereth, It is he for whom

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\* Ps. xli. 9.

I shall dip the morsel and give it to him. Having therefore dipped the morsel, he taketh and giveth it to Judas, 27 the son of Simon Iscariot. And after the morsel, Satan entered into him. Jesus therefore saith to him, What thou doest, do quickly.

28 Now no one at the table knew for what intent he said 29 this to him. For some thought, because Judas kept the purse, that Jesus said to him, Buy what we need for the 30 feast; or that he should give something to the poor. He then, having received the morsel, went out immediately; and it was night.

31 When therefore he had gone out, Jesus saith, Now is the 32 Son of man glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, 33 and will immediately glorify him. My children, yet a little while I am with you. Ye will seek me; and, as I said to the Jews, Whither I go, ye cannot come, so now I say 34 to you. A new commandment I give you, that ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one 35 another. By this will all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one for another.

36 Simon Peter saith to him, Lord, whither dost thou go? Jesus answered, Whither I go, thou canst not follow me 37 now; but thou wilt follow me afterward. Peter saith to him, Lord, why cannot I follow thee now? I will lay 38 down my life for thee. Jesus answereth, Wilt thou lay down thy life for me? Truly, truly do I say to thee, A cock will not crow, till thou hast thrice denied me.

XIV. Let not your heart be troubled. Have faith in God, 2 and have faith in me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. For 3 I go away to prepare a place for you; and when I have

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Ver. 33. *My children*; literally, *Little children*. But the English idiom here requires a departure from the letter.

gone away and prepared a place for you, I will come again, and will take you to myself; that where I am, ye  
4 also may be. And ye know the way whither I go.

5 Thomas saith to him, Lord, we know not whither thou  
6 goest; how then do we know the way? Jesus saith to  
him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one  
7 cometh to the Father but through me. If ye knew me,  
ye would know my Father also; and from this time ye  
know him, and have seen him.

8 Philip saith to him, Lord, show us the Father, and we  
9 shall be satisfied. Jesus saith to him, Have I been so  
long time with you, and dost thou not know me, Philip?  
He that hath seen me hath seen the Father; how is it  
10 that thou sayest, Show us the Father? Dost thou not  
believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in me?  
The words that I speak to you, I speak not from myself;  
11 but the Father, who dwelleth in me, doeth his works. Be-  
lieve me, that I am in the Father, and the Father in me;  
12 but if not, believe for the very works' sake. Truly, truly  
do I say to you, He that believeth in me, the works that  
I do shall he do also, and greater than these shall he do;  
13 because I am going to the Father, and whatever ye shall  
ask in my name, that will I do; that the Father may be  
14 glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name,  
I will do it.

<sup>15</sup><sub>16</sub> If ye love me, ye will keep my commandments; and I  
will pray the Father, and he will give you another Com-  
17 forter, that he may be with you for ever; the Spirit of  
truth, which the world cannot receive, because it doth not  
behold it, nor know it; ye know it, because it abideth  
18 with you, and will be in you. I will not leave you be-  
19 reaved; I am coming to you. Yet a little while, and the  
world beholdeth me no more; but ye will behold me,

20 because I live, and ye will live. In that day ye will know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I  
21 in you. He that hath my commandments and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me; and he that loveth me will be loved by my Father; and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

22 Judas, not Iscariot, saith to him, And how is it, Lord, that thou art going to manifest thyself to us, and not to  
23 the world? Jesus answered and said to him, If any one loveth me, he will keep my word; and my Father will love him, and we will come to him, and make our abode  
24 with him. He that loveth me not, keepeth not my words; and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's who sent me.

25 These things have I spoken to you, while abiding with  
26 you; but the Comforter, the Holy Spirit which the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things which I have said to you.

27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you; not as the world giveth, do I give to you. Let not your heart  
28 be troubled, nor let it be afraid. Ye heard me say to you, I am going away, and am coming again to you. If ye loved me, ye would have rejoiced that I go to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you  
29 before it hath come to pass, that when it hath come to pass ye may believe.

30 I shall not talk much more with you. For the prince  
31 of the world cometh, and hath nothing in me. But [this must be] that the world may know that I love the Father, and that as the Father gave me commandment so I do. Arise, let us go hence.

XV. I am the true vine, and my Father is the husband-  
2 man. Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he



3    taketh away; and every branch that beareth fruit he  
4    cleanseth, that it may bear more fruit. Ye are clean  
5    already, by reason of the word which I have spoken to  
6    you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot  
7    bear fruit of itself, if it abide not in the vine, so neither  
8    can ye, unless ye abide in me. I am the vine, ye are  
9    the branches. He that abideth in me, and I in him, the  
10   same beareth much fruit; for apart from me ye can do  
11   nothing. If any one abideth not in me, he is cast forth  
12   as a branch, and is withered; and men gather it, and cast  
13   it into the fire, and it is burned. If ye abide in me, and  
14   my words abide in you, ask whatever ye will, and it shall  
15   be done for you. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye  
16   bear much fruit; and ye will become my disciples.

17   As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you;  
18   abide in my love. If ye keep my commandments, ye  
19   will abide in my love, even as I have kept my Father's  
20   commandments, and abide in his love.

21   These things have I spoken to you, that my joy may re-  
22   main in you, and that your joy may be made full. This  
23   is my commandment, that ye love one another, as I have  
24   loved you. Greater love hath no one than this, that he  
25   lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends, if  
26   ye do what I command you.

27   No longer do I call you servants; for the servant know-  
28   eth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends;  
29   for all things which I have heard from my Father, I have  
30   made known to you. Ye did not choose me, but I chose  
31   you, and appointed you, that ye should go and bear fruit,  
32   and that your fruit should remain; that whatever ye ask  
33   of the Father in my name, he may give it you. \* This I  
34   command you, that ye love one another.

35   If the world hateth you, ye know that it hath hated me

19 before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love its own; but because ye are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember what I said to you, A servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my words, they will keep yours also. But all these things will they do to you on account of my name, because they know not him that sent me.

22 If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have sin; but now they have no excuse for their sin. He that hateth me, hateth my Father also. If I had not done among them the works which no other man hath done, they would not have sin; but now they have both seen and hated both me and my Father. But this cometh to pass, that the word may be fulfilled that is written in their Law: "They hated me without a cause."\*

26 When the Comforter is come, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he will bear witness of me. And ye also are witnesses, because ye have been with me from the beginning.

XVI. These things have I spoken to you, that ye may not fall away. They will put you out of the synagogues; yea, the hour is coming when every one that killeth you will think that he is offering sacrifice to God. And these things will they do, because they neither know the Father nor me. But I have spoken these things to you, that, when the time cometh, ye may remember that I myself told you of them. But these things I told you not at the beginning, because I was with you.

5 But now I go to him that sent me; and none of you ask-

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\* Ps. xxxv. 19, lxix. 4, cix. 3.

6 eth me, Whither goest thou? But because I have spoken  
7 these things to you, sorrow hath filled your hearts. But  
I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I depart.  
For if I do not depart, the Comforter will not come to  
8 you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he is  
come, he will bring conviction to the world, of sin, and of  
9 righteousness, and of judgment. Of sin, because they be-  
10 lieve not in me; of righteousness, because I go to the  
11 Father, and ye see me no more; of judgment, because  
the prince of this world hath been judged.

12 I have yet many things to say to you, but ye cannot  
13 bear them now. But when he, the Spirit of truth, is  
come, he will guide you into all the truth. For he will  
not speak from himself, but whatever he shall hear, that  
he will speak; and he will tell you the things to come.  
14 He will glorify me, for he will receive of what is mine,  
15 and will tell it to you. Every thing that the Father  
hath is mine. For this cause I said, that he receiveth  
16 of what is mine, and will tell it to you. A little while,  
and ye no longer behold me; and again a little while, and  
ye will see me.

17 Some of his disciples therefore said to one another, What  
is this that he saith to us, A little while, and ye behold  
me not, and again a little while, and ye will see me? and,  
18 Because I go to the Father? They said therefore, What is  
this that he saith, A little while? We do not know what  
19 he is speaking of. Jesus knew that they were desirous  
of asking him, and said to them, Is it of this that ye are  
inquiring of one another, that I said, A little while, and  
ye behold me not, and again a little while, and ye will  
20 see me? Truly, truly do I say to you, that ye will weep  
and lament, but the world will rejoice; ye will be sorrow-  
21 ful, but your sorrow will be turned into joy. A woman  
when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is  
come; but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she

remembereth no more the anguish, through joy that a man  
22 is born into the world. So ye also now have sorrow; but  
I shall see you again, and your heart will rejoice, and your  
joy no one taketh from you.

23 And in that day ye will ask nothing of me. Truly,  
truly do I say to you, Whatever ye shall ask the Father,  
24 he will give it you in my name. Hitherto ye have asked  
nothing in my name; ask, and ye will receive, that your  
joy may be made full.

25 These things I have spoken to you in parables. The  
time is coming, when I shall no more speak to you in para-  
26 bles, but shall tell you plainly of the Father. In that day  
ye will ask in my name; and I do not tell you that I will  
27 pray the Father for you; for the Father himself loveth you,  
because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came  
28 forth from God. I came forth from the Father, and have  
come into the world; again, I leave the world, and go to  
the Father.

29 His disciples say, Lo! now thou speakest plainly, and  
30 speakest no parable. Now are we sure that thou knowest  
all things, and needest not that any one should ask thee;  
by this we believe that thou camest forth from God.

<sup>31</sup><sub>32</sub> Jesus answered them, Do ye now believe? Behold, the  
hour is coming, yea, is now come, when ye will be scat-  
tered, every one to his own, and will leave me alone; and  
33 yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me. These  
things I have spoken to you, that in me ye may have peace.  
In the world ye have tribulation; but be of good cheer; I  
have overcome the world.

XVII. When Jesus had thus spoken, he lifted up his eyes to  
heaven, and said, Father! the hour is come; glorify thy  
2 Son, that the Son may glorify thee; according as thou  
gavest him authority over all flesh, that he should give  
3 everlasting life to all whom thou hast given him. And

this is the everlasting life, to know thee, the only true  
 4 God, and Jesus Christ whom thou didst send. I have glorified thee on the earth, having finished the work which  
 5 thou gavest me to do; and now, Father! do thou glorify me with thyself, with the glory which I had with thee before the world was.

6 I manifested thy name to the men whom thou gavest me out of the world. Thine they were, and thou gavest  
 7 them to me; and they have kept thy word. Now they know that all things whatever thou hast given me are  
 8 from thee; for I have given to them the words which thou hast given me; and they received them, and knew surely that I came forth from thee, and believed that thou  
 9 didst send me. I pray for them; I pray not for the world, but for those whom thou hast given me; for they are thine;  
 10 and all things that are mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them.

11 And I am no longer in the world; and they are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father! keep them in thy name which thou hast given me, that they may be  
 12 one, even as we are. While I was with them, I kept them in thy name which thou hast given me, and guarded them; and no one of them is lost except the son of perdition,  
 13 that the Scripture may be fulfilled. But now I come to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may  
 14 have my joy made full in them. I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are  
 15 not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I do not pray thee to take them out of the world, but to keep  
 16 them from evil. They are not of the world, even as I am  
 17 not of the world. Sanctify them in thy truth; thy word is

Chap. XVII. 3. — *to know, &c.* Possibly, *to know thee as the only true God, and him whom thou didst send, Jesus, as the Christ.*

Ver. 15. — *from evil; or, from the Evil One.*

18 truth. As thou didst send me into the world, I also sent  
19 them into the world. And in their behalf I sanctify my-  
self, that they also may be sanctified in the truth.

20 Yet not for these alone do I pray, but also for those  
21 who believe in me through their word; that they all may  
be one; as thou, Father, art in me and I in thee, that  
they also may be in us, that the world may believe that  
22 thou didst send me. And the glory which thou hast given  
me, I have given them, that they may be one, even as  
23 we are one; I in them, and thou in me, that they may  
be made perfect in one, that the world may know that  
thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast  
24 loved me. Father! as to that which thou hast given  
me, I desire that they also be with me where I am, that  
they may behold my glory which thou hast given me;  
for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.  
25 Righteous Father! and yet the world knew thee not! but  
I knew thee, and these knew that thou didst send me.  
26 And I made known to them thy name, and will make  
it known; that the love wherewith thou hast loved me  
may be in them, and I in them.

XVIII. When Jesus had spoken these words, he went forth  
with his disciples across the brook Kedron, where was a  
2 garden, into which he entered with his disciples. And  
Judas also, his betrayer, knew the place; because Jesus  
3 often resorted thither with his disciples. Judas then,  
having received the band of soldiers, and officers from the  
chief priests and Pharisees, cometh thither with torches  
and lanterns and weapons.

4 But Jesus, knowing all things that were coming upon  
him, went forth, and saith to them, Whom do ye seek?

5 They answered him, Jesus the Nazarene. Jesus saith to them, I am he. Now Judas also, his betrayer, was 6 standing with them. As soon then as he said to them, I am he, they went backward, and fell to the ground. 7 Again therefore he asked them, Whom do ye seek? 8 And they said, Jesus the Nazarene. Jesus answered, I have told you that I am he. If therefore ye are seeking 9 me, let these men go. That the saying might be fulfilled which he spoke, "Of those whom thou hast given me, I have lost none."

10 Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and smote the servant of the high-priest, and cut off his right ear. 11 And the servant's name was Malchus. Jesus therefore said to Peter, Put up the sword into the sheath. The cup which the Father hath given me, shall I not drink it?

12 So the band and the captain, and the officers of the Jews, 13 took Jesus and bound him, and carried him to Annas first; for he was father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high-priest 14 that year. And it was Caiaphas who counselled the Jews, that it was expedient that one man should die for the people.

15 And Simon Peter and the other disciple followed Jesus. That disciple was an acquaintance of the high-priest, and went with Jesus into the court of the palace of the high- 16 priest. But Peter was standing outside at the door. The other disciple therefore, who was an acquaintance of the high-priest, went out and spoke to her that kept the door, 17 and brought in Peter. Then the maid-servant that kept the door saith to Peter, Art thou also one of this man's 18 disciples? He saith, I am not. And the servants and the officers were standing there, having made a fire of coals, for it was cold, and were warming themselves; and Peter was standing with them and warming himself.

19 The high-priest then asked Jesus about his disciples,  
20 and about his teaching. Jesus answered him, I have  
spoken plainly to the world; I always taught in a syna-  
gogue and in the temple, where all the Jews assemble, and  
21 in secret I spoke nothing. Why askest thou me? Ask  
those who have heard, what I have spoken to them; be-  
22 hold, these know what I have said. And when he had  
said this, one of the officers who was standing by struck  
Jesus on the face, saying, Is it thus that thou answerest  
23 the high-priest? Jesus answered him, If I spoke what is  
evil, testify to the evil; but if well, why dost thou strike  
24 me? Annas therefore sent him bound to Caiaphas the  
high-priest.

25 And Simon Peter was standing and warming himself.  
So they said to him, Art thou also one of his disciples?  
26 He denied and said, I am not. One of the servants of the  
high-priest, being a kinsman of him whose ear Peter cut  
off, saith, Did not I see thee in the garden with him?  
27 Then Peter denied again; and immediately a cock crew.

28 Then they lead Jesus from Caiaphas to the governor's  
palace; and it was early. And they did not themselves  
go into the palace, that they might not be defiled, but  
29 might eat the passover. Pilate therefore went out to  
them, and saith, What accusation do ye bring against this  
30 man? They answered and said to him, If he had not been  
doing evil, we would not have delivered him up to thee.  
31 Pilate therefore said to them, Take him yourselves, and  
judge him according to your law. The Jews therefore  
said to him, It is not lawful for us to put any one to  
32 death. That the words of Jesus might be fulfilled, which  
he spoke, signifying what kind of death he was to die.

33 Pilate therefore went into the palace again, and called



Jesus, and said to him, Art thou the King of the Jews?  
 34 Jesus answered, Dost thou say this of thyself, or did others  
 35 tell thee concerning me? Pilate answered, Am I a Jew?  
 Thy own nation and the chief priests delivered thee up  
 36 to me. What hast thou done? Jesus answered, My king-  
 dom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this  
 world, my servants would have fought, that I should not  
 be delivered up to the Jews; but now is my kingdom  
 37 not from hence. Pilate therefore said to him, Art thou a  
 king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest what is true; for  
 I am a king. For this end have I been born, and for this  
 cause have I come into the world, that I may bear witness  
 to the truth. Every one that is of the truth listeneth to  
 38 my voice. Pilate saith to him, What is truth? And hav-  
 ing said this, he went out again to the Jews, and saith to  
 39 them, I find nothing criminal in him. But ye have a cus-  
 tom that I should release to you one at the passover: do  
 ye desire, therefore, that I release to you the king of the  
 40 Jews? Then they cried out again, saying, Not this man,  
 but Barabbas. Now Barabbas was a robber.

XIX. Then therefore Pilate took Jesus and scourged him.  
 2 And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on  
 his head, and put on him a purple robe, and approached  
 3 him and said, Hail, king of the Jews! and they gave him  
 blows on the face.  
 4 Again Pilate went forth, and saith to them, Behold, I  
 bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find  
 5 nothing criminal in him. Jesus therefore came forth,  
 wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And  
 6 [Pilate] saith to them, Behold the man! When therefore

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Ver. 38. — *nothing criminal in him*; i.e. nothing by which a legal charge can be maintained against him.

Chap. XIX. 1-30. Comp. Matt. xxvii. 27-56; Mark xv. 16-41; Luke xxiii. 26-49.

the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify! crucify! Pilate saith to them, Take him  
7 yourselves, and crucify him; for I find nothing criminal  
in him. The Jews answered him, We have a law, and  
according to the law he ought to die, because he made  
himself the Son of God.

8 When Pilate therefore heard this, he was the more  
9 afraid; and went again into the palace, and saith to Je-  
sus, Whence art thou? But Jesus gave him no answer.  
10 Pilate saith to him, Dost thou not speak to me? Dost  
thou not know that I have power to release thee, and  
11 have power to crucify thee? Jesus answered, Thou  
wouldest have no power against me, unless it had been  
given thee from above; for this cause he that delivered  
me up to thee hath the greater sin.

12 From this time Pilate sought to release him. But the  
Jews cried out, saying, If thou release this man, thou art  
not a friend of Cæsar. Every one that maketh himself  
13 a king, setteth himself against Cæsar. When therefore  
Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus forth, and sat  
down on the judgment-seat, in a place called the Pave-  
14 ment, but in Hebrew, Gabbatha. Now it was the prep-  
aration of the passover. It was about the sixth hour.  
15 And he saith to the Jews, Behold your king! Upon this  
they cried out, Away with him! Away with him! Crucify  
him! Pilate saith to them, Shall I crucify your king?  
16 The chief priests answered, We have no king but Cæsar.  
Then therefore he delivered him up to them to be cru-  
cified.

17 They therefore took Jesus; and bearing his own cross,  
he went forth into the place called Place of a Skull; in He-  
18 brew, Golgotha; where they crucified him, and with him  
19 two others, one on each side, and Jesus in the midst. And  
Pilate wrote an inscription also, and put it on the cross.  
And the writing was, "Jesus the Nazarene, the king of

20 the Jews." This inscription therefore was read by many of the Jews; for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, Latin, and  
21 Greek. Therefore the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, Write not, The king of the Jews; but that he said,  
22 I am king of the Jews. Pilate answered, What I have written, I have written.

23 Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments and made four parts, to every soldier a part, and also his coat. Now the coat was without seam, woven  
24 from the top throughout. They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be. That the scripture might be fulfilled: "They parted my garments among them, and for my vesture they cast lots."\* These things the soldiers did.

25 Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary  
26 the Magdalene. Jesus therefore, when he saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing by, saith to his  
27 mother, Woman, behold thy son! Then he saith to the disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

28 After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now finished, in order that the Scripture might be accomplished,  
29 saith, I thirst. A vessel was brought full of vinegar; and putting a sponge filled with vinegar upon a stalk of hys-  
30 sop, they raised it to his mouth. When therefore he had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished! and he bowed his head, and yielded up his spirit.

31 The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies might not remain upon the cross on the sabbath, for that sabbath was a great day, besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.

32 So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and  
 33 of the other who was crucified with him. But when they  
 came to Jesus, and saw that he was already dead, they  
 34 broke not his legs; but one of the soldiers with a spear  
 pierced his side, and immediately there came out blood and  
 water.

35 And he that hath seen hath borne witness, and his wit-  
 ness is true; and he knoweth that he saith what is true,  
 36 that ye also may believe. For these things came to pass,  
 that the scripture might be fulfilled, "A bone of him  
 37 shall not be broken."\* And again another scripture  
 saith, "They shall look on him whom they pierced."†

38 And after this, Joseph of Arimathæa, being a disciple  
 of Jesus, but concealing it for fear of the Jews, besought  
 Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus; and  
 Pilate gave him leave. They came therefore and took  
 39 him away. Nicodemus also, he who at the first went to  
 him by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and  
 40 aloes, about a hundred pounds weight. Then they took  
 the body of Jesus, and wound it in linen cloths with the  
 spices, as is the manner of the Jews in preparing for  
 burial.

41 Now in the place where he was crucified there was  
 a garden, and in the garden a new tomb, in which no  
 42 one had ever been laid. There then, on account of the  
 Jews' preparation-day, they laid Jesus; for the tomb was  
 at hand.

XX. But on the first day of the week Mary the Magda-  
 lene cometh early, while it was yet dark, to the tomb, and

Ver. 38-42. Comp. Matt. xxvii. 57-61; Mark xv. 42-47; Luke xxiii.  
 50-56.

Chap. XX. 1, 2. Comp. Matt. xxviii. 1-8; Mark xvi. 1-8; Luke xxiv.  
 1-11.

\* Exod. xii. 46; Num. ix. 12.

† Zech. xii. 10.



seeth that the stone had been taken away from the tomb.  
2 She runneth therefore, and cometh to Simon Peter, and  
to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith to them,  
They have taken away the Lord out of the tomb, and we  
3 know not where they have laid him. Peter therefore went  
forth, and the other disciple, and they set out for the tomb.  
4 And they ran both together; and the other disciple outran  
5 Peter, and came first to the tomb. And stooping down, he  
6 seeth the linen cloths lying; but he did not go in. Then  
cometh also Simon Peter following him, and he went into  
7 the tomb; and he beholdeth the linen cloths lying, and  
the napkin that was about his head, not lying with the  
8 linen cloths, but folded up in a place by itself. Then  
therefore went in also the other disciple, who came first to  
9 the tomb; and he saw, and believed. For not even yet did  
they know the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead.  
10 So the disciples went away again to their home. But  
11 Mary was standing without by the tomb weeping. And as  
12 she wept, she stooped down into the tomb, and beholdeth  
two angels in white sitting, one at the head, and one at  
13 the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. And they say  
to her, Woman, why dost thou weep? She saith to them,  
Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not  
14 where they have laid him. Having said this, she turned  
back, and beheld Jesus standing; and knew not that it was  
15 Jesus. Jesus saith to her, Woman, why dost thou weep?  
whom dost thou seek? She, supposing that it was the  
gardener, saith to him, Sir, if thou hast borne him hence,  
tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him  
16 away. Jesus saith to her, Mary! She turned and saith  
to him in Hebrew, Rabbūni! which signifieth, Teacher!  
17 Jesus saith to her, Touch me not; for I have not yet as-  
cended to the Father; but go to my brethren, and say to

them, I ascend to my Father and your Father, and my God and your God.

18 Mary the Magdalene cometh, bringing word to the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that he had said these things to her.

19 When therefore it was evening on that day, which was the first day of the week, and the doors where the disciples were had been shut for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, Peace be to you!

20 And having said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples therefore were glad, when they saw

21 the Lord. Then he said to them again, Peace be to you!

22 As the Father hath sent me, I also send you. And having said this, he breathed on them, and saith to them,

23 Receive the Holy Spirit. Whosoever sins ye remit, they are remitted to them; whosoever ye retain, they are retained.

24 But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said to him, We have seen the Lord. But he said to them, Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the place of the nails, and put my hand into his side, I shall not believe.

26 And after eight days the disciples were again within, and Thomas with them. Jesus cometh, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be to you!

27 Then he saith to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands, and reach forth thy hand, and put it into

28 my side; and be not faithless, but believing. Thomas

29 answered and said to him, My Lord and my God! Jesus saith to him, Because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed; blessed are they who have not seen, and yet have believed.

30 Many other signs did Jesus in the presence of his dis-  
31 ciples, which are not written in this book. But these have  
been written, that ye may believe that Jesus is the Christ,  
the Son of God, and that believing ye may have life in  
his name.

XXI. After these things he manifested himself again to the  
disciples at the lake of Tiberias. And he manifested him-  
2 self in this manner. There were together Simon Peter,  
and Thomas called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana in  
Galilee, and the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his  
3 disciples. Simon Peter saith to them, I am going a fishing.  
They say to him, We also will go with thee. They set out  
and went into the boat, and on that night caught nothing.  
4 But when the morning was coming on, Jesus stood on the  
shore; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus.  
5 Then Jesus saith to them, Children, have ye any fish?  
6 They answered him, No. And he said to them, Cast the  
net on the right side of the boat, and ye will find. And  
they cast it, and now they were not able to draw it for  
7 the multitude of the fishes. Therefore that disciple whom  
Jesus loved saith to Peter, It is the Lord. Simon Peter  
therefore, hearing that it was the Lord, girded on his  
outer garment, for he had on nothing but his under one,  
8 and threw himself into the lake. And the other disciples  
came in the boat, (for they were not far from land, only  
about two hundred cubits,) dragging the net with the  
9 fishes. When therefore they had come to land, they see  
a fire of coals there, and a fish lying thereon, and bread.  
10 Jesus saith to them, Bring of the fish which ye have now  
11 caught. Simon Peter therefore went on board, and drew  
the net to land full of great fishes, a hundred and fifty-

three ; and though there were so many, the net was not broken.

12 Jesus saith to them, Come and breakfast. But no one of the disciples durst ask him, Who art thou? knowing  
13 that it was the Lord. Jesus cometh and taketh the bread,  
14 and giveth them, and the fish likewise. This is now the third time that Jesus manifested himself to his disciples, after he had risen from the dead.

15 So when they had breakfasted, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of John, lovest thou me more than these? He saith to him, Yea, Lord, thou knowest that I love thee. He saith to him, Feed my lambs.

16 He saith to him again a second time, Simon, son of John, lovest thou me? He saith to him, Yea, Lord, thou knowest that I love thee. He saith to him, Tend my sheep.

17 He saith to him the third time, Simon, son of John, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said to him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that  
18 I love thee. He saith to him, Feed my sheep. Truly, truly do I say to thee, when thou wast young, thou didst gird thyself, and walk whither thou wouldst; but when thou hast grown old, thou wilt stretch forth thy hands, and another will gird thee, and carry thee whither thou  
19 wouldst not. This he said, signifying by what manner of death he was to glorify God.

And having thus spoken, he saith to him, Follow me.  
20 Peter, turning round, seeth the disciple whom Jesus loved following, — who also at supper leaned back on his breast,  
21 and said, Lord, who is he that betrayeth thee? — Peter, seeing him, saith to Jesus, Lord, and how will it be with  
22 him? Jesus saith to him, If it be my will that he remain  
23 till I come, what is it to thee? Follow thou me. This report therefore went abroad among the brethren, that



this disciple was not to die. And yet Jesus did not say to him, He will not die; but, If it be my will that he remain till I come, what is it to thee?

24 This is the disciple who testifieth of these things, and hath written these things; and we know that his testimony is true.

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Ver. 25. This verse, *And there are also many other things which Jesus did; and if they were to be every one written, I suppose that not even the world itself could contain the books that would be written*, is omitted by Tischendorf, apparently because it was wanting in the Sinai manuscript, as originally written. It is found in all other known manuscripts, though in many copies it is said in a note to have been regarded by some as a later addition.

## ACTS OF APOSTLES.

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1. THE former narrative I made, O Theophilus, of all that  
2 Jesus both did and taught from the beginning until the  
day in which, after he had through the Holy Spirit given  
commandments to the apostles whom he had chosen, he  
3 was taken up; to whom also he showed himself living,  
after he had suffered, by many sure proofs, appearing to  
them during forty days, and speaking of the things per-  
4 taining to the kingdom of God. And while in assembly  
with them, he commanded them not to depart from Jeru-  
salem, but to wait for what had been promised by the  
5 Father, which [said he] ye heard from me; for John  
indeed baptized with water, but ye will be baptized in  
the Holy Spirit not many days hence.

6 They therefore, having come together, asked him, say-  
ing, Lord, art thou at this time about to restore the king-  
7 dom to Israel? But he said to them, It belongeth not to  
you to know times or seasons, which the Father appointed  
8 by his own authority. But ye will receive power when  
the Holy Spirit hath come upon you; and ye will be  
my witnesses, both in Jerusalem and in all Judæa, and  
in Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

9 And having thus spoken, while they beheld, he was  
taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.  
10 And while they were looking earnestly into heaven as  
he went up, lo! two men stood by them in white apparel,  
11 who said, Men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into

heaven? This Jesus, who hath been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same manner in which ye beheld him going into heaven.

12 Then they returned to Jerusalem, from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, within a sabbath-day's  
13 journey. And when they had come in, they went up into the upper room where they were making their abode, namely, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphæus, and Simon the zealot, and Judas the  
14 brother of James. These all continued with one accord in prayer, with women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

15 And in those days Peter stood up in the midst of the brethren, and said, (the number of the names together  
16 was about one hundred and twenty,) Brethren, it was necessary that this scripture should be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through the mouth of David spoke before concerning Judas, who became guide to those who took  
17 Jesus. For he was numbered among us, and obtained  
18 the allotment of this ministry. Now this man purchased a field with the wages of the iniquity; and falling headlong he burst asunder in the middle, and all his bowels  
19 gushed out. And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that that field is called in their  
20 own tongue, Aceldamach, that is, Field of Blood. For it is written in the book of Psalms, "Let his habitation be made desolate, and let no one dwell therein;"\* and,  
21 "Let another take his office."† Of these men, therefore, who accompanied us all the time that the Lord Jesus  
22 went in and out among us, from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us, must one be made a witness with us of his resurrection.

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\* Ps. lxxix. 25.

† Ps. cix. 8

23 And they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who  
24 was surnamed Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed  
saying, Thou, Lord, who knowest the hearts of all men,  
25 show which of these two thou hast chosen to take the  
part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas  
by transgression fell away, that he might go to his own  
26 place. And they cast lots for them; and the lot fell  
upon Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven  
apostles.

II. And on the day of Pentecost they were all together in  
2 one place. And suddenly there came out of heaven a  
sound, as of a rushing mighty wind; and it filled the  
3 whole house where they were sitting; and there appeared  
to them tongues as of fire, distributing themselves; and  
4 one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with  
the Holy Spirit, and began to speak with other tongues,  
5 even as the Spirit gave them utterance. Now there were  
dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every na-  
6 tion under heaven. And when this sound took place, the  
multitude came together, and were confounded, because  
every one heard them speaking in his own language.  
7 And they were amazed, and marvelled, saying, Behold,  
8 are not all these who speak Galilæans? and how is it  
that we every one hear them in our own language,  
9 wherein we were born? Parthians and Medes and  
Elamites, and those who inhabit Mesopotamia, Judæa  
10 and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pam-  
phylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and  
Romans who sojourn here, both Jews and Proselytes,  
11 Cretans and Arabians — how is it that we hear them  
speaking in our tongues the wonderful works of God?  
12 And they were all amazed and were in doubt, saying  
13 one to another, What can this mean? Others making  
sport of it, said, They are full of new wine.

14 But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his  
 voice, and said to them, Men of Judæa, and all that dwell  
 at Jerusalem, be this known to you, and hearken to my  
 15 words. For these are not drunken, as ye suppose; for it  
 16 is the third hour of the day; but this is what was spoken  
 17 through the prophet Joel, "It shall be in the last days,  
 saith God, that I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh;  
 and your sons and your daughters will prophesy, and your  
 young men will see visions, and your old men will dream  
 18 dreams; and even on my servants, and on my handmaids,  
 I will pour out of my Spirit in those days, and they will  
 19 prophesy. And I will show wonders in heaven above,  
 and signs on the earth beneath, blood, and fire, and vapor  
 20 of smoke; the sun will be turned into darkness and the  
 moon into blood, before the day of the Lord cometh, the  
 21 great and notable day. And it shall be that every one  
 that calleth on the name of the Lord shall be saved."\*  
 22 Men of Israel, hear these words! Jesus the Nazarene, a  
 man approved of God to you by miracles, and wonders,  
 and signs, which God wrought by him in the midst of  
 23 you, as ye yourselves know, — this man, being delivered up  
 by the settled purpose and foreknowledge of God, ye, by  
 24 the hand of godless men, crucified and slew. But God  
 raised him up, having loosed the pains of death, because  
 25 it was not possible that he should be held by it. For  
 David saith concerning him, "I saw the Lord always  
 before me; because he is on my right hand, that I should  
 26 not be moved. Therefore my heart rejoiced, and my  
 tongue exulted; moreover also, my flesh shall dwell in  
 27 hope; because thou wilt not abandon my soul to the under-  
 world, nor wilt thou suffer thy holy one to see corruption.  
 28 Thou didst make known to me the ways of life; thou wilt  
 29 make me full of joy with thy countenance." † Brethren,

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Ver. 23. — *godless men*; i.e. the heathen Romans, who had not God's  
 law. See 1 Cor. ix. 21. \* Joel ii. 28-32. † Ps. xvi. 8-11.

I may speak to you with freedom of the patriarch David, that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is  
30 among us to this day. Being then a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn to him with an oath that he would  
31 set one sprung from his loins upon his throne, he foresaw and spoke of the resurrection of Christ, that neither was he abandoned to the underworld, nor did his flesh see  
32 corruption. This Jesus God raised up, whereof we all  
33 are witnesses. Being therefore exalted by the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit, he hath poured forth this, which ye both see  
34 and hear. For David did not ascend into the heavens; but he himself saith, The Lord said to my lord, "Sit thou  
35 on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy foot-  
36 stool."\* Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God hath made him both Lord and Christ,  
—this Jesus whom ye crucified.

37 And when they heard this, they were pierced to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles,  
38 Brethren, what must we do? But Peter said to them, Repent, and let every one of you be baptized to the name of Jesus Christ for forgiveness of sins, and ye  
39 will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all that are afar off, as many as the Lord our God shall call.

40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this perverse generation.

41 They therefore received his word, and were baptized; and there were added on that day about three thousand souls.

42 And they were constantly attending on the teaching of the apostles, and the imparting [of their substance], the  
43 breaking of bread, and the prayers. And fear came upon

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Ver. 40. — *Save yourselves*; more literally, *Be saved*. \* Ps. cx. 1.

every soul; and many wonders and signs were wrought  
44 through the apostles. And all that believed were together,  
45 and had all things common; and they sold their possessions  
and goods, and divided them among all, as any one  
46 had need. And attending daily with one accord in the  
temple, and breaking bread in a private house, they partook  
of their food with gladness and singleness of heart,  
47 praising God, and having favor with all the people. And  
the Lord added to the church daily those who were in the  
way of salvation.

III. And Peter and John were going up together to  
the temple, at the hour of prayer, which is the ninth  
2 hour. And a certain man lame from his birth was  
carried along, whom they laid daily at the gate of the  
temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of those  
3 who entered the temple; who, seeing Peter and John  
4 about to go into the temple, asked alms. And Peter  
fixing his eyes upon him, with John, said, Look upon us.  
5 And he gave heed to them, expecting to receive some-  
6 thing from them. Then Peter said, Silver and gold have  
I none; but what I have I give thee. In the name of  
7 Jesus Christ the Nazarene, rise up and walk. And grasp-  
ing him by the right hand, he raised him up; and imme-  
8 diately his feet and ancles received strength. And leaping  
forth he stood, and walked, and entered with them into  
9 the temple, walking and leaping, praising God. And all  
10 the people saw him walking, and praising God; and they  
recognized him as the man that sat for alms at the Beautiful  
Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder  
and amazement at that which had happened to him.  
11 And as he held fast to Peter and John, all the people  
ran together to them in the porch that is called Solomon's,  
12 greatly wondering. But Peter seeing it, answered the people:  
Men of Israel, why wonder ye at this?

Or why look ye earnestly on us, as though by our own power or godliness we had made this man to walk?  
13 The God of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified his servant Jesus, whom ye indeed delivered up, and denied him in the presence of  
14 Pilate, when he had decided to release him. But ye denied the holy and righteous one, and asked that a murderer should be granted to you. But the author of life  
15 ye killed; whom God raised from the dead, whereof we  
16 are witnesses. And his name, through faith in his name, made this man strong, whom ye see and know; yea, the faith which is through him gave him this perfect sound-  
17 ness in the presence of you all. And now, brethren, I know that ye acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers.  
18 But God thus fulfilled what he had before announced by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ should suf-  
19 fer. Repent therefore and turn from your ways, that your sins may be blotted out, in order that the times of refresh-  
20 ing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send forth Christ Jesus, who was before appointed for  
21 you; whom heaven indeed must receive until the times of a restoration of all things; of which times God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from the days of old.  
22 Moses indeed said, "A prophet will the Lord your God raise up to you from among your brethren, as he raised up me; him shall ye hear in all things, whatever he shall  
23 speak to you. And it shall come to pass, that every soul which doth not hear that prophet shall be utterly do-  
24 stroyed from among the people."\* And all the prophets also, Samuel and those who followed, as many as spoke, announced these days.  
25 Ye are the sons of the prophets, and of the covenant

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Ver. 15. — *author of life*. Possibly the Greek term also includes the idea that Christ was the first-born from the dead. Col. i. 18.

\* Deut. xviii. 15, 18, 19.



which God made with our fathers, saying to Abraham, "And in thy posterity shall all the families of the earth be blessed."\* To you first, God, having raised up his servant, sent him to bless you in turning away every one of you from your iniquities.

IV. And while they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, being indignant that they taught the people, and proclaimed in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. And they laid hands upon them, and put them in prison until the next day; for it was now evening. Many however of those who heard the word believed; and the number of the men became five thousand.

And it came to pass on the next day, that their rulers and elders and scribes, and Annas the high-priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the high-priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem. And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name, did ye do this?

Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, Rulers of the people, and elders of Israel! If we are this day examined in respect to a good deed done to a cripple, by what means he hath been restored, be it known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, — by him doth this man stand here before you sound. This is the stone which was set at nought by you the builders, which is become a corner-stone. And there is salvation in no other; for there is not

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Chap. IV. 1. — *captain of the temple.* See note on Luke xxii. 4.

Ver. 7. — *did ye do this.* In the Greek, "ye" is emphatic.

\* Gen. xxii. 18; comp. xii. 3.

another name under heaven, that hath been given among men, by which we must be saved.

13 And when they beheld the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and common men, they wondered; and they recognized them as having been  
14 with Jesus. And seeing the man that had been cured standing with them, they could say nothing in reply.  
15 But when they had commanded them to go aside out of  
16 the council, they conferred among themselves, saying, What shall we do to these men? for that indeed a remarkable sign hath been wrought by them is manifest to all that dwell in Jerusalem; and we cannot deny it.  
17 But that it spread no further among the people, let us strictly forbid them with threats to speak any longer in  
18 this name to any one. And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all, nor teach, in the name  
19 of Jesus. But Peter and John answered and said to them, Whether it is right in the sight of God to hearken to you  
20 rather than to God, judge ye. For we cannot but speak the things which we saw and heard.

21 So, having further threatened them, they let them go, finding no way to punish them, on account of the people; because all were glorifying God for that which had been  
22 done. For the man was above forty years old, on whom this sign of the healing had been wrought.

23 And being released they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said  
24 to them. And on hearing it, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, Lord, thou art he that made heaven and earth and sea, and all things that are in them;  
15 who by the mouth of thy servant David said, "Why did the  
26 heathen rage, and the peoples meditate vain things? The kings of the earth came up, and the rulers assembled to-  
27 gether, against the Lord, and against his Anointed."\* For

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\* Ps. ii. 1, 2.

in truth against thy holy servant Jesus, whom thou didst  
anoint, did both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the gen-  
28 tiles, and the peoples of Israel, assemble in this city, to do  
whatever thy hand and thy will before determined to be  
29 done. And now, Lord, look upon their threatenings, and  
grant to thy servants that with all boldness they may  
30 speak thy word, while thou stretchest forth thy hand to  
heal, and signs and wonders are wrought through the  
name of thy holy servant Jesus.

31 And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where  
they were assembled; and they were all filled with the Holy  
Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness.

32 And the multitude of those who believed were of one  
heart, and of one soul; and not one of them said that  
aught of the things which he possessed was his own; but  
33 they had all things common. And with great power did  
the apostles give their testimony to the resurrection of  
34 the Lord Jesus; and great grace was upon them all. For  
there was no one among them that was in want; for as  
many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and  
35 brought the prices of the things that were sold, and laid  
them at the feet of the apostles; and distribution was  
made to every one, according as he had need.

36 And Joseph, who by the apostles was surnamed Barna-  
bas, (which is, when interpreted, Son of consolation,) a Le-  
37 vite, born in Cyprus, having land, sold it, and brought the  
money, and laid it at the feet of the apostles.

V. But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his  
2 wife, sold a possession, and kept back part of the price,  
his wife also having knowledge of it; and brought a  
3 certain part, and laid it at the feet of the apostles. But  
Peter said, Ananias, why did Satan fill thy heart that thou  
shouldst lie to the Holy Spirit, and keep back part of the  
4 price of the land? While it remained, was it not thine

own? And after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? Why didst thou conceive this thing in thy heart?

5 Thou didst not lie to men, but to God. And Ananias, hearing these words, fell down, and expired. And great  
6 fear came on all that heard of it. And the young men arose, and wrapt him up, and carried him out, and buried  
7 him. And it was about the space of three hours after, when his wife, not knowing what had happened, came in.  
8 Peter said to her, Tell me whether ye sold the land for so  
9 much. And she said, Yes, for so much. And Peter said to her, Why is it that ye agreed together to try the Spirit  
10 of the Lord? Lo! the feet of those who have buried thy  
11 husband are at the door, and they will carry thee out. And she fell down immediately at his feet, and expired; and the  
12 young men, when they came in, found her dead, and car-  
13 ried her out, and buried her by her husband. And great  
14 fear came upon all the church, and upon all that heard  
15 of these things.

12 And many signs and wonders were wrought among the  
13 people by the hands of the apostles; and they were all  
14 with one accord in Solomon's porch. But of the rest no  
15 one dared to join himself to them. But the people highly  
16 honored them; and more and more were believers added  
17 to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women; so that  
18 in the streets they brought out the sick, and laid them  
19 on beds and couches, in order that at least the shadow  
20 of Peter, as he passed, might overshadow some of them.  
21 The multitude also belonging to the cities around came  
22 together to Jerusalem bringing the sick, and those plagued  
23 by unclean spirits; and they were all healed.

17 But the high-priest and all that were with him, which  
18 is the sect of the Sadducees, rose up and were filled with  
19 indignation, and laid hands on the apostles, and put them  
20 in the public prison. But an angel of the Lord in the  
21 night opened the prison-doors, and brought them forth and

20 said, Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people  
21 all the words of this life. And hearing this, they went  
into the temple at daybreak and taught. But the high-  
priest and they that were with him came and called to-  
gether the council, and all the elders of the sons of Israel,  
22 and sent to the prison to have them brought. But the  
officers that came did not find them in the prison; and  
23 they returned and brought word, saying, The prison we  
found shut in all security and the keepers standing at  
the doors: but when we opened them, we found no one  
24 within. And when the priest, and the captain of the  
temple, and the chief priests heard these words, they were at  
25 a loss concerning them, to what this would come. But one  
came and brought them word, Lo! the men whom ye put  
in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the peo-  
26 ple. Then went the captain with the officers, and brought  
them without violence, that they might not be stoned; for  
27 they feared the people. And having brought them, they set  
them before the council. And the high-priest questioned  
28 them, saying, We strictly commanded you not to teach in  
this name, and lo! ye have filled Jerusalem with your teach-  
ing, and mean to bring this man's blood upon us.  
29 But Peter and the apostles answered and said, We ought  
30 to obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers  
raised up Jesus, whom ye slew by hanging him on a cross;

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Ver. 30. — *on a cross*; literally, *on wood*, or, *a beam of wood*. The word *tree* was used by early English writers in the general sense of *wood*, or, *a beam of wood*. Chaucer speaks of "vessells of tre," "halle of tre." The Geneva version of the O. T. says, "Let them make a tree of fifty cubits high" (Esth. v. 14). Tyndal and most of the early English translators have it *hanged on tree*, in this and the corresponding passages. I suppose that the New Testament writers used the expression *wood*, or *a beam of wood*, rather than *cross*, in order to make a verbal correspondence between the hanging of Christ and Deut. xxi. 23, where undoubtedly a wooden beam, or large stake, not a cross, is denoted. Comp. Gal. iii. 13. But as the cross is universally understood to be made of wood, it seems best to use the word which is found

31 him hath God exalted by his right hand, as a Leader and  
Saviour, to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of  
32 sins. And we are his witnesses of these things, and so  
also is the Holy Spirit which God hath given to those  
who obey him.

33 But when they heard this, they were filled with rage,  
34 and were resolving to kill them. But there stood up one  
in the council, a Pharisee, named Gamaliel, a doctor of the  
law, in high esteem with all the people, and commanded to  
35 put the men forth a little while, and said to them [of the  
council], Men of Israel, take heed to yourselves as to what  
36 ye are about to do in respect to these men. For before  
these days arose Theudas, boasting himself to be some-  
body; to whom a number of men, about four hundred,  
joined themselves: who was slain, and all, as many as  
37 obeyed him, were scattered, and came to nought. After  
this man arose Judas the Galilæan, in the days of the  
registering, and drew people away after him; he also per-  
38 ished, and all, as many as obeyed him, were dispersed. And  
now I say to you, Refrain from these men, and let them  
alone; for if this design or this work be of men, it will  
39 come to nought; but if it be of God, ye will not be able  
to overthrow them; lest haply ye be found also fighting  
against God.

40 And they were persuaded by him; and having called  
the apostles, they beat them, and commanded them not  
41 to speak in the name of Jesus, and released them. They  
therefore went away from the presence of the council, re-  
joicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame in  
42 behalf of that name; and every day, in the temple, and  
in houses, they ceased not to teach, and to publish the  
glad tidings concerning Jesus the Christ.

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in the Gospels. Both of the senses of the word tree, as used by the early English writers, are now obsolete, except in a few compound words, such as axle-tree, whipple-tree, &c.

VI. But in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplying, there arose a murmuring of the Hellenists against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministrations. And the twelve called the multitude of the disciples to them, and said, It doth not seem to us proper, that we should leave the word of God, and provide for tables. Therefore, brethren, look out among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint over this business; but we will give ourselves closely to prayer, and to the ministry of the word.

And what was said pleased the whole multitude. And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus a proselyte of Antioch, whom they set before the apostles; and when they had prayed, they laid their hands on them.

And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem was greatly enlarged; and a great multitude of the priests were obedient to the faith.

And Stephen, full of grace and power, wrought great wonders and signs among the people. But some of those who belonged to the so-called synagogue of the Freedmen, and of the Cyrenæans and Alexandrians, and of those from Cilicia and Asia, arose and disputed with Stephen; and they were not able to resist the wisdom and the Spirit with which he spoke. Then they suborned men, who said, We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses, and God.

And they stirred up the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and came upon him, and seized him, and brought him to the council, and set up false witnesses, who said,

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Ver. 1. — *Hellenists*; i.e. Jews who used the Greek language, whether believers in Christ, or not.

This man ceaseth not to speak words against the holy  
14 place, and the Law. For we have heard him say, This  
Jesus the Nazarene will destroy this place, and change  
15 the customs which Moses delivered to us. And all that  
sat in the council, looking steadily upon him, saw his face  
like the face of an angel.

VII. And the high-priest said, Are then these things so?  
2 And he said, Brethren and fathers, hearken. The God  
of glory appeared to our father Abraham, when he was  
3 in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Haran, and said to  
him, "Go forth from thy country and thy kindred, and  
4 come into the land which I will show thee."\* Then came  
he out of the land of the Chaldæans, and dwelt in Haran;  
and from thence, after his father was dead, he caused him  
5 to remove into this land wherein ye now dwell; and he  
gave him no inheritance in it, no, not so much as to set his  
foot on; and he promised to give it to him for a possession,  
and to his posterity after him, when as yet he had no child.  
6 And God spoke in this manner: "That his posterity should  
sojourn in a foreign land, and that they would bring them  
7 into bondage, and ill-treat them four hundred years; and  
the nation to which they shall be in bondage will I judge,"  
said God; "and after that they shall come forth, and shall  
worship me in this place." †  
8 And he gave him the covenant of circumcision; and so  
he begat Isaac, and circumcised him on the eighth day;  
and Isaac begat Jacob, and Jacob the twelve patriarchs.  
9 And the patriarchs, moved with envy, sold Joseph into  
10 Egypt; and God was with him, and delivered him out of  
all his afflictions, and gave him favor and wisdom in the  
sight of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and he made him gov-  
ernor over Egypt, and all his house.

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\* Gen. xii. 1.

† Gen. xv. 13, 14.



11 Now there came a famine over all the land of Egypt  
and Canaan, and great distress; and our fathers found no  
12 sustenance. But Jacob, hearing that there was grain in  
13 Egypt, sent out our fathers first. And at the second time  
Joseph was recognized by his brothers, and the kindred of  
14 Joseph became known to Pharaoh. Then Joseph sent and  
called his father Jacob to him, and all his kindred, seventy-  
15 five souls. And Jacob went down [into Egypt], and died,  
16 he and our fathers. And they were removed to Shechem,  
and laid in the tomb that Abraham bought for a sum of  
money of the sons of Hamor, the father of Shechem.

17 But as the time of the promise drew near, which God  
solemnly made to Abraham, the people grew and multi-  
18 plied in Egypt, until another king arose, who knew not  
19 Joseph. The same dealt subtly with our race, and ill-  
treated our fathers, so that they should cast out their  
infants, that they might not be preserved alive.

20 In which time Moses was born, and was exceedingly  
fair; who was nourished in his father's house three  
21 months. And when he was cast out, Pharaoh's daughter  
22 took him up, and nourished him for herself as a son. And  
Moses was instructed in all the wisdom of the Egyptians,  
23 and was mighty in his words and deeds. And when he  
was forty years old, it came into his heart to visit his  
24 brethren, the sons of Israel. And seeing one of them suf-  
fer wrong, he defended him, and avenged him that was op-  
25 pressed by smiting the Egyptian. For he supposed his  
brethren would understand that God through his hand  
would give them salvation; but they understood not.  
26 And the next day he showed himself to them as they  
were contending, and urged them to peace, saying, Ye  
27 are brethren; why do ye wrong one another? But he  
who was wronging his neighbor thrust him away, say-  
ing, "Who made thee a ruler and a judge over us?  
28 Dost thou mean to kill me, as thou didst kill the Egyp-

29 tian yesterday?"\* And Moses fled at this saying, and  
 became a sojourner in the land of Midian, where he be-  
 30 gat two sons. And when forty years were completed,  
 there appeared to him in the wilderness of Mount Sinai  
 31 an angel in the flaming fire of a bush. And Moses see-  
 ing it wondered at the sight; and as he drew near to be-  
 32 hold it, the voice of the Lord came [to him], saying, "I  
 am the God of thy fathers, the God of Abraham and Isaac  
 and Jacob." † And Moses trembled and durst not behold.  
 33 And the Lord said to him, "Loose the sandals from thy  
 34 feet; for the place where thou standest is holy ground. I  
 have surely seen the oppression of my people in Egypt, and  
 I have heard their groaning, and am come down to de-  
 liver them; and now, come, I will send thee into Egypt." ‡  
 35 This Moses, whom they denied, saying, "Who made thee  
 a ruler and a judge?"§ this very man did God send both  
 as a ruler and a redeemer with the hand of the angel who  
 36 appeared to him in the bush. This very man brought them  
 out, working wonders and signs in the land of Egypt, and  
 37 in the Red Sea, and in the wilderness forty years. This  
 is the Moses who said to the sons of Israel, "A prophet  
 will God raise up to you from among your brethren, as  
 38 he raised up me."|| This is he that was in the assembly  
 in the wilderness with the angel who spake to him on  
 Mount Sinai, and with our fathers; who received the  
 39 living oracles to give to us; to whom our fathers would  
 not be obedient, but thrust him from them, and in their  
 40 hearts turned back into Egypt, saying to Aaron, "Make  
 us gods who shall go before us; for as for this Moses,  
 who brought us out of the land of Egypt, we know not  
 41 what is become of him."¶ And they made a calf in those  
 days, and offered sacrifice to the idol, and rejoiced in the

\* Exod. ii. 14.

† Exod. iii. 6.

‡ Exod. iii. 5, 7, 8, 10.

§ Exod. ii. 14.

|| Deut. xviii. 18.

¶ Exod. xxxii. 1.

42 works of their own hands. But God turned away, and gave them up to worship the host of heaven; as it is written in the book of the Prophets, "Did ye offer to me slain beasts and sacrifices for forty years in the wilderness, 43 O house of Israel? And ye took up the tabernacle of Moloch, and the star of the god Rephan, the figures which ye made to worship them; and I will carry you away beyond Babylon."\*

44 Our fathers had the tabernacle of the testimony in the wilderness, as he that spoke to Moses commanded that he should make it according to the pattern that he had 45 seen; which also our fathers received and brought in with Joshua, at their taking possession of the gentiles whom God drove out from before our fathers, until the days of 46 David; who found favor before God, and asked that he 47 might find a habitation for the God of Jacob. But Solomon built him a house. Yet the Most High dwelleth not in [temples] made with hands; as saith the prophet, 49 "Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool. What house will ye build for me? saith the Lord; or 50 what is the place of my rest? Did not my hands make all these things?"†

51 Stiffnecked, and uncircumcised in heart and ears! ye do always resist the Holy Spirit; as your fathers did, so 52 do ye. Which of the prophets did not your fathers persecute? And they slew those who foretold the coming of the righteous one, of whom ye have now become the 53 betrayers and murderers; ye who received the Law as ordained through angels, and did not keep it.

54 But when they heard these things, their hearts were filled with rage, and they gnashed their teeth at him. 55 But, being full of the Holy Spirit, he looked up earnestly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus stand-

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\* Amos v. 25-27.

† Isa. lxvi. 1, 2.

56 ing on the right hand of God, and said, Lo, I behold the  
heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right  
57 hand of God. And they cried out with a loud voice, and  
stopped their ears, and rushed upon him with one ac-  
58 cord; and having cast him out of the city, they stoned  
him. And the witnesses laid down their garments at the  
59 feet of a young man named Saul; and they stoned Ste-  
phen, making supplication, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive  
60 my spirit. And kneeling down he cried with a loud voice,  
Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And saying this,  
VIII. he fell asleep. And Saul was consenting to his death.

And there arose on that day a great persecution against  
the church which was at Jerusalem; and all were scat-  
tered abroad throughout the regions of Judæa and Sama-  
2 ria, except the apostles. And devout men carried Stephen  
3 to his burial, and made great lamentation over him. But  
Saul ravaged the church, entering house after house, and  
dragging both men and women, committed them to prison.

4 Now those that had been scattered abroad went through  
5 the country preaching the word. And Philip went down  
to a city of Samaria, and preached to them the Christ.  
6 And the multitudes with one accord gave heed to the  
things spoken by Philip, when they heard and saw the  
7 signs which he wrought. For from many that had un-  
clean spirits came they out crying with a loud voice; and  
many that were palsied, and that were lame, were cured.  
8 And there was great joy in that city.

9 But before their arrival a certain man, named Simon,  
was in the city, a man practising sorcery, and amazing  
the people of Samaria, saying that he himself was some  
10 great person; to whom they gave heed, from the least to  
the greatest, saying, This man is the Power of God, which  
11 is called Great. And to him they gave heed, because they  
12 had for a long time been amazed by his sorceries. But

when they believed Philip, publishing the glad tidings concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus  
13 Christ, they were baptized, both men and women. And Simon himself also believed, and having been baptized he continued with Philip, and was amazed when he beheld the miracles and signs which were wrought.

14 And the apostles at Jerusalem, hearing that Samaria had received the word of God, sent to them Peter and  
15 John ; who, having come down, prayed for them that they  
16 might receive the Holy Spirit. For it had not yet fallen upon any of them ; but they had only been baptized into  
17 the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

18 But Simon, seeing that the Spirit was given through the laying on of the apostles' hands, offered them money,  
19 saying, Give me also this power, that on whomever I lay  
20 my hands, he may receive the Holy Spirit. But Peter said to him, Thy money perish with thee ! because thou  
21 didst think to obtain the gift of God with money. Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter ; for thy heart is  
22 not right in the sight of God. Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray the Lord, if haply the thought  
23 of thy heart may be forgiven thee. For I perceive that thou art in the gall of bitterness, and in the bond of ini-  
24 quity. And Simon answering said, Pray ye to the Lord for me, that none of the things which ye have spoken may come upon me.

25 They then, when they had testified and spoken the word of the Lord, were returning to Jerusalem, and publishing  
26 the glad tidings in many villages of the Samaritans. But an angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, saying, Arise, and go towards the south, to the way that goeth down from  
27 Jerusalem to Gaza. This is a desert way. And he arose and went ; and lo ! a man of Ethiopia, a eunuch, a high officer of Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the

charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem to  
 28 worship, was returning and sitting in his chariot; and he  
 29 was reading the prophet Isaiah. And the Spirit said to  
 30 Philip, Go near and join thyself to this chariot. And  
 Philip ran up, and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet,  
 and said, Well, but dost thou understand what thou art  
 31 reading? And he said, How can I, unless some one shall  
 guide me? And he invited Philip to come up and sit with  
 32 him. And the passage of the scripture which he was read-  
 ing was this: "He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and  
 like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so he openeth not  
 33 his mouth. In his humiliation judgment was refused him;  
 and who shall describe his generation? for his life is taken  
 34 away from the earth."\* And the eunuch answering said, I  
 pray thee, of whom doth the prophet say this? Of himself,  
 35 or of some other man? And Philip opened his mouth, and  
 beginning with this scripture declared to him the glad tid-  
 36 ings concerning Jesus. And as they went along the road,  
 they came to a certain water; and the eunuch saith, See,  
 here is water; what is there to hinder my being bap-  
 38 tized? And he commanded that the chariot should stop;  
 and they both went down into the water, both Philip  
 39 and the eunuch; and he baptized him. But when they  
 had come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord  
 caught away Philip; and the eunuch saw him no more, for  
 40 he went on his way rejoicing. But Philip was found at  
 Azotus; and passing through, he published the glad tid-  
 ings in all the cities, till he came to Cæsareà.

IX. But Saul, yet breathing out threatening and slaugh-  
 ter against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high-  
 2 priest, and asked of him letters to Damascus to the  
 synagogues, that if he found any who were of this way

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\* Isa. liii. 7, 8.

of belief, whether they were men or women, he might  
3 bring them bound to Jerusalem. And as he journeyed, he  
came near Damascus; and suddenly there shone around  
4 him a light from heaven; and he fell to the earth, and  
heard a voice saying to him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest  
5 thou me? And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And he  
6 answered, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest. But arise,  
and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou  
must do.

7 And the men that journeyed with him stood speech-  
8 less, hearing the voice, but seeing no one. And Saul  
arose from the earth; but when his eyes were opened, he  
saw nothing; and they led him by the hand, and brought  
9 him into Damascus. And he was three days without  
sight, and neither ate nor drank.

10 And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named  
Ananias, and to him the Lord said in a vision, Ananias!  
11 And he said, Behold, I am here, Lord. And the Lord  
said to him, Arise, and go into the street called Straight,  
and inquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of  
12 Tarsus; for lo! he prayeth, and hath seen a man, named  
Ananias, coming in and putting his hand on him, that he  
13 might receive sight. But Ananias answered, Lord, I have  
heard from many about this man, how great evils he hath  
14 done to thy saints at Jerusalem. And here he hath au-  
thority from the chief priests to bind all that call on thy  
15 name. But the Lord said to him, Go; for this man is to  
me a chosen vessel, to bear my name before nations, and  
16 kings, and the sons of Israel. For I myself will show him  
how great things he must suffer for my name's sake.

17 And Ananias went away, and entered the house; and  
putting his hands on him, he said, Brother Saul, the  
Lord, even Jesus who appeared to thee in the way thou  
camest, hath sent me, that thou mayst receive sight, and  
18 be filled with the Holy Spirit. And immediately there

fell off from his eyes as it were scales; and he received  
19 sight, and arose, and was baptized. And having taken  
some food he was strengthened.

And he was some days with the disciples in Damascus.  
20 And immediately he preached Jesus in the synagogues,  
21 that he is the Son of God. And all that heard him were  
amazed, and said, Is not this he that destroyed in Jerusa-  
lem those who called on this name? And he hath come  
hither for this purpose, that he may bring them bound to  
22 the chief priests. But Saul gained still more strength,  
and confounded the Jews who dwelt at Damascus, prov-  
ing that this is the Christ.

23 But after many days had passed, the Jews took coun-  
24 sel together to kill him; but their plot became known to  
Saul; and they were even watching the gates day and  
25 night to kill him. But his disciples took him by night, and  
let him down through the wall, lowering him in a basket.

26 And when he had come to Jerusalem, he attempted to  
join himself to the disciples; and they were all afraid of  
27 him, not believing that he was a disciple. But Barnabas  
took him, and brought him to the apostles, and related to  
them how he had seen the Lord on the road, and that he  
had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at  
28 Damascus in the name of Jesus. And he was with them  
29 going in and out at Jerusalem, speaking boldly in the  
name of the Lord. And he often spoke and disputed with  
the Hellenists; but they were endeavoring to slay him.  
30 But the brethren obtaining knowledge of it, brought him  
down to Cæsarea, and sent him forth to Tarsus.

31 The church therefore throughout all Judæa and Galilee  
and Samaria had peace, being built up, and walking in  
the fear of the Lord; and by the exhortation of the  
Holy Spirit it was greatly increased.

32 And it came to pass, that as Peter went through the  
whole country, he came down also to the saints who



33 dwelt at Lydda. And there he found a certain man  
named Æneas, who had lain on a bed eight years, and was  
34 palsied. And Peter said to him, Æneas, Jesus the Christ  
healeth thee; arise, and make thy bed. And he arose im-  
35 mediately. And all that dwelt in Lydda and Sharon saw  
him; and they turned to the Lord.

36 Now at Joppa there was a certain disciple named Tabi-  
tha, which name being interpreted is the same as Dorcas,  
that is, Gazelle. This woman was full of good works and  
37 alms-deeds which she did. And it came to pass in those  
days, that she fell sick, and died; and when they had  
38 washed her, they laid her in an upper chamber. And  
as Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, having heard that  
Peter was there, sent to him two men with the entreaty,  
39 Do not delay to come to us. Then Peter arose, and went  
with them. When he was come, they brought him into  
the upper chamber; and all the widows came to him weep-  
ing, and showing the coats and cloaks which Dorcas made  
40 while she was with them. But Peter put them all forth,  
and kneeled down and prayed; and turning to the body  
he said, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes; and  
41 seeing Peter, she sat up. And he gave her his hand, and  
raised her up; and calling the saints and the widows, he  
42 presented her alive. And it became known throughout all  
43 Joppa; and many believed in the Lord. And it came to  
pass, that he tarried many days in Joppa with one Simon,  
a tanner.

X. Now a certain man in Cæsarea, named Cornelius, a  
2 centurion of the band called the Italian band, a devout  
man, and one that feared God with all his house, giving  
much alms to the people, and praying to God always,  
3 saw in a vision plainly, about the ninth hour of the  
day, an angel of God coming in to him, and saying to  
4 him, Cornelius! And he, looking steadily at him, and

becoming affrighted, said, What is it, Lord? And he said to him, Thy prayers and thine alms have come up for a  
5 memorial before God. And now send men to Joppa, and  
6 call for one Simon, who is surnamed Peter; he lodgeth with one Simon a tanner, whose house is by the sea-side.

7 And when the angel that spoke to him had departed, he called two of his household servants, and a devout soldier  
8 of those who waited on him, and having told them every thing sent them to Joppa.

9 On the morrow, as they were on their journey, and were drawing near the city, Peter went up on the house-top to  
10 pray, about the sixth hour. And he became very hungry and wished to eat; but while they were making ready, a  
11 trance came upon him, and he beheld heaven opened, and a sort of vessel descending, as it were a large sheet hav-  
ing cords at the four corners, and let down upon the  
12 earth; wherein were all the four-footed beasts and creep-  
13 ing things of the earth, and birds of the air. And there  
14 came a voice to him, Arise, Peter; slay, and eat. But Peter said, Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten anything  
15 common and unclean. And a voice came to him again, the second time, That which God hath cleansed, call not  
16 thou common. This was done three times; and the vessel was immediately taken up into heaven.

17 Now, while Peter was doubting within himself what the vision which he had seen meant, lo! the men who were sent from Cornelius had made inquiry for Simon's house,  
18 and stood before the gate; and they called, and asked  
19 whether Simon, surnamed Peter, lodged there. And while Peter was meditating on the vision, the Spirit said  
20 to him, Behold, men are seeking thee; but arise, and go down, and go with them, without scruple; for I have sent them.

21 And Peter went down to the men and said, Behold, I am he whom ye are seeking; for what cause have ye

22 come? And they said, Cornelius a centurion, a righteous man, and one that feareth God, and of good report among all the nation of the Jews, was warned from God by a holy angel to send for thee to his house, and to hear words from  
23 thee. Then he called them in, and lodged them.

And on the morrow he arose and went forth with them, and certain of the brethren from Joppa accompanied him.  
24 And the morrow after, he came into Cæsarea. And Cornelius was expecting them, and had called together his kinsmen and near friends.

25 And as Peter came in, Cornelius met him, and fell down  
26 at his feet, and did him reverence. But Peter raised  
27 him up, saying, Stand up; I myself also am a man. And while talking with him, he went in, and found many who  
28 had come together. And he said to them, Ye know that it is an unlawful thing for a Jew to keep company with one of another nation, or to come near him; but God showed me that I should not call any man common or  
29 unclean. Wherefore I came without objection, when sent for. I ask therefore, for what reason did ye send for me?  
30 And Cornelius said, Four days ago, I was fasting till this hour; and at the ninth hour was praying in my house;  
31 and lo! a man stood before me in bright clothing, and said, Cornelius, thy prayer hath been heard, and thine  
32 alms have been remembered before God. Send therefore to Joppa, and call for Simon, who is surnamed Peter; he lodgeth in the house of Simon a tanner, by the sea-side;  
33 and he, when he cometh, will speak to thee. I therefore sent to thee immediately; and thou hast done well in coming here. Now therefore we are all present before God to hear all things that have been commanded thee from the Lord.

34 And Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is not a respecter of persons, but in every nation he that feareth him and worketh righteousness is

36 acceptable to him — the word which he sent to the sons  
of Israel, publishing glad tidings of peace through Jesus  
37 Christ; he is Lord of all men. Ye yourselves know what  
was spoken of through the whole of Judæa, beginning from  
38 Galilee after the baptism which John preached, relating  
to Jesus of Nazareth, that God anointed him with the Holy  
Spirit and with power; who went about doing good, and  
healing all that were overpowered by the Devil; for God  
39 was with him. And we are witnesses of all things which  
he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusa-  
lem; whom they also slew by hanging him on a cross.  
40 Him God raised up on the third day, and caused him to  
41 be manifested, not to all the people, but to witnesses be-  
fore appointed by God, to ourselves, who ate and drank  
42 with him after he rose from the dead; and he commanded  
us to preach to the people, and to testify that it is he who  
hath been appointed by God to be judge of the living  
43 and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that  
through his name every one that believeth in him shall  
receive forgiveness of sins.

44 While Peter was yet speaking these words, the Holy  
45 Spirit fell on all that heard the word. And those of the  
circumcision who believed, as many as came with Peter,  
were astonished that on the gentiles also was poured out  
46 the gift of the Holy Spirit; for they heard them speak-  
ing with tongues, and magnifying God. Then answered  
47 Peter, Can any one forbid water, that these should not be  
baptized, who have received the Holy Spirit even as we  
48 have? And he commanded that they should be baptized  
in the name of the Lord. Then they entreated him to  
remain some days.

XI. And the apostles and the brethren throughout Judæa  
heard that the gentiles also had received the word of God.  
2 And when Peter went up to Jerusalem, they that were of

3 the circumcision contended with him, saying, Thou didst go in to men uncircumcised, and didst eat with them.

4 But Peter rehearsed the matter to them in order from  
5 the beginning, saying, I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, a sort of vessel descending, as it were a great sheet, let down from heaven by four  
6 corners, and it came even to me; on which fixing my eyes, I observed, and saw the four-footed beasts of the earth, and the wild beasts, and the creeping things, and  
7 the birds of the air. And I also heard a voice saying to  
8 me, Arise, Peter; slay and eat. But I said, Not so, Lord; for nothing common or unclean ever entered my mouth.  
9 But a voice answered the second time out of heaven, That  
10 which God hath cleansed, call not thou common. And this was done three times; and all were again drawn up into  
11 heaven. And lo! immediately there stood three men at the house where I was, having been sent to me from  
12 Cæsarea. And the Spirit bade me go with them. And these six brethren also came with me, and we entered  
13 the man's house. And he told us how he had seen the angel in his house, standing and saying to him, Send to  
14 Joppa, and call for Simon, surnamed Peter; who will speak to thee words by which thou shalt be saved, and  
15 all thy house. And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit  
16 fell on them, as on us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, that he said, John indeed baptized with water, but ye shall be baptized in the Holy  
17 Spirit. Since then God gave the like gift to them as to us, on believing in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I, that I could withstand God?

18 And when they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, So then to the gentiles also God hath granted repentance unto life.

19 Now they who were scattered abroad by the persecution that arose on account of Stephen travelled as far as

Phœnicia, and Cyprus, and Antioch, speaking the word to  
20 none but Jews. But some of them were men of Cyprus  
and Cyrene, who, when they had come to Antioch, spoke  
to the Greeks, publishing the glad tidings of the Lord  
21 Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them; and  
22 a great number believed, and turned to the Lord. But  
the talk concerning them came to the ears of the church  
which was in Jerusalem; and they sent forth Barnabas,  
23 to go as far as Antioch; who, when he came, and saw the  
grace of God, rejoiced, and exhorted all to cleave to the  
24 Lord with purpose of heart; for he was a good man, and  
full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great multi-  
25 tude was added to the Lord. And he went to Tarsus, to  
26 seek for Saul; and when he had found him, he brought  
him to Antioch. And it came to pass, that for a whole  
year they came together in the church, and taught a great  
multitude; and the disciples were first called Christians in  
Antioch.

27 And in those days prophets came down from Jerusalem  
28 to Antioch. And one of them named Agabus stood up,  
and signified by the Spirit, that there was about to be a  
great famine over the whole world; which came to pass in  
29 the days of Claudius. And according as any one of the  
disciples was prospered, they determined every one of  
them to send relief to the brethren who dwelt in Judæa;  
30 which also they did, sending it to the elders by the hands  
of Barnabas and Saul.

XII. Now about that time, Herod the king laid his hands  
2 upon certain of the church, to oppress them. And he  
3 slew James, the brother of John, with the sword. And  
seeing that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to apprehend  
Peter also; (then were the days of unleavened  
4 bread;) and he seized him and put him in prison, and  
delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to keep

him; intending after the passover to bring him forth to  
5 the people. Peter therefore was kept guarded in prison;  
but earnest prayer was made by the church to God in  
his behalf.

6 And when Herod was about to bring him forth, on that  
night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with  
two chains, and keepers before the door were guarding the  
7 prison. And lo! an angel of the Lord came to him, and  
a light shone in the room; and he smote Peter on the  
side, and roused him, saying, Rise up quickly. And his  
8 chains fell from his hands. And the angel said to him,  
Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals; and he did so.  
And he saith to him, Throw thy garment round thee, and  
9 follow me. And he went out, and followed; and he knew  
not that what was done by the angel was real, but thought  
10 he saw a vision. And when they had passed the first and  
the second guard, they came to the iron gate that leadeth  
to the city, which opened to them of itself; and they went  
out and passed on through one street, and the angel imme-  
11 ately departed from him. And when Peter had come to  
himself, he said, Now I know certainly, that the Lord hath  
sent forth his angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand  
of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the  
12 Jews. And when he understood the matter, he came to the  
house of Mary the mother of John, surnamed Mark, where  
13 many were gathered together, and praying. And as he  
knocked at the door of the gate, a maid-servant came to  
14 listen, named Rhoda; and recognizing Peter's voice, she  
opened not the gate for gladness; but ran in, and told  
15 them that Peter was standing before the gate. And they  
said to her, Thou art mad. But she positively affirmed that  
16 it was even so. Then they said, It is his angel. But  
Peter continued knocking; and opening the door, they  
17 saw him, and were amazed. But beckoning to them with  
his hand to be silent, he related how the Lord had

brought him out of the prison. And he said, Go and tell these things to James, and to the brethren. And he departed, and went to another place.

18 And when it was day, there was no small commotion among the soldiers, as to what had become of Peter.

19 And Herod, when he had sought for him and found him not, examined the keepers, and commanded that they should be led away [to execution]. And he went down from Judæa to Cæsarea, and there abode.

20 And he was highly displeased with the Tyrians and Sidonians; but they came to him with one accord, and having made Blastus the king's chamberlain their friend, sued for peace; because their country drew its nourishment

21 from that of the king. And on a day appointed, Herod, having arrayed himself in royal apparel, and taken his

22 seat on the throne, made a speech to them. And thereupon the people shouted, The voice of a god, and not of a man!

23 But immediately an angel of the Lord smote him, because he gave not God the glory; and he was eaten by worms, and expired.

<sup>24</sup><sub>25</sub> But the word of God grew and was extended. And Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem, having performed their service, taking with them also John, surnamed Mark.

XIII. Now there were at Antioch, in the church that was there, prophets and teachers; Barnabas, and Simeon who

was called Niger, and Lucius the Cyrenæan, and Manaen,

2 the foster-brother of Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. And while they were ministering to the Lord, and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for

3 the work to which I have called them. Then, after they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away.

4 They therefore being sent forth by the Holy Spirit,



came down to Seleucia, and from thence sailed to Cyprus.  
5 And having come to Salamis, they preached the word of  
God in the synagogues of the Jews; and they had also  
6 John as an assistant. And when they had gone through  
the whole island as far as Paphos, they found a certain  
magian, a Jewish false prophet, whose name was Bar-  
7 jesus, who was with the proconsul of the country, Ser-  
gius Paulus, an intelligent man. He, having called for  
Barnabas and Saul, desired to hear the word of God.  
8 But Elymas the magian (for so is his name interpreted)  
withstood them, seeking to turn away the proconsul from  
9 the faith. But Saul (who is also called Paul), filled with  
10 the Holy Spirit, fixed his eyes on him and said, O full of  
all deceit, and of all mischief, son of the Devil, enemy  
of all righteousness, wilt thou not cease to pervert the right  
11 ways of the Lord? And now, behold, the hand of the Lord  
is upon thee, and thou wilt be blind, not seeing the sun  
for a season. And immediately there fell on him a mist  
and darkness; and going about he sought to find some  
12 who would lead him by the hand. Then the proconsul,  
when he saw what had taken place, believed, being aston-  
ished at the doctrine of the Lord.  
13 And Paul and his company, having put to sea from  
Paphos, came to Perga in Pamphylia. But John, depart-  
14 ing from them, returned to Jerusalem. And they, going  
on from Perga, came to Antioch in Pisidia; and they went  
15 into the synagogue on the sabbath-day, and sat down. And  
after the reading of the Law and the Prophets, the rulers  
of the synagogue sent to them, saying, Brethren, if ye have  
any word of exhortation for the people, speak.  
16 Then Paul stood up, and beckoned with his hand and  
17 said, Men of Israel, and ye that fear God, hearken. The  
God of this people chose our fathers, and he exalted the  
people in their sojourn in the land of Egypt, and with  
18 a high arm he brought them out of it; and for about forty

19 years he nourished them in the wilderness. And having  
destroyed seven nations in the land of Canaan, he gave  
20 them their land as a possession. And after that, for about  
four hundred and fifty years, he gave judges, until Samuel  
21 the prophet. And afterward they asked for a king; and  
God gave them Saul the son of Kish, a man of the tribe  
22 of Benjamin, for forty years; and having removed him,  
he raised up to them David to be their king, to whom he  
gave testimony, saying, "I have found David the son of  
Jesse, a man after my own heart, who will do all my  
will."\*

23 From the seed of this man hath God, according to his  
24 promise, brought to Israel a Saviour, Jesus; before whose  
coming forward John had first preached a baptism of re-  
25 pentance to all the people of Israel. And as John was  
finishing his course, he said, Who do ye think that I  
am? I am not He. But lo! there cometh after me one,  
26 the sandal of whose feet I am not worthy to loose. Bre-  
thren, sons of the stock of Abraham, and those among  
you who fear God, to you was the word of this salvation  
27 sent forth. For they that dwell at Jerusalem, and their  
rulers, not knowing him, nor the voices of the prophets  
which are read every sabbath, fulfilled them in condemning  
28 him. And though they found nothing deserving death in  
29 him, they asked of Pilate that he should be slain. And  
when they had accomplished all that was written of him,  
they took him down from the cross, and laid him in a tomb.  
30 But God raised him from the dead, and he was seen for  
31 many days by those who came up with him from Galilee  
to Jerusalem, who are now his witnesses to the people.  
32 And we declare to you the glad tidings, that the promise  
33 which was made to the fathers God hath fulfilled to us  
their children, in raising up Jesus [from the dead]; as i

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\* See Ps. lxxxix. 20; 1 Sam. xiii. 14.

is also written in the first Psalm: "Thou art my Son; I  
 34 have this day begotten thee."\* And that he raised him up  
 from the dead, no more to return to corruption, he hath  
 thus spoken: "I will give you the sure holy things prom-  
 35 ised to David."† Wherefore also in another Psalm he  
 saith, "Thou wilt not suffer thy holy one to see corrup-  
 36 tion."‡ For David, after having in his own generation  
 served the will of God, fell asleep, and was added to his  
 37 fathers, and saw corruption; but he whom God raised  
 38 from the dead did not see corruption. Be it therefore  
 known to you, brethren, that through this man is an-  
 39 nounced to you the forgiveness of sins; and by him  
 every one that believeth is justified from all things, from  
 40 which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses. Be-  
 ware therefore, lest that come upon you which is spoken in  
 41 the Prophets, "Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and per-  
 ish! for I work a work in your days, a work which ye will  
 not believe, though one should plainly declare it to you."§  
 42 And as they were going out, they besought that these  
 words might be spoken to them on the next sabbath.  
 43 And when the synagogue broke up, many of the Jews  
 and proselyte worshippers followed Paul and Barnabas;  
 who, speaking to them, exhorted them to continue in the  
 grace of God.  
 44 And on the next sabbath almost the whole city came  
 45 together to hear the word of the Lord. But when the  
 Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with indigna-  
 tion, and spoke against what was spoken by Paul, con-  
 46 tradicting and reviling. Then Paul and Barnabas said  
 boldly and plainly, It was necessary that the word of  
 God should first be spoken to you; but seeing ye thrust  
 it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of the ever-  
 47 lasting life, lo! we turn to the gentiles. For thus hath

\* Ps. ii. 7.

† Isa. lv. 3.

‡ Ps. xvi. 10.

§ Hab. i. 5

the Lord commanded us: "I have set thee to be a light of the gentiles, that thou mayst bring salvation even to  
 48 the end of the earth."\* And when the gentiles heard this, they rejoiced, and glorified the word of the Lord; and as many as were ordained to everlasting life, believed.  
 49 And the word of the Lord was spread abroad throughout the whole country.

50 But the Jews stirred up the women of rank who worshipped God, and the chief men of the city, and raised a persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and drove them  
 51 from their borders. But they shook off the dust of their  
 52 feet against them, and came to Iconium. And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

XIV. And it came to pass in Iconium, that they went together into the synagogue of the Jews, and so spoke that a great multitude both of Jews and Greeks believed.

2 But the Jews that disbelieved stirred up and embittered  
 3 the minds of the gentiles against the brethren. They abode therefore a long time there, speaking boldly in reliance on the Lord, who gave testimony to the word of his grace, granting signs and wonders to be wrought by their  
 4 hands. But the multitude of the city was divided; and some held with the Jews, and some with the apostles.  
 5 And when a movement was made both of the gentiles, and the Jews with their rulers, to abuse and stone them,  
 6 they became aware of it, and fled to the cities of Lyca-  
 7 onia, Lystra and Derbe, and the neighboring country; and they were publishing the glad tidings there.

8 And at Lystra there sat a certain man who had not the use of his feet, a cripple from his birth, who never  
 9 had walked. This man heard Paul speaking; who looking steadily at him, and perceiving that he had faith to be

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Chap. XIII. 50. — *who worshipped God*; i.e. proselytes from heathenism, who joined in the Jewish worship. Comp. ver. 43.

\* Isa. xlix. 6.

10 healed, said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet.  
And he leaped up and walked.

11 And the multitudes, seeing what Paul had done, lifted  
up their voices, saying, in the language of Lycaonia,  
The gods have come down to us in the likeness of men.

12 And they called Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercury,

13 because he was the chief speaker. Then the priest of Ju-  
piter, that was in front of the city, brought oxen and gar-  
lands to the gates, and would have offered sacrifice with

14 the multitudes. But the apostles, Barnabas and Paul,

when they heard of it, rent their garments, and rushed

15 forth to the multitude, crying out and saying, Men, why  
do ye these things? We also are men of like nature

with you, bringing to you glad tidings, that ye may turn  
from these vanities to the living God, who made heaven

16 and earth and sea, and all things that are therein; who  
in the ages past suffered all the nations to walk in their

17 own ways; although he left not himself without witness,  
in that he did good, giving you rain from heaven and

fruitful seasons, filling your hearts with food and glad-  
ness.

18 And with these words, they hardly restrained the mul-  
titudes from sacrificing to them.

19 But there came thither Jews from Antioch and Iconium;  
who, having persuaded the multitudes, and stoned Paul,  
dragged him out of the city, supposing him to be dead.

20 But the disciples having gathered around him, he rose up,  
and came into the city. And the next day he departed

21 with Barnabas to Derbe. And when they had published  
the glad tidings to that city, and had made many disciples,

they went back to Lystra, and to Iconium, and to Antioch;

22 confirming the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to  
continue in the faith, and saying that it is through many  
afflictions that we must enter into the kingdom of God.

23 And having appointed for them elders in every church,

they prayed with fasting, and commended them to the Lord,  
24 in whom they believed. And having gone through Pisidia,  
25 they came to Pamphylia; and when they had spoken the  
26 word in Perga, they went down to Attalia, and thence set  
sail for Antioch, whence they had been commended to the  
grace of God, for the work which they had accomplished.  
27 And when they had arrived and had gathered the church  
together, they related what great things God had wrought  
with them, and that he had opened a door of faith to the  
28 gentiles. And they abode no little time with the disci-  
ples.

XV. And there came down certain men from Judæa, and  
taught the brethren, Unless ye are circumcised after the  
2 custom of Moses, ye cannot be saved. But when Paul  
and Barnabas had had no small dissension and debate  
with them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas, and  
certain others of them, should go up to Jerusalem to the  
apostles and elders about this question.

3 They therefore, having been sent forward by the church,  
passed through Phœnicia and Samaria, declaring the con-  
version of the gentiles; and they caused great joy to all  
4 the brethren. And having come to Jerusalem, they were  
welcomed by the church, and by the apostles and elders,  
and they related what great things God had wrought  
5 with them. But there rose up certain believers of the  
sect of the Pharisees, saying, It is necessary to circumcise  
them, and to command them to keep the law of Moses.

6 And the apostles and the elders came together to con-  
7 sider this matter. And after much debate, Peter rose up  
and said to them, Brethren, ye know that a long time ago  
God made choice among you, that by my mouth the gen-  
tiles should hear the word of the glad tidings, and believe.  
8 And God, who knoweth the heart, bore them witness,  
9 giving them the Holy Spirit, as he gave it to us; and

made no difference between us and them, having purified  
 10 their hearts by faith. Now therefore why do ye provoke  
 the anger of God, by putting a yoke upon the neck of the  
 disciples, which neither our fathers nor we were able to  
 11 bear? But we believe that we shall be saved through  
 the grace of the Lord Jesus, in the same manner as they.

12 And all the multitude became silent, and listened to  
 Barnabas and Paul, while they related what great signs  
 and wonders God had wrought among the gentiles by  
 them.

13 And after they had done speaking, James answered,  
 14 saying, Brethren, hearken to me. Simeon hath related  
 how God first visited the gentiles, to take out of them  
 15 a people for his name. And with this agree the words  
 16 of the Prophets, as it is written: "After this I will re-  
 turn, and will rebuild the tabernacle of David which hath  
 17 fallen; and I will rebuild its ruins, and will set it up; that  
 the rest of men may seek after the Lord, and all the gen-  
 tiles, who have been called by my name, saith the Lord,  
 18 who doeth these things, which were known from the be-  
 19 ginning."\* Wherefore my judgment is, that we should not  
 trouble those who from among the gentiles are turning to  
 20 God; but that we should write to them by letter to abstain  
 from pollutions of idols, and from fornication, and from that  
 21 which hath been strangled, and from blood. For Moses  
 from the times of old hath had in every city those who  
 preach him, being read in the synagogues every sabbath.

22 Then it was decided by the apostles and the elders,  
 with the whole church, to choose men from among them-  
 selves, and send them to Antioch, with Paul and Barna-  
 bas, namely, Judas called Barsabbas, and Silas, leading  
 23 men among the brethren. And they wrote by them, "The  
 apostles, and the elders, and the brethren, to the breth-

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Chap. XV. 17. — *called by my name*; i.e. called the people of Jehovah.

\* Amos ix. 11, 12.

ren who are from the gentiles in Antioch and Syria and  
24 Cilicia, greeting. Whereas we have heard, that some who  
went out from us have troubled you with words, subvert-  
25 ing your souls, to whom we gave no command; it seemed  
good to us, having become of one mind, to choose men and  
send them to you, with our beloved Barnabas and Paul,  
26 men who have hazarded their lives for the name of our  
27 Lord Jesus Christ. We have sent therefore Judas and  
Silas, who will themselves tell you the same things by  
28 word of mouth. For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit  
and to us, to lay upon you no further burden except  
29 these necessary things: to abstain from meats offered  
to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and  
from fornication; from which if ye keep yourselves, ye  
will do well. Farewell."

30 They therefore being sent away came to Antioch; and  
when they had gathered the multitude together, they  
31 delivered the letter. And when they had read it, they  
32 rejoiced over the encouragement. And Judas and Silas,  
who were themselves prophets, exhorted the brethren  
33 with many words and confirmed them. And when they  
had remained some time, they were dismissed with peace  
35 from the brethren to those who sent them. But Paul and  
Barnabas continued in Antioch, teaching and publishing,  
with many others also, the glad tidings of the word of the  
Lord.

36 And some days after, Paul said to Barnabas, Let us go  
again and visit the brethren in every city where we have  
preached the word of the Lord, and see how they are.  
37 And Barnabas determined to take with them John, called  
38 Mark. But Paul did not think it proper to take with them  
a man who had left them in Pamphylia, and went not with  
39 them to the work. And there arose a sharp contention, so  
that they parted from each other, and Barnabas took Mark  
and sailed to Cyprus.



40 And Paul chose Silas and went forth, having been com-  
41 mended by the brethren to the grace of the Lord. And he  
went through Syria and Cilicia, confirming the churches.

XVI. And he came to Derbe and Lystra; and lo! a certain  
disciple was there, named Timothy, the son of a believing  
2 Jewess, but whose father was a Greek; who was well  
3 spoken of by the brethren in Lystra and Iconium. Him  
Paul wished to go forth with him, and took and cir-  
cumcised him on account of the Jews who were in those  
places; for they all knew that his father was a Greek.

4 And as they journeyed through the cities, they deliv-  
ered to them for their observance the decrees which had  
been ordained by the apostles and elders that were at  
5 Jerusalem. The churches therefore were established in  
the faith, and increased in number daily.

6 And having gone through Phrygia and the Galatian  
country, on being forbidden by the Holy Spirit to preach  
7 the word in Asia, they came to Mysia, and were attempt-  
ing to go into Bithynia; but the Spirit of Jesus did not per-  
8 mit them. And passing by Mysia, they came to Troas.

9 And a vision appeared to Paul in the night. There stood  
a man of Macedonia beseeching him and saying, Come over  
10 into Macedonia and help us. And when he had seen the  
vision, we immediately endeavored to go into Macedonia,  
concluding that the Lord had called us to publish the glad  
tidings to them.

11 And setting sail from Troas, we came with a straight  
course to Samothrace, and on the day following to Neapo-  
12 lis; and thence to Philippi, which is a chief city of the  
province of Macedonia, a colony. And we remained in  
13 the city some days. And on the sabbath-day we went  
forth out of the gate to a river-side, where was wont to  
be a place of prayer, and we sat down, and spoke to the  
women who had assembled.

14 And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple,

of the city of Thyatira, who worshipped God, was listening; whose heart the Lord opened to attend to the things  
15 which were spoken by Paul. And when she had been baptized, and her household, she besought us, saying, If ye have judged me to be a believer in the Lord, come into my house, and abide. And she constrained us.

16 And it came to pass, as we were going to the place of prayer, that a certain bond-maid having a soothsaying spirit met us, who brought her masters much gain by soothsaying.  
17 This woman followed Paul and us, and cried, saying, These men are the servants of the most high God, who  
18 announce to you the way of salvation. And this she did for many days. But Paul, being much displeased, turned and said to the spirit, I command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And it came out immediately.

19 But her masters seeing that the hope of their gain was gone, laid hold of Paul and Silas, and dragged them into  
20 the market-place to the rulers; and having brought them before the magistrates, said, These men are grievously  
21 disturbing our city, being Jews; and they teach customs which it is not lawful for us Romans to receive or observe.  
22 And the multitude rose up together against them, and the magistrates, tearing off their clothes, commanded to beat  
23 them with rods; and when they had laid on them many stripes, they cast them into prison, charging the jailer to  
24 keep them safely; who having received such a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks.

25 But at midnight Paul and Silas praying, were singing praises to God; and the prisoners were listening to  
26 them. And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and all the doors were immediately opened, and the bands of all  
27 were loosed. And the jailer awakening out of sleep, and

seeing the prison-doors open, drew his sword, and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had 28 escaped. But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do 29 thyself no harm, for we are all here. Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and fell down trembling before 30 Paul and Silas; and having brought them out, he said, 31 Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe in the Lord Jesus, and thou wilt be saved, and thy 32 household. And they spoke to him the word of the Lord, 33 and to all that were in his house. And he took them with him at that hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and he was immediately baptized, himself and all 34 that belonged to him. And when he had brought them up into his house, he set food before them, and rejoiced with all his house, having become a believer in God.

35 And when it was day, the magistrates sent the sergeants, 36 saying, Release those men. And the jailer reported these words to Paul: The magistrates have sent to release you; 37 now therefore come out, and go in peace. But Paul said to them, They have publicly beaten us uncondemned, although we are Romans, and have thrust us into prison; and now do they thrust us out secretly? No; but let 38 them come themselves, and bring us out. And the sergeants reported these words to the magistrates; and they were afraid when they heard that they were Romans. 39 And they came and besought them; and when they had brought them out, they entreated them to leave the city. 40 And when they had come out of the prison, they went into the house of Lydia; and when they saw the brethren, they exhorted them, and departed.

XVII. And when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where was the synagogue of the Jews. And Paul, as his custom was, went in among them, and for three sabbaths discoursed to them

3 out of the Scriptures, explaining them, and setting forth  
that it was necessary for the Christ to suffer, and to rise  
from the dead, and that “this is the Christ,—Jesus whom  
4 I am making known to you.” And some of them were con-  
vinced, and joined themselves to Paul and Silas, and of the  
devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the women of  
high rank not a few.

5 But the unbelieving Jews, taking with them certain bad  
men of the idlers in the market-place, and gathering a  
crowd, set the city in an uproar; and having come to  
the house of Jason, they endeavored to bring them out  
6 to the people; but not finding them, they dragged Jason  
and some of the brethren before the city magistrates, cry-  
ing out, These men that have turned the world upside down  
7 have come hither also; whom Jason hath entertained; and  
they are all acting in opposition to the decrees of Cæsar,  
saying that there is another king, Jesus.

8 And they alarmed the multitude and the city magis-  
9 trates when they heard these things. And having taken  
security of Jason and of the others, they let them go.

10 And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Si-  
las by night to Berea; who, having come there, went into  
11 the synagogue of the Jews. These were more noble than  
those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with  
all readiness, and searched the Scriptures daily, whether  
12 these things were so. Many of them therefore believed;  
and of the Grecian women of rank and men, not a few.  
13 But when the Jews of Thessalonica knew that at Berea,  
too, the word of God was preached by Paul, they came  
14 hither also, and stirred up the multitudes. And then im-  
mediately the brethren sent away Paul to go to the sea;  
15 but Silas and Timothy remained there. And they who  
conducted Paul brought him to Athens; and having re-  
ceived a commandment to Silas and Timothy to come to  
him as soon as possible, they departed.

16 Now while Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his  
spirit was stirred within him, when he saw the city full  
17 of idols. Therefore he reasoned in the synagogue with  
the Jews and the devout [Greeks], and in the market  
18 daily with those that met him. And some of the Epi-  
curean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him.  
And some said, What doth this babbler mean to say? and  
others, He seemeth to be a setter forth of foreign gods;  
because he brought the glad tidings of Jesus and the res-  
19 urrection. And they took him and brought him to Mars'  
hill, saying, May we know what this new doctrine is, of  
20 which thou speakest? For thou bringest certain strange  
things to our ears. We would know therefore what these  
21 things mean. Now all the Athenians, and the strangers  
residing among them, spent their leisure for nothing else  
22 but to tell or to hear something new. Then Paul stood  
in the midst of Mars' hill, and said, Men of Athens, in all  
23 things I perceive that ye are very devout. For while  
passing along and observing your objects of worship, I  
found also an altar with this inscription, "To an un-  
known God." What therefore ye, without knowledge of  
24 it, worship, that do I make known to you. The God who  
made the world and all things therein, he, being Lord  
of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with  
25 hands; nor doth he receive service at the hands of men,  
as though he needed anything, since it is he that giveth  
26 to all life and breath and all things. And he made of  
one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of  
the earth, having fixed appointed times, and the bounds  
27 of their habitation; that they should seek God, if haply  
they might feel after him, and find him, though he is not  
28 far from every one of us. For in him we live, and move,  
and have our being; as also some of your own poets have  
29 said: "For we are also his offspring." Being then the off-  
spring of God, we ought not to think that the Deity is like

to gold or silver or stone, graven by the art and device  
30 of man. The times indeed of ignorance God overlooked ;  
31 but now commandeth all men every where to repent ; in-  
asmuch as he hath fixed a day, in which he will judge  
the world in righteousness by a man whom he hath ap-  
pointed ; having given assurance to all by raising him from  
the dead.

32 And when they heard of a resurrection of the dead,  
some mocked ; but others said, We will hear thee again  
33 about this matter. Thus Paul departed from among  
34 them. But certain men joined themselves to him, and  
believed ; among whom was Dionysius the Areopagite ;  
and a woman named Damaris, and others with them.

XVIII. After these things, Paul departed from Athens, and  
2 came to Corinth. And having found a certain Jew named  
Aquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, and Pris-  
cilla his wife, (because Claudius had commanded all the  
3 Jews to depart from Rome,) he came to them ; and be-  
cause he was of the same trade, he abode with them, and  
4 worked ; for they were tent-makers by trade. And he dis-  
coursed in the synagogue every sabbath, and endeavored  
5 to persuade both Jews and Greeks. And when both Silas  
and Timothy had come from Macedonia, Paul was wholly  
engaged in the word, testifying to the Jews, that Jesus  
6 was the Christ. And when they set themselves against  
him, and reviled, he shook his garments, and said to them,  
Your blood be upon your own heads ! I am clean ; from  
7 this time I will go to the gentiles. And he departed  
thence, and went to the house of a certain man, named  
Justus, a worshipper of God, whose house was very near  
8 the synagogue. And Crispus, the ruler of the synagogue,  
believed in the Lord with all his house ; and many of  
the Corinthians upon hearing believed, and were baptized.  
9 And the Lord said to Paul through a vision in the night,

10 Be not afraid, but speak on, and be not silent; for I am  
with thee, and no one shall lay hands on thee, to hurt  
11 thee; for I have much people in this city. And he con-  
tinued there a year and six months, teaching the word of  
God among them.

12 And when Gallio was proconsul of Achaia, the Jews  
rose up with one accord against Paul, and brought him be-  
13 fore the judgment-seat, saying, This man persuadeth peo-  
14 ple to worship God contrary to the law. And as Paul  
was about to open his mouth, Gallio said to the Jews, If  
it were some act of injustice or wicked misdeed, O Jews,  
15 with reason I should bear with you; but if it be ques-  
tions of doctrine, and names, and your law, look to it your-  
16 selves; I will not be a judge of these matters. And he  
17 drove them from the judgment-seat. But they all laid  
hold of Sosthenes, the ruler of the synagogue, and beat  
him before the judgment-seat; and Gallio cared for none  
of these things.

18 And Paul, having stayed many days longer, took leave  
of the brethren, and sailed thence to Syria, and with him  
Priscilla and Aquila, after he had shaved his head in Cen-  
19 chreæ, for he had a vow. And they came to Ephesus, and  
he left them there; but he himself entered the synagogue,  
20 and reasoned with the Jews. And when they asked him  
21 to stay longer, he consented not; but having taken leave  
of them, saying, I will return to you, if God will, he set  
22 sail from Ephesus. And having landed at Cæsarea, and  
gone up and saluted the church, he went down to Anti-  
23 och. And after he had spent some time there, he de-  
parted, going through the Galatian country and Phrygia  
in order, strengthening all the disciples.

24 And a certain Jew, named Apollos, a native of Alex-  
andria, an eloquent man, and mighty in the Scriptures,  
25 came to Ephesus. This man had been instructed in the  
way of the Lord; and being fervent in spirit, he spoke

and taught correctly the things concerning Jesus, knowing  
26 only the baptism of John. And he began to speak boldly  
in the synagogue. But Aquila and Priscilla having heard  
him, took him to them, and set forth to him the way [of  
27 the Lord] more fully. And when he wished to go over  
into Achaia, the brethren wrote, exhorting the disciples to  
give him welcome; and when he was come, he gave much  
28 aid to those who had believed through grace. For he publicly  
confuted the Jews, with power, showing by the Scriptures  
that Jesus is the Christ.

XIX. And it came to pass, while Apollos was at Corinth,  
that Paul, having passed through the upper districts,  
came to Ephesus. And finding certain disciples,  
2 he said to them, Did ye receive the Holy Spirit when ye  
believed? And they said to him, No, we did not even  
3 hear whether there is a Holy Spirit. And he said, Into  
what then were ye baptized? And they said, Into John's  
4 baptism. Then said Paul, John indeed baptized with the  
baptism of repentance, saying to the people, that they  
should believe on him that was coming after him; that  
5 is, on Jesus. And when they heard this, they were bap-  
6 tized into the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul  
had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon  
7 them, and they spoke with tongues, and prophesied. And  
the men were about twelve in all.

8 And he went into the synagogue, and spoke boldly for  
three months, discoursing and persuading concerning the  
9 kingdom of God. But when some were hardened, and  
believed not, but spoke evil of the way [of the Lord] be-  
fore the multitude, he departed from them, and separated  
the disciples, discoursing daily in the school of Tyrannus.  
10 And this continued for two years, so that all who dwelt in  
Asia heard the word of the Lord, both Jews and Greeks.  
11 And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul;



12 so that even handkerchiefs, or aprons, were carried from his body to the sick, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out.

13 Then some of the wandering Jewish exorcists undertook to name over those who had evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, I adjure you by that Jesus whom  
14 Paul preacheth. And there were seven sons of Scevas, a  
15 Jewish chief priest, who did this. And the evil spirit answering said, Jesus I know, and Paul I well know; but  
16 who are ye? And the man in whom the evil spirit was leaped on them, and overcame them both, and prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked  
17 and wounded. And this became known to all, both Jews and Greeks, who dwelt at Ephesus; and fear fell on them  
18 all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified. And many of the believers came, confessing and declaring their  
19 practices. Many also of those who had practised magical arts brought their books together, and burned them before all men; and they counted the price of them, and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver.

20 So the word of the Lord grew and prevailed mightily.  
21 And when these things were ended, Paul resolved to pass through Macedonia and Achaia, and to go to Jerusalem, saying, After I have been there, I must also see  
22 Rome. And having sent into Macedonia two of those who ministered to him, Timothy and Erastus, he himself stayed in Asia for a season.

23 And about that time there arose no small tumult concerning the faith. For a certain man named Demetrius, a silversmith, made silver shrines of Diana, and brought  
24 no small gain to the craftsmen. And having called them together, with the workmen of like occupation, he said,

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Chap. XIX. 19. — *of silver*; probably, Attic drachmas, amounting to £7,500.

26 Sirs, ye know that by this craft we have our wealth ; and ye see and hear, that this Paul hath persuaded and turned away much people, not only of Ephesus, but of almost all Asia, saying, that those are not gods, which are made with  
27 hands. And there is not only danger that this branch of our business will come into disrepute, but also that the temple of the great goddess Diana will be despised, and her magnificence destroyed, whom all Asia and the world worship.

28 And hearing this they became full of wrath, and kept crying out, saying, Great is Diana of the Ephesians!  
29 And the city was filled with confusion ; and they rushed with one accord into the theatre, having seized Gaius and Aristarchus, men of Macedonia, Paul's companions in  
30 travel. And when Paul wished to go in to the people, the disciples would not suffer him. And some also of the  
31 Asiarchs, who were his friends, sent to him, and entreated him not to venture into the theatre. Some therefore were  
32 crying one thing, and some another ; for the assembly was in confusion, and the greater part knew not wherefore they  
33 had come together. And they brought forward Alexander out of the multitude, the Jews putting him forward ; and Alexander beckoned with his hand, desiring to make his  
34 defence to the people. But when they knew that he was a Jew, all with one voice for about two hours cried out, Great is Diana of the Ephesians!

35 But when the Recorder had quieted the multitude, he said, Men of Ephesus, who is there among men that doth not know that the city of the Ephesians is guardian of the great Diana, and of the image which fell down from Jupiter?  
36 Since then these things cannot be denied, ye ought to be quiet, and do nothing rashly. For ye have brought  
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Ver. 31. — *Asiarchs*; a name given to ten officers annually chosen by the cities of proconsular Asia to superintend the public games in honor of the gods and the Roman emperor.

hither these men, who are neither robbers of temples, nor  
38 blasphemers of your goddess. If then Demetrius and the  
craftsmen with him have a complaint against any one, the  
courts are open, and there are proconsuls; let them bring  
39 their charges against each other. But if ye ask for any  
thing further, it shall be determined in the lawful assem-  
40 bly. For we are in danger of being called to answer con-  
cerning this day's riot, there being no ground on which we  
41 shall be able to give an account of this concourse. And  
when he had thus spoken, he dismissed the assembly.

XX. And after the tumult had ceased, Paul called to him  
the disciples, and having embraced them departed to go  
2 into Macedonia. And when he had gone through those  
regions, and had given them much exhortation, he came  
3 into Greece. And when he had stayed three months, a  
plot having been laid for him by the Jews as he was  
about to sail for Syria, he resolved to return through  
4 Macedonia. And there accompanied him as far as Asia,  
Sopater, son of Pyrrhus, a Berean; and of the Thessaloni-  
ans, Aristarchus and Secundus, and Gaius of Derbe, and  
5 Timothy; and of Asia, Tychicus and Trophimus. These  
6 having gone forward waited for us at Troas. But we set  
sail from Philippi, after the days of unleavened bread, and  
came to them at Troas in five days, where we abode seven  
days.

7 And on the first day of the week, when we had assem-  
bled to break bread, Paul discoursed to them, being about  
to depart on the morrow, and continued the discourse un-  
8 til midnight. And there were many lamps in the upper  
9 room where we had assembled. And there sat on the  
window a certain young man named Eutychus, having  
fallen into a deep sleep; and as Paul was discoursing at  
great length, he sank down with sleep, and fell from the  
10 third story, and was taken up dead. But Paul went down

and fell on him, and having embraced him, said, Make no  
11 lamentations; for his life is in him. And having gone  
up again, and broken the bread and eaten, he talked a  
12 long while even till break of day, and so departed. And  
they brought the young man alive, and were not a little  
comforted.

13 We however, going forward to the ship, put to sea for  
Assos, intending to take in Paul from that place; for so  
14 he had appointed, intending himself to go on foot. And  
when he met us at Assos, we took him on board, and  
15 came to Mitylene; and sailing thence, we came the fol-  
lowing day over against Chios. And the next day we ar-  
rived at Samos; and having tarried at Trogyllium, we came  
16 the next day to Miletus. For Paul had determined to sail  
past Ephesus, that he might not be detained in Asia; for  
he was hastening, if it were possible for him, to be at Jeru-  
salem on the day of Pentecost.

17 And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the  
18 elders of the church. And when they had come to him, he  
said to them: Ye yourselves know, from the first day that  
I came into Asia, after what manner I have been with  
19 you the whole time, serving the Lord with all humility,  
and with tears, and trials which befell me by the plots of  
20 the Jews; how I kept back nothing that was profitable,  
but have made it known to you, and have taught you  
21 publicly, and from house to house; testifying to both Jews  
and Greeks repentance toward God, and faith in our Lord  
Jesus.

22 And now behold, I go, bound in my spirit, to Jerusalem,  
23 not knowing the things that will befall me there; save  
that the Holy Spirit witnesseth to me in every city, say-  
24 ing that bonds and afflictions await me. But I count life  
of no value to me, so that I may finish my course, and the  
ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify  
the glad tidings of the grace of God.

25 And now, behold, I know that ye all, among whom I  
went about preaching the kingdom, will see my face no  
26 more. Wherefore I testify to you this day, that I am  
27 pure from the blood of all men; for I have not shunned  
28 to declare to you the whole counsel of God. Take heed  
therefore to yourselves, and to all the flock over which the  
Holy Spirit made you overseers, to feed the church of  
29 the Lord, which he purchased with his own blood. For I  
know this, that after my departure grievous wolves will en-  
30 ter in among you, not sparing the flock. And from among  
yourselves will men arise speaking perverse things, to draw  
31 away the disciples after them. Therefore be watchful, and  
remember that for the space of three years, night and day,  
I ceased not to warn every one with tears.

32 And now I commend you to God, and to the word of  
his grace, who is able to build you up, and to give you  
33 an inheritance among all the sanctified. I have coveted  
34 no man's silver, or gold, or apparel. Ye yourselves know,  
that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those  
35 that were with me. In all ways I showed you that so la-  
boring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the  
words of the Lord Jesus, that he himself said, It is more  
blessed to give than to receive.

36 And having thus spoken, he kneeled down, and prayed  
37 with them all. And they all wept sorely, and fell on  
38 Paul's neck, and kissed him; sorrowing most of all for  
the word which he had spoken, that they were to see his  
face no more. And they accompanied him to the ship.

XXI. And it came to pass, after we had torn ourselves from  
them, and had put to sea, that we came with a straight  
course to Cos, and the day following to Rhodes, and from

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Chap. XX. 28. — *church of the Lord.* In some manuscripts, *church of God.*

2 thence to Patara. And finding a ship crossing over to  
3 Phœnicia, we went aboard, and put to sea. And having  
come in sight of Cyprus, we passed it on the left, and  
sailed to Syria, and landed at Tyre; for there the ship  
4 was to unlade her cargo. And having found out the dis-  
ciples, we remained there seven days; and they told Paul,  
5 through the Spirit, not to go up to Jerusalem. And when  
we had completed the days, we departed, and went our  
way, they all accompanying us, with wives and children,  
till we were out of the city; and having kneeled down  
6 on the shore and prayed, we took leave of each other, and  
7 went on board the ship; and they returned home. But we,  
finishing our voyage, came down from Tyre to Ptolemais;  
and having embraced the brethren, remained with them  
8 one day. And on the morrow we departed, and came to  
Cæsarea; and entering the house of Philip the evangelist,  
9 who was one of the seven, we stayed with him. And this  
man had four daughters, virgins, who prophesied.

10 And while we were staying some days longer, there  
came down from Judæa a certain prophet, named Agabus;  
11 and coming to us, he took off Paul's girdle, and bound his  
own feet and hands, and said, Thus saith the Holy Spirit:  
So will the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man that owneth  
this girdle, and will deliver him into the hands of the gen-  
12 tiles. But when we heard this, both we, and they of that  
13 place, besought him not to go to Jerusalem. Then an-  
swered Paul, What mean ye that ye weep, and break my  
heart? For I am ready not only to be bound, but also to  
14 die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus. And  
when he would not be persuaded, we ceased; saying, The  
Lord's will be done.

15 And after those days we got ready our baggage, and  
16 went up to Jerusalem. There went with us also some  
of the disciples of Cæsarea, bringing us to one Mnason,  
a Cyprian, an old disciple, with whom we should lodge.

- 17 And when we arrived at Jerusalem, the brethren re-  
18 ceived us gladly. And the day following Paul went in  
19 with us to James; and all the elders were present. And  
having embraced them, he recounted particularly what  
things God had wrought among the gentiles through his  
20 ministry. And they on hearing it glorified God; and  
said to him, Thou seest, brother, how many thousands of  
believers there are among the Jews, and they are all  
21 zealots for the Law. But they have been informed con-  
cerning thee, that thou teachest all the Jews who are  
among the gentiles to forsake Moses, telling them not to  
circumcise their children, nor to walk after the customs.  
22 What then is to be done? The multitude will necessarily  
come together; for they will hear that thou hast come.  
23 Do this therefore that we advise thee. We have four men  
24 who have a vow on them. These take, and purify thyself  
with them, and pay the expenses for them, that they may  
shave their heads; and all will know that those things of  
which they have been informed concerning thee are noth-  
ing, but that thou thyself also walkest in observance of the  
25 Law. But concerning the gentile believers, we have writ-  
ten to them and decided that they should observe no such  
thing, save only to abstain from things offered to idols,  
and from blood, and from what hath been strangled, and  
from fornication.
- 26 Then Paul took the men, and the next day having puri-  
fied himself with them, entered the temple, announcing the  
completion of the days of the purification, until the offer-  
ing was made for every one of them.
- 27 And when the seven days were almost ended, the Jews  
from Asia, having seen him in the temple, stirred up the  
28 whole multitude, and laid hands on him, crying out, Men  
of Israel, help! This is the man that teacheth every one  
everywhere against the people, and the Law, and this  
place; and besides he even brought Greeks into the tem-

29 ple, and hath polluted this holy place. For they had before seen with him in the city Trophimus, the Ephesian, whom they supposed that Paul had brought into the temple. And the whole city was in motion, and the people ran together; and they laid hold of Paul and dragged him out of the temple; and forthwith the doors were shut.

31 And while they were endeavoring to kill him, tidings came up to the chief captain of the band, that all Jerusalem was in an uproar; who immediately took soldiers and centurions, and ran down to them. And seeing the chief captain and the soldiers, they left off beating Paul.

33 Then the chief captain came near and laid hold of him, and commanded him to be bound with two chains; and inquired who he was, and what he had done. And some cried one thing, and some another, among the multitude. And not being able to gain certain knowledge on account of the uproar, he ordered him to be carried into the castle.

35 And when he reached the stairs, he was obliged to be borne by the soldiers, on account of the violence of the crowd; for the multitude of the people were following, crying out, Away with him! And as he was about to be led into the castle, Paul saith to the chief captain, May I speak to thee? And he said, Canst thou speak Greek?

38 Art thou not then the Egyptian, who before these days made an insurrection, and led out into the wilderness those four thousand men of the assassins? But Paul said, I am a Jew of Tarsus, a citizen of no mean city of Cilicia; and I beseech thee, suffer me to speak to the people.

40 And when he had given him leave, Paul stood on the stairs, and beckoned with his hand to the people, and there was a great silence; and he spoke to them in the XXII. Hebrew tongue, saying, Brethren and fathers, hear my defence, which I now make to you. And on hearing him speak to them in the Hebrew tongue, they kept the more silence. And he saith: I am indeed a Jew, born in Tarsus



of Cilicia, but brought up in this city, taught at the feet of Gamaliel in the strictness of the Law of our fathers, being  
4 zealous for God, as ye all are this day. And I persecuted  
this way [of belief] even to death, binding and putting into  
5 prisons both men and women, as also the high-priest beareth me witness, and all the elderhood; from whom I received letters to the brethren, and was on my way to  
Damascus to bring those also that were there, bound, to  
6 Jerusalem, that they might be punished. But it came to pass, as I was on my way, and approaching Damascus, that about noon there suddenly shone around me a great  
7 light from heaven; and I fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to me, Saul, Saul, why dost thou persecute  
8 me? And I answered, Who art thou, Lord? And he said to me, I am Jesus the Nazarene, whom thou persecutest.  
9 And they that were with me saw indeed the light, and were afraid; but the voice of him that spoke to me they  
10 did not hear. And I said, What shall I do, Lord? And the Lord said to me, Arise, and go into Damascus; and there thou wilt be told of all which it hath been ap-  
11 pointed thee to do. And as I could not see by reason of the brightness of that light, I was led by the hand of  
12 those that were with me, and came into Damascus. But one Ananias, a devout man according to the Law, well  
13 spoken of by all the Jews who dwelt there, came to me, and standing over me said, Brother Saul, receive sight.  
14 And I immediately looked up upon him. And he said, The God of our fathers chose thee to know his will, and to see the Righteous One, and to hear a voice from his  
15 mouth; for thou shalt be a witness for him to all men of  
16 what thou hast seen and heard. And now why dost thou delay? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on his name.  
17 And it came to pass after my return to Jerusalem, while  
18 I was praying in the temple, that I fell into a trance, and

saw him saying to me, Make haste, and go quickly out of Jerusalem; for they will not receive thy testimony concerning me. And I said, Lord, they know that I imprisoned, and beat in every synagogue, those that believed in thee; and when the blood of Stephen, thy witness, was shed, I myself was standing by and consenting, and keeping the garments of those who slew him. And he said to me, Depart; for I will send thee far hence to the gentiles.

And they listened to him as far as this word, and then lifted up their voices, and said, Away with such a fellow from the earth! for it was not fit that he should live. And as they were crying out, and shaking their garments, and throwing dust into the air, the chief captain ordered him to be brought into the castle, and bade that he should be examined by scourging; that he might ascertain for what cause they were thus crying out against him. But when they had stretched him out with the cords, Paul said to the centurion that stood by, Is it lawful for you to scourge a man that is a Roman, and uncondemned? When the centurion heard this, he went and told the chief captain, saying, What art thou about to do? For this man is a Roman. Then the chief captain came and said to him, Tell me, art thou a Roman? He said, Yes. The chief captain answered, For a great sum I obtained this citizenship. And Paul said, But I was born a Roman. They therefore who were about to examine him left him immediately. And the chief captain also was alarmed when he knew that he was a Roman. and because he had bound him.

On the morrow, wishing to have certain knowledge why he was accused by the Jews, he released him, and ordered the chief priests and all the council to assemble; and bringing Paul down, he set him before them.

XXIII. And Paul looking earnestly upon the council, said:

Brethren! I have ordered my life in all good conscience before God to this day.

2 And the high-priest, Ananias, commanded those who stood by him to smite him on the mouth.

3 Then Paul said to him, God will smite thee, thou whited wall! Art thou then sitting to judge me according to the law, and dost thou command me to be smitten  
4 contrary to the law? And they that stood by said, Dost  
5 thou revile God's high-priest? Then said Paul, I knew not, brethren, that he was high-priest; for it is written, "Thou shalt not speak evil of a ruler of thy people."\*

6 But Paul, perceiving one part to be Sadducees, and the other Pharisees, cried aloud in the council, Brethren! I am a Pharisee, the son of Pharisees; for the hope of the res-  
7 urrection of the dead I am now tried. And when he had said this, there arose a dissension between the Pharisees  
8 and the Sadducees; and the multitude was divided. For the Sadducees say that there is no resurrection, and no  
9 angel or spirit; but the Pharisees affirm both. And there arose a great clamor; and scribes of the party of the Phari-  
sees arose, and contended, saying, We find nothing amiss in this man; but if a spirit hath spoken to him or an an-  
10 gel— And a great dissension arising, the chief captain, fearing that Paul would be torn in pieces by them, ordered the soldiers to go down and take him by force from among them, and bring him into the castle.

11 And the night following, the Lord stood by him, and said, Be of good courage; for as thou hast borne witness concerning me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome.

12 And when it was day, the Jews banded together, and bound themselves under a curse, saying that they would  
13 neither eat nor drink till they had killed Paul. And there

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\* Exod. xxii. 28.

14 were more than forty who took this oath together. And they came to the chief priests and the elders, and said, We have bound ourselves under a great curse, to taste  
15 nothing until we have killed Paul. Now therefore do ye with the council give notice to the chief captain, that he bring him down to you, as though ye were about to examine his case more thoroughly; and we are ready to kill him before he cometh near you.

16 But Paul's sister's son hearing of the plot went, and entering the castle, told Paul. Then Paul called one of the centurions to him, and said, Take this young man to the chief captain; for he hath something to tell him.  
18 So he took him and brought him to the chief captain, and said, Paul the prisoner called me to him, and asked me to bring this young man to thee, as he hath something to say  
19 to thee. Then the chief captain took him by the hand and went aside privately, and asked him, What is it that  
20 thou hast to tell me? And he said, The Jews have agreed to ask thee to bring down Paul to-morrow into the council, as though thou wert about to inquire more thoroughly concerning him. But do not thou yield to them; for there lie in wait for him more than forty men of them, who have bound themselves with an oath neither to eat nor drink till they have killed him; and they are now ready, looking for  
22 the promise from thee. The chief captain then dismissed the young man with the charge, Tell no one that thou hast disclosed these things to me.

23 And he called to him two of the centurions, saying, Make ready two hundred soldiers to go to Cæsarea, and seventy horsemen, and two hundred spearmen, at the third  
24 hour of the night; and provide beasts, whereon they may set Paul, and carry him safe to Felix the governor.

<sup>25</sup><sub>26</sub> And he wrote a letter after this manner: Claudius Lysias to the most excellent governor Felix, greeting.  
27 This man was taken by the Jews, and was about to be

killed by them; but I came upon them with the soldiery, and rescued him, having learned that he was a Roman.  
28 And wishing to know the crime of which they accused  
29 him, I brought him down to their council; but I found him to be accused only on account of questions of their law, and to have nothing laid to his charge deserving death or  
30 bonds. And having been informed of a plot against the man, I sent him at once to thee, and directed his accusers also to bring their charges against him before thee.

31 Then the soldiers, as was commanded them, took Paul,  
32 and brought him by night to Antipatris. But on the morrow they left the horsemen to go on with him, and returned  
33 to the castle. And they, when they had come to Cæsarea, and delivered the letter to the governor, presented Paul  
34 also before him. And having read the letter, he asked of what province he was; and when he understood that he  
35 was of Cilicia, he said, I will hear thee fully, when thy accusers also have arrived. And he ordered him to be kept in Herod's palace.

XXIV. And after five days Ananias, the high-priest, came down with the elders and a certain orator named Tertullus; and they brought a complaint before the governor  
2 against Paul. And when he had been called, Tertullus began to accuse him, saying, Seeing that by thee we enjoy much peace, and that improvements are in every way and everywhere taking place in this nation through thy foresight, we accept it, most noble Felix, with all thankfulness.  
3 But not to detain thee too long, I pray thee to hear us, in  
4 thy clemency, a few words. For we have found this man to be a pest, and a mover of sedition among all the Jews throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the  
5 Nazarenes; who also attempted to profane the temple, and  
6 we apprehended him; and from him thou canst thyself ascertain by examination all these things of which we accuse

9 him. And the Jews also, joined in the charges against him, affirming that these things were so.

10 Then Paul, after the governor had beckoned to him to speak, answered, Since I know that thou hast been for many years a judge for this nation, I answer for myself  
11 cheerfully; for it is in thy power to ascertain that it is not more than twelve days since I went up to Jerusalem  
12 to worship. And neither in the temple did they find me disputing with any one, or stirring up a tumult of the peo-  
13 ple, nor in the synagogues, nor in the city; nor can they  
14 prove the things of which they now accuse me. But this I acknowledge to thee, that according to the way [of belief] which they call a sect, so do I worship the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the  
15 Law and by the Prophets; having a hope in God, which they themselves also entertain, that there will be a res-  
16 urrection both of the righteous and the unrighteous. On this ground do I also myself strive to have always a con-  
17 science void of offence toward God and toward men. And after some years I came to bring alms to my nation, and  
18 to make offerings; in doing which they found me purified in the temple, not with a crowd nor with tumult; but cer-  
19 tain Jews from Asia [caused it], who ought to be here before thee, and make their charge, if they had aught against  
20 me. Or, let these men themselves say what wrongdoing  
21 they found in me when I stood before the council, except in relation to this one expression, which I uttered aloud while standing among them: Concerning the resurrection of the dead I am tried before you this day.

22 But Felix, having an accurate knowledge of the matters relating to this way [of belief], put them off, and said, When Lysias the chief captain cometh down, I will thor-  
23 oughly examine your case. He also gave orders to the

centurion to guard him, and let him have indulgence, and not to forbid any of his friends to do him service.

24 And after some days, Felix came with his wife Drusilla, who was a Jewess, and sent for Paul, and heard him  
25 concerning the faith in Christ. And as he discoursed of righteousness, and temperance, and the judgment to come, Felix became alarmed, and answered, Go thy way for the present; and when I have a convenient season, I will call  
26 for thee. He hoped also that money would be given him by Paul; on which account he sent for him the oftener, and conversed with him.

27 But after two years Felix was succeeded by Porcius Festus; and Felix, wishing to gain favor with the Jews, left Paul bound.

XXV. Festus therefore having come into the province, after  
2 three days went up from Cæsarea to Jerusalem. And the chief priests and the leaders of the Jews brought a com-  
3 plaint before him against Paul, and besought him, asking for themselves a favor against him, that he would send for him to Jerusalem, intending to place men in wait to kill  
4 him on the road. But Festus answered that Paul was in custody at Cæsarea, and that he himself was going thither  
5 shortly. Let those therefore, said he, who have authority among you, go down with me and accuse this man, if he is  
6 guilty of anything. And having tarried among them not more than eight or ten days, he went down to Cæsarea; and on the morrow, sitting on the judgment-seat, ordered  
7 Paul to be brought. And when he had come, the Jews who came down from Jerusalem stood around, bringing many and heavy charges which they could not prove;  
8 while Paul said in his defence, Neither against the law of the Jews, nor against the temple, nor against Cæsar  
9 have I committed any offence. But Festus, wishing to gain favor with the Jews, answered Paul and said, Art

thou willing to go up to Jerusalem, and there be tried on  
10 these charges before me? But Paul said, I stand at the  
judgment-seat of Cæsar, where I ought to be tried. To  
the Jews I have done no wrong, as thou also very well  
11 knowest. If indeed I am an offender, and have done any-  
thing deserving death, I refuse not to die; but if there be  
nothing in the charges which they bring against me, no  
12 man can give me up to them. I appeal to Cæsar. Then  
Festus having conferred with the council, answered, Thou  
hast appealed to Cæsar; to Cæsar shalt thou go.

13 And after some days Agrippa the king and Bernice came  
14 to Cæsarea to greet Festus. And while they were making  
a stay of some days there, Festus laid the case of Paul  
before the king, saying, There is a certain man left in  
15 bonds by Felix, against whom, when I was at Jerusalem,  
the chief priests and the elders of the Jews brought a com-  
16 plaint, asking for judgment against him. To whom I an-  
swered, It is not the custom of the Romans to give up any  
man on a charge, before the accused hath the accusers face  
to face, and hath opportunity to answer for himself concern-  
17 ing the crime laid against him. When therefore they had  
come together here, without any delay I sat on the judg-  
ment-seat on the day after, and ordered the man to be  
18 brought forward. And his accusers standing around him  
brought no accusation of such things as I had conjectured,  
19 but had against him certain questions of their own reli-  
gion, and of one Jesus that was dead, whom Paul affirmed  
20 to be alive. And I being at a loss about such questions,  
asked him if he was willing to go to Jerusalem and there  
21 be put on trial for these matters. But Paul having ap-  
pealed to be kept in custody for the judgment of August-  
tus, I ordered him to be kept till I should send him up  
22 to Cæsar. Then Agrippa said to Festus, I should like to  
hear the man myself. To-morrow, said he, thou shalt hear  
him.



23 Accordingly on the morrow Agrippa and Bernice came with great pomp, and entered into the place of hearing, with the chief captains and principal men of the city, and  
24 at the order of Festus Paul was brought forward. And Festus said: King Agrippa, and all men who are here present with us! Ye see this man about whom the whole multitude of the Jews applied to me both at Jerusalem and here, crying out that he ought no longer to live.  
25 But having found that he had done nothing deserving death, and he himself having appealed to Augustus, I de-  
26 termined to send him; and as I have nothing certain to write about him to the emperor, I have brought him forward before you, and specially before thee, king Agrippa, that when the examination hath been made, I may have  
27 something to write. For it seemeth to me unreasonable to send a prisoner and not signify the charges against him.

XXVI. And Agrippa said to Paul, Thou art permitted to speak for thyself. Then Paul stretched forth his hand and made his defence:

2 I think myself happy, king Agrippa, that I am to make my defence this day before thee concerning all things of  
3 which I am accused by the Jews; especially as thou art acquainted with all the customs and questions among the Jews. Wherefore I beseech thee to hear me patiently.

4 My manner of life, then, from my youth, which was from the beginning among my own nation and at Jerusa-  
5 lem, all Jews know: and they know, if they are willing to testify, that from the first, according to the strictest sect of  
6 our religion, I lived a Pharisee. And now I stand on trial for the hope of the promise made by God to the  
7 fathers, which our twelve tribes, earnestly serving God day and night, hope to obtain; concerning which hope,  
8 O king, I am accused by Jews. Why is it judged incredible with you if God raiseth the dead?

- 9 I indeed thought with myself that I ought to do many things in opposition to the name of Jesus the Nazarene.
- 10 Which I also did in Jerusalem; and many of the saints did I myself shut up in prisons, having received authority from the chief priests; and when they were put to death,
- 11 I gave my voice against them. And I punished them often in all the synagogues, and compelled them to blaspheme; and being exceedingly mad against them, I pursued them even to foreign cities.
- 12 And as I was going to Damascus on this business, with
- 13 authority and a commission from the chief priests, at mid-day, on the road, O king, I saw a light from heaven above the brightness of the sun, shining around me and
- 14 those who were journeying with me. And when we had all fallen to the earth, I heard a voice speaking to me, and saying in the Hebrew tongue, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? It is hard for thee to kick against the
- 15 goads. And I said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord
- 16 said, I am Jesus, whom thou persecutest. But arise and stand upon thy feet; for I have appeared to thee for this purpose, to prepare thee as a minister and a witness both of the things which thou sawest, and of those on account
- 17 of which I will appear to thee; delivering thee from the
- 18 people, and from the gentiles, to whom I send thee, to open their eyes that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and an inheritance among the sanctified, by faith in me.
- 19 Wherefore, O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the
- 20 heavenly vision; but first to those in Damascus, and Jerusalem, and to all the country of Judæa, and then to the gentiles, I proclaimed that they should repent and turn to God,
- 21 doing works worthy of repentance. For these causes the Jews seized me in the temple, and attempted to kill me.
- 22 Having, however, obtained help from God, I continue to

this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying nothing except those things which the Prophets and Moses said  
 23 were to come to pass; that the Christ should suffer, and that, as first of those raised from the dead, he was to proclaim light both to the people and to the gentiles.

24 And as he was thus speaking in his defence, Festus said with a loud voice, Paul, thou art beside thyself; much  
 25 learning is making thee mad. But he saith, I am not mad, most noble Festus, but utter words of truth and sober-  
 26 ness. For the king knoweth about these things well; to whom also I speak boldly; for I am persuaded that none of these things is hidden from him: for this was not done  
 27 in a corner. King Agrippa, believest thou the Prophets? I know that thou believest. Then Agrippa said to Paul,  
 28 With little effort thou thinkest to persuade me to become  
 29 a Christian. And Paul said, I would to God, that with little effort or with great, not only thou, but also all that hear me this day, might be made such as I am, except these  
 bonds.

30 And the king rose up and the governor and Bernice, and those who sat with them; and going aside they talked with each other, saying, This man is doing nothing deserving death, or bonds. And Agrippa said to Festus, This man might have been set at liberty, if he had not appealed to  
 31 Caesar.

XXVII. And when it was determined that we should sail for Italy, they delivered Paul and certain other prison-

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Ver 28. — *With little effort, &c.* According to this rendering, which seems to be necessary according to Tischendorf's text, the verse must be understood as meaning that the effort of Paul to persuade a Jewish ruler, such as Agrippa, to join the despised and persecuted sect of Christians was preposterous; that Paul's arguments were far too feeble to gain the end proposed; as if he had said, *I am not so easily made a Christian as you seem to imagine.*

ers to a centurion named Julius, of the Augustan band.  
2 And going on board a ship of Adramyttium, about to sail  
along the coasts of Asia, we put to sea; Aristarchus, a  
3 Macedonian of Thessalonica, being with us. And the  
next day we landed at Sidon; and Julius treated Paul  
kindly, and gave him leave to go to his friends, and  
4 receive their care. And thence putting to sea, we sailed  
5 under Cyprus, because the winds were contrary. And  
having sailed over the sea along Cilicia and Pamphylia,  
we came to Myra, a city of Lycia.

6 And there the centurion, finding a ship of Alexandria  
7 about to sail for Italy, put us on board of it. And sailing  
slowly some days, and having with difficulty arrived over  
against Cnidus, the wind not permitting us to put in, we  
8 sailed under Crete, over against Salmone; and coasting  
along it with difficulty we came to a place called Fair  
Havens, near which was the city Lasea.

9 And much time having been spent, and the voyage  
being now dangerous, because the Fast had already gone  
10 by, Paul advised them, saying, Sirs, I perceive that this  
voyage will be with injury and much loss, not only of the  
11 lading and the ship, but also of our lives. But the centu-  
rion believed the master and the owner of the ship more  
12 than what was spoken by Paul. And as the harbor was  
not well situated for wintering, the greater part advised  
to sail thence also, if by any means they might reach  
Phoenix, a harbor of Crete, looking toward the south-west  
13 and north-west, and there winter. And when a south  
wind blew gently, supposing that they had obtained their  
purpose, they weighed anchor, and coasted along close by  
14 Crete. But not long after, there rushed against it a tem-  
15 pestuous wind, called Euroclydon. And the ship being  
caught, and unable to face the wind, we gave up to it, and  
16 were driven along. And running under a certain small  
island called Clauda, we were hardly able to get posses-

17 sion of the boat; which when they had taken up, they  
used helps, undergirding the ship; and fearing lest they  
should run into the Syrtis, they lowered the sail and so  
18 were driven. And as we were violently tempest-tossed,  
19 the next day they began to lighten the vessel; and the  
third day we cast out with our own hands the ino-  
20 vables of the ship. And as neither sun nor stars had appeared for  
many days, and no small tempest lay on us, thenceforward  
21 all hope that we should be saved was taken away. And  
after there had been much abstinence from food, Paul  
stood up in the midst of them and said, Sirs, ye should  
have hearkened to me, and not have put to sea from Crete,  
and thus brought upon yourselves this injury and loss.  
22 And now I exhort you to be of good cheer; for there will  
23 be no loss of life among you, but only of the ship. For  
there stood by me this night an angel of God, whose I am,  
24 and whom I serve, saying, Fear not, Paul! Thou must  
stand before Cæsar; and lo, God hath given thee all those  
25 that sail with thee. Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer;  
for I believe God, that it will be just as it hath been told  
26 me. But we must be cast upon some island.

27 And when the fourteenth night had come on, as we  
were driven onward in the Adriatic sea, about midnight  
the sailors suspected that they were near some country;  
28 and sounding, they found twenty fathoms; and having  
gone a little further and sounded again, they found fif-  
29 teen fathoms; then fearing lest we should fall upon rocks,  
they cast four anchors out of the stern, and wished for  
day.

30 And as the sailors were seeking means to escape from  
the ship, when they had lowered the boat into the sea,  
under the pretence that they were about to carry out

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Chap. XXVII. 17. — *the Syrtis*; the Syrtis Major is meant, a dangerous quicksand on the coast of Africa.

31 anchors from the foreship, Paul said to the centurion and  
to the soldiers, If these men do not stay in the ship, ye  
32 cannot be saved. Then the soldiers cut off the ropes of  
the boat, and let it fall off.

33 And while the day was coming on, Paul exhorted them  
all to take food; saying, This is the fourteenth day that  
ye have waited, and continued fasting, having taken noth-  
34 ing. Wherefore I exhort you to take food; for this is  
for your safety; for there shall not a hair be lost from  
35 the head of one of you. And having thus spoken, he  
took bread, and gave thanks to God in presence of them  
36 all, and having broken it, he began to eat. Then were  
37 they all of good cheer, and they also took food. And  
there were of us in the ship in all two hundred and  
38 seventy-six souls. And when they had eaten enough,  
they lightened the ship, casting out the grain into the  
sea.

39 And when it was day, they did not know the land;  
but they observed a certain creek having a beach, into  
40 which they determined, if possible, to run the ship. And  
cutting away the anchors, they left them in the sea,  
and at the same time unfastening the rudder-bands, and  
hoisting the foresail to the wind, they made toward the  
41 beach. And falling into a place having the sea on both  
sides, they ran the ship aground; and the prow stuck  
fast, and remained immovable, but the stern was break-  
ing to pieces with the violence [of the waves].

42 And on the part of the soldiers there was a plan to  
kill the prisoners, lest any one should swim out and escape.  
43 But the centurion, wishing to save Paul, kept them from  
their purpose, and ordered those who could swim to cast  
44 themselves first into the sea, and get to land, and the rest,  
some on boards, and others on something from the ship.  
And in this way it came to pass, that they all escaped  
safe to land.

XXVIII. And having escaped, we learned that the island  
 2 was called Melita. And the barbarians showed us no lit-  
 tle kindness; for they kindled a fire, and received us all,  
 because of the rain which had come on, and because of the  
 cold.

3 And when Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks, and  
 laid it on the fire, there came forth a viper by reason of  
 4 the heat, and fastened on his hand. And when the bar-  
 barians saw the animal hanging from his hand, they said  
 to one another, No doubt this man is a murderer, whom,  
 though he hath escaped the sea, Justice hath not permitted  
 5 to live. He, however, shaking off the animal into the fire,  
 6 suffered no harm. But they were looking for his becom-  
 ing swollen, or suddenly falling down dead. But after  
 looking a great while, and seeing no harm come to him,  
 they changed their minds, and said that he was a god.

7 And in the neighborhood of that place were lands be-  
 longing to the chief man of the island, whose name was  
 Publius; who welcomed us, and entertained us kindly  
 8 three days. And it happened that the father of Publius  
 was lying sick with a fever and dysentery; to whom Paul  
 went in, and, when he had prayed, laid his hands on him,  
 9 and healed him. And when this was done, the others also  
 who had diseases in the island came, and were healed;  
 10 who also honored us with many honors, and when we put  
 to sea, loaded us with such things as were necessary.

11 And after three months we put to sea in a ship of Alex-  
 andria, which had wintered in the island, whose sign was  
 12 Castor and Pollux. And landing at Syracuse, we stayed  
 13 there three days; and from thence we made a circuit, and  
 came to Rhegium; and after one day a south wind arose,

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Chap. XXVIII. 2. — *barbarians*; a term applied by the Greeks to those  
 not of their own nation, and speaking a different language.

Ver. 4. — *Justice*; i.e. retributive justice personified.

14 and we came on the second day to Puteoli, where we found brethren, and were entreated to remain with them  
15 seven days ; and so we went toward Rome. And from thence, the brethren having heard of us came to meet us as far as Appii Forum, and the Three Taverns ; at the sight of whom Paul thanked God and took courage.

16 And when we had come to Rome, Paul was permitted to dwell by himself, with the soldier that guarded him.

17 And it came to pass that after three days he called together the chief men of the Jews, and when they had met he said to them, Brethren, I, though I had done nothing against the people, or the customs of our fathers, was delivered up a prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of  
18 the Romans ; who, when they had examined me, wished to release me, because I had done nothing deserving death.

19 But when the Jews spoke against it, I was constrained to appeal to Cæsar ; not that I had any charge to bring  
20 against my nation. For this reason therefore I have called for you, to see you and speak to you ; for it is on account of the hope of Israel that I am bound with this chain.

21 And they said to him, We neither received letters from Judæa concerning thee, nor did any one of the brethren  
22 that came report or speak any evil of thee. But we think it proper to hear from thee what thou thinkest ; for with regard to this sect, we know that it is everywhere spoken against.

23 And when they had appointed him a day, many came to him at his lodging ; to whom he expounded, and earnestly testified, the kingdom of God, endeavoring to persuade them concerning Jesus both from the Law of Moses, and  
24 from the Prophets, from morning till evening. And some  
25 believed the things spoken, and some believed not. So, disagreeing with one another, they took their departure, after Paul had spoken one word : Well did the Holy Spirit speak through Isaiah the prophet to your fathers,



26 saying, "Go to this people, and say, 'Hearing ye shall  
hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see,  
27 and not perceive. For the heart of this people hath be-  
come gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their  
eyes they have closed; lest they should see with their eyes,  
and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart,  
28 and turn from their ways, and I should heal them.'"\* Be  
it therefore known to you, that to the gentiles this salva-  
tion of God hath been sent; they, moreover, will hear.  
30 And he abode two whole years in his own hired house;  
31 and gladly received all that came in to him, proclaiming  
the kingdom of God, and teaching the things concerning  
the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, without hin-  
drance from any one.

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\* Isa. vi. 9, 10.

# THE EPISTLES OF PAUL.

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## TO THE ROMANS.

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I. PAUL, a servant of Christ Jesus, a called apostle, set  
2 apart to preach the gospel of God, which he had promised  
before by his prophets in the Holy Scriptures, the gospel  
3 concerning his Son, who was born of the seed of David  
4 as to the flesh, and shown with power to be the Son of  
God as to his spirit of holiness, by the resurrection of the  
5 dead, Jesus Christ our Lord; through whom we received  
grace and the office of an apostle in behalf of his name,  
in order to produce obedience to the faith among all  
6 nations; among whom are ye also, the called of Jesus  
7 Christ; to all the beloved of God at Rome, called, holy:  
Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father, and  
the Lord Jesus Christ.

8 In the first place, I thank my God through Jesus Christ  
for all of you, that your faith is spoken of throughout the  
9 whole world. For God is my witness, whom I serve with  
my spirit in the gospel of his Son, how constantly I make  
10 mention of you, always in my prayers supplicating that, if  
it be possible, I may at last through the will of God be  
11 favored with an opportunity of coming to you. For I  
long to see you, that I may impart to you some spiritual  
gift, which may be for your confirmation; that is, that I

12 may be edified among you, and you also, through each  
13 other's faith, both yours and mine. But I would not have  
you ignorant, brethren, that I often purposed to come to  
you, though I have been hindered hitherto, that I might  
have some fruit of my labors among you also, as among  
14 the other gentiles. I am debtor both to Greeks and bar-  
15 barians, both to the wise and the unwise. So, according  
to my ability, I am ready to preach the gospel to you also  
16 in Rome. For I am not ashamed of the gospel; for to  
every believer, to the Jew first and also to the Greek,  
17 it is the power of God unto salvation. For therein is  
revealed the righteousness which is of God from faith  
to faith; as it is written, "But the righteous shall live  
by faith."\*

18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against  
all impiety and unrighteousness of men, who keep down  
19 the truth in unrighteousness. Because that which may  
be known of God is manifest within them; for God made  
20 it manifest to them. For, ever since the creation of the  
world, his invisible attributes, even his eternal power and  
divinity, being perceived from his works, are clearly seen,  
21 so that they might be without excuse. Because though  
they knew God, they did not glorify him as God, nor  
were they thankful to him; but became perverse in their

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Chap. I. 17. — *righteousness which is of God*; i.e. which cometh from him, Phil. iii. 9, or, which is acceptable to him as a righteousness of faith, implying forgiveness and pardon on the part of God, in contradistinction from a righteousness of merit acquired by a fulfilment of the requirements of the law, whether of the Jews, or of nature. Comp. chap. iii. 21-26. In the language of Martin Luther, "Christian righteousness consisteth in two things namely, faith of the heart, and God's acceptance, or pardon of imperfections. Faith is indeed a formal righteousness; and yet this righteousness is not enough. For after faith there remain certain remnants of sin in our flesh. Wherefore the other part of righteousness must needs be added also to finish the same in us, namely, God's acceptance or forgiveness." — *from faith to faith*; i.e. proceeding from faith, and going on to stronger faith.

\* Hab. ii. 4.

22 reasonings, and their senseless minds were darkened ; pro-  
 23 fessing to be wise, they became fools, and for the glory of  
 the incorruptible God they substituted images of corrup-  
 24 tible man, and of birds and four-footed beasts and creep-  
 ing things. Wherefore God also gave them over in the  
 lusts of their hearts to impurity, to debase their bodies  
 25 with one another ; because they changed the true God for  
 false gods, and adored and worshipped created things rather  
 26 than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. For  
 this cause God gave them up to vile passions. For even  
 27 their women indulged in unnatural lust, and in like man-  
 ner the men also, neglecting the natural use of the female,  
 burned with lust for one another, men with men prac-  
 tising that which is shameful, and receiving in them-  
 28 selves the due recompense of their error. And as they  
 did not choose to retain God in their knowledge, God  
 gave them up to a reprobate mind, to do things which  
 29 are shameful ; being filled with all unrighteousness, mal-  
 ice, covetousness, wickedness ; full of envy, murder, strife,  
 30 deceit, malignity ; backbiters, slanderers, hated of God, in-  
 solent, proud, boasters, inventors of mischief, disobedient  
 31 to parents, senseless, faithless, without natural affection,  
 32 without pity ; who, although knowing the ordinance of  
 God, that they who practise such things deserve death,  
 not only do them themselves, but approve of those who  
 do them.

II. Wherefore thou art without excuse, O man that judgest,  
 whoever thou art. For wherein thou judgest another,  
 thou condemnest thyself ; for thou that judgest doest the  
 2 same things. But we know that the judgment of God is  
 according to truth against those who practise such things.  
 3 And dost thou suppose, O man, who art judging those

who do such things, and art thyself doing the same, that  
4 thou wilt escape the judgment of God? Or dost thou de-  
spise the riches of his goodness and forbearance and long-  
suffering, not knowing that the goodness of God is leading  
5 thee to repentance? But according to thy hardness and  
impenitent heart, thou art treasuring up for thyself wrath  
against the day of wrath and of the manifestation of the  
6 righteous judgment of God, who will render to every one  
7 according to his works; everlasting life to those who by pa-  
tient continuance in well-doing seek for glory, and honor,  
8 and incorruption; but to those who are contentious, and  
disobedient to the truth, but obey unrighteousness, there  
9 will be wrath and indignation. Tribulation and distress  
will be upon every soul of man whose works are evil, of  
10 the Jew first, and also of the Greek; but glory, honor, and  
peace, to every one whose works are good, to the Jew first,  
and also to the Greek.

11 For there is no respect of persons with God. For as  
many as have sinned without a law, will also perish with-  
out a law; and as many as have sinned under a law, will  
13 be judged by a law, for it is not the hearers of a law who  
are righteous before God, but the doers of a law will be  
14 accounted righteous;—for when the gentiles, who have no  
law, do by nature what is required by the Law, these, hav-  
15 ing no law, are a law to themselves; since they show that  
what the Law requireth is written in their hearts, their con-  
science bearing witness, and their thoughts in turn accus-  
16 ing or defending them;—in the day when God shall judge  
the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to the gos-  
pel which I have preached.

17 But if thou art called a Jew, and retest on the Law,  
18 and makest thy boast of God, and knowest his will, and  
approvest the things that are more excellent, being in-  
19 structed out of the Law; and art confident that thou thy-  
self art a guide of the blind, a light to those who are

20 in darkness, an instructor of those who lack wisdom, a  
 teacher of babes, having the form of knowledge and of  
 21 the truth in the Law, — dost thou then who teachest an-  
 other, not teach thyself? Thou who proclaimest that  
 22 others should not steal, dost thou steal? Dost thou who  
 forbiddest to commit adultery, thyself commit adultery?  
 23 Thou that abhorrest idols, dost thou rob temples? Dost  
 thou who boastest of the Law, dishonor God by break-  
 24 ing the Law? For, as it is written, “the name of God is  
 25 on your account blasphemed among the gentiles.”\* For  
 circumcision is indeed a benefit to thee, if thou keep the  
 Law; but if thou art a breaker of the Law, thy circum-  
 26 cision hath become uncircumcision. If then he who is  
 uncircumcised keep the precepts of the Law, shall not he  
 27 though uncircumcised be regarded as circumcised? Yea,  
 those who are by nature uncircumcised, if they perform  
 the law, will judge thee, who having a written Law and  
 28 circumcision, art a breaker of the Law. For he is not a  
 Jew, who is one outwardly, nor is that circumcision,  
 29 which is outward, in the flesh; but he is a Jew who is  
 one inwardly; and circumcision is of the heart, spiritual,  
 not literal, whose praise is not of men, but of God.

III. What then is the advantage of the Jew? or what the  
 2 benefit of circumcision? Great, every way. In the first  
 place, because they were entrusted with the oracles of  
 3 God. For what? If some were unfaithful, shall their  
 4 unfaithfulness make God unfaithful? Far be it! yea,  
 let God be true, and every man a liar; as it is written,  
 “That thou mayst be justified in thy words, and mayst  
 overcome when thou art arraigned.” †

5 But if our unrighteousness serve to display the right-

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Chap. III. 4. — *when thou art arraigned; i.e. as it were, put on trial.*

\* Isa. li. 5.

† Ps. li. 4.

eousness of God, what shall we say? Is God unrighteous who inflicteth punishment? (I am speaking as men do.)

6 Far be it! For then how shall God judge the world?—

7 For if, through my being false, the truth of God hath been more abundantly manifested to his glory, why am

8 I still judged as a sinner? And why do you not say, as some slanderously charge us with saying, Let us do evil, that good may come? The condemnation of such men is just.

9 What then? Are we better than others? By no means!

For we have already brought a charge both against Jews  
10 and Greeks, that they are all under sin. As it is written:

“There is none righteous, no, not one; there is none that  
11 hath understanding, there is none that diligently seeketh

12 God; they have all turned aside from the right way, they have become worthless together; there is none that doeth

13 good, not even one. Their throat is an open sepulchre; with their tongues they have practised deceit. The poison

14 of asps is under their lips. Their mouth is full of cursing  
<sup>15</sup>/<sub>16</sub> and bitterness. Swift are their feet to shed blood; de-

17 struction and misery are in their ways; and the way of  
18 peace they know not. There is no fear of God before

their eyes.”\*

19 Now we know that whatever the Law saith, it saith to those who are under the Law; that every mouth may be

stopped, and all the world become subject to condemnation  
20 before God. Because by works of the Law no flesh shall

be accepted as righteous: for by the Law is the knowledge of sin.

21 But now, apart from the Law, the righteousness which is of God, to which the Law and the Prophets bear tes-

22 timony, even the righteousness which is of God through

Ver. 21. — *righteousness which is of God.* See the note on chap. i. 17.

\* Ps. xiv. 1-3, v. 9, cxl. 3, x. 7; Isa. lix. 7, 8; Ps. xxxvi. 1.

faith in Jesus Christ, hath been made manifest to all  
 23 and for all believers. For there is no distinction. For  
 all have sinned, and fail of obtaining the glory which  
 24 cometh from God; being accepted as righteous freely, by  
 his grace, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,  
 25 whom, in his blood, through faith, God hath set forth  
 as a propitiatory sacrifice, in order to manifest his right-  
 eousness, on account of his passing by, in his forbear-  
 26 ance, the sins committed in former times; in order to  
 manifest his righteousness at the present time, so that he  
 may be righteous, and accept as righteous him who hath  
 27 faith. Where then is the boasting? It is excluded. By  
 28 what law? of works? Nay; but by the law of faith. We  
 conclude therefore, that a man is accepted as righteous  
 29 through faith, without the works of the Law. Or is God  
 [the God] of Jews alone? Is he not also the God of gen-  
 30 tiles? Yea, of gentiles also. Seeing there is but one God,  
 who will accept the circumcised as righteous by faith, and  
 31 the uncircumcised through faith. Do we then make void  
 the Law through faith? Far be it! On the contrary, we  
 establish the Law.

IV. What advantage then shall we say that Abraham our  
 2 father had as to the flesh? For if Abraham was accepted  
 as righteous through works, he hath ground of boasting.  
 3 But he hath no ground of boasting before God. For  
 what saith the scripture? "Abraham had faith in God,  
 4 and it was accounted unto him as righteousness."\* Now  
 to him that performeth works, the reward is not accounted  
 5 a matter of grace, but of debt; but to him who without per-

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Ver. 25. — *a propitiatory sacrifice*; otherwise, *a mercy-seat*.

Chap. IV. 1. — *as to the flesh*; i.e. the lower part of human nature, from which proceed works claiming a reward, in contradistinction from the spirit, which, enlightened and moved by the Holy Spirit, exercises faith.

\* Gen. xv. 6.



forming works hath faith in him who accepteth as righteous one that hath been ungodly, his faith is accounted as  
6 righteousness; as David also speaketh of the blessedness of the man whom God accepteth as righteous without  
7 works: "Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven,  
8 and whose sins are covered. Blessed is the man whom the  
9 Lord shall not charge with sin."\* Doth this blessedness belong to the circumcised alone, or to the uncircumcised also? For we are saying that Abraham's faith was ac-  
10 counted as righteousness. How then was it so accounted? After his circumcision, or while he was uncircumcised? Not after he was circumcised, but while he was uncir-  
11 cumcised. And he received the outward sign of circumcision as a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had while he was uncircumcised; that he might be the father of all the uncircumcised who have faith, so that  
12 righteousness might be put to their account also; and that he might be the father of the circumcised, who are not circumcised merely, but who tread in the steps of that faith which our father Abraham had while yet un-  
13 circumcised. For not through the Law was the promise made to Abraham or his offspring that he should be the heir of the world, but through the righteousness of faith.  
14 For if they that are of the Law are heirs, then faith becometh a vain thing, and the promise is made of no  
15 effect. For the Law is the cause of wrath; for where  
16 there is no law there is no transgression. Therefore the inheritance was made to depend on faith, that it might be a matter of grace; that the promise might be sure to all the offspring, not to that only which is under the Law, but to that also which hath the faith of Abraham, who is  
17 the father of us all (as it is written, "I have made thee a father of many nations,") † in the sight of that God

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\* Ps. xxxii. 1, 2.

† Gen. xvii. 5.

whom he believed, who giveth life to the dead, and calleth  
 18 the things that are not, as though they were. For he had  
 confident hope in that which was past hope, that he should  
 become a father of many nations, according to that which  
 19 was spoken, "Thus shall thy offspring be;"\* and not  
 being weak in faith, he regarded not his own body which  
 had become dead, he being about a hundred years old,  
 20 nor the deadness of Sarah's womb; nor did he waver in  
 respect to the promise of God through unbelief, but was  
 21 strong in faith, giving glory to God; being fully con-  
 vinced, that what he hath promised, he is able also to  
 22 perform. And therefore it was accounted to him for  
 23 righteousness. And that it was so accounted was not  
 24 written for his sake alone, but for our sakes also, to whom  
 it will be so accounted through our faith in him who  
 25 raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was deliv-  
 ered up on account of our trespasses, and raised from the  
 dead that we might be accepted as righteous.

V. Therefore being accepted as righteous through faith, we  
 have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ;  
 2 through whom also we have had admission into this  
 grace in which we stand, and rejoice in the hope of the  
 3 glory which God will confer. And not only so, but we  
 rejoice in afflictions also, knowing that affliction produc-  
 4 eth endurance, and endurance proof [of faith], and proof  
 5 [of faith giveth] hope; and hope will not disappoint us;  
 because the love of God hath been shed abroad in our  
 hearts by the Holy Spirit which hath been given to us.  
 6 For while we were yet without strength, in due season  
 7 Christ died for the ungodly. Now hardly for a right-  
 eous man will one die; perhaps, however, for a benefac-  
 8 tor one might even dare to die. But God commendeth

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\* Gen. xv. 5, 6.

his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners,  
9 Christ died for us. Much more then, being now accepted  
as righteous through his blood, we shall be saved through  
10 him from the [coming] wrath. For if while enemies we  
were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much  
more having been reconciled shall we be saved by his life;  
11 and not this only, but also having joy in God through our  
Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received  
the reconciliation.

12 So then as through one man sin entered into the  
world, and through sin death, and thus [death] came  
13 through unto all men, because all sinned — (for all the  
time before the Law sin was in the world; but sin is not  
14 set to one's account when there is no law. Yet death  
reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who had  
not sinned in the manner in which Adam transgressed;  
15 who is a type of him who was to come. — But the free  
gift was not as the transgression. For if through the of-  
fence of the one the many died, much more hath the grace  
of God, and the gift which is by the grace of the one man  
16 Jesus Christ, abounded to the many. And the free gift is  
not like what happened through one man who sinned.  
For sentence of condemnation followed one offence; but  
17 the free gift is a justification after many offences. For if  
by one trespass death reigned through the one man, much  
more will they who receive the abundance of grace and  
of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one  
18 man Jesus Christ.) — As then through one trespass all  
men have come under condemnation, so through one act  
of righteousness all obtain the gift of righteousness unto  
19 life. For as through the disobedience of the one man the

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Chap. V. 16. — *followed one offence; otherwise, followed the offence of one. — a justification; i.e. an acceptance as righteous before God of one who has been a sinner.*

many were made sinners, so through the obedience of the one man will the many be made righteous.

- 20 Moreover the law came in in addition, that the trespass might abound; but where sin abounded, grace abounded  
21 much more; that as sin reigned in death, so grace might reign through righteousness to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

VI. What shall we say then? Let us continue in sin, that  
2 grace may abound still more? God forbid! How shall  
3 we, who died to sin, live any longer in it? Are ye ignorant, that all of us who were baptized into Jesus Christ,  
4 were baptized into his death? We then by this baptism into his death were buried with him; that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father,  
5 so we also might walk in newness of life. For if we have been made completely like him in his death, we shall be  
6 made like him in his resurrection also; knowing this, that our old man was crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that we might no longer be in slavery  
7 to sin; for he that hath died hath been set free from sin.  
8 And if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also  
9 live with him; since we know that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dieth no more; death hath dominion  
10 over him no longer. For in that he died, he died to sin  
11 once for all; but in that he liveth, he liveth to God. Thus do ye too consider yourselves as dead to sin, but alive to God, through Jesus Christ.

- 12 Let not then sin reign in your mortal body, bringing  
13 you into subjection to its lusts, nor yield up your members to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but yield up yourselves to God, as being alive from the dead, and your members to God as instruments of righteousness.  
14 For sin shall not hold dominion over you; for ye are not under the Law, but under grace.

15 What then? Are we to sin, because we are not under  
 16 the Law, but under grace? God forbid! Know ye not,  
 that whomever ye choose to obey as a master, his bond-  
 men ye are, whether of sin whose fruit is death, or of  
 17 obedience whose fruit is righteousness? But thanks be  
 to God that, though ye were the bondmen of sin, ye be-  
 came obedient from the heart to that form of teaching  
 18 which was delivered to you; and being made free from  
 19 sin, ye became the bondmen of righteousness. I speak  
 in a way common among men on account of the weak-  
 ness of your flesh. For as ye once yielded your members  
 as slaves to impurity and to iniquity, in order to commit  
 iniquity, so now yield your members as bondmen to right-  
 20 eousness in order to become holy. For when ye were the  
 slaves of sin, ye were not the bondmen of righteousness.  
 21 What fruit then had ye at that time from those things of  
 which ye are now ashamed? For the end of those things  
 22 is death. But now having been delivered from the slav-  
 ery of sin, and having become the bondservants of God, ye  
 have holiness as the fruit, and everlasting life as the end.  
 23 For the wages of sin is death; but the free gift of God  
 is everlasting life, through Christ Jesus our Lord.

VII. Know ye not, brethren, (for I am speaking to those  
 who are acquainted with the Law,) that the Law hath  
 2 dominion over a man only as long as he liveth? For the  
 married woman is bound by law to her husband while  
 he liveth; but if the husband die, she is released from  
 8 the law which bound her to him. So then, if while  
 her husband is living she connect herself with another  
 man, she will be called an adulteress; but if her husband  
 die, she is no longer bound by that law, so that she will

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Chap. VI. 21. Otherwise, *What fruit then had ye at that time? Things of which ye are now ashamed.*

not be an adulteress, though she connect herself with another man. So then, my brethren, ye also were slain to the Law through the body of Christ, that ye might be connected with another, even with him who was raised from the dead, that we might bear fruit to God. For when we were in the flesh, the affections of sins, which were through the Law, were working in our members to bear fruit unto death. But now we are delivered from the Law, having died to that by which we were bound, that we might serve in the new life of the Spirit, and not in the old way of the letter.

7 What then shall we say? Is the Law sin? God forbid! But I should not have known sin, except by the Law; for I should not have known sinful desire, unless the Law had said, "Thou shalt not covet."\* But sin, seizing the opportunity, wrought in me by means of the commandment all manner of sinful desire; for without the Law sin is dead. And I, apart from the Law, was once alive; but when the commandment came, sin came to life again, and I died; and the very commandment whose design was life, I found to issue in death. For sin, seizing the opportunity, deceived me through the commandment, and through it slew me. So that the Law is holy, and the commandment holy, and right, and good. Did then that which is good become death to me? Far be it! but sin; that it might become manifest as sin, causing death to me by means of that which is good; that sin by means of the commandment might become exceedingly sinful. For we know that the Law is spiritual; but I am unspiritual, a slave sold to sin. For I know not what I do. For I do not what I would, but I do what I hate. But if I do what I would not, I assent to the Law that it is good. Now, however, 't is no longer

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\* Exod. xx. 17.

18 I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. For I know that there dwelleth not in me, that is, in my flesh, any good thing; for to desire is present with me, but not to perform that which is good. For the good that I would, 20 I do not; but the evil which I would not, that I do. But if I do what I would not, it is no more I that do it, but 21 sin that dwelleth in me. I find then that there is a law to me, that when I would do good, evil is present with 22 me. For I delight in the Law of God, as to the inward man; but I perceive another law in my members warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

24 Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from 25 the body of this death? Thanks be to God, [who hath delivered me] through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then, I, the same person, with the mind serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin.

VIII. There is then now no condemnation for those who 2 are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life set me free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. 3 For what the Law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God hath done, who on account of sin sent his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and passed 4 sentence of condemnation on sin in the flesh; so that what is required by the Law might be accomplished in us, who walk not according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. 5 For they who are according to the flesh have their mind on the things of the flesh; but they who are according to 6 the Spirit, on the things of the Spirit. For the mind of the

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Chap. VIII. 2. *For the law of the Spirit of life*; i.e. For the governing influence of the Spirit of God within me, which leads to everlasting life. — *set me free*, &c.; i.e. delivered me, as united to Christ Jesus by faith, from the governing influence of sin which leads to death.

Ver. 3. — *through the flesh*; the appetites, desires, and passions.

- flesh is death ; but the mind of the Spirit life and peace.
- 7 Because the mind of the flesh is enmity against God ; for it doth not submit itself to the Law of God, neither indeed
- 8 can it. And they who are in the flesh cannot please God.
- 9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwelleth in you. But if any one hath
- 10 not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. And if Christ is in you, the body indeed is dead because of sin ; but the
- 11 Spirit is life because of righteousness. But if the Spirit of him who raised up Jesus from the dead dwelleth in you, he who raised up Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies, because of his Spirit that dwelleth in you.
- 12 So then, brethren, we are debtors not to the flesh, to
- 13 live according to the flesh. For if ye live according to the flesh, ye are sure to die ; but if by the Spirit ye make an end of the deeds of the body, ye will live.
- 14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they
- 15 are sons of God. For ye did not receive the spirit of bondage so as to be again in fear ; but ye received the spirit of adopted children, whereby we cry, Abba, Father !
- 16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we
- 17 are children of God ; and if children, then heirs ; heirs of God, and fellow-heirs with Christ ; if indeed we are suffering with him, that we may also be glorified with him.
- 18 For I esteem the sufferings of the present time as of no account, when compared with the glory which is about
- 19 to be revealed to us. For the earnest expectation of the creation is waiting for the manifestation of the sons
- 20 of God. For the creation was brought into subjection to vanity not of its own will, but by reason of him who
- 21 put it into subjection, in hope that even the creation



itself will be set free from the bondage of corruption and brought into the freedom of the glory of the children of  
 22 God. For we know that the whole creation is together  
 groaning and suffering the pains of labor, up to this time ;  
 23 and not only so, but even we ourselves also, though hav-  
 ing the first-fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan  
 within ourselves, waiting for the adoption as sons, for  
 24 the redemption of our body. For we were saved only  
 in hope. But hope which is seen is not hope ; how can  
 25 a man hope for that which he seeth ? But if we hope  
 for that which we do not see, then do we with patience  
 26 wait for it. In like manner the Spirit also helpeth our  
 weakness ; for we know not what to pray for as we ought,  
 but the Spirit itself intercedeth with groans which can-  
 27 not be expressed in words. But he that searcheth the  
 hearts knoweth the mind of the Spirit, because it inter-  
 cedeth for the holy according to the will of God.

28 We know moreover that all things work together for  
 good to those who love God, to those who are called ac-  
 29 cording to his purpose. For he determined beforehand  
 that those whom he foreknew should be conformed to the  
 image of his Son, in order that he might be the first-born  
 30 among many brethren. And those whom he before ap-  
 pointed, he also called ; and those whom he called, he  
 also accepted as righteous ; and those whom he accepted  
 31 as righteous, he also glorified. What shall we then say  
 to these things ? If God is for us, who can be against  
 32 us ? He who spared not his own Son, but delivered him  
 up for us all, how shall he not also with him freely give  
 33 us all things ? Who shall bring any charge against the

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Ver. 21. — *freedom of the glory, &c.* ; i.e. freedom from suffering, decay and death, which belongs to the glorified state, &c.

Ver. 23. — *for the adoption* ; i.e. for the consummation of it. — *the redemption of our body* ; i.e. the time when, at the coming of Christ, the vile body of flesh and blood shall be changed into a glorious body. Phil. iii. 21.

Ver. 27. — *knoweth* ; and so approves and answers the prayer.

chosen of God? God is he who accepteth them as right-  
 34 eous. Who is he that condemneth? Christ is he that  
 died, yea rather, who rose again, who is also at the right  
 35 hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us. Who  
 shall separate us from the love of Christ for us? Shall  
 affliction or distress or persecution or famine or naked-  
 36 ness or peril or sword? As it is written, "For thy sake  
 we are killed all the day long; we were accounted as  
 37 sheep for slaughter."\* Nay, in all these things we are  
 38 more than conquerors, through him that loved us. For  
 I am persuaded, that neither death nor life, nor angels  
 nor principalities, nor things present nor things to come,  
 39 nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor any other created  
 thing will be able to separate us from the love of God  
 for us, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

IX. I speak truth in Christ, I do not lie, my conscience  
 2 bearing witness with me in the Holy Spirit, that I have  
 3 great grief and unceasing anguish in my heart. For  
 I could wish to be myself accursed and cast out from  
 Christ in behalf of my brethren, my kinsmen as to the  
 4 flesh; who are Israelites; whom God adopted as sons,  
 whose was the glory, and the covenants, and the giving  
 of the Law, and the service of the sanctuary, and the  
 5 promises; whose are the fathers, and from whom, as to  
 the flesh, was the Christ. He who is over all, God, be  
 blessed for ever! Amen.

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Ver. 33. *God is he who accepteth them as righteous, &c. Otherwise, Shall God who accepteth them as righteous?*

Ver. 34. *Christ is he, &c. Otherwise, Shall Christ, &c.*

Chap. IX. 1. — *in Christ; i.e. as a believer in Christ.*

Ver. 5. — *was the Christ. He who is, &c. Otherwise, was the Christ, who is over all, God, blessed for ever; or, was the Christ, who is God over all, &c.* The punctuation, so far as mere grammar is concerned, is ambiguous. Which is to be preferred depends on exegetical considerations; especially on the apostle's use of the name 'God,' and the relation in which he represents Christ as standing to God, in other parts of his writings.

\* Ps. xliv. 22.

6 Not as though the word of God hath failed; for not  
 7 all they that are of Israel are Israel; nor because they  
 are descendants of Abraham are they all children; but,  
 8 "Thy offspring shall be reckoned from Isaac."\* That is,  
 not the children by natural descent are children of God,  
 but the children to whom the promise is made are ac-  
 9 counted as the offspring. For the word of promise is  
 this: "At this time I will come, and Sarah shall have a  
 10 son."† And not only so, but also when Rebecca had  
 11 conceived by one man, our father Isaac, before the chil-  
 dren were born, or had done any thing good or evil, to  
 the end that God's purpose according to election might  
 stand, not depending on works, but on the will of him  
 12 that calleth, it was said to her, "The elder shall serve  
 13 the younger:" as it is written, "Jacob I loved, but Esau  
 I hated."‡

14 What then shall we say? Is there injustice with God?  
 15 Far be it! For he saith to Moses, "On whom I have  
 mercy, on him will I have mercy; and on whom I  
 16 have compassion, on him will I have compassion."§ So  
 then it dependeth not on him that willeth, nor on him  
 17 that runneth, but on God who showeth mercy. For the  
 Scripture saith to Pharaoh, "For this very purpose did  
 I raise thee up, that I might show forth my power in  
 thee, and that my name might be made known in all the  
 18 earth."|| So then he hath mercy on whom he will, and  
 19 hardeneth whom he will. Hence thou wilt say to me,  
 Why then doth he still find fault? for who resisteth his  
 20 will? Nay but, O man, who art thou that makest answer  
 to God? Shall the thing that is wrought say to the work-  
 21 man, Why hast thou made me thus? Hath not the pot-  
 ter a right out of the same lump of clay to make one

\* Gen. xxi. 12. † Gen. xviii. 14. ‡ Gen. xxv. 23; Mal. i. 2, 3.

§ Exod. xxxiii. 19.

|| Exod. ix. 16.

vessel for an honorable use, and another for a dishonorable? What if God endured with much patience vessels of wrath fitted for destruction, purposing to manifest his wrath and to make known his power; purposing also to make known the riches of his glory upon vessels of mercy, which he had before prepared for glory, whom he also called, even us, not only from among the Jews, but also from among the gentiles? as he also saith in Hosea, "I will call that my people, which was not my people; and her beloved, that was not beloved. And it shall be, that in the place where it was said to them, Ye are not my people, there shall they be called sons of the living God."\* But Isaiah crieth out concerning Israel, "Though the number of the sons of Israel be as the sand of the sea, only the remnant will be saved. For he is accomplishing his word and speedily fulfilling it in righteousness; for a speedily fulfilled word will the Lord execute upon the earth."† And as Isaiah hath said before, "Unless the Lord of hosts had left us a seed, we should have become as Sodom, and been made like Gomorrah."‡

What then shall we say? That the gentiles, who did not strive after righteousness, obtained righteousness, but a righteousness which is of faith; while Israel, which strove after a law of righteousness, did not attain to a law of righteousness. Why? Because they did not strive for it by faith, but as being by works. For they stumbled against the stone of stumbling; as it is written, "Behold, I lay in Zion a stone of stumbling and rock of offence; and he that believeth in him shall not be put to shame."§

X. Brethren, the desire of my heart and my prayer to God for them is, that they may be saved. For I bear them

\* Hos. ii. 23, i. 10.

† Isa. i. 9.

† Isa. x. 22, 23.

§ Isa. viii. 14, xxviii. 16.

witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge.

3 For being ignorant of the righteousness which is of God, and endeavoring to establish a righteousness of their own, they have not submitted themselves to the righteousness  
4 which is of God. For Christ is the end of the Law, so that every one that believeth may obtain righteousness.  
5 For Moses describeth the righteousness which is of the Law: "The man that hath done these things shall live by  
6 them."\* But the righteousness which is of faith speaketh thus: Say not in thy heart, "Who shall ascend into  
7 heaven?" that is, to bring Christ down. Or, "Who shall descend into the abyss?" that is, to bring up Christ from  
8 the dead. But what saith it? "The word is nigh thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart;" † that is, the word concern-  
9 ing faith, which we preach; for if thou shalt acknowledge with thy mouth Jesus as Lord, and shalt believe in thy  
10 heart that God raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth so as to obtain  
11 righteousness, and with the mouth professeth so as to obtain salvation. For the Scripture saith, "Whoever believ-  
12 eth in him shall not be put to shame." ‡ For there is no difference between Jew and Greek; for one and the  
13 same is Lord over all, rich to all that call upon him. For "every one who calleth upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." §

14 How then shall they call on him, in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him, of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without  
15 a preacher? and how shall men preach, unless they are sent forth? as it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring glad tidings of peace, who bring glad

\* Lev. xviii. 5.

† Isa. xxviii. 16.

‡ Deut. xxx. 11-14.

§ Joel ii. 32.

16 tidings of good things!"\* But they did not all hearken to the glad tidings. For Isaiah saith, "Lord, who hath 17 believed what he hath heard from us?"† Faith then cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. 18 But I say, Did they not hear? Yes truly, "Their voice went forth into all the earth, and their words to the ends 19 of the world."‡ But I say, Hath not Israel had knowledge? First, Moses saith, "I will move you to jealousy by that which is no nation, I will excite you to indigna- 20 tion by a foolish people."§ But Isaiah is very bold, and saith, "I was found by those who sought me not, I be- 21 came known to those who inquired not for me."|| But concerning Israel he saith, "All the day long I have stretched out my hands to a disobedient and rebellious people."¶

XI. I say then, Hath God cast off his people? Far be it! For I myself am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of 2 the tribe of Benjamin. God hath not cast off his people, which he foreknew. Do ye not know what the Scripture saith in the passage concerning Elijah? how he pleadeth 3 to God against Israel: "Lord, they have killed thy prophets, they have dug down thine altars; and I am left alone, 4 and they are seeking my life."\*\* But what saith the answer of God to him? "I have reserved to myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to Baal."†† 5 In the same way then at this present time also there is 6 a remnant, according to the election of grace. And if it is by grace, it is no longer on account of works; otherwise grace ceaseth to be grace; but if it is of works, there is then no grace; otherwise work ceaseth to be work. 7 How is it then? What Israel seeketh after, that Israel

\* Isa. lii. 7.

† Isa. liii. 1.

‡ Ps. xix. 4.

§ Deut. xxxii. 21.

|| Isa. lxv. 1.

¶ Isa. lxv. 2.

\*\* 1 Kings xix. 10.

†† 1 Kings xix. 18.

did not obtain; but the elect obtained it, and the rest were  
 8 hardened; as it is written: "God gave them a spirit of  
 slumber, eyes that were not to see, and ears that were not  
 9 to hear, unto this day."\* And David saith, "Let their  
 table become a snare, and a trap, and a stumbling-block,  
 10 and a recompense to them; let their eyes be darkened, that  
 they may not see; and bow down their back alway." †

11 I say then, Did they stumble in order to fall? God  
 forbid! But by their offence salvation is come to the gen-  
 12 tiles to excite them to emulation. But if their offence is  
 the riches of the world, and their loss the riches of the  
 gentiles, how much more will their fulness be?

13 For I am speaking to you gentiles; inasmuch as I am  
 14 the apostle of the gentiles, I magnify my office, that I may,  
 if possible, excite to emulation those who are my flesh,  
 15 and may save some of them. For if the rejection of  
 them is the reconciliation of the world, what will the  
 16 reception of them be, but life from the dead? And if  
 the first portion of the dough is holy, so also will be the  
 lump; and if the root is holy, so will be the branches.

17 And if some of the branches have been broken off, and  
 thou, a wild olive, hast been grafted in among them, and  
 become a partaker with them of the root and fatness of  
 18 the olive-tree, boast not over the branches; for if thou  
 boast, thou dost not bear the root, but the root thee.

19 Thou wilt say then, The branches were broken off, that  
 20 I might be grafted in. Be it so. It was for their unbelief  
 that they were broken off, and thou standest through thy  
 21 faith; be not high-minded, but fear. For if God spared  
 not the natural branches, take care lest he spare not thee.

22 Behold then the goodness and the severity of God;

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Ver. 11, 12. — *their offence*; i.e. in rejecting Christ, and their consequent loss of the peculiar favor of God.

Ver. 16. — *first portion*. See Numb. xv. 20, 21.

\* Deut. xxix. 4; Isa. xxix. 10.

† Ps. lxxix. 22, 23.

toward those who fell, severity; but toward thee God's goodness, if thou continue in his goodness; otherwise thou  
 23 also wilt be cut off. And they also, if they do not continue in their unbelief, will be grafted in; for God is able  
 24 to graft them in again. For if thou hast been cut off from an olive-tree wild by nature, and hast against thy nature been ingrafted into a good olive-tree, how much more shall these, the natural branches, be ingrafted into their own olive-stock?

25 For I would not have you ignorant, brethren, of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits, that blindness hath to some extent come upon Israel, until the  
 26 fulness of the gentiles shall have come in. And thus will all Israel be saved; as it is written, "There shall come out of Zion the Deliverer; he shall turn away ungodli-  
 27 ness from Jacob. And this will be my covenant with them, when I shall have taken away their sins."\* In regard to the gospel, they are enemies for your sakes; but in regard to God's choice, they are beloved for the fathers'  
 29 sake. For in respect to his gifts and his calling, there is no change of purpose with God. For as ye in times past were disobedient to God, but have now obtained mercy  
 30 through their disobedience, so they too have now become disobedient, that they also may obtain mercy through the  
 31 mercy shown to you. For God delivered up all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all.

32  
 33 O the depth of the riches, and of the wisdom, and of the knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his pur-  
 34 poses, and his ways past finding out! For "who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been made  
 35 his counsellor?"† or "who first gave to him, and shall

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Ver. 33. — *his purposes*. The Greek term, in this connection, evidently denotes the decisions or determinations of the Divine mind, rather than what has taken place by his ordination. Hence the rendering *judgments* is not appropriate. \* Isa. lix. 20, 21; xxvii. 9. † Isa. xl. 13.



36 receive a return?"\* For from him, and through him, and to him are all things. To him be the glory for ever! Amen.

XII. I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, well-  
 2 pleasing to God, which is your spiritual worship; and be not conformed to the fashion of this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that ye may learn by experience what is the will of God, what is good, and  
 3 well-pleasing, and perfect. For through the grace given to me I warn every one among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, according to the measure of faith which God hath  
 4 imparted to each. For as in one body we have many members, and the members have not all the same office,  
 5 so we, though many, form one body in Christ, and each of us is a member of it in common with the rest. Having then gifts which differ according to the grace which hath been bestowed upon us, if we have prophecy, let us  
 7 prophesy according to the proportion of our faith; or if service, let us attend to the service; he that teacheth, let  
 8 him attend to teaching; or he that exhorteth, to exhortation; he that giveth, let him do it with liberality; he that presideth over others, with diligence; he that doeth deeds of mercy, with cheerfulness.  
 9 Let your love be unfeigned. Abhor that which is evil,  
 10 cleave to that which is good. In brotherly love, be affectionate to one another; in honor, give each other the pref-

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Chap. XII. 1. — *spiritual worship*; in contradistinction from an outward ceremonial worship like that of the Jews and other nations.

Ver. 6. — *prophecy*; i.e. the gift of speaking with inspiration.

Ver. 8. — *with liberality*. See 2 Cor. viii. 2. Otherwise, *in singleness of mind*; in opposition to selfish ostentation. See Matt. vi. 1, 2.

\* Job xli. 11.

11 erence. Be not backward in zeal; be fervent in spirit;  
 12 serving the Lord. Rejoice in hope; be patient in afflic-  
 13 tion; persevere in prayer. Relieve the wants of the  
 14 holy; be given to hospitality. Bless those who perse-  
 15 cute you; bless, and curse not. Rejoice with those who  
 16 rejoice; weep with those who weep. Be of one mind  
 among yourselves. Set not your minds on high things,  
 but content yourselves with what is humble. Be not  
 17 wise in your own conceits. Render to no one evil for  
 evil; have regard to what is honorable in the sight of all  
 18 men. If it be possible, as far as dependeth on you, be  
 19 at peace with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not your-  
 selves, but rather make room for wrath; for it is writ-  
 ten, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord."\*  
 20 Therefore, "if thy enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst,  
 give him drink. For in so doing thou wilt heap coals of  
 21 fire on his head."† Be not overcome by evil, but over-  
 come evil with good.

XIII. Let every one submit to the authorities that are  
 over him; for there is no authority which is not from  
 God: and the authorities which exist have been ordained  
 2 by God. He therefore that setteth himself against the  
 authority resisteth what God hath ordained; and they  
 3 who resist will bring upon themselves judgment. For  
 rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil.  
 Wouldst thou then not be afraid of the government? Do  
 that which is good, and thou wilt have praise from it;  
 4 for the ruler is God's servant to thee for good. But if  
 thou doest evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword  
 in vain; for he is God's servant, an avenger to inflict  
 5 wrath upon him that doeth evil. It is necessary there-

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Ver. 19. — *make room for wrath*; i.e. leave wrath to God.

\* Deut. xxxii. 35.

† Prov. xxv. 21, 22.

fore to submit, not only because of the wrath, but also  
 6 for your conscience' sake. For the same reason pay  
 tribute also; for they are ministers of God, attending  
 7 continually to this very business. Render to all what  
 is due to them; tribute, to whom tribute is due; custom,  
 to whom custom; fear, to whom fear; honor, to whom  
 honor.

8 Owe no one anything but brotherly love; for he that  
 9 loveth others hath fulfilled the Law. For these, "Thou  
 shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt  
 not steal, Thou shalt not covet,"\* and every other com-  
 mandment, are summed up in this precept, "Thou shalt  
 10 love thy neighbor as thyself."† Love worketh no ill to  
 one's neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the Law.  
 11 And this, since we know the time, that it is already high  
 time for us to awake out of sleep; for now is our salva-  
 12 tion nearer than when we became believers. The night  
 is far spent, the day is at hand; let us then throw off  
 the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light.  
 13 Let us walk becomingly, as in the day; not in revelling  
 and drunkenness, not in lewdness and wantonness, not  
 14 in strife and envy; but clothe yourselves with the Lord  
 Jesus Christ, and think not about satisfying the lusts of  
 the flesh.

XIV. Him that is weak in his faith receive with kindness,  
 2 and not to pass judgment on his thoughts. One man hath  
 faith to eat every kind of food; another, who is weak, eat-  
 3 eth herbs only. Let not him who eateth, despise him  
 that eateth not; and let not him who eateth not, judge  
 4 him that eateth; for God hath received him. Who art  
 thou that judgest the servant of another? To his own

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Chap. XIII. 6. — *this very business*; i.e. of collecting tribute.

\* Exod. xx. 13-17. † Lev. xix. 18. Comp. Matt. xix. 18, 19.

lord he standeth or falleth; and he shall be made to stand; for the Lord is able to make him stand.

5 One man esteemeth one day above another; another esteemeth every day alike: let each one be fully persuaded in his own mind. He that regardeth the day, regardeth it to the Lord; and he that regardeth not the day, to the Lord he doth not regard it. And he that eateth, eateth to the Lord, for he giveth thanks to God; and he that doth not eat, to the Lord he doth not eat, and giveth thanks to God.

7 For none of us liveth to himself, and no one dieth to  
8 himself. For if we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. Whether then we live or die,  
9 we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and the living.

10 But thou, why dost thou judge thy brother? And thou, too, why dost thou despise thy brother? For we shall all  
11 stand before the judgment-seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, saith the Lord, to me every knee shall bow,  
12 and every tongue shall give praise to God."\* So then every one of us will give account of himself to God.

13 Let us then no longer judge one another; but let this rather be your judgment, not to put a stumbling-block,  
14 or an occasion to fall, in a brother's way. I know, and am persuaded in the Lord Jesus, that nothing is unclean in itself; but to him that accounteth anything to be un-  
15 clean, to him it is unclean. For if on account of food thy brother is made to mourn, thou art no longer walking according to love. Do not with thy food destroy him  
16 for whom Christ died. Let not then the blessing which  
17 ye enjoy be evil spoken of. For the kingdom of God is

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Chap. XIV. 16. — *the blessing which ye enjoy*; i.e. the kingdom of God, ver. 17, or, more specially, the faith and freedom in regard to food and drink which ye enjoy as members of the kingdom of God. \* Isa. xlv. 23.

not food and drink, but righteousness, and peace, and joy  
 18 in the Holy Spirit; for he who in this matter serveth  
 Christ is well-pleasing to God, and approved by men.  
 19 Let us then strive to promote peace, and the edification  
 20 of each other. Do not for the sake of food undo the  
 work of God. All things indeed are clean; but that  
 which is pure is evil for that man who eateth so as to  
 21 be an occasion of sin. It is good neither to eat flesh, nor  
 to drink wine, nor to do anything whereby thy brother  
 stumbleth, or is put in danger of falling, or is made  
 22 weak. Thou hast faith; have it to thyself before God.  
 Happy is he who doth not condemn himself in that  
 23 which he alloweth. But he that doubteth is condemned  
 if he eat, because he doeth it not from faith; but every  
 thing which is not from faith is sin.

XV. We then who are strong ought to bear the infirmities  
 2 of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each one of  
 us please his neighbor, to promote what is good, for edi-  
 3 fication. For Christ did not seek his own pleasure, but,  
 as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached  
 4 thee fell on me."\* For whatever things were written afore-  
 time, were written for our instruction; that we through the  
 patience and the consolation of the Scriptures might have  
 5 hope. And may the God of patience and consolation grant  
 that ye may be of the same mind one with another, accord-  
 6 ing to Christ Jesus; that with one accord ye may with one  
 mouth glorify God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
 7 Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ received  
 8 you to the glory of God. For I say that Christ be-  
 came a minister to the circumcised for the sake of God's  
 truth, in order to make sure the promises given to the  
 9 fathers; and that the gentiles glorified God for his mercy,

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Ver. 22, 23. — *faith*; i.e. full persuasion that a practice in relation to eating and drinking is right.

\* Ps. lxxix. 9.

as it is written, "For this cause I will give praise to  
 10 thee among the gentiles, and sing to thy name."\* And  
 again he saith: "Rejoice, ye gentiles, with his people."†  
 11 And again: "Praise the Lord, all ye gentiles, and let every  
 12 people praise him."‡ And again Isaiah saith: "There shall  
 be the shoot from Jesse, and he that riseth up to rule the  
 13 gentiles; in him shall the gentiles hope."§ And may the  
 God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,  
 that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the  
 Holy Spirit.

14 But I myself am persuaded of you, my brethren, that  
 ye are even of yourselves full of goodness, filled with all  
 15 knowledge, able also to admonish one another. But I have  
 written to you, brethren, in a manner somewhat bold on  
 some subjects, as putting you in mind, on account of the  
 16 grace given me by God that I should be a minister of  
 Christ Jesus to the gentiles, performing the office of a  
 priest in respect to the gospel of God, that the oblation  
 of the gentiles may be acceptable, being sanctified by the  
 17 Holy Spirit. I have then ground for glorying in Christ  
 18 Jesus in regard to the things pertaining to God. For I  
 will not be bold to say anything but of what Christ hath  
 actually wrought by me to bring the gentiles to obedience  
 19 by word and deed, by the power of signs and wonders, by  
 the power of the Spirit; so that from Jerusalem, and in  
 the country around even to Illyricum, I have fully made  
 20 known the gospel of Christ; but always earnestly desir-  
 ous to preach it in this manner,—not where Christ had  
 been named, that I might not build on another's founda-  
 21 tion, but, as it is written: "They, to whom no tidings con-  
 cerning him came, shall see; and they that have not heard  
 shall understand."||

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\* Ps. xviii. 49; 2 Sam. xxii. 50. † Deut. xxxii. 43. ‡ Ps. cxvii. 1.

§ Isa. xi. 10.

|| Isa. lii. 15.

22 For which cause also, for the most part, I have been  
23 hindered from coming to you. But now having no more  
opportunity in these regions, and having had for many  
24 years a great desire to come to you, when I go to Spain,  
I will come to you; for I hope to see you on my way,  
and to be helped forward thither by you, after I have in  
some degree satisfied myself with your company.

25 But now I am going to Jerusalem on a service of relief  
26 to the saints. For Macedonia and Achaia have thought  
it good to make a contribution for the poor among the  
27 saints in Jerusalem. They have thought it good, and they  
owed it to them. For if the gentiles have shared in their  
spiritual things, they ought in return to minister to them  
28 in temporal things. When therefore I have completed  
this business, and secured to them this fruit, I shall set  
29 out to pass through you to Spain. And I know that  
when I come to you, I shall come in the fulness of the  
blessing of Christ.

30 But I beseech you, by our Lord Jesus Christ, and by  
the love produced by the Spirit, that ye strive together  
31 with me in prayers to God for me; that I may be deliv-  
ered from the unbelievers in Judæa, and that my service  
32 for Jerusalem may prove acceptable to the saints; so that,  
through the will of God, I may come to you in joy, and  
33 may with you be refreshed. And may the God of peace  
be with you all. Amen.

XVI. I commend to you Phœbe our sister, who is a dea-  
2 coness of the church at Cenchreæ; that ye may receive  
her in the Lord in a manner worthy of the holy, and as-  
sist her in whatever business she may need your aid; for  
she hath been a helper of many, and of myself also.

3 Salute Prisca and Aquila, my fellow-laborers in Christ  
4 Jesus; who for my life laid down their own necks; to  
whom not I alone give thanks, but also all the churches

5 of the gentiles ; salute also the church that is in their  
house. Salute Epænetus, my beloved, who is the first  
6 fruit gathered from Asia for Christ. Salute Mary, who  
7 labored much for us. Salute Andronicus and Junias, my  
kinsmen, and my fellow-prisoners, who are of note among  
8 the apostles, who also were in Christ before me. Salute  
9 Amplias, my beloved in the Lord. Salute Urbanus, our  
10 fellow-laborer in Christ, and Stachys, my beloved. Salute  
Apelles, the approved in Christ. Salute those who belong  
11 to the family of Aristobulus. Salute Herodion, my kins-  
man. Salute those of the family of Narcissus, who are in  
12 the Lord. Salute Tryphæna and Tryphosa, who labor in  
the Lord. Salute Persis, the beloved, who labored much  
13 in the Lord. Salute Rufus, the chosen in the Lord, and  
14 his mother, who is mine also. Salute Asyncritus, Phlegon,  
Hermes, Patrobas, Hermas, and the brethren that are with  
15 them. Salute Philologus and Julia, Nereus and his sis-  
ter, and Olympas, and all the saints who are with them.  
16 Salute each other with a holy kiss. All the churches of  
Christ salute you.

17 But I exhort you, brethren, to mark those who are caus-  
ing divisions and offences, contrary to the doctrine which  
18 ye learned ; and avoid them. For such men are not ser-  
vants of our Lord Christ, but of their own appetites ; and  
by good words and fair speeches they deceive the hearts  
19 of the simple. For your obedience hath become known to  
all. Over you, then, I rejoice ; but I would have you wise  
as to that which is good, and simple as to that which is  
20 evil. And the God of peace will soon beat down Satan  
under your feet.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

21 Timothy, my fellow-laborer, salutes you, and Lucius  
22 and Jason and Sosipater my kinsmen. I Tertius, who  
23 wrote this letter, salute you in the Lord. Gaius my host,



and the host of the whole church, saluteth you. Erastus the treasurer of the city saluteth you, and Quartus, the brother.

24 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

25 Now to him who is able to establish you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery which for eternal ages was  
26 unrevealed, but is now made manifest, and through the writings of the prophets, by the command of the everlasting God, is made known to all the nations to bring them  
27 to obedience to the faith,— to God, the only wise, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever! Amen.

## THE FIRST TO THE CORINTHIANS.

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I. PAUL, a called apostle of Christ Jesus, through the will  
2 of God, and Sosthenes the brother, to the church of God  
which is at Corinth, the sanctified in Christ Jesus, called,  
holy, with all that in every place call upon the name of  
3 our Lord Jesus Christ, their Lord and ours; grace be to  
you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus  
Christ.

4 I ever thank my God for you, on account of the grace  
5 of God bestowed upon you in Christ Jesus; that in him  
ye were enriched in everything, in all utterance, and all  
6 knowledge, as the testimony of Christ was established  
7 among you; so that ye come behind in no gift, while  
waiting for the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
8 who will also make you steadfast to the end, so that ye  
may be without blame in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
9 God is faithful, by whom ye were called into the fellow-  
ship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

10 But I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord  
Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that  
there be no divisions among you, but that ye be perfectly  
11 united in the same mind and in the same judgment. For  
I have been informed concerning you, my brethren, by

those of the family of Chloe, that there are dissensions  
12 among you. What I mean is this, that each of you saith,  
I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas; and  
13 I of Christ. Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for  
14 you? Or were ye baptized into the name of Paul? I  
thank God that I baptized none of you, but Crispus and  
15 Gaius; that no one may say that ye were baptized into  
16 my name. And I baptized also the household of Stepha-  
nas; I am not aware that I baptized any one besides.

17 For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gos-  
pel; not with wisdom of speech, lest the cross of Christ  
18 should be made of no effect. For the preaching of the cross  
is to those who are perishing, foolishness, but to us who are  
19 being saved, it is the power of God. For it is written:  
"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring  
20 to nought the discernment of the discerning."\* Where  
is the wise man? Where the scribe? Where the disputer  
of this world? Hath not God made foolish the wisdom of  
21 the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world  
by its wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the fool-  
22 ishness of preaching to save those who believe; since  
even Jews ask for signs, and the Greeks seek for wisdom;  
23 but we preach Christ crucified, to Jews a stumbling-block,  
24 and to gentiles foolishness, but to those who are called,  
both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and  
25 the wisdom of God. Because the foolishness of God is  
wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger  
than men.

26 For consider, brethren, who ye are that have been  
called; not many wise men after the fashion of the world,  
27 not many mighty, not many noble; but the foolish things  
of the world did God choose, to put to shame the wise;

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Ver. 21. — *in the wisdom of God*; i.e. God's wisdom so ordaining.

\* Isa. xxix. 14.

and the weak things of the world did God choose, to put  
 28 to shame the things which are strong; and the mean  
 things of the world, and the things which are despised,  
 did God choose, the things which are not, to bring to  
 29 nought things that are; that no flesh might glory before  
 30 God. But from him it is that ye are in Christ Jesus,  
 who from God was made to us wisdom, and righteousness,  
 31 and sanctification, and redemption; that, according as it is  
 written, "He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord."\*

II. And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with  
 excellency of speech, or of wisdom, declaring to you  
 2 the testimony of God. For I determined not to know  
 anything while with you, save Jesus Christ, and him cru-  
 3 cified. And I was with you in weakness, and in fear,  
 4 and in much trembling; and my speech and my preach-  
 ing were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in  
 5 demonstration of the Spirit, and of power; that your  
 faith might not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the  
 power of God.

6 But we do speak wisdom among the perfect; not, how-  
 ever, the wisdom of this world, nor of the rulers of this  
 7 world, who are coming to nought; but we speak God's  
 wisdom in a mystery, the hidden wisdom, which God de-  
 8 termined on before the world was, for our glory; which  
 none of the rulers of this world comprehended; for had  
 they comprehended it, they would not have crucified the  
 9 Lord of glory; but, as it is written: "The things which eye  
 hath not seen, and ear hath not heard, and which have not

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Chap. II. 4. — *demonstration of the Spirit*; i.e. demonstration of the truth, proceeding from the Holy Spirit.

Ver. 9. *Things which eye hath not seen, &c.* By this citation, which, at least according to the text of Tischendorf, forms an uncompleted sentence, the apostle seems to declare that the knowledge of Divine wisdom comes to Christians not from the senses, but from inward experience;—from the contact of the human spirit with the Spirit of God. \* Jer. ix. 23, 24.

entered into the heart of man, the great things which  
 10 God hath prepared for those that love him."\* For God  
 hath revealed them to us by his Spirit; for the Spirit  
 11 searcheth all things, even the depths of God. For who  
 among men knoweth the things of a man, but the spirit  
 of the man which is in him? even so the things of God  
 12 knoweth no one but the Spirit of God. But we did  
 not receive the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which  
 is from God, that we might know the things that have  
 13 been given to us by the grace of God; which things we  
 also speak, not in words taught by man's wisdom, but in  
 those taught by the Spirit, connecting what is spiritual  
 14 with what is spiritual. But the unspiritual man receiv-  
 eth not the things of the Spirit of God; for they are  
 foolishness to him, and he cannot know them; because  
 15 they are spiritually discerned. But he that is spiritual  
 judgeth of all things, yet he himself is judged by no one.  
 16 For "who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may  
 instruct him?" † But we have the mind of Christ.

III. I also, brethren, was not able to speak to you as to  
 spiritual men, but as those who are not spiritual, as to  
 2 babes in Christ. I fed you with milk, not with meat;  
 for ye were not yet able to bear it. Nor indeed are ye  
 3 able even now; for ye are yet unspiritual. For while  
 there is among you rivalry and strife, are ye not un-  
 4 spiritual, and walking after the manner of men? For  
 while one saith, I am of Paul, and another, I am of  
 Apollos, are ye not [like common] men?

5 Who then is Apollos, and who is Paul, but ministers

Ver. 13. — *what is spiritual*; i.e. spiritual things with spiritual words.

Ver. 14. — *unspiritual*; i.e. he whose predominant principle is appetite, or worldly passions and desires, the spiritual part of his nature not having been stimulated by the Spirit of God.

\* Isa. lxiv. 4.

† Isa. xl. 13.

through whom ye believed, and that as the Lord gave to  
 6 each? I planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the  
 7 growth. So then, neither he that planteth nor he that  
 watereth is anything, but God that giveth the growth.  
 8 And he that planteth and he that watereth are one; and  
 each will receive his own reward, according to his own  
 9 labor. For we are God's fellow-laborers; ye are God's  
 10 field, ye are God's building. According to the grace of  
 God bestowed on me, I, as a skilful master-builder, have  
 laid the foundation; and another buildeth thereon; but  
 11 let every one take heed, how he buildeth thereon. For  
 other foundation can no one lay than that which is laid,  
 12 which is Christ Jesus. But if any one build upon this  
 foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay,  
 13 stubble, the work of every one will be made manifest;  
 for the day will show it; because it is revealed in fire;  
 and the fire itself will prove what every one's work is.  
 14 If the work which any one built thereon remaineth, he  
 15 will receive reward; if any one's work shall be burned  
 up, he will lose the reward; but he will be saved him-  
 self, yet as one escaping through fire.  
 16 Know ye not, that ye are God's temple, and that the  
 17 Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any one defaceth  
 the temple of God, God will deface him; for the temple  
 of God is holy, and such are ye.  
 18 Let no one deceive himself; if any one thinketh him-  
 self wise among you in this world, let him become a  
 19 fool, that he may become wise. For the wisdom of this  
 world is foolishness with God; for it is written: "He  
 20 that taketh the wise in their craftiness;"\* and again:  
 "The Lord knoweth the thoughts of the wise, that they

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Chap. III. 13. — *for the day, &c.*; i.e. the day when Christ shall come to  
 judgment. Ver. 17. — *and such are ye*; i.e. holy.

\* Job v. 13.

21 are vain."\* So then let no one glory in men. For all  
 22 things are yours; whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas,  
 or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things  
 23 to come, — all are yours; and ye are Christ's, and Christ  
 is God's.

IV. Let a man so account us, as servants of Christ, and  
 2 stewards of the mysteries of God. Here moreover, it is  
 3 required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. But  
 with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged  
 by you, or by a human tribunal; nay, I do not even  
 4 judge myself; for though I am conscious to myself of  
 nothing wrong, yet not by this am I cleared of blame;  
 5 but he that judgeth me is the Lord. So then judge  
 nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who will  
 both bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and  
 make manifest the purposes of men's hearts; and then  
 shall every one have his praise from God.

6 And these things, brethren, I have transferred in a  
 figure to myself and Apollos for your sakes, that in us  
 ye may learn not to go beyond what is written, that no  
 one of you may pride himself in one against another.  
 7 For who maketh thee to differ from another? And what  
 hast thou that thou didst not receive? But if thou didst  
 receive it, why dost thou boast, as if thou hadst not  
 8 received it? Already ye are full; already ye are rich;  
 without us ye have become kings; and I would indeed  
 9 ye were kings, that we also might reign with you. For  
 I think that God hath set forth us the apostles as low-  
 est, as men sentenced to death; for we have been made  
 10 a spectacle to the world, to angels, and to men. We are

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Chap. IV. 6. — *in us*; i.e. by such a use of our names. See iii. 5, 6.

Ver. 8. *Already*; i.e. before the time of Christ's coming to reign.

\* Ps. xciv. 11.

fools for Christ's sake, but ye are wise in Christ; we are weak, but ye are strong; ye are in honor, but we are  
 11 despised. Even to this very hour we both hunger, and thirst, and are naked, and are buffeted, and have no  
 12 certain dwelling-place, and labor, working with our own hands; being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we  
 13 endure it; being slandered, we exhort; we have become as the filth of the world, the offscouring of all things until now.

14 I write not these things to shame you, but I am warn-  
 15 ing you as my beloved children. For though ye have ten thousand teachers in Christ, yet have ye not many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I begot you through the gos-  
 16 pel. I exhort you therefore, be ye imitators of me. For  
 17 this end I sent to you Timothy, who is my beloved child, and faithful in the Lord, who will put you in mind of my ways in Christ, according as I teach everywhere in every church.

18 Now some are puffed up, as though I were not coming  
 19 to you. But I shall come to you shortly, if it be the Lord's will, and will know, not the word of those who  
 20 are puffed up, but the power; for the kingdom of God  
 21 is not in word, but in power. What will ye? Am I to come to you with a rod, or in love, and the spirit of mildness?

V. It is everywhere reported that there is fornication among you, and such fornication as is not even among the gen-  
 2 tiles, that one should have his father's wife. And ye are puffed up, and did not rather mourn, so that he that com-  
 3 mitted this deed might be separated from among you. For I, for my part, though absent in the body, yet present in the spirit, have already determined, as if I were present



4 with you, respecting him who thus wrought this deed, in the name of our Lord Jesus, when you and my spirit with you are assembled together, with the power of our Lord  
 5 Jesus, to deliver such a man over to Satan for the destruction of his flesh, that his spirit may be saved in the day  
 6 of the Lord. Your glorying is not good. Know ye not,  
 7 that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump? Cleanse out the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened; for our passover also hath been sacri-  
 8 ficed, even Christ. So then let us keep the feast, not with the old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

9 I wrote to you in that letter, not to keep company with  
 10 fornicators; certainly not meaning the fornicators of this world, or the covetous and extortioners, or idolaters; for  
 11 to do this ye must go out of the world. But this is what I wrote you, not to keep company with any one called a brother, if he be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such  
 12 a one not even to eat. For what have I to do with judging those who are without? Do not ye judge those who are  
 13 within? But those who are without, God will judge. Do ye put away that bad man from among yourselves.

VI. Doth any one of you, who hath a matter against another, dare to go to law before the unrighteous, and not before the holy? Or do ye not know, that the holy will judge the world? And if the world is to be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge in causes of the least importance?  
 3 Know ye not, that we shall pass judgment upon angels?  
 4 How much more, concerning affairs of this life? If then

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Chap. V. 7. — *ye are unleavened*; i.e. pure by your Christian profession.  
 Ver. 11. — *but this is what I wrote*; i.e. the meaning of it.

ye have any causes relating to this life, set them to judge  
5 who are of no repute in the church. I speak to your  
shame. Is it so, that there is not a wise man among you,  
not one that will be able to judge between his brethren?  
6 Nay, brother goeth to law with brother, and that before  
7 unbelievers. Now therefore it is altogether an evil among  
you, that ye have suits against each other. Why do ye  
not rather submit to wrong? Why do ye not rather  
8 allow yourselves to be defrauded? But ye yourselves  
9 wrong, and defraud, and that too your brethren. Know  
ye not, that wrongdoers shall not inherit the kingdom  
of God? Be not deceived; neither fornicators, nor idola-  
ters, nor adulterers, nor the effeminate, nor abusers of  
10 themselves with mankind, nor thieves, nor the covetous,  
nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit  
11 the kingdom of God. And such were some of you; but  
ye were washed, but ye were made holy, but ye were  
accepted as righteous in the name of the Lord Jesus, and  
in the Spirit of our God.

12 All things are lawful for me, but all things are not  
profitable; all things are lawful for me, but I will not  
13 be brought under the power of anything. Meats are for  
the stomach, and the stomach for meats; but God will  
make an end of both it and them. But the body is not  
for fornication, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the  
14 body; and God both raised up the Lord, and will also  
15 raise up us by his power. Know ye not, that your bodies  
are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members  
of Christ, and make them members of a harlot? God  
16 forbid! Know ye not, that he who is connected with a  
harlot is one body with her? "For the two," saith he,  
17 "shall become one flesh;"\* but he that is connected with  
18 the Lord is one spirit with him. Flee fornication. Every

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\* Gen. ii. 24.

other sin which a man may commit, is apart from the body; but he that committeth fornication, sinneth against  
19 his own body. Know ye not, that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit which is in you, which ye have  
20 from God, and that ye are not your own? For ye were bought with a price. Therefore glorify God in your body.

VII. Now as to the matters about which ye wrote, it is  
2 good for a man not to touch a woman; but on account of the commonness of fornication, let every man have his  
3 own wife, and every woman her own husband. Let the husband render to his wife her due; and so also the wife  
4 to her husband. The wife hath not the disposal of her own body, but her husband; and so also the husband hath  
5 not the disposal of his own body, but his wife. Defraud not one another, except by agreement for a time, that ye may have a season for prayer; and be together again, that Satan may not tempt you through your incontinence.  
6 But I say this by way of permission, not command. I would that all men were as I myself; but every one hath his own gift from God, one man this, and another that.  
8 I say also to the unmarried and the widows, it is good  
9 for them to remain as I am; but if they cannot control themselves, let them marry; for it is better to marry than to burn.

10 But to those who are married it is my command, yet not mine, but the Lord's: Let not the wife separate herself  
11 from her husband, and if she have separated herself let her remain unmarried, or be reconciled to her husband; and let not the husband put away his wife.

12 But to the rest say I, not the Lord: If any brother hath an unbelieving wife, and she be satisfied to dwell  
13 with him, let him not put her away; and if a wife hath an unbelieving husband, and he be satisfied to dwell with  
14 her, let her not put her husband away. For the unbe-

lieving husband hath been made holy by his wife, and the  
 unbelieving wife hath been made holy by the brother;  
 otherwise were your children unclean, but, as it is, they  
 15 are holy. But if the unbelieving separateth himself, let  
 him separate himself; a brother or a sister is not under  
 bondage in such cases. But God hath called you to be  
 16 in peace. For how dost thou know, O wife, but that thou  
 mayst save thy husband? or how dost thou know, O hus-  
 17 band, but that thou mayst save thy wife? But let every  
 one continue to walk in the lot which the Lord appointed  
 him, in the condition in which God called him. And this  
 18 direction I give in all the churches. Was any one called  
 being circumcised, let him not become as if uncircumcised;  
 hath any one been called in uncircumcision, let him not  
 19 become circumcised. Circumcision is nothing, and uncir-  
 cumcision is nothing, but the keeping of the command-  
 20 ments of God. Let every one remain in the same calling  
 21 in which he was called. Wast thou called being a slave,  
 care not for it; but even if thou canst be made free, use it  
 22 rather. For he that was called in the Lord, being a slave,  
 is the Lord's freeman. In like manner the freeman, who  
 23 is called, is Christ's slave. Ye were bought with a price;  
 24 become not the slaves of men. In that state, brethren,  
 in which he was called, let every one remain with God.  
 25 Now concerning virgins, I have no commandment of  
 the Lord; but I give my judgment, as one that hath  
 26 obtained mercy of the Lord to be faithful. I think, then,  
 that it is well, on account of the impending distress, for  
 27 a man to remain as he is. Art thou bound to a wife,  
 seek not to be loosed from her; art thou loosed from a  
 28 wife, do not seek for one. But if thou hast married, thou  
 hast committed no sin; and if a virgin hath married, she

hath committed no sin. Such, however, will have trouble in the flesh, which I desire to spare you.

29 But this I say, brethren, the time that remaineth is short; that both they that have wives may be as though  
30 they had none; and they that weep, as though they wept not; and they that rejoice, as though they rejoiced not;  
31 and they that buy, as though they possessed not; and they that use this world as not abusing it; for the outward  
32 condition of this world is passing away; and I would have you free from anxious cares. He that is unmarried  
33 careth about the things of the Lord, how he may please the Lord; but he that is married careth about the things  
34 of the world, how to please his wife. There is a difference also between a wife and a virgin; the unmarried woman  
careth about the things of the Lord, to be holy, both in body and in spirit; but she that is married careth about the things of the world, how to please her husband.

35 And this I say for your own profit; not to cast a noose over you, but with a view to what is becoming, and that  
36 ye may attend upon the Lord without distraction. But if any one thinketh that he becometh improperly in respect to his virgin [daughter], if she pass the flower of her age [without being married], and if it must be so, let him do what he will, he committeth no sin; let them  
37 marry. But if any one is settled in his purpose, and is under no necessity, but is free to act as he will, and hath determined in his heart to keep his own virgin daughter  
38 [unmarried], he doeth well. So then he that giveth her in marriage doeth well; and he that doth not give her in marriage doeth better.

39 The wife is bound to her husband as long as he liveth; but if her husband die, she is free to marry whom she

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Ver. 29. — *that remaineth, &c.*; i.e. before the coming of Christ to judgment. Ver. 35. — *cast a noose, &c.*; i.e. impose a necessity, or constrain.

40 will, only in the Lord. But she is happier if she remain as she is, in my opinion; and I too think that I have the Spirit of God.

VIII. Now concerning the things offered in sacrifice to idols, we know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge 2 puffeth up, but love edifieth; if any one think that he knoweth anything, he knoweth nothing yet, as he ought 3 to know; but if any one love God, the same is known 4 by Him. Concerning the eating of the things offered in sacrifice to idols, then, we know that an idol is nothing in the world, and that there is no other God but one. 5 For though there are those that are called gods, whether in heaven or on earth; as there are gods many, and lords 6 many; yet to us there is but one God, the Father, from whom are all things, and we to him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, through whom are all things, and we through him. 7 But there is not in all men this knowledge; for some, with a conscience directed toward the idol even now, eat of it as a thing offered in sacrifice to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. 8 But food will not recommend us to God; if we do not eat, we are not the worse; nor if we do eat, are we the 9 better. But take heed, lest this liberty of yours become 10 a stumbling-block to the weak. For if any one see thee, who hast knowledge, at table in an idol's temple, will not the conscience of him that is weak be emboldened to eat 11 the things offered to idols? For through thy knowledge he that is weak perisheth, — the brother for whom Christ 12 died! But when ye so sin against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, ye sin against Christ. Wherefore, 13 if food cause my brother to fall, I will eat no flesh for ever lest I cause my brother to fall.

- IX. Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are not ye my work in the Lord?
- 2 If I am not an apostle to others, yet surely I am to you ;  
 3 for the seal of my apostleship are ye in the Lord. This  
 4 is my answer to those who question my authority. Have  
 5 we not a right to eat and drink? Have we not a right  
 to carry about with us a sister as a wife, as well as the  
 other apostles, and the brothers of the Lord, and Cephas?
- 6 Or am I alone and Barnabas bound to labor with our  
 7 own hands? Who ever serveth as a soldier at his own  
 charges? Who planteth a vineyard without eating its  
 fruit? Or who tendeth a flock and doth not eat of the  
 milk of the flock?
- 8 Is it on man's authority that I am saying these things,  
 9 or doth not the Law too say the same? For it is writ-  
 ten in the law of Moses: "Thou shalt not muzzle an ox  
 while treading out grain."\* Is it for oxen that God car-  
 10 eth? Or doth he say it altogether on our account? On  
 our account, no doubt, it was written, that he who plough-  
 eth ought to plough in hope, and that he who thrasheth  
 11 should do it in the hope of partaking. If we have sown  
 to you spiritual things, is it a great thing if we reap from  
 12 you things for the body? If others possess this right in  
 relation to you, do not we still more? But we have not  
 used this right; but we submit to all things, that we may  
 occasion no hindrance to the gospel of Christ.
- 13 Do ye not know, that they who minister in the offerings  
 of the temple live from the temple? that they who serve at  
 14 the altar share with the altar? In like manner also did the  
 Lord ordain that they who preach the gospel should live

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Chap. IX. 2. — *in the Lord*; i.e. as believers in Christ, or in the sphere of Christian faith and life.

Ver. 4. — *to eat and drink*? i.e. at the expense of our converts.

Ver. 5. — *a sister*; i.e. a Christian woman. \* Deut. xxv. 4.

15 from the gospel. But I have used no right of this kind; nor have I written thus that anything of this kind should be done for me; for it were better for me to die, than  
16 that any one should take from me what I glory in. For in preaching the gospel, I have nothing to glory in; for I am under a necessity to do so; yea, woe is to me, if I preach  
17 not the gospel! For if I do this willingly, I have a reward; but if unwillingly, still I have been intrusted with  
18 a stewardship. What then is my reward? It is that, when I preach the gospel, I may make the gospel free of charge, that I use not to the full my right as a preacher  
19 of the gospel. For being free from all men, yet I made  
20 myself a servant to all, that I might gain the more; and to the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might gain Jews; to those under the Law, as under the Law, not being myself under the Law, that I might gain those under the  
21 Law; to those without the Law, as without the Law, being not without a law before God, but under the law of  
22 Christ, that I might gain those without the Law; to the weak I became weak, that I might gain the weak; I have become all things to all, that I might by all means save  
23 some. And I do all for the sake of the gospel, that I may with others partake of it.

24 Know ye not, that of those who run in the race-course all run, but one receiveth the prize? Thus run, that ye  
25 may obtain. And every one who contendeth in the games is temperate in all things; they, however, to obtain a per-  
26 ishable crown, but we, an imperishable. I therefore so run, not as one uncertain; I so fight, not as one striking the air;  
27 but I beat down my body, and bring it into subjection, lest perhaps, when I have been a herald to others, I should myself be rejected as unworthy.

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Ver. 23. — *partake of it*; i.e. of its blessed consequences.

Ver. 27. — *a herald*: i.e. as a preacher of the gospel.



X. For I would not have you ignorant, brethren, that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through  
2 the sea, and were all baptized to Moses in the cloud and  
3 in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all  
4 drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank of the  
spiritual rock that accompanied them; and the rock was  
5 Christ; but with most of them God was not well pleased;  
for they were laid low in the wilderness.

6 Now these things were warnings for us, in order that  
7 we should not lust after evil things, as they lusted. And  
do not ye become idolaters, as some of them did; as it  
is written: "The people sat down to eat and drink, and  
8 rose up to sport."\* Nor let us commit fornication, as  
some of them did, and fell in one day three and twenty  
9 thousand. Nor let us tempt Christ, as some of them  
10 tempted, and were destroyed by the serpents. And do  
not ye murmur, as some of them murmured, and perished  
by the Destroyer.

11 Now these things happened to them as warnings, and  
were recorded for our admonition, to whom the ends of  
12 the ages have come. Wherefore let him that thinketh  
13 he standeth, take heed lest he fall. No temptation hath  
come upon you, but such as is common to man; but God  
is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted beyond  
what ye are able to endure, but will with the temptation  
furnish also the way to escape, that ye may be able to  
endure it.

<sup>14</sup>/<sub>15</sub> Wherefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry. I speak as  
16 to wise men, judge ye what I say. The cup of blessing  
which we bless, is it not a partaking of the blood of  
Christ? the loaf which we break, is it not a partaking

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Chap. X. 7. — *to sport*; particularly, in dancing.

Ver. 11. — *ends of the ages*; i.e. the completion of all the ages, synonymous with the end of the world, to be followed by the coming of Christ to judgment.

\* Exod. xxxii. 6.

17 of the body of Christ? For we, the many, are one loaf,  
 18 one body; for we all share in that one loaf. Look at  
 Israel by natural descent. Have not those who eat of  
 19 the sacrifices, communion with the altar? What do I say  
 then? That what is offered in sacrifice to idols is any-  
 20 thing? Or that an idol is anything? Nay, but that what  
 they sacrifice, they sacrifice to demons, and not to God;  
 and I would not that ye should have communion with de-  
 21 mons. Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup  
 of demons; ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table,  
 22 and the table of demons. Shall we provoke the Lord to  
 jealousy? Are we stronger than he?

23 All things are lawful, but all things are not profita-  
 ble; all things are lawful, but all things are not edifying.  
 24 Let no one seek his own pleasure, but the good of others.  
 25 Whatever is sold in the market that eat, without asking  
 26 questions for the sake of conscience; for "the earth is the  
 Lord's, and the fulness thereof."\*

27 And if one who is an unbeliever inviteth you to a  
 feast, and ye choose to go, eat whatever is set before you,  
 without asking any questions for the sake of conscience.  
 28 But if any one say to you, This hath been offered in  
 sacrifice to an idol, do not eat of it, on account of him  
 that showed you this, and from a regard to conscience;  
 29 conscience I mean, not thine own, but that of the other.  
 For why is my liberty to be judged by another conscience  
 30 [than my own]? If I partake with thankfulness, why  
 am I to be evil spoken of in a matter for which I give  
 thanks?

31 Whether therefore ye eat or drink, or whatever ye do,  
 32 do all to the glory of God. Give no occasion of stum-

Ver. 18. — *Israel by natural descent*; in contradistinction from the Israel of God. Gal. vi. 16. — *communion with the altar?* i.e. stand in a religious relation to it and to God.

\* Ps. xxiv. 1.

bling either to Jews or Greeks, or to the church of God;  
33 as I also strive to please all in all things, not seeking my  
own advantage, but that of the many; that they may be  
XI. saved. Follow my example, as I do that of Christ.

2 Now I praise you, brethren, that in all things ye re-  
member me, and hold fast the instructions, as I delivered  
3 them to you. But I would have you know, that the head  
of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the  
4 man; and the head of Christ is God. Every man that  
prayeth or prophesieth having his head covered, dishonor-  
5 eth his head. But every woman that prayeth or prophe-  
sieth with her head uncovered dishonoreth her head; for  
it is one and the same thing as if her head were shaved.  
6 For if a woman is not veiled, let her also be shorn; but if  
it be a shame for a woman to be shorn or shaven, let her  
7 be veiled. For a man indeed ought not to cover his head,  
since he is the image and glory of God; but the woman  
8 is the glory of the man; for the man is not from the  
9 woman, but the woman from the man; and the man was  
not created for the woman, but the woman for the man.  
10 For this cause the woman ought to have a sign of author-  
11 ity on her head, because of the angels. But neither is the  
woman without the man, nor the man without the woman,  
12 in the Lord. For as the woman is from the man, so also  
13 is the man by the woman; but all things from God. Judge  
in your own selves; is it comely that a woman pray to God  
14 uncovered? Doth not even nature itself teach you, that if  
a man have long hair, it is a shame to him, but that if a  
15 woman have long hair, it is a glory to her? for her hair  
16 is given for a covering. But if any one seemeth to  
be contentious, we have no such custom, nor the churches  
of God.

17 But I give you this charge, not praising you, because ye come together not for the better, but for the worse.

18 For in the first place, when ye come together in assembly of the church, I hear that there are divisions among you ;

19 and I partly believe it; for there must be also parties among you, that they who are approved may also become

20 manifest among you. When ye come together then in the same place, there is no eating of the Lord's supper

21 For, when ye eat, every one taketh before any distribution his own supper, and one is hungry, and another is

22 drunken. What! have ye not houses to eat and to drink in? Or despise ye the church of God, and shame those who have nothing? What am I to say to you? Shall I praise you? In this I do not praise you.

23 For I received of the Lord, what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus, the same night in which he was

24 betrayed, took a loaf, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, This is my body, which is for you ;

25 this do in remembrance of me. In like manner also the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new covenant, in my blood; this do, as oft as ye drink, in

26 remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink the cup, ye show forth the Lord's death, till

27 he come. So that whoever eateth the bread or drinketh the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty

28 with respect to the body and the blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and thus let him eat of the

29 bread, and drink of the cup; for he that eateth and drinketh eateth and drinketh judgment to himself, if he do not

30 discern the body. For this cause many among you are

31 weak and sickly, and some are falling asleep. But if we

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Ver. 22. — *who have nothing*; i.e. the poor.

Ver. 27. — *guilty with respect to the body, &c.*; i.e. guilty of manifesting disrespect and irreverence toward them.

Ver. 29. — *discern the body*; namely, as symbolized in the bread.

32 judged ourselves, we should not be judged; but when we  
are judged, we are chastened by the Lord, that we may  
33 not be condemned with the world. Wherefore, my brethren,  
when ye come together to eat, wait for one another.  
34 If any one hunger, let him eat at home; that ye may not  
come together to condemnation. And the rest I will set in  
order when I come.

XII. Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not  
2 have you ignorant. Ye know, that when ye were gentiles,  
ye were carried away to dumb idols, as ye happened to  
3 be led; wherefore I give you to understand that no one  
speaking by the Spirit of God saith, Accursed be Jesus;  
and that no one can say, Jesus is Lord, but by the Holy  
Spirit.

4 Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit;  
5 and there are diversities of services, but the same Lord;  
6 and there are diversities of operations, but it is the same  
7 God who worketh all things in all. But the manifesta-  
tion of the Spirit is given to each one for the good of  
8 others. For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wis-  
dom; to another the word of knowledge, according to the  
9 same Spirit; to another faith, by the same Spirit; to an-  
10 other the gifts of healing, by the one Spirit; to another  
the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another  
discerning of spirits, to another divers kinds of tongues, to  
11 another the interpretation of tongues. But all these work-  
eth the one and self-same Spirit, allotting to each one sev-  
erally as it will.

12 For as the body is one, and hath many members, and  
all the members of the body, being many, are one body,  
13 so it is with Christ. For by one Spirit we were all bap-

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Ver. 31. — *judged ourselves*; i.e. looked through, and formed a just estimate of, ourselves. See ver. 28.

tized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or freemen; and were all made to drink one Spirit.

14 For the body also is not one member, but many. If the foot say, Because I am not a hand, I am not of the body, 15 is it for this reason not of the body? And if the ear say, Because I am not an eye, I am not of the body, is it for 16 this reason not of the body? If the whole body were an eye, where would be the hearing? If the whole were hear- 17 ing, where would be the smelling? But as it is, God set the members every one of them in the body, as it pleased 18 him. And if they were all one member, where would be 19 the body? But now there are, indeed, many members, 20 but one body. And the eye cannot say to the hand, I have no need of thee; nor, again, the head to the feet, I have no 21 need of you. Nay, still more, those members of the body 22 which seem to be weak, are necessary; and what we think to be less honorable parts of the body, upon these we be- 23 stow more abundant honor; and our unseemly parts have 24 more abundant seemliness; while our seemly parts have no need. But God so put the body together, as to give spe- 25 cial honor to that part which lacked, that there might be no schism in the body, but that the members should have 26 the same care one for another. And so if one member suffereth, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.

27 Now ye are the body of Christ, and members individu- 28 ally. And God appointed some in the church to be, in the first place, apostles, in the second place, prophets, in the third place, teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, those of helping and of governing, divers kinds of tongues.

29 Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? 30 Are all workers of miracles? Have all the gifts of heal- 31 ing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? But desire earnestly the greater gifts. And furthermore I show you by far the most excellent way. ●

XIII. Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not love, I am become as sounding brass, 2 or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, 3 and have not love, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give up my body that I may be burned, and have not love, it profiteth 4 me nothing. Love suffereth long, is kind; love envieth 5 not; love vaunteth not herself, is not puffed up, doth not behave herself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily 6 provoked, maketh no account of an injury, rejoiceth not at 7 iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth, beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. 8 Love never faileth; but whether there are prophesyings, they will come to an end; whether tongues, they will cease; 9 whether knowledge, it will be done away. For we know 10 in part, and we prophesy in part; but when that which is perfect is come, that which is in part will be done away. 11 When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I had the feelings of a child, I thought as a child; since I have become a 12 man, I have put away the things of the child. For now we see in a mirror, obscurely; but then face to face; now I know in part, but then I shall fully know even as I also 13 am fully known. And now there abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

XIV. Strive to possess love; and desire earnestly the 2 spiritual gifts, but especially that of prophesying. For he that speaketh in an [unknown] tongue speaketh not to men, but to God; for no one heareth; but in the Spirit he 3 speaketh mysteries; but he that prophesieth speaketh to 4 men edification, and exhortation, and comfort. He that

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Chap. XIV. 1. — *that of prophesying*; i.e. of speaking with inspiration from God. Ver. 2. — *heareth*; i.e. so as to understand.

speaketh in an [unknown] tongue edifieth himself; but he that prophesieth edifieth the church.

5 I would that ye all spoke with tongues, but rather that ye prophesied; for greater is he that prophesieth than he that speaketh with tongues, unless he interpret, that the  
6 church may receive edification. But now, brethren, if I come to you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you, unless I speak to you either by revelation, or by knowl-  
7 edge, or by prophesying, or by teaching? And even things without life that give sound, whether pipe or harp, if they make no distinction in the sounds, how shall that be known  
8 which is piped or harped? For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who will prepare himself for the battle?  
9 So also ye, unless ye utter by the tongue words easy to be understood, how shall that be known which is spoken? For ye will be speaking into the air.

10 There are, it may be, so many kinds of languages in the  
11 world, and not one is without meaning. If then I know not the meaning of the language, I shall be to him that speaketh a foreigner, and he that speaketh a foreigner to  
12 me. So also ye, since ye are eager to possess spiritual gifts, be earnest to abound in them to the edification of the church.

13 Wherefore let him that speaketh in an [unknown]  
14 tongue pray that he may interpret. For if I pray in an [unknown] tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understand-  
15 ing is unfruitful. How stands it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also; I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understand-  
16 ing also. Else, if thou bless with the spirit, how shall he that occupieth the place of the unlearned say the Amen at thy giving of thanks, since he understandeth not what thou  
17 art saying? For thou indeed givest thanks well; but the other is not edified.

18 I thank God, I speak in an [unknown] tongue more than



19 ye all ; yet in the church I would rather speak five words with my understanding, that I might also instruct others, than ten thousand words in an [unknown] tongue.

20 Brethren, do not become children in understanding ; yet  
21 in malice be children, but in understanding be men. In the Law it is written : “ With men of other tongues and with other lips will I speak to this people, and yet for all  
22 that will they not hear me, saith the Lord.”\* Wherefore the tongues are for a sign, not to believers, but to unbelievers ; but prophesying is not for unbelievers, but for believers.

23 If therefore the whole church be assembled in one place, and all be speaking with tongues, and there come in those who are unlearned, or unbelievers, will they not say that  
24 ye are mad ? But if all prophesy, and there come in one that is an unbeliever, or unlearned, he is convinced by all,  
25 he is searched through by all, the secrets of his heart become manifest ; and so falling down on his face, he will worship God, and report that God is indeed within you.  
26 How is it then, brethren ? When ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a lesson of instruction, hath a revelation, hath a tongue, hath an interpretation ; let all  
27 things be done for edification. If any one speak in an [unknown] tongue, let it be by two, or, at the most, by  
28 three, and in turn ; and let one interpret. But if there be no interpreter, let him keep silence in the church ; and let him speak to himself, and to God.

29 And of the prophets let two or three speak, and let the  
30 others judge ; if anything be revealed to another that sitteth by, let the first speaker be silent. For one by one  
31 ye can all prophesy, that all may learn, and all may be

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Ver. 24. — *convinced by all* ; i.e. made conscious of his sins. — *by all* ; i.e. the speakers.

Ver. 25. — *become manifest* ; i.e. one prophet after another will ask questions which will reveal to him his inmost self. \* Isa. xxviii. 11.

32 exhorted. And spirits of prophets are subject to proph-  
33 ets; for God is not a God of confusion, but of peace.

34 As in all the churches of the saints, let your women  
keep silence in the churches; for it is not permitted them  
to speak, but they are to be in subjection, as also saith the  
35 Law.\* And if they desire to learn anything, let them ask  
their own husbands at home; for it is a shame for a woman  
36 to speak in the church. What! Did the word of God come  
forth from you? Or did it come to you alone?

37 If any one thinketh himself to be a prophet, or spiritual,  
let him know surely that the directions I am writing  
38 to you are the Lord's; but if any one be ignorant, let him  
39 be ignorant! Wherefore, brethren, desire earnestly to  
40 prophesy, and forbid not to speak with tongues; but let  
all things be done becomingly, and in order.

XV. Moreover, brethren, I declare anew to you the gospel  
which I preached to you, which also ye received, and  
2 wherein ye stand, by which also ye are saved, if ye hold  
fast the same word which I preached to you, unless ye  
3 believed in vain. For I delivered to you first of all what  
I also received, that Christ died for our sins, according  
4 to the Scriptures; and that he was buried, and that he  
hath risen on the third day, according to the Scrip-  
5 tures; and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.  
6 After that, he appeared to more than five hundred brethren  
at once, of whom the greater part remain until now, but  
7 some have fallen asleep. After that, he appeared to James;  
8 then to all the apostles. And last of all, as to one born  
9 out of due time, he appeared also to me. For I am the  
least of the apostles, one not worthy to be called an  
10 apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But  
by the grace of God I am what I am; and his grace

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\* See Gen. iii. 16.

which was bestowed upon me was not in vain, but I labored more abundantly than they all; yet not I, but  
 11 the grace of God which was with me. Whether, then, it were I or they, thus we preach, and thus ye believed.

12 But if Christ be preached that he hath risen from the dead, how is it that some among you say, that there is  
 13 no resurrection of the dead? But if there be no resur-  
 14 rection of the dead, then Christ hath not risen; and if Christ hath not risen, then is our preaching vain, and  
 15 vain also is your faith. And we are also found false witnesses concerning God; because we testified concern-  
 ing God that he raised up Christ, whom he did not raise  
 16 up, if so be that the dead rise not. For if the dead rise  
 17 not, then Christ hath not risen; and if Christ hath not  
 18 risen, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins; then also they that have fallen asleep in Christ have perished.  
 19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.

20 But now hath Christ risen from the dead, the first-fruits  
 21 of them that have fallen asleep. For since through man came death, through man came also the resurrection of the  
 22 dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ will all be made alive. But every one in his own order; Christ  
 23 the first-fruits, afterward they that are Christ's, at his coming. Then will be the end, when he delivereth up the  
 24 kingdom to God, the Father, when he shall have destroyed  
 25 all dominion, and all authority, and power. For he must reign, "till he hath put all enemies under his feet."\*  
 26 The last enemy, death, will be destroyed; for "he put all  
 27 things under his feet."† But when it is said that all things have been put under him, it is manifest that he who put all  
 28 things under him is excepted. And when all things have

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Chap. XV. 24. — to God, the Father; i.e. to God who is the father of Christ. \* Ps. cx. 1. Comp. Matt. xxii. 44. † Ps. viii. 6.

been put under him, then will also the Son himself become subject to him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all.

29 If it be not so, what are they doing, who are baptized for the dead? If the dead rise not at all, why are they  
30 then baptized for them? Why also do we stand in peril  
31 every hour? I protest, brethren, by my glorying in you which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, that I die daily  
32 If with the views of men I fought with wild beasts at Ephesus, what advantage is it to me? If the dead rise  
33 not, "let us eat and drink, for to-morrow we die."\* Be not deceived; "evil communications corrupt good man-  
34 ners." Awake, as is your duty, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God; I say it to your shame.

35 But some one will say, How are the dead to rise?  
36 and with what body do they come? Fool! that which  
37 thou sowest is not brought to life unless it die; and what thou sowest, not the body that shall be dost thou  
sow, but a bare grain, of wheat perhaps, or of some of the  
38 other grains; but God giveth it a body, as he willed, and  
39 to every seed its own body. All flesh is not the same flesh; but there is one flesh of men, another of beasts, an-  
40 other of birds, another of fishes. There are also heavenly bodies, and earthly bodies; but the glory of the heavenly  
41 is one, and the glory of the earthly is another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for one star differeth  
42 from another star in glory. So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption, it is raised in  
43 incorruption; it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; it is sown

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Ver. 32. — *with the views of men*; i.e. with the views, feelings, and hopes of men of the world.

\* Isa. xxii. 13.

an animal body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there  
 45 is an animal body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus is  
 it also written: "The first man Adam became a living  
 46 soul;"\* the last Adam a life-giving spirit. But the spiritual  
 is not first, but the animal; and afterward the spiritual.  
 47 The first man is from the earth, earthy; the second man  
 48 is from heaven. As was the earthy, such are they also  
 that are earthy; and as is the heavenly, such are they  
 49 also that are heavenly; and as we bore the image of the  
 earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.  
 50 And this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot  
 inherit the kingdom of God, nor doth corruption inherit  
 incorruption.

51 Behold, I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep;  
 52 but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling  
 of an eye, at the last trump. For the trumpet will  
 sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we  
 53 shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on in-  
 54 corruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So  
 when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption,  
 and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then will  
 be brought to pass that which is written: "Death is  
 55 swallowed up in victory." † "Where, O death, is thy sting?  
 56 Where, O death, is thy victory?" ‡ The sting of death  
 57 is sin; and the strength of sin is the Law. But thanks  
 be to God, who giveth us the victory, through our Lord  
 Jesus Christ.

58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immov-  
 able, always abounding in the work of the Lord, since  
 ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

XVI. Now concerning the collection for the saints, accord-

Ver. 53. — *put on*; i.e. as a garment.

\* Gen. ii. 7.

† Isa. xxv. 8.

‡ Hos. xiii. 14.

ing to the directions which I gave to the churches of  
2 Galatia, so also do ye. Every first day of the week let  
each of you lay by him something in store, according as  
he hath prospered; that the collections may not have to  
3 be made when I come. And when I am with you, I will  
send with letters whomever you may approve to carry  
4 your bounty to Jerusalem; and if it be worth while for  
me to go also, they shall go with me.

5 Now I will come to you, when I have passed through  
Macedonia; for I am about to pass through Macedonia;  
6 and perhaps I may remain, or even spend the winter with  
you, that ye may set me forward on my journey whither-  
7 soever I may be going. For I am unwilling to see you  
now in passing; for I hope to stay some time with you if  
8 the Lord permit. But I shall remain at Ephesus until the  
9 Pentecost; for a door hath been opened to me great and  
effective, and there are many adversaries.

10 Now if Timothy come, see that he be with you without  
fear; for he is laboring in the work of the Lord, as I am;  
11 let no one therefore despise him. But conduct him on in  
peace, that he may come to me; for I am waiting for  
him with the brethren.

12 As regards Apollos, the brother, I urged him much  
to come to you with the brethren; and it was not at all  
his will to come at this time; but he will come when he  
hath a convenient opportunity.

13 Watch, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be  
14 strong; let all your doings be in love.

15 And I exhort you, brethren,—ye know the family of  
Stephanas, that they are the first-fruits of Achaia, and  
that they have devoted themselves to the service of the  
16 holy,—that ye submit yourselves to such as they are,  
and to every one that worketh with us, and laboreth.

17 I am glad of the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus  
and Achaicus; for what was lacking on your part, they

18 supplied; for they refreshed my spirit and yours. Pay regard then to those that are such.

19 The churches of Asia salute you.

Aquila and Prisca, with the church that is in their  
20 house, send you many salutations in the Lord. All the brethren salute you. Salute one another with a holy kiss.

<sup>21</sup>/<sub>12</sub> The salutation of me, Paul, with my own hand. If any  
23 one loveth not the Lord, let him be accursed! The Lord is at hand. The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you.

24 My love is with you all in Christ Jesus.

## THE SECOND TO THE CORINTHIANS.

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I. PAUL, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy the brother, to the church of God which is 2 in Corinth, with all the holy who are in all Achaia: Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

3 Blessed be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
4 the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforteth us in all our distress, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any distress by the comfort  
5 wherewith we are ourselves comforted by God; for as the sufferings of Christ overflow to us, so through Christ  
6 doth our comfort also overflow. And whether we are distressed, it is for your comfort and salvation, which showeth its power in enabling you to bear patiently the same  
7 sufferings which we also endure; and our hope is steadfast in your behalf; or whether we are comforted, it is for your comfort and salvation, knowing that as ye are sharers in the sufferings, so also ye will be sharers in the  
8 comfort. For we would not, brethren, have you ignorant of our distress which came upon us in Asia, that it was exceedingly heavy upon us beyond our strength, so that we  
9 despaired even of life; yea, we ourselves had within ourselves the sentence of death, that we might not trust in  
10 ourselves, but in God who raiseth the dead; who deliv-

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Chap. I. 9. — *within ourselves the sentence of death*; i.e. when we asked ourselves whether we should be delivered, the answer was in the negative.



ered us from such peril of death, and is delivering; in  
 11 whom we trust that he will yet deliver us, you also  
 unitedly helping us by prayer, so that for this blessing  
 bestowed on us by means of many, thanks may be given  
 by many on your behalf.

12 For our glorying is this, the testimony of our con-  
 science, that in simplicity and the sincerity which is of  
 God, not in fleshly wisdom, but in the grace of God,  
 we have conducted ourselves in the world, and especially  
 13 toward you. For we write no other things to you, than  
 what ye read or even acknowledge. And I trust ye will  
 14 acknowledge even to the end, as also ye have acknowl-  
 edged us in part, that we are your glorying, as ye also  
 are ours in the day of the Lord Jesus.

15 And in this confidence it was my purpose to come to  
 16 you before, that ye might receive a second benefit; and  
 to go by way of you into Macedonia, and from Macedo-  
 nia to come again to you, and by you to be forwarded on  
 17 my way to Judæa. Having, then, this purpose, did I act  
 with levity? Or in my purposes do I resolve according  
 to the flesh, that with me there should be now yea, yea,  
 18 and now nay, nay? But as God is faithful, our word  
 19 to you is not yea and nay. For the Son of God, Christ  
 Jesus, who was preached among you by us, by me and  
 Silvanus and Timothy, was not found yea and nay, but  
 20 in him hath been found yea. For as to all the promises  
 of God, in him is yea, and in him amen, to the glory of  
 21 God through us. Now he who maketh us with you stead-  
 22 fast in Christ, and anointed us, is God; he who also sealed  
 us, and gave the Spirit as a pledge in our hearts.

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Ver. 12. — *which is of God*; i.e. which comes from his Spirit. — *fleshly wisdom*; i.e. that which comes from the lower part of man's nature, when not ruled by the higher part, the spirit, under the influence of God's Spirit. — *the grace of God*; i.e. working within me.

Ver. 16. — *by way of you*; i.e. of your city. Comp. Rom. xv. 28.

23 But I call upon God as a witness against my soul, that  
 it was to spare you that I came no more to Corinth;  
 24 not that we have dominion over your faith, but are help-  
 ers of your joy. For in respect to faith ye stand firm.

II. But I determined this with myself, that my next visit to  
 2 you should not be in sorrow. For if I make you sorrow-  
 ful, who is there to make me glad but he that is made  
 3 sorrowful by me? And I wrote about this very matter,  
 that I might not on my coming have sorrow from those  
 who ought to gladden me, having confidence in all of you,  
 4 that my joy is the joy of you all. For out of much dis-  
 tress and anguish of heart I wrote to you with many  
 tears, not that ye should be made sorrowful, but that ye  
 might know the exceeding love which I have for you.

5 But if any one hath caused grief, he hath caused it not  
 to me alone, but in a measure, not to be too severe on  
 6 him, to all of you. Sufficient for such a one is this pun-  
 7 ishment, which was inflicted by the many; so that on  
 the contrary ye ought rather to forgive, and console him,  
 lest perhaps such a one should be swallowed up with over-  
 8 much sorrow. Wherefore I beseech you to confirm your  
 9 love toward him. For to this end also I wrote, that I  
 might know by putting it to the proof, whether ye are  
 10 obedient in all things. But to whom ye forgive anything,  
 I forgive also; for what I have forgiven, if I have for-  
 given anything, for your sakes I forgave it in the person  
 11 of Christ, that Satan might not gain an advantage over  
 us; for we are not ignorant of his devices.

Ver. 23. — *against my soul*; i.e. if I speak falsely. — *no more*; i.e. gave up the thought of coming.

Chap. II. 3. — *this very matter*; 1 Cor. v. 1. &c.

Ver. 11. — *that Satan*, &c. For if the person, who was punished, received no forgiveness, he would be led to despair, and so fall away from the faith.

12 Now when I came to Troas to preach the gospel of  
Christ, and a door had been opened to me by the Lord,  
13 I had no rest in my spirit, because I found not Titus my  
brother; but taking my leave of them, I went forth into  
Macedonia.

14 But thanks be to God, who always exhibiteth us in  
triumph in Christ, and manifesteth through us the odor  
15 of the knowledge of him in every place. For we are to  
God a sweet odor of Christ among those who are being  
16 saved, and those who are perishing; to the latter we are  
the odor of death, producing death; and to the former the  
odor of life, producing life. And who is sufficient for  
17 these things? For we are not as the many, who adul-  
terate the word of God; but as from sincerity, but as  
from God, in the sight of God we speak in Christ.

III. Are we beginning again to recommend ourselves? Or  
do we need, like some others, letters of recommendation  
2 to you, or letters of recommendation from you? Ye are  
our letter, written in our hearts, known and read by all  
3 men; since ye are manifestly shown to be a letter of  
Christ by means of our service, written not with ink, but  
with the Spirit of the living God; not on tablets of stone,  
but on fleshly tablets of the heart.

4 And such confidence as this have we through Christ  
5 toward God; not that we are able of ourselves to think  
anything, as from ourselves; but our ability is from God;  
6 who also gave us ability to be ministers of a new cove-  
nant, not of the letter, but of the Spirit; for the letter  
7 killeth, but the Spirit giveth life. But if the ministra-  
tion of death, engraven in letters on stones, was so glori-

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Ver. 14. — *exhibiteth us in triumph*; i.e. makes us sharers in his tri-  
umph. This agrees best with the connection. Otherwise, exhibits us as  
conquered foes, like Saul of Tarsus converted into Paul the apostle. This  
agrees with the use of the word in Col. ii. 15.

ous, that the children of Israel could not look steadfastly on the face of Moses by reason of the glory of his countenance, which glory was to be done away, shall not the ministration of the Spirit be much more glorious? For if the ministration of condemnation had glory, much greater is the glory of the ministration of righteousness. For even that which was made glorious hath ceased to be glorious in this respect, by reason of the glory by which it is exceeded. For if that which was to be done away was glorious, much more glorious is that which endureth.

Having therefore such hope, we use great plainness of speech; and do not as Moses did, who put a veil over his face, that the children of Israel might not steadfastly look on the end of that which was to be done away. But their understandings were blinded; for until this day, when the old covenant is read, the same veil remaineth, since it is not unveiled to them that it is done away in Christ; but even till this day, when Moses is read, there lieth a veil upon their heart; but whenever it turneth to the Lord, the veil is taken away. Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. But we all with unveiled face beholding in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, as by the Lord, the Spirit.

IV. Therefore, having this ministry through the mercy we received, we are not faint-hearted; but have renounced the hidden things of shame, not walking in craftiness, nor adulterating the word of God, but by the manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. But if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to them that perish, in whom the God of this world blinded the understandings of the unbelieving, so that they

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Chap. III. 14. — *since it is not unveiled, &c.*; i.e. since they do not discern the truth, &c.

cannot behold the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ,  
5 who is the image of God. For we preach not ourselves,  
but Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves your bond-servants  
6 for Jesus' sake. For it is God, who commanded light to  
shine out of darkness, that shined in our hearts, to give  
the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face  
of Christ.

7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the  
exceeding greatness of the power may be of God, and not  
8 of us; being troubled on every side, yet not distressed;  
9 perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not for-  
10 saken; cast down, but not destroyed; always bearing  
about in the body the dying of Jesus, that the life also of  
11 Jesus may be manifested in our body. For we who live  
are continually delivered up to death for Jesus' sake, that  
the life also of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh.  
12 So then death worketh in us, but life in you. But having  
13 the same spirit of faith, according to that which is written,  
"I believed, and therefore I spoke,"\* we also believe, and  
14 therefore speak; knowing that he who raised up the Lord  
Jesus will raise up us also with Jesus, and will present us  
15 with you. For all things are for your sakes, that the  
grace abounding by means of the greater number may  
cause thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God.

16 For which cause we are not faint-hearted; but though  
our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is re-  
17 newed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but  
for a moment, worketh out for us, in a higher and still  
18 higher degree, an everlasting weight of glory; while we  
look not at the things which are seen, but at the things  
which are not seen; for the things which are seen are but  
for a time; but the things which are not seen are ever-  
lasting.

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\* Ps. cxvi. 10.

V. For we know that, if our earthly tent-habitation be destroyed, we have a building provided by God, a house  
 2 not made with hands, everlasting, in the heavens. For  
 while in this we groan, longing to be clothed upon with  
 3 our habitation which is from heaven; since, indeed, when  
 we have put off our present garment, we shall not be  
 4 found naked. For we who are in this tent groan, being  
 burdened; inasmuch as we do not desire to be unclothed,  
 but to be clothed upon, that mortality may be swallowed  
 5 up by life. Now he that hath prepared us for this very  
 thing is God; who also gave to us the Spirit as the  
 6 pledge. We have courage, therefore, always, and know  
 that while we are at home in the body, we are absent  
 7 from the Lord; for we walk by faith, not by sight;  
 8 but we have courage, and are well pleased rather to be  
 absent from the body, and to be at home with the Lord.  
 9 Wherefore we also strive that, whether at home or absent,  
 10 we may be approved by him. For we must all be made  
 manifest before the judgment-seat of Christ, that each one  
 may receive the things done in his body, according to what  
 he did, whether good or bad.

11 Knowing therefore the fear of the Lord, we persuade  
 men; but to God we have been made manifest, and I  
 hope have been made manifest in your consciences also.

12 For we are not again commending ourselves to you, but  
 giving you occasion to glory on our behalf; that ye may  
 have somewhat to answer those who glory in outward  
 13 appearance, and not in heart. For whether we were  
 beside ourselves, it was for God; or whether we are in

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Chap. V. 1. — *a building provided by God*; i.e. a body prepared for us by God against the coming of Christ.

Ver. 3. — *put off, &c.* According to other manuscripts, this verse may be rendered, *Since, indeed, we shall be found clothed, not naked.*

Ver. 11. *Knowing, &c.*; i.e. being conscious of it.

14 our sound mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ  
 constraineth us, because we thus judged, that if one died  
 15 for all, then all died; and he died for all, that they who  
 live should no longer live to themselves, but to him who  
 16 died for their sakes, and rose again. So that we hence-  
 forth know no one according to the flesh; and if we have  
 even known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we no  
 17 longer know him. Therefore, if any one is in Christ, he  
 is a new creation; the old things have passed away; be-  
 18 hold, all things have become new. And all things are  
 from God, who reconciled us to himself by Christ, and  
 19 gave to us the ministry of reconciliation; seeing that in  
 Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not reck-  
 oning to them their trespasses, and having committed to  
 us the word of reconciliation.

20 We then are ambassadors for Christ; as though God  
 were exhorting you by us, in behalf of Christ we entreat  
 21 you, Be reconciled to God. Him, who knew not sin, he  
 made sin for us, that we might become God's righteous-  
 ness in him.

VI. As fellow-workers, then, with him, we also exhort you  
 2 that ye receive not the grace of God in vain; (for he  
 saith: "In an accepted time I heard thee, and in the day  
 of salvation I helped thee;"\* Behold, now is the ac-  
 3 cepted time, behold, now is the day of salvation;) giving  
 no occasion for stumbling in anything, that the ministry  
 4 may not be blamed; but as God's ministers recommending  
 ourselves in all things, in much endurance, in afflictions,  
 5 in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in

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Ver. 21. — *he made sin*, &c.; i.e. to suffer in our behalf the punishment of death, as if he were a sinner. See Gal. iii. 13. — *God's righteousness*; i.e. he accepted by God as righteous, through faith in him. See Rom. i. 17, iii. 26  
 Chap. VI. 1. — *fellow-workers with him*; i.e. with God.

\* Isa. xlix. 8.

6 tumults, in labors, in watchings, in fastings; in pureness,  
 in knowledge, in long-suffering, in kindness, in the Holy  
 7 Spirit, in love unfeigned, in the word of truth, in the  
 power of God, by the weapons of righteousness on the right  
 8 hand and on the left, through honor and dishonor, through  
 9 evil report and good report; as deceivers, and true; as  
 unknown, and well known; as dying, and behold, we live;  
 10 as chastened, and not killed; as sorrowful, yet always re-  
 joicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing,  
 and possessing all things.

11 Our mouth is open to you, O Corinthians, our heart is  
 12 enlarged. Ye have not a narrow place in my heart, but  
 13 ye have a narrow place for me in yours. So then in  
 return, I speak to you as children, let your hearts be  
 enlarged.

14 Be not strangely yoked with unbelievers; for what  
 fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? Or  
 15 what communion hath light with darkness? And what  
 concord hath Christ with Beliar? Or what part hath a  
 16 believer with an unbeliever? And what agreement hath  
 the temple of God with idols? For ye are the temple of  
 the living God; as God said: "I will dwell among them,  
 and walk among them; and I will be their God, and they  
 17 shall be my people."\* "Wherefore come out from the  
 midst of them, and be separated, saith the Lord, and touch  
 18 not anything unclean;"† "and I will receive you, and will  
 be to you a father, and ye shall be my sons and daughters,  
 saith the Lord Almighty."‡

VII. Having then these promises, beloved, let us cleanse  
 ourselves from all pollution of flesh and spirit, perfecting  
 holiness in the fear of God.

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Ver. 14. — *strangely yoked*; as if an ox and an ass were yoked together.  
 Deut. xxii. 10.

\* Lev. xxvi. 11, 12.

† Isa. lii. 11; Ezek. xx. 34.

‡ 2 Sam. vii. 14; Jer. xxxi. 9.



2 Receive us into your hearts; we have wronged no one, we have corrupted no one, we have defrauded no one.  
3 I am not saying this to condemn you; for I have said before, that ye are in our hearts to die with you and to live  
4 with you. Great is my confidence toward you, great is my glorying on your account; I am filled with comfort,  
5 I overflow with joy in all our trouble. For indeed when we had come into Macedonia, our flesh had no rest, but we were troubled on every side; without were fight-  
6 ings, within were fears. But God, that comforteth those who are brought low, comforted us by the coming of  
7 Titus; and not by his coming only, but by the comfort with which he was comforted in regard to you, when he told us of your earnest desire, your mourning, your zeal  
8 in my behalf; so that I rejoiced the more. For though I caused you sorrow with the letter, I do not regret it, though I did regret it; for I perceive that that letter caused you  
9 sorrow, though it was but for a short time. Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorrowful, but that your sorrow produced repentance. For the sorrow which ye felt had respect to God, that ye might in nothing receive  
10 injury from me. For sorrow before God worketh repentance to salvation never to be regretted; but the sorrow  
11 of the world worketh death. For behold this very thing, that your sorrow had respect to God; what earnestness it wrought in you; yea, what clearing of yourselves, yea, what indignation, yea, what fear, yea, what longing desire, yea, what zeal, yea, what readiness to punish! In every thing ye showed yourselves to be pure in the matter.  
12 Although, then, I wrote to you, it was not on account of him that did the wrong, nor of him who suffered wrong; but that your earnestness for us might be made manifest to you in the sight of God.

13 Therefore we have been comforted; but in our comfort  
we rejoiced still more on account of the joy of Titus,  
14 because his spirit has been refreshed by you all; for if  
in anything I have boasted to him of you, I am not put  
to shame; but as we spoke all things to you in truth, so  
also our boasting, which we made before Titus, was found  
15 to be truth; and his affection is more abundant toward  
you, while he remembers the obedience of you all, how  
16 with fear and trembling ye received him. I rejoice that  
in every thing I have confidence in you.

VIII. Moreover, brethren, we make known to you the  
grace of God which hath been bestowed in the churches  
2 of Macedonia; that under a great trial of distress the abun-  
dance of their joy and their deep poverty increased the  
3 riches of their liberality; for according to their power,  
I bear witness, and beyond their power, they gave of  
4 their own accord, begging of us with much entreaty the  
favor of sharing in the ministration to the saints; and  
5 this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first  
6 to the Lord and to us by the will of God; so that we  
urged Titus, that, as he had already made a beginning,  
so he would also finish among you this bounty also.  
7 But as ye abound in every thing, in faith, and utterance,  
and knowledge, and all earnestness, and in your love to  
us, see that ye abound in this exercise of liberality also.  
8 I speak not by way of command, but by reason of the  
earnestness of others, and to prove the genuineness of  
9 your love. For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus  
Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he  
became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.  
10 And I only give an opinion in this matter. For this is  
expedient for you, who began before others, not only to  
11 do, but also to be willing, a year ago. Now therefore per-  
form the doing of it, that as there was a readiness to will,

so there may be a performance also out of that which ye  
12 have. For if there be first the willing mind, it is ac-  
cepted according to what a man hath, not according to  
13 what he hath not. For it is not that others may be  
14 eased, and you burdened, but to make an equality; at  
the present season your abundance meeting their defi-  
ciency, that their abundance may at another time meet  
15 your deficiency; that there may be equality; as it is  
written: "He that gathered much, had nothing over;  
and he that gathered little, had no lack."\*

16 But thanks be to God, who put the same earnest care  
17 for you into the heart of Titus; for he accepted indeed  
the exhortation; but being very earnest, he went of his  
18 own accord to you. And we have sent with him the  
brother, whose praise in the gospel is throughout all  
19 the churches; and not that only, but who was also ap-  
pointed by the churches as our fellow-traveller in the  
matter of this bounty, which is administered by us to  
the honor of the Lord himself, and of our ready mind;  
20 since we are careful of this, that no one should blame  
21 us in our management of this abundant liberality; for we  
take forethought for what is honorable, not only in the  
22 sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men. And  
we have sent with them our brother, whom we have  
often in many things proved to be zealous, but now much  
more zealous through the great confidence which he hath  
23 in you. As to Titus, he is my partner and fellow-laborer  
for you; as to our brethren, they are messengers of the  
24 churches, the glory of Christ. Display to them, there-  
fore, before the churches, the proof of your love, and of  
what we have boasted on your behalf.

IX. For concerning the ministering to the saints, it is super-

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\* Exod. xvi 18.

2 fluous for me to write to you. For I know your readiness  
of mind, of which I boast in behalf of you to the Macedo-  
nians, that Achaia was prepared a year ago; and your zeal  
3 stirred up the greater part of them. But I sent the  
brethren, that our boasting of you should not prove un-  
founded in this respect; that, as I said, ye may be prepared;  
4 lest, should the Macedonians come with me, and find you  
unprepared, we (not to say ye) should be put to shame  
5 in respect to this confidence. I thought it necessary  
therefore to exhort the brethren to go before to you,  
and make up beforehand your bounty, which was already  
announced, that the same might be ready, as a matter of  
6 bounty, and not of covetousness. But this there is to  
say: He that soweth sparingly, shall reap also sparingly;  
and he that soweth bountifully, shall reap also bounti-  
7 fully. Each one, as he purposeth in his heart, so let him  
give; not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a  
8 cheerful giver. And God is able to make every blessing  
abound toward you, that ye, always having all sufficiency  
9 in everything, may abound to every good work; as it is  
written: "He dispersed abroad, he gave to the poor; his  
10 righteousness remaineth for ever."\* Now, he that minis-  
tereth seed to the sower, and bread for food, will supply  
and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of  
11 your righteousness; while ye are enriched in everything  
to all liberality, which worketh out through us thanks-  
12 giving to God; for the ministration of this service not  
only supplieth the wants of the saints, but also overfloweth  
13 through many thanksgivings to God; while by the proof  
afforded by this ministration they glorify God for your  
obedience to your profession in regard to the gospel of  
Christ, and for the liberality of your contribution in re-  
14 gard to them and in regard to all; while with supplication

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\* Ps. cxii. 9.

for you they long after you on account of the exceeding  
 15 grace of God to you. Thanks be to God for his unspeakable gift.

X. Now I Paul myself beseech you by the meekness and  
 gentleness of Christ, I, who present indeed am low y  
 2 among you, but am bold toward you when absent; but  
 I entreat you, that I may not when I am present be bold  
 with that confidence wherewith I think of being bold  
 towards some, who think of us as walking according to  
 3 the flesh. For though we walk in the flesh, we do not  
 4 war according to the flesh, (for the weapons of our warfare  
 are not fleshly, but mighty through God to the pulling  
 5 down of strong holds,) casting down reasonings, and  
 every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge  
 of God, and bringing every purpose into captivity to  
 6 the obedience of Christ, and being in readiness to punish  
 every disobedience, when the measure of your obedience  
 shall be full.

7 Ye look at the outward appearance. If any one trusteth  
 to himself that he belongeth to Christ, let him of himself  
 consider this again, that as he belongeth to Christ, so  
 8 also do we. For even if I should boast still more highly  
 of our authority, which the Lord gave us for building  
 you up, and not pulling you down, I should not be put  
 9 to shame; that I may not seem as if I would terrify you  
 10 by my letters. For his letters, saith one, are weighty and  
 strong; but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech  
 11 contemptible. Let such a one count upon this, that such  
 as we are in word by letters when absent, such will we  
 be also in deed when present.

12 For we do not venture to reckon ourselves among,

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Chap. X. 6. — *be full*; i.e. when the great body of the church obeys,  
 particular individuals will be punished.

or compare ourselves with, some of those who commend themselves; but they, measuring themselves among themselves, and comparing themselves with themselves, are not  
 13 wise. But we will not boast of things that are without our measure, but according to the measure of the line which  
 14 God allotted us, — a measure to reach even to you. For we do not stretch ourselves beyond our measure, as though we reached not to you; (for as far as even to  
 15 you did we come, in the gospel of Christ;) not boasting of things that are without measure, in other men's labors, but having hope, when your faith is increased, that our  
 16 line will through you be still further extended, so that we may preach the gospel in the regions beyond you; not boasting, in another's line, of things made ready to  
 17 our hand. But "he that boasteth, let him boast in the  
 18 Lord."\* For not he that commendeth himself is approved, but he whom the Lord commendeth.

XI. Would that ye could bear with me in a little folly!  
 2 and indeed ye do bear with me. For I am jealous over you with a godly jealousy; for I espoused you to one  
 3 husband, to present you as a pure virgin to Christ; but I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve by his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from  
 4 single-heartedness toward Christ. For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we did not preach, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye did not receive, or another gospel, which ye did not accept, well might ye  
 5 bear with it. For I suppose that I am in no respect  
 6 behind the very foremost apostles. And though I am rude in speech, yet I am not in knowledge; but this did we in every respect manifest to you in all things.

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Chap. XI. 3. — *single-heartedness, &c.* The figure borrowed from the virgin is kept up.

\* Jer. ix. 23, 24.

7 Did I commit an offence in abasing myself that ye might be exalted, because I preached to you the gospel of God without charge? I robbed other churches, taking wages of them, in order to do you service; and when I was present with you, and in want, I was a charge to no one; (for the brethren, when they came from Macedonia, supplied my wants;) and in every thing I kept myself and will keep myself from being burdensome to you.

10 As the truth of Christ is in me, this boasting shall not be stopped in regard to me in the regions of Achaia. 11 Wherefore? Because I love you not? God knoweth! 12 But what I do, that I will continue to do, that I may cut off occasion from those who wish for an occasion, in order that in the matter of which they boast they may be found even as we. For such are false apostles, deceitful workmen, transforming themselves into apostles of Christ. And no wonder; for even Satan transformeth himself into an angel of light. It is no great thing, then, if his ministers also transform themselves as ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.

16 I say again, let no one suppose me a fool; if otherwise, yet even as a fool receive me, that I too may boast myself a little. What I speak, I speak not after the Lord, but as it were in folly, in this confidence of boasting. Seeing that many boast after the flesh, I will boast also. For ye bear with fools gladly, seeing ye yourselves are wise; for ye bear with it, if one brings you into bondage, if one devours you, if one takes from you, if one exalts himself, if one smites you on the face.

21 I say it to my reproach, that we were weak; but in whatever any one is bold, (I speak in folly,) I am bold also. Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they Abraham's offspring? So am I. Are

they ministers of Christ? (I speak as beside myself,) I am more; in labors more abundantly, in stripes above  
 24 measure, in prisons more frequently, in deaths often; of  
 the Jews five times I received forty stripes save one;  
 25 thrice I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, thrice I  
 suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have spent in the  
 26 deep; by journeyings often; by perils of rivers, by perils  
 of robbers, by perils from my countrymen, by perils from  
 the heathen, by perils in the city, by perils in the wilder-  
 ness, by perils in the sea, by perils among false brethren;  
 27 by weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger  
 28 and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness. Be-  
 sides the other troubles, there is that which presseth upon  
 29 me daily, the anxiety for all the churches. Who is weak,  
 and I am not weak? who is in danger of stumbling, and I  
 30 do not burn? If I must boast, I will boast of the things  
 31 which belong to my weakness. The God and Father of  
 the Lord Jesus, who is blessed for evermore, knoweth that  
 32 I am not lying. In Damascus the governor under Aretas  
 the king kept guard over the city of the Damascenes, in  
 33 order to apprehend me; and through a window I was let  
 down in a basket by the wall, and escaped his hands.

XII. It is indeed not expedient for me to boast; I will  
 come to visions and revelations of the Lord.

2 I know a man in Christ, fourteen years ago, — whether  
 in the body, I know not, or whether out of the body, I  
 know not; God knoweth, — such a one caught up even to  
 3 to the third heaven. And I know such a man, — whether  
 in the body, or without the body, I know not; God know-  
 4 eth, — that he was caught up into paradise, and heard un-  
 speakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter.  
 5 Of such a one I will boast; but of myself I will not boast,  
 6 except in my infirmities. For if I should desire to boast,  
 I should not be a fool; for I should say the truth; but I



forbear, lest any one should think of me above what he seeth me to be, or what he heareth from me.

7 And that I might not be too much lifted up by the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to buffet me, that  
8 I might not be too much lifted up. In respect to this I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me;  
9 and he said to me, My grace is sufficient for thee; for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather boast in my weaknesses, that the strength  
10 of Christ may abide upon me. Therefore I take pleasure in weaknesses, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses in behalf of Christ; for when I am weak, then am I strong.

11 I have become a fool; it is ye that compelled me. For I ought to have been commended by you; for in nothing was I behind the very foremost apostles, though I am nothing.  
12 Truly the signs of an apostle were wrought among you with all endurance, by signs, and wonders, and mighty  
13 deeds. For what is there in which ye were at disadvantage when compared with other churches, except that I myself was not a charge to you? Forgive me this wrong.

14 Behold, I am ready to come to you this third time, and I will not be a charge to you; for I seek not yours, but you. For the children ought not to lay up for the parents,  
15 but the parents for the children. And I will very gladly spend and be spent for your souls; though the more I love you, the less I am loved.

16 But be it so; I at least was not a charge to you; but yet, being crafty, I caught you with guile. Did I make gain of you by any of those whom I have sent to  
18 you? I urged Titus to go to you, and with him I sent the brother. Did Titus make a gain of you? Did we not walk in the same spirit? Did we not walk in the same steps?

19 Have ye been thinking this long time that we are  
defending ourselves to you? It is before God in Christ  
that we are speaking; but all things, beloved, for your  
20 edification. For I fear, lest, when I come, I shall not  
find you such as I would, and lest I too shall be found  
by you such as ye would not; lest there be wranglings,  
envying, wraths, rivalries, backbitings, whisperings, swell-  
21 ings, tumults; and lest, when I come again, my God will  
humble me among you, and that I shall bewail many of  
those who have sinned already, and did not repent of the  
uncleanness, and fornication, and lasciviousness, which they  
committed.

XIII. This is the third time I am coming to you. In the  
mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be  
2 established. I said before, and now say beforehand, as  
when present the second time, so also absent now, to those  
who have sinned before, and to all the others, that if I  
3 come again, I will not spare; since ye seek a proof of  
Christ speaking in me, who towards you is not weak,  
4 but is mighty among you. For though he was crucified  
through weakness, yet he liveth through the power of  
God; for we also are weak in him, but we shall live  
together with him by the power of God toward you.

5 Try yourselves, whether ye are in the faith; prove your  
own selves. Know ye not your own selves, that Christ  
6 Jesus is in you, unless ye are unapproved? But I trust  
7 that ye shall know, that we are not unapproved. Now  
we pray to God that ye do no evil; not in order that we  
may appear approved, but that ye may do what is good,  
8 though we be as unapproved. For we have no power  
9 against the truth, but for the truth. For we are glad,  
when we are weak, and ye are strong; this also we pray  
10 for, even your perfection. For this cause I write these

things while absent, that when present I may not use sharpness, according to the power which the Lord gave me for edification, and not for destruction.

11 Finally, brethren, farewell! Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you.

<sup>12</sup><sub>13</sub> Salute one another with a holy kiss. All the saints salute you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the partaking of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

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Ver. 11. — *farewell!* otherwise, *rejoice!*

## TO THE GALATIANS.

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- I. PAUL, an apostle, not from men, nor through man, but through Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him  
2 from the dead,—and all the brethren that are with me, to  
3 the churches of Galatia: Grace be to you and peace from  
4 God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from the present evil world, according to the will of God our  
5 Father; to whom be the glory for ever and ever! Amen.  
6 I marvel that ye are so soon turning from him that called  
7 you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel; which is not another; only there are certain persons who are troubling you, and seeking to change entirely the gospel of  
8 Christ. But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel to you contrary to that which we preached  
9 to you, let him be accursed! As we have said before, so I now say again, If any one preach a gospel to you con-  
10 trary to that which ye received, let him be accursed! For do I now seek the favor of men, or of God? Or am I endeavoring to please men? If I were still pleasing men, I should not be the servant of Christ.  
11 But I assure you, brethren, that the gospel which was  
12 preached by me is not after man; for I did not receive it from man nor was I taught it by any man, but it was  
13 revealed to me by Jesus Christ. For ye have heard of my conduct formerly in Judaism; that beyond measure I

14 persecuted the church of God, and was destroying it, and made progress in Judaism beyond many of the same age with me in my nation, being more exceedingly zealous  
15 for the traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased him who set me apart from my very birth, and called  
16 me through his grace, to reveal his Son within me, that I might publish the glad tidings of him among the gentiles,  
17 immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood, neither did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia, and returned again to Damascus.

18 Then, after three years, I went up to Jerusalem to become acquainted with Cephas, and stayed with him fifteen  
19 days; but no other of the apostles did I see, save James the brother of the Lord. Now as to what I am writing to  
21 you, behold, before God, I do not lie. Afterwards I came  
22 into the regions of Syria and Cilicia; and I was unknown by face to the churches of Judæa which were in Christ;  
23 but they were only hearing that "He who was once our persecutor is now preaching the faith which he was once  
24 destroying"; and they glorified God in me.

II. Then, fourteen years after, I went up again to Jerusalem  
2 with Barnabas, and took Titus also with me. And I went up by revelation, and communicated to them that gospel which I preach among the gentiles; but privately to those who were of reputation, lest by any means I should run,  
3 or had run, in vain. But not even Titus, who was with me, though he was a Greek, was compelled to be circum-  
4 cised; and that because of the false brethren stealthily brought in, who crept in to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bond-

5 age; to whom not even for an hour did we yield by the  
required subjection, that the truth of the gospel might still  
6 remain with you. But from those who were reputed to  
be somewhat — whatever they were, it matters not to me,  
(God accepteth no man's person,) for to me those in repu-  
7 tation communicated nothing new. But on the contrary,  
when they saw that I was intrusted with the gospel to  
the uncircumcised, as Peter was with that to the cir-  
8 cumcised, (for he who wrought for Peter in behalf of  
the apostleship to the circumcised, wrought also for me  
9 in behalf of the gentiles,) and when they knew the grace  
that was given to me, James and Cephas and John, who  
were reputed to be pillars, gave to me and Barnabas the  
right hand of fellowship, that we should go to the gen-  
10 tiles, and they to the circumcised; only they wished us to  
remember the poor; which very thing I also was earnest  
to do.

11 But when Cephas came to Antioch, I withstood him to  
12 the face; for he was condemned. For before certain per-  
sons came from James, he used to eat with the gentiles;  
but when they came, he withdrew, and separated himself,  
13 fearing those who were of the circumcision. And the  
other Jews also dissembled with him; so that even Bar-  
14 nabas was carried away with their dissimulation. But  
when I saw that they were not walking uprightly accord-  
ing to the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas in the  
presence of all, If thou, being a Jew, livest after the  
manner of gentiles, and not that of the Jews, how is it  
that thou compellest the gentiles to keep the customs  
15 of the Jews? We are Jews by nature, and not sin-  
16 ners of the gentiles; but knowing that a man is not ac-

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Chap. II. 11. — *was condemned*; i.e. by the community, on account of his inconsistency.

Ver. 14. — *to keep the customs, &c.*; literally, *to Judaize*.

cepted as righteous by the works of the Law, but by faith in Christ Jesus, we also have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be accepted as righteous by faith in Christ, and not by the works of the Law; for by the works of the  
 17 Law shall no flesh be accepted as righteous. But if, while seeking to be accepted as righteous in Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is Christ therefore a min-  
 18 ister of sin? Far be it! For if I again build up what  
 19 I pulled down, I make myself a transgressor. For I through the Law died to the Law, that I might live to  
 20 God. I have been crucified with Christ, and no longer do I live, but Christ liveth in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live in faith in the Son of God,  
 21 who loved me, and gave himself for me. I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness come through the Law, then did Christ die for nought.

III. O foolish Galatians, who bewitched you? before whose eyes Jesus Christ was plainly set forth among you cruci-  
 2 fied. <sup>†</sup> This only I desire to learn from you: Was it from the works of the Law that ye received the Spirit, or by  
 3 the preaching of faith? Are ye so foolish? Having begun  
 4 with the Spirit, do ye now end with the flesh? Have ye suffered so much in vain? if indeed it be really in vain.  
 5 Doth he then who is supplying to you the Spirit, and working miracles among you, do it by the works of the  
 6 Law, or by the preaching of faith? Even as Abraham  
 “believed God, and it was accounted to him as righte-  
 7 ousness.”\* Know then that they who have faith, these  
 8 are the sons of Abraham. Moreover the Scripture, foreseeing that God was to accept the gentiles as righteous by faith, proclaimed beforehand the glad tidings to Abra-

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Chap. III. 3. Otherwise, *do ye now seek to perfect yourselves, &c.*

\* Gen. xv. 6.

- 9 ham, saying, "In thee shall all nations be blessed."\* So then they who have faith are blessed with believing Abraham.
- 10 For as many as rely on the works of the Law are under a curse; for it is written, "Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of  
11 the Law, to do them."† But further, that through the observance of the Law no one is accepted as righteous with God is evident; for "the righteous shall live by faith."‡  
12 And the Law hath nothing to do with faith; but [its language is], "He that hath done them shall live in them."§  
13 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us; for it is written, "Cursed is every  
14 one that is hanged on a beam of wood,"|| — to the end that in Christ Jesus the blessing promised to Abraham might come to the gentiles, that we through faith might receive the Spirit which was promised.
- 15 Brethren, I speak according to what is practised among men; no one sets aside even a human covenant, or makes  
16 additions to it, after it has been ratified. But the promises were made to Abraham and "to his offspring."¶ He doth not say, "and to offsprings," as speaking of many, but, as speaking of one, "and to thy offspring," which is  
17 Christ. And what I mean is this; that a covenant that was before ratified by God, the Law, which came four hundred and thirty years after, cannot annul, so as to  
18 make void the promise; for if the inheritance cometh from the Law, it ceaseth to be the consequence of the promise; but to Abraham God gave it by promise.  
19 To what end then was the Law? It was added because of transgressions, till the offspring should come to whom the promise belongeth, having been ordained through

\* Gen. xii. 3.

† Deut. xxvii. 26.

‡ Hab. ii. 4.

§ Lev. xviii. 5.

|| Deut. xxi. 23.

¶ Gen. xxii. 18.



20 angels by the hand of a mediator. Now no mediator is  
21 a mediator of one; but God is one. Is then the Law  
against the promises of God? Far be it! For if a  
law had been given which was able to give life, right-  
22 eousness would indeed have been by the Law; but the  
Scripture shut up all under sin, that the blessing promised  
through faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those  
23 who believe. But before faith came, we were kept in  
ward under the Law, shut up unto the faith which was  
24 to be revealed. So then the Law hath been our school-  
master, to lead us to Christ, that we might be accepted  
25 as righteous through faith; but faith having come, we  
26 are no longer under a schoolmaster. For ye are all  
27 sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus; for as many  
of you as were baptized into Christ, did put on Christ.  
28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond  
nor free, there is no male and female; for ye are all one  
29 in Christ Jesus; and if ye belong to Christ, then are ye  
Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

IV. Now I say, that the heir, as long as he is a child,  
differeth in no respect from a bond-servant, though he  
2 is lord of all; but is under guardians and stewards, until  
3 the time appointed by the father. So also we, when we  
were children, were in bondage under the rudiments of  
4 the world; but when the fulness of the time came, God  
sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the  
5 Law, to redeem those under the Law, that we might be  
6 adopted as sons. And to show that ye are sons, God sent  
forth the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, Abba,  
7 Father! So then thou art no longer a bond-servant, but  
a son; and if a son, then an heir through God.

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Ver. 24. — *schoolmaster*; as there is no office in modern times corresponding to that of the *pedagogus*, the original cannot be strictly rendered. It denotes an attendant of boys, whose office was to watch over them strictly and keep them from folly and harm, while on their way to school.

8 But at that time, indeed, when ye knew not God, ye were in slavery to those who in their nature are not gods ;  
9 but now, after having known God, or rather having been known by God, how is it that ye are turning back to the weak and beggarly rudiments to which ye wish to be  
10 again in bondage? Do ye observe days, and months, and  
11 times, and years? I fear for you, lest I may have bestowed upon you labor in vain.

12 Brethren, I beseech you, become as I am, for I also have  
13 become as ye are ; ye injured me in nothing. Nay, ye know that it was on account of an infirmity of the flesh  
14 that I preached the gospel to you the former time, and my trial which was in my flesh ye did not despise nor spurn ; but received me as an angel of God, yea, as  
15 Christ Jesus. How great then was your boasting of happiness ! for I bear you witness, that if possible, ye would have plucked out your eyes, and have given them  
16 to me. So then, have I become your enemy because I tell you the truth?

17 They show a zeal for you, but not in honesty ; yea, they wish to exclude you, that ye may be zealous for  
18 them. But it is good to be an object of zeal in what is good always, and not only when I am present with  
19 you. My children, with whom I am again in travail un-  
20 til Christ be formed in you,—I could wish indeed to be present with you now, and to change my tone, for I am in perplexity about you.

21 Tell me, ye that desire to be under the Law, do ye not  
22 hear the Law? For it is written, that Abraham had two sons ; the one by the bondwoman, the other by the free-  
23 woman. But the one by the bondwoman was born after the flesh ; while the one by the freewoman was through

24 the promise. Which things are written allegorically; for  
 these women are two covenants; the one from Mount  
 Sinai, who beareth children into bondage, which is Ha-  
 25 gar; for the word Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia; and  
 she corresponds to the Jerusalem now existing, for she is  
 26 in bondage with her children; but the Jerusalem that  
 27 is above is free, and she is our mother. For it is writ-  
 ten: "Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth  
 and cry, thou that travailest not; for many are the chil-  
 dren of the desolate one, rather than of her who hath the  
 28 husband."\* But ye, brethren, as Isaac was, are children of  
 29 a promise. But as at that time he that was born after the  
 flesh persecuted him that was born through the Spirit, so  
 30 it is now. But what saith the scripture? "Cast out the  
 bondwoman and her son; for the son of the bondwoman  
 31 shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman."† So  
 then, brethren, we are not children of a bondwoman, but  
 of the freewoman.

V. Staud firm in the liberty with which Christ made us free,  
 and be not again bound fast to the yoke of bondage.

2 Behold, I Paul say to you, that if ye are circumcised,  
 3 Christ will profit you nothing; yea, I testify again to every  
 one who becometh circumcised, that he is bound to keep  
 4 the whole Law. Ye are entirely separated from Christ,  
 who seek to obtain righteousness through the Law; ye  
 5 have fallen away from grace. For we through the Spirit  
 by faith steadfastly wait for the hope of righteousness.  
 6 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any-  
 thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith working by love.  
 7 Ye were running well; who hindered you, that ye

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Chap. V. 5. — *the hope of righteousness*; i.e. of being pronounced right-  
 eous at the judgment-seat of Christ. Before that time, consciousness or hope  
 of righteousness might be mixed with doubt.

\* Isa. liv. 1.

† Gen. xxi. 10.

8 should not obey the truth? This persuasion came not  
 9 from him that called you. A little leaven leaveneth the  
 10 whole lump. I indeed have confidence in regard to you  
 in the Lord, that ye will be no otherwise minded; but he  
 that troubleth you shall bear his judgment, whoever he  
 11 may be. But as for me, brethren, if I still preach circum-  
 cision, why do I still suffer persecution? Then hath the  
 12 cross ceased to be a stumbling-block. Would that they  
 who unsettle you would quite cut themselves off!

13 For ye, brethren, were called to liberty; only use not  
 your liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by your love  
 14 serve one another. For the whole Law is fulfilled in one  
 commandment, even in this: "Thou shalt love thy neigh-  
 15 bor as thyself."\* But if ye bite and devour one another,  
 beware lest ye be consumed by one another.

16 But I say, Walk by the Spirit, and ye will not fulfil the  
 17 desires of the flesh. For the flesh hath desires against  
 the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these  
 oppose one another, that ye may not do the things that  
 18 ye would. But if ye are led by the Spirit, ye are not  
 under the Law.

19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest; such as forni-  
 20 cation, uncleanness, wantonness, idolatry, sorcery, hatreds,  
 strife, rivalry, outbursts of wrath, cabals, divisions, fac-  
 21 tions, envyings, drunkenness, revellings, and things like  
 these; of which I tell you beforehand, as I also told you  
 in time past, that they who practise such things shall not  
 22 inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is  
 love, joy, peace, long-suffering, kindness, goodness, faithful-  
 23 ness, meekness, temperance; against such things as these  
 24 there is no law. And they who belong to Christ Jesus  
 25 crucified the flesh with the passions and lusts. If we

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Ver. 24. — *crucified*, &c.; i.e. when by baptism they took upon them-  
 selves the obligations of believers in Christ. Comp. Rom. vi. 4-6.

\* Lev. xix. 18.

26 live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. Let us not become vain-glorious, provoking one another, envying one another.

VI. Brethren, even if a man be detected in a fault, do ye who are spiritual restore such a one in the spirit of meekness ·  
2 considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted. Bear ye one another's burdens, and thus fulfil the law of Christ.  
3 For if a man thinketh himself to be something, when he  
4 is nothing, he deceiveth himself. But let each one prove his own work, and then will he have his ground for boasting in himself alone, and not in comparison with another ·  
5 for every one must bear his own load.

6 Let him that is taught in the word share with the  
7 teacher in all good things. Be not deceived ; God is not mocked ; for whatever a man soweth, that shall he also  
8 reap ; for he that soweth to his flesh, shall of the flesh reap corruption ; but he that soweth to the Spirit, shall of  
9 the Spirit reap life everlasting. And let us not be faint-hearted in well-doing ; for in due season we shall reap, if  
10 we faint not. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

11 See in what large letters I have written to you with my  
12 own hand. As many as desire to make a fair show in the flesh, these are constraining you to be circumcised, only that they may not suffer persecution for the cross of Christ.  
13 For not even do they who become circumcised themselves keep the Law ; but they desire to have you circumcised.  
14 that they may glory in your flesh. But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ ; through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the  
15 world. For neither is circumcision anything, nor uncir-  
16 cumcision, but a new creation. And as many as walk by

this rule, peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

17 Henceforth let no one trouble me; for I bear the marks  
18 of Jesus on my body. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ  
be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

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Chap. VI. 17. — *the marks of Jesus.* As a slave is shown to belong to his master by marks branded upon his body, so the scars of the stripes which Paul has received in the cause of Christ show him to be his true servant.

## TO THE EPHESIANS.

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- I. PAUL, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, to the saints who are [in Ephesus], and believers in Christ
- 2 Jesus: Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 3 Blessed be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heav-
- 4 enly regions in Christ; according as he chose us in him, before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy
- 5 and blameless before him; having in love predestinated us for himself to be adopted as sons through Jesus Christ,
- 6 according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of the glory of his grace, which he freely bestowed on us
- 7 in the Beloved; in whom we have the redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to
- 8 the riches of his grace, which he made to abound toward us, in all wisdom and understanding; having made known
- 9 to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure
- 10 which he purposed in himself in reference to the dispensa-

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Chap. I. 1. The words "in Ephesus" are bracketed by Tischendorf as of doubtful genuineness, on the authority of the Vatican manuscript and some of the ancient fathers. They are also wanting in the recently discovered Sinai manuscript. Their omission accords with the theory of many scholars that this epistle was intended to be communicated to other churches in Asia Minor besides that at Ephesus, in particular to that at Laodicea (Col. iv. 16), and that accordingly in the original manuscript a gap was here left to be filled up.

tion of the fulness of the times, to gather for himself into one all things in Christ, the things which are in the heavens, 11 and the things on the earth; even in him, in whom we also obtained the inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the coun- 12 sel of his own will, that we should be to the praise of his glory, we who have before placed our hope in the Messiah; 13 in whom ye also, after having heard the word of truth, the glad tidings of your salvation, in whom, I say, having also believed, ye were sealed with the Holy Spirit that was 14 promised, which is a pledge of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of his glory.

15 For this cause I also, having heard of your faith in the 16 Lord Jesus, and of your love to all the saints, do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my 17 prayers; that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, would give to you the spirit of wisdom 18 and revelation in the full knowledge of him; the eyes of your mind being enlightened, that ye may know what is the hope belonging to his call of you, and what the riches of the glory of the inheritance which he hath given among 19 the saints, and what the exceeding greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his 20 mighty power, which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead; and seated him at his own 21 right hand in the heavenly regions, far above all rule, and authority, and power, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is 22 to come; and put all things in subjection under his feet, and gave him to be head over all things to the church,

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Chap. I. 14. — *the redemption of the purchased possession*; i.e. the complete and final redemption of the people of God by receiving a glorified, spiritual body, in the resurrection, at the expected coming of Christ. Comp. Rom. viii. 23.



23 which is his body, the fulness of him who filleth all with all ;  
 II. and you also [he raised up], who were dead through your  
 2 trespasses and sins, in which ye once walked according to  
 the course of this world, according to the prince of the  
 powers of the air, the spirit that is now working in the  
 3 sons of disobedience ; among whom even we all had our  
 way of life in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling  
 the desires of the flesh and of the thoughts, and were by  
 4 nature children of wrath, even as others ; but God, who  
 is rich in mercy, on account of his great love wherewith  
 5 he loved us, gave to us, even when dead through our tres-  
 passes, life with Christ, — by grace have ye been saved,  
 6 — and raised us up with him, and caused us to sit with  
 7 him in the heavenly regions in Christ Jesus, that he might  
 show in the ages to come the exceeding riches of his grace  
 in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

8 For by grace ye have been saved, through faith ; and  
 9 this is not of yourselves ; it is the gift of God ; not of  
 10 works, lest any one should boast. For we are his work-  
 manship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which  
 God before prepared that we should walk in them.

11 Wherefore remember, that in time past ye, the gentiles  
 in the flesh, who are called uncircumcised by those who  
 are called circumcised, having the circumcision of the flesh,  
 12 performed by hand, — that ye were at that time without  
 Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and  
 strangers to the covenants of the promise, having no hope,  
 13 and without God, in the world ; but now, in Christ Jesus,  
 ye, who formerly were afar off, have been brought nigh by  
 14 the blood of Christ. For it is he who is our peace, who  
 made both one, and broke down the middle wall of par-

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Ver. 23. — *all with all* ; i.e. all things with all things ; for example, the whole church with all its instrumentalities and gifts. See iv. 9, 10.

Chap. II. 2. — *the powers of the air* ; i.e. the hosts of evil spirits which dwell in the air. See Eph. vi. 12.

15 tion between us, that is, the enmity; having abolished  
 in his flesh the law of commandments contained in ordi-  
 nances; that he might create of the two one new man in  
 16 himself, thus making peace, and might reconcile both to  
 God in one body by the cross, having slain on it the en-  
 17 mity. And he came and brought the glad tidings of peace  
 to you who were afar off, and of peace to those that were  
 18 near; for through him we both have our access in one  
 19 Spirit to the Father. So then ye are no longer strangers  
 and foreigners, but are fellow-citizens with the saints, and  
 20 members of the household of God, and are built upon the  
 foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus him-  
 21 self being the chief corner-stone; in whom all the build-  
 ing, fitly framed together, is growing into a holy temple in  
 22 the Lord; in whom ye also are built together into a dwell-  
 ing-place of God in the Spirit.

III. For this cause [I bend my knees], I Paul, the prisoner  
 2 of Christ Jesus for you gentiles; if, indeed, ye heard of  
 the dispensation of the grace of God which was given  
 3 me toward you, that by revelation the mystery was made  
 4 known to me, as I wrote before in few words, whereby,  
 when ye read, ye may perceive my insight into the mys-  
 5 tery of Christ; which in other generations was not made  
 known to the sons of men, as it hath now been revealed  
 to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; that the  
 6 gentiles are fellow-heirs, and of the same body, and par-  
 takers with us of the promise in Christ Jesus through the  
 7 gospel; of which I became a minister according to the gift  
 of the grace of God, given to me according to the effect-  
 8 ual working of his power. To me, who am less than the  
 least of all saints, was this grace given, to make known  
 among the gentiles the glad tidings of the unsearchable  
 9 riches of Christ, to make all men see what is the dispen-  
 sation of the mystery, which hath been hidden for ages

10 in God, who created all things; to the intent that now  
 to the principalities and powers in the heavenly regions  
 might be known through the church the manifold wisdom  
 11 of God, according to his purpose for ages, which he ac-  
 12 complished in Christ Jesus our Lord; in whom we have  
 our boldness and our access in confidence, through faith  
 13 in him. Wherefore I entreat you not to be disheartened  
 by the troubles I am suffering for you, since they are your  
 glory.

<sup>14</sup><sub>15</sub> For this cause I bend my knees to the Father, from  
 whom every family in heaven and on earth receiveth its  
 16 name, that he would grant you, according to the riches of  
 his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in  
 17 the inner man; that Christ may dwell in your hearts by  
 faith, ye having been rooted and grounded in love, that  
 18 ye may be able to comprehend, with all the saints, what  
 19 is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height, and to  
 know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye  
 may be filled unto all the fulness of God.

20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly  
 above all that we ask or think, according to the power  
 21 that worketh in us, to him be the glory in the church  
 in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and  
 ever. Amen.

IV. I exhort you, therefore, I the prisoner in the Lord, to  
 walk worthily of the calling with which ye were called,  
 2 with all humility and meekness, with long-suffering;  
 3 bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep  
 4 the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is  
 one body, and one Spirit, even as ye were called in one  
 5 hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

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Chap. III. 15. — *every family*, &c. In the original there is an etymological meaning which cannot be expressed in English. I bend my knees to the *Pater*, *father*, from which every *patria*, *family*, literally, *fatherdom*, &c.

6 one God and Father of all, who is over all, and through  
 7 all, and in all. But to each one of us was given the grace  
 [which he hath] according to the measure of the gift of  
 8 Christ. Wherefore he saith: "When he ascended on high,  
 he led captive a train of captives, and gave gifts to men."\*  
 9 Now what is implied in his ascending, but that he also  
 10 descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who de-  
 scended is the same as he who ascended far above all the  
 11 heavens, that he might fill all things. And he gave some  
 to be apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists;  
 12 and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the  
 saints for the work of ministration, for the building up of  
 13 the body of Christ; till we all attain to the unity of the  
 faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a full-  
 grown man, to the measure of the stature of the fulness  
 14 of Christ; that we may no longer be children, tossed to and  
 fro and borne about by every wind of teaching, through  
 the dishonest tricks of men, and their cunning in the wily  
 15 arts of error; but cleaving to truth in love, may grow up  
 16 in all things unto him who is the head, even Christ; from  
 whom the whole body, well put together and compacted  
 by means of every supplying joint, is, according to the  
 working of each part in its proportion, building itself  
 up in love.

17 This therefore I say, and charge you in the Lord, that  
 ye no longer walk as the rest of the gentiles walk in the  
 18 vanity of their mind, having their understanding dark-  
 ened, being alienated from the life of God on account  
 of the ignorance that is in them, on account of the hard-  
 19 ness of their hearts; who, being past feeling, have given  
 themselves up to wantonness, to work all uncleanness in  
<sup>20</sup><sub>21</sub> greediness. But not so did ye learn Christ, if indeed ye

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Chap. IV. 16. — *every supplying joint*; i.e. every joint, whose office it is to supply aid and strength to the rest of the body.

\* Ps. lxxviii. 18.

heard him, and were taught in him, as the truth is in  
22 Jesus; that as to your former way of life ye should put  
off the old man, who perisheth according to the lusts of  
23 deceit, and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and that  
24 ye put on the new man, who was created according to God  
in righteousness and holiness of the truth.

25 Wherefore having put away falsehood, speak truth every  
one with his neighbor; for we are members one of an-  
other.

26 "Be angry, and sin not;"\* let not the sun go down  
27 upon your wrath; and do not give place to the Devil.

28 Let him that stealeth steal no more, but rather let him  
labor, working with his hands at that which is good, that  
he may have to give to him that is in need.

29 Let no foul language proceed out of your mouth, but  
whatever is good for edification, as the need may be,  
30 that it may benefit the hearers; and grieve not the  
Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye were sealed unto the  
31 day of redemption. Let all bitterness, and wrath, and  
anger, and clamor, and evil-speaking, be put away from  
32 you, with all malice; and be kind to one another, tender-  
hearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ  
V. forgave you. Be therefore imitators of God, as beloved  
2 children; and walk in love, as Christ also loved you, and  
gave himself for you an offering and a sacrifice to God,  
of a sweet odor.

3 But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness,  
let it not even be named among you, as becometh saints,  
4 neither obscenity, nor foolish talking, nor indecent jest-  
ing, which are not becoming; but rather giving of thanks.  
5 For of this ye are sure, since ye know that no whore-  
monger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is  
an idolater, hath an inheritance in the kingdom of Christ

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\* Ps. iv. 4.

6 and God. Let no one deceive you with vain words; for because of these things the wrath of God cometh upon the sons of disobedience.

7 Be not therefore partakers with them. For ye were once darkness, but now ye are light in the Lord. Walk 9 as children of light,—for the fruit of the light is in all 10 goodness, and righteousness, and truth,—proving what is 11 acceptable to the Lord; and have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather even reprove 12 them. For the things done in secret by them it is a 13 shame even to speak of. But all things, when reproved, are made manifest by the light; for whatever maketh 14 manifest is light. Wherefore he saith, “Awake, thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give thee light.”

15 See then that ye walk circumspectly; not as unwise 16 men, but as wise; buying up for yourselves opportunities, 17 because the days are evil. Wherefore be not unwise, but 18 understanding what the will of the Lord is. And be not drunk with wine, in which is dissoluteness, but be filled 19 with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs, singing and making melody 20 in your heart to the Lord; giving thanks always for all things to God, the Father, in the name of our Lord Jesus 21 Christ, submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of Christ.

22 Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands, as to 23 the Lord; for the husband is the head of the wife, even

Chap. V. 14. “Awake,” &c. This citation is not found in the Old Testament. Something resembling it is supposed to be found in Isa. lx. 1, and xxvi. 19. Possibly the reference may be to a part of an ancient hymn, in some writing now lost.

Ver. 16. — *buying up for yourselves opportunities*; i.e. the fit moment for doing a good action, like wary merchants, who constantly look out for advantages.

as Christ is the head of the church,— he, who is the  
 24 Saviour of the body. But as the church is subject to  
 Christ, so let wives be to their husbands in everything.

25 Husbands, love your wives, as Christ also loved the  
 26 church, and gave himself up for it, that he might sanctify  
 it, having cleansed it by the bath of the water in the word ;  
 27 that he himself might present to himself the church, glo-  
 rious, having no spot or wrinkle, or any such thing, but  
 28 that it should be holy and without blemish. In like man-  
 ner husbands ought to love their own wives as their own  
 29 bodies. He that loveth his own wife loveth himself; for  
 no one ever yet hated his own flesh, but nourisheth and  
 30 cherisheth it, even as Christ doth the church; for we are  
 members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.\*  
 31 “For this cause shall a man leave father and mother,  
 and shall cleave to his wife, and they two shall be one  
 32 flesh.”† This mystery is a great one; but I am speak-  
 33 ing of Christ and of the church. However, do ye also  
 severally love each one his own wife as himself; and let  
 the wife see that she reverence her husband.

VI. Children, obey your parents in the Lord; for this is  
 2 right. “Honor thy father and mother;” which is the first  
 3 commandment with a promise; “that it may be well with  
 thee, and thou mayst live long on the earth.”‡

4 And, ye fathers, stir not up the anger of your children,  
 but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the  
 Lord.

5 Bond-servants, obey your masters according to the flesh,  
 with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as  
 6 serving Christ; not with eye-service as men-pleasers, but  
 as bond-servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the  
 7 heart; doing service with good will, as to the Lord, and  
 8 not to men; knowing that whatever good each one shall

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\* See Gen. ii. 23. † Gen. ii. 24. ‡ Exod. xx. 12; Deut. v. 16.

have done, that shall he receive from the Lord, whether he be bondman or free.

9 And, ye masters, do the same things to them, forbearing threatening; knowing that both they and you have a Master in heaven, and that there is no respect of persons with him.

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his  
11 might. Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be  
12 able to stand against the wiles of the Devil; for our wrestling is not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the world-rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual hosts of evil in the heavenly  
13 regions. Wherefore take up the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having  
14 done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breast-plate of  
15 righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; taking up, in addition to  
16 all, the shield of faith, by which ye will be able to quench  
17 all the fiery darts of the Evil One; and receive the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the  
18 word of God; praying with all prayer and entreaty at all times in the Spirit; and watching to this end with all  
19 severance and entreaty for all the saints, and for me, that utterance may be given me in the opening of my mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel,  
20 in behalf of which I am an ambassador in chains; that I may proclaim it boldly, as I ought to speak.

21 But that ye also may know about me, how I am faring, Tychicus, the beloved brother and faithful servant in the  
22 Lord, will inform you of everything; whom I have sent

Chap. VI. 12. — *in the heavenly regions*; i.e. in the regions of the air.  
Comp. ii. 2.

Ver. 15. — *the gospel of peace*; being as it were a military sandal.



to you for this very purpose, that ye may know about us, and that he may comfort your hearts.

- 23 Peace be to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 24 Grace be with all those who love our Lord Jesus Christ with an incorruptible love.

## TO THE PHILIPPIANS.

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1. PAUL and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, to all the saints in Christ Jesus who are at Philippi, together with  
2 the bishops and deacons: Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

3 I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always  
4 in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer  
5 with joy on account of your fellowship in the cause of  
6 the gospel from the first day until now; being confident of this very thing, that he who began in you a good work,  
7 will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus; even as it is right for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel, all of you being sharers of the  
8 grace bestowed on me. For God is my witness how much I long for you all in the tender affection of Christ Jesus.  
9 And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and  
10 more in knowledge and in all discernment; so that ye may approve the things that are most excellent, in order that ye may be pure and without offence against the day  
11 of Christ, being filled with the fruit of righteousness which is through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

12 But I wish you to know, brethren, that things with me  
13 have resulted in the furtherance of the gospel; so that my bonds have become known in connection with Christ in the whole camp of the imperial guards, and to all the  
14 rest; and that the great part of the brethren, made con-

fidest in the Lord by my bonds, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.

15 Some indeed preach Christ even from envy and strife,  
17 and some also from good will. They who are of love, know-  
16 ing that I am set for the defence of the gospel; but they  
who are of a factious spirit preach Christ with no pure in-  
18 tent, thinking to stir up affliction to my bonds. What then?  
Notwithstanding, in every way, whether in pretence or in  
truth, Christ is preached; and therein do I rejoice, yea, and  
19 shall rejoice. For I know that this will turn out to my  
salvation through your prayer, and the supply of the Spirit  
20 of Jesus Christ, according to my earnest expectation and  
hope, that in nothing I shall be put to shame, but that with  
all boldness, as always, so also now, Christ will be mag-  
nified in my body, whether by life, or by death.

<sup>21</sup><sub>22</sub> For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. But if  
to live in the flesh, if this is to me the fruit of my labor,  
23 then what I should choose, I cannot say; but I am held  
in a strait by the two, having a desire to depart, and to be  
24 with Christ; for it is far better; but to abide in the flesh  
25 is more needful for your sake. And being persuaded of  
this, I know that I shall abide and continue with you all  
26 for your advancement and joy in your faith, that your  
glorying in me, in the cause of Christ Jesus, may be more  
abundant by my coming to you again.

27 Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the  
gospel of Christ, that whether I come and see you, or  
remain absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand  
fast in one spirit, with one soul striving together for the  
28 faith of the gospel, and in nothing terrified by your adver-  
saries; which is to them an evident token of perdition, but  
29 to you of salvation; and that from God; for to you it was

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Chap. I. 22. — *the fruit of my labor, &c.*; i.e. if it is to result in the appropriate fruit of my labor as an apostle.

given in behalf of Christ, not only to believe in him, but  
 30 in his behalf to suffer also; as ye have the same conflict  
 which ye saw in me, and now hear of in me.

II. If then there is any exhortation in Christ, if any en-  
 couragement from love, if any partaking of the Spirit, if  
 2 any tenderness and compassion, make my joy full, that ye  
 be of the same mind, having the same love, with union  
 3 of soul cherishing one mind; doing nothing in the spirit  
 of faction, or in the spirit of vain-glory, but in humility  
 4 esteeming others as better than yourselves; looking each  
 of you not to his own interest, but each to the interest  
 5 of others also. Yea, let this mind be in you which  
 6 was in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did  
 not regard it as a thing to be grasped at to be on an  
 7 equality with God, but made himself of no consideration,  
 8 taking the form of a servant, and becoming like men; and  
 in what appertained to him appearing as a man, he hum-  
 bled himself, and was obedient unto death, even the death  
 9 of the cross. Wherefore God also highly exalted him, and  
 10 gave him a name which is above every name; that in the  
 name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those who are  
 in heaven, and those on earth, and those under the earth,  
 11 and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is  
 Lord, to the glory of God, the Father.

12 So then, my beloved, as ye always obeyed, not as in my  
 presence only, but now much more in my absence, work  
 13 out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is  
 God who worketh in you both to will and to work for his  
 good pleasure.

<sup>14</sup><sub>12</sub> Do all things without murmurings and doubts; that ye  
 may be blameless and pure, children of God, without re-

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Chap. II. 8. — *in what appertained to him*; i.e. such as looks, dress, speech, behavior, mode of living, outward condition.

buke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation ;  
16 among whom ye shine as luminaries in the world, holding  
forth the word of life, that I may have whereof to boast  
against the day of Christ, that I did not run in vain, or  
labor in vain.

17 But if I am even poured out on the sacrifice and min-  
istration of your faith, I rejoyce, and rejoyce with you all.  
18 For the same reason, do ye also rejoyce, and rejoyce with  
19 me. But I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to  
you soon, that I also may be cheered when I know your  
20 state. For I have no one like-minded, who will have a  
21 true concern for your state ; for all of them are seeking  
22 their own things, not those of Christ Jesus. But ye know  
the proof of him, that, as a son serves a father, he served  
23 with me for the gospel. Him therefore I hope to send  
24 forthwith, as soon as I see how it will go with me ; but I  
trust in the Lord that I also myself shall come soon.

25 Yet I thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus,  
my brother, and companion in labor, and fellow-soldier, but  
26 your messenger, and minister to my wants ; for he was  
longing after you all, and was much troubled, because ye  
27 heard that he was sick. For indeed he was sick near to  
death ; but God had mercy on him ; and not on him only,  
but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow.  
28 I send him therefore the more speedily, that when ye  
see him ye may again rejoyce, and that I may be the less  
29 sorrowful. Receive him therefore in the Lord with all  
30 gladness, and hold such in honor ; because he was near  
to death on account of the work, hazarding his life to sup-  
ply what was wanting on your part in the ministration  
to me.

III. Finally, my brethren, rejoyce in the Lord ; to write the  
same things to you, to me is not burdensome, and for you  
it is safe.

2 Beware of the dogs, beware of the evil workmen, be-  
 3 ware of the concision. For we are the circumcision, who  
 worship by the Spirit of God, and glory in Christ Jesus,  
 4 and have no confidence in the flesh; though I myself  
 have reason for confidence even in the flesh. If any other  
 man thinketh that he hath reason for confidence in the  
 5 flesh, I more; circumcised the eighth day, of the race  
 of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of the He-  
 6 brews; as to the Law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, persecuting  
 the church; as to the righteousness which is in the Law,  
 7 blameless. But whatever things were gain to me, those  
 8 for the sake of Christ I have counted but loss. Nay  
 more, I count all things to be loss for the excellency of  
 the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I  
 have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as  
 9 refuse, that I may gain Christ, and be found in him,  
 not having my own righteousness, which is of the Law,  
 but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteous-  
 10 ness which is from God upon faith; that I may know  
 him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellow-  
 ship of his sufferings, while becoming like him in his  
 11 death, if by any means I may attain to the resurrection  
 from the dead.

12 Not that I have already obtained, or have been already  
 perfected; but I press on, if I may also lay hold of that  
 13 for which I was laid hold of by Christ. Brethren, I do  
 not reckon myself to have laid hold of it; but one thing

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Chap. III. 2. — *the dogs*; i.e. the impure or corrupt Judaizing teachers. — *evil workmen*; i.e. the false teachers. See 2 Cor. xi. 13. — *the concision*; i.e. manglers of the flesh, as the apostle calls Judaizing Christian teachers, who required circumcision, even when it had no moral or religious significance.

Ver. 4. — *reason for confidence, &c.*; i.e. If there can be any ground for confidence in the flesh, I have it more than others.

Ver. 10. — *becoming like him in his death*. See 1 Cor. xv. 31; 2 Cor. iv. 10, vi. 9, xi. 23.

I do, forgetting the things that are behind, and stretch-  
 14 ing forth to the things that are before, I press toward the  
 mark for the prize of the heavenly calling of God in  
 Christ Jesus.

15 Let us, therefore, as many as are perfect, be of this  
 mind; and if ye have a different mind in anything, even  
 16 this will God reveal to you. Nevertheless, whereto we  
 17 have reached, in that let us walk. Brethren, be ye fol-  
 lowers together of me, and mark those who walk as  
 18 ye have us for an example. For many walk, of whom  
 I told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that  
 19 they are the enemies of the cross of Christ; whose end  
 is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory  
 20 is in their shame, whose mind is on earthly things. For  
 the country of which we are citizens is heaven, whence  
 21 also we wait for a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, who  
 will transform the body of our humiliation so that it shall  
 be conformed to the body of his glory, according to the  
 working of the power with which he is able to subdue all  
 things to himself.

IV. Therefore, my brethren, beloved and longed for, my  
 joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord, beloved.

2 I exhort Euodia, and I exhort Syntyche, that they be  
 3 of the same mind in the Lord; yea, I entreat thee also,  
 true yoke-fellow, give them aid; since they labored with  
 me in the gospel, with Clement also, and the rest of my  
 fellow-laborers, whose names are in the book of life.

4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say it, rejoice.  
 5 Let your moderation be known to all men. The Lord is  
 6 at hand. Be anxious about nothing, but in everything by

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Ver. 21. — *body of our humiliation*; i.e. the receptacle and seat of our humiliating sufferings, frailties, and sinfulness. — *body of his glory*; i.e. in which his glory dwells and is manifested.

- prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests  
7 be made known to God; and the peace of God, which  
passeth all understanding, will keep your hearts and your  
minds in Christ Jesus.
- 8 Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever  
things are honorable, whatever things are right, whatever  
things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things  
are of good report, if there be any virtue, and if there be  
9 any praise, think on these things. The things which ye  
learned, and received, and heard, and saw in me, these do;  
and the God of peace will be with you.
- 10 But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly, that now at length  
ye have revived again in your care for my welfare; for  
11 which indeed ye cared before, but lacked opportunity. Not  
that I speak on account of want; for I have learned, in  
12 whatever state I am, therewith to be content. I know how  
to be abased, and I know also how to abound; in every  
thing and in all things I have been well taught, both to be  
full and to be hungry, both to abound and to be in want;  
13 I can do all things in him who strengtheneth me.
- 14 Notwithstanding, ye did well in sharing with me in my  
15 distress. And ye yourselves also know, Philippians, that  
in the beginning of the gospel, when I went forth from  
Macedonia, no church communicated with me in an ac-  
16 count of giving and receiving, but ye only; for even in  
17 Thessalonica ye sent once and again to my necessity. Not  
that I seek for such a gift, but I do seek for fruit that may  
18 abound to your account. But I have all, and abound; I  
am full, having received from Epaphroditus what was  
sent from you, a sweet odor, a sacrifice acceptable, well-  
19 pleasing to God. But my God will supply all your need

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Chap. IV. 15. — *in an account of, &c.*; i.e. on one side of the account was the temporal aid given by the Philippians to Paul, and on the other the spiritual aid received from Paul. See ver. 17.



- 20 according to his riches in glory, in Christ Jesus. Now to  
God, our Father, be glory for ever. Amen.
- 21 Salute every saint in Christ Jesus. The brethren who  
22 are with me salute you. All the saints salute you, but  
especially they who are of Cæsar's household.
- 23 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

## TO THE COLOSSIANS.

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I. PAUL, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,  
2 and Timothy the brother, to the saints and faithful brethren  
in Christ at Colossæ: Grace be to you, and peace,  
from God our Father.

3 We give thanks to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus  
4 Christ, praying always for you, since we heard of your  
faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love which ye have to  
5 all the saints, on account of the hope which is laid up  
for you in the heavens, of which ye heard before in the  
6 word of the truth of the gospel, which is come to you, as  
it is in all the world, and is bearing fruit and growing,  
as it doth also in you, from the day ye heard it, and knew  
7 the grace of God in truth; even as ye learned from Epaphras  
our beloved fellow-servant, who is a faithful minister  
8 of Christ on your behalf; who also brought to our knowl-  
9 edge your love in the Spirit. On this account we also,  
from the day we heard of it, cease not to pray for you,  
and to ask that ye may be filled with the knowledge of  
10 his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; that ye  
may walk worthily of the Lord so as to please him in all  
things, bearing fruit in every good work, and increasing in  
11 the knowledge of God; endued with all power according  
to the might of his glory unto all patience and long-suf-  
12 fering with joy; giving thanks to the Father, who ena-

bled us to share in the inheritance of the saints in the  
13 light; who rescued us from the empire of darkness, and  
14 transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son; in  
whom we have our redemption, the forgiveness of our  
15 sins;— who is the image of the invisible God, the first-  
16 born of the whole creation; for in him were created all  
things, those in the heavens, and those on the earth, the  
visible and the invisible, whether thrones, or dominions,  
or principalities, or powers, all things have been created  
17 through him and for him; and he is before all things,  
18 and in him all things subsist. And he is the head of  
the body, the church; since he is the beginning, the  
first-born from the dead, that he may be in all things  
19 pre-eminent; for God was pleased that in him all the  
20 fulness should dwell, and by him to reconcile all things  
to himself, having made peace through the blood of his  
cross, by him, I say, whether the things on earth, or those  
21 in the heavens. And you, that were once alienated, and  
enemies in your mind in wicked works, yet now hath  
22 he reconciled in the body of his flesh through his death,  
to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable in  
23 his sight; if ye indeed continue in the faith grounded  
and settled, and not moved away from the hope of the  
gospel, which ye heard, which hath been preached in  
the whole creation under heaven; of which I Paul be-  
came a minister.

24 Now I rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up  
instead that which is wanting of the afflictions of Christ  
in my flesh on behalf of his body, which is the church;  
25 of which I became a minister, according to the steward-  
ship which God entrusted to me, for you, to fulfil the  
26 word of God, the mystery which hath been hidden for  
ages and generations, but hath been now revealed to his  
27 saints; to whom it was the will of God to make known  
what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among

the gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory;  
28 whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every  
man in all wisdom, that we may present every man per-  
29 fect in Christ; to which end I also am laboring, striving  
earnestly through his working, which worketh within me  
mightily.

II. For I would have you know what a great struggle I  
have for you, and for those in Laodicea, and for as many  
2 as have not seen my face in the flesh; that their hearts  
may be encouraged, they being knit together in love,  
and that they may attain to all the riches of a full as-  
surance of the understanding, to the full knowledge of the  
3 mystery of God; in which are stored up all the treasures  
4 of wisdom and knowledge. And this I say, that no one  
5 may impose on you by specious discourses. For though  
I am absent in the flesh, yet in the spirit I am with  
you, rejoicing and beholding your order, and the steadfast-  
6 ness of your faith in Christ. As therefore ye have re-  
7 ceived Christ Jesus the Lord, walk in him, rooted and  
built up in him, and established in the faith, as ye have  
been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

8 Beware lest there be some one who shall make a prey of  
you through philosophy and vain deceit, according to the  
tradition of men, according to the rudiments of the world,  
9 and not according to Christ. For in him dwelleth all the  
10 fulness of the Godhead bodily, and ye are made full in him,  
11 who is the head of all principality and power; in whom  
also ye have been circumcised with a circumcision not  
performed by hand, in putting off the body of the flesh in  
12 the circumcision of Christ, having been buried with him  
in your baptism; in which also ye were raised to life  
with him through faith in the working of God, who raised



13 him from the dead; and to you also who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he given life together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses; blotting out the hand-writing in ordinances that was against us, which was opposed to us, he hath taken it out of the way, nailing it to the cross; and having disarmed principalities and powers, he made a public show of them, and led them captive in triumph in him.

16 Let no one then call you to account about food or drink, or a feast-day, or a new moon, or sabbaths; which are a shadow of the things to come, but the body is Christ's. Let no one defraud you of the prize, desiring to do it in humiliation and worshipping of the angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, puffed up without reason by the mind of his own flesh, and not holding fast the Head, from which the whole body, supported and compacted by means of the joints and ligaments, groweth with an increase wrought by God.

20 If ye died with Christ to the rudiments of the world, why, as though living in the world, do ye subject yourselves to ordinances, such as, Handle not, Taste not, Touch not, (which all are to perish with the using,) after the commandments and teachings of men; which things have indeed a show of wisdom in will-worship and humiliation and severity to the body, not in any honor for the satisfying of the flesh.

III. If then ye were raised together with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is sitting on the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on things on the earth. For ye died, and your life is hid-

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Ver. 15. — *in him*; i.e. Christ, with respect not only to his death on the cross, but to his resurrection and ascension, ver. 12. Comp. i. 20.

Ver. 23. — *not in any honor, &c.* Otherwise, *not in anything worthy of respect* (or, *anything of value*), — *tending [only] to satisfy the flesh.* — A.

4 den with Christ in God ; when Christ, our life, shall be  
manifested, then will ye also be manifested with him in  
glory.

5 Make dead therefore your members which are upon the  
earth, fornication, uncleanness, lust, evil desire, and covet-  
6 ousness, which is idolatry ; on account of which things  
7 cometh the wrath of God. In which things ye also once  
8 walked, when ye lived in them ; but now put ye away  
all these, anger, wrath, malice, evil-speaking, filthy lan-  
9 guage out of your mouth. Lie not one to another, see-  
10 ing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds, and  
have put on the new man, who is renewed unto knowl-  
11 edge after the image of him that created him ; where  
there is no Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircum-  
cision, Barbarian, Scythian, bondman, freeman ; but Christ  
is all, and in all.

12 Clothe yourselves, therefore, as the chosen of God, holy  
and beloved, with compassionate affections, kindness, lowli-  
13 ness of mind, meekness, long-suffering ; bearing with each  
other, and forgiving each other, if any one have a com-  
plaint against another ; even as Christ freely forgave you,  
14 do ye also freely forgive ; and over all these things put on  
15 the robe of love, which is the bond of perfectness ; and let  
the peace of Christ, to which ye were called in one body,  
rule in your hearts ; and be ye thankful.

16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly ; in all wis-  
dom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms,  
hymns, spiritual songs, in grace singing in your hearts to  
17 God ; and whatever ye do, in word or deed, do all in the  
name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God, the Father,  
through him.

18 Wives, submit yourselves to your husbands, as it is fit  
19 in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter  
against them.

20 Children, obey your parents in all things ; for this is

21 well-pleasing in the Lord. Fathers, provoke not your children, lest they be discouraged.

22 Bond-servants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh, not with eye-service, as men-pleasers, but in  
23 singleness of heart, fearing the Lord. Whatever ye do,  
24 do it from the heart, as to the Lord, and not to men, knowing that from the Lord ye will receive the recompense of  
25 the inheritance; serve Christ as your Lord. For he that doeth wrong, shall receive back the wrong which he hath done; and there is no respect of persons.

IV. Masters, deal out to your bond-servants justice and equity, knowing that ye also have a master in heaven.

2 Persevere in prayer, being watchful therein with thank-  
3 giving; praying at the same time for us also, that God may open to us a door for the word, to speak the mystery  
4 of Christ, for the sake of which I am also in bonds; that  
5 I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak. Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, buying up opportu-  
6 nities. Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every one.

7 Of all my affairs Tychicus will inform you, the beloved brother and faithful minister and fellow-servant in the  
8 Lord; whom I have sent to you for this very purpose, that he may know your condition, and comfort your  
9 hearts; together with Onesimus, the faithful and beloved brother, who is one of you. They will inform you of every thing here.

10 Aristarchus, my fellow-prisoner, saluteth you, and Mark, the cousin of Barnabas, concerning whom ye received di-  
11 rections (if he come to you, receive him), and Jesus, who is called Justus; who are of the circumcision; these only

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Chap. III. 25. — *receive back the wrong*; i.e. the fruit or consequence of it.

Chap. IV. 11. — *these only*; i.e. of the circumcision.

- are my fellow-workers for the kingdom of God, who have been an encouragement unto me.
- 12 Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ Jesus, saluteth you, always striving for you in his prayers, that ye may stand perfect and fully assured in all the will
- 13 of God. For I bear him witness, that he hath much labor for you, and those that are in Laodicea, and those in Hierapolis.
- 14 Luke, the beloved physician, and Demas, salute you.
- 15 Salute the brethren which are in Laodicea, and Nym-
- 16 phas, and the church in his house. And when the letter hath been read among you, cause that it be read also in the church of the Laodiceans, and that ye likewise
- 17 read the letter from Laodicea. And say to Archippus, Take heed to the ministry which thou hast received in the Lord, that thou fulfil it.
- 18 The salutation by the hand of me, Paul. Remember my bonds. Grace be with you.



## THE FIRST TO THE THESSALONIANS.

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1. PAUL, and Silvanus, and Timothy, to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace be to you, and peace.

2 We give thanks to God always for you all, making  
3 mention of you in our prayers, remembering without  
ceasing your work of faith, and labor of love, and perse-  
verance in the hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, before God  
4 our Father; since we know, brethren beloved of God,  
5 that he hath chosen you; because the gospel preached  
by us came not to you in word only, but also in power,  
and in the Holy Spirit, and in much assurance; as ye  
well know what sort of persons we became among you  
6 for your sake. And ye became imitators of us and of  
the Lord, having received the word in much affliction  
7 with joy from the Holy Spirit; so that ye became an  
example to all that believe in Macedonia and in Achaia.  
8 For from you the word of the Lord hath sounded forth  
not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place  
your faith toward God hath become known; so that we  
9 need not say anything [about you]. For they them-  
selves are reporting concerning us what kind of recep-  
tion we had among you, and how ye turned to God from  
10 idols, to serve the living and true God, and to wait for  
his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, even  
Jesus, who delivereth us from the coming wrath.

II. For ye yourselves know, brethren, that our coming  
2 among you hath not been in vain; but after we had  
suffered before and had been shamefully treated, as ye  
know, at Philippi, we were bold in our God to speak to  
3 you the gospel of God in much conflict. For our teach-  
ing is not from error, nor from impurity, nor in guile;  
4 but as we have been regarded by God as worthy to be  
intrusted with the gospel, so we speak, not as pleasing  
5 men, but God, who trieth our hearts. For neither at any  
time did we use flattering words, as ye know, nor a cloak  
6 of covetousness, God is witness; nor from men sought  
we glory, either from you, or from others; though we  
7 might have used authority as apostles of Christ. But  
we were gentle in the midst of you, even as a nurse cher-  
8 isheth her own children; so having a strong affection for  
you, we were willing to impart to you, not only the gospel  
of God, but also our own souls, because ye became dear  
9 to us. For ye remember, brethren, our labor and toil, how  
laboring night and day, that we might not be burdensome  
to any of you, we preached to you the gospel of God.  
10 Ye are witnesses, and so is God, how holily, and right-  
eously, and unblamably we conducted ourselves toward  
11 you that believe; as ye know how we exhorted, and  
encouraged, and charged every one of you, as a father  
12 doth his children, that ye should walk in a manner worthy  
of God, who is calling you to his own kingdom and glory.  
13 And for this cause we also thank God without ceasing,  
that, when ye received the word of God which ye heard  
from us, ye received it not as the word of men, but, as it is  
in truth, the word of God, which also is powerfully work-  
14 ing in you that believe. For ye, brethren, became imita-  
tors of the churches of God which are in Judæa in Christ  
Jesus; for ye also suffered the same things from your  
15 own countrymen, as they have from the Jews; who

both killed the Lord Jesus, and the prophets, and drove us out, and please not God, and set themselves against  
16 all men, hindering us from speaking to the gentiles that they may be saved,—to fill up their sins always! But the wrath is come upon them to the end.

17 But we, brethren, having been bereaved of you for a short time, separated in body, not in heart, used the greater endeavors with much earnestness to see your  
18 face. Wherefore we purposed to come to you, that is, 19 I Paul, once and again; but Satan hindered us. For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of glorying? Is it not even ye, in the presence of our Lord Jesus at his  
20 coming? For ye are our glory and joy.

III. Wherefore, when we could no longer forbear, we chose  
2 to be left at Athens alone, and sent Timothy, our brother and a fellow-laborer with God in the gospel of Christ, to  
3 establish you, and to encourage you in your faith, so that no one should be shaken by these afflictions; for yourselves  
4 know that to this we are appointed; for even when we were with you, we told you before that we are to suffer  
5 affliction, just as it came to pass, and ye know. For this cause, when I too could no longer forbear, I sent in order to know your faith, lest by some means the tempter might have tempted you, and our labor should prove in vain.

6 But when Timothy just now came to us from you, and brought us good tidings of your faith and love, and that ye have good remembrance of us always, desiring greatly  
7 to see us, as we also to see you; for this cause, brethren, we were comforted over you in all our distress and afflic-

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Chap. II. 16. — *the wrath*, &c. It is not necessary to understand this as meaning that the entire punishment or destruction of the Jewish nation had taken place, but only that the predicted wrath of God against that nation had begun, and that it would manifestly soon end in its destruction.

8 tion by your faith; for now we live, if ye stand fast in  
9 the Lord. For what thanks can we render to God for  
you, for all the joy wherewith we rejoice for\*your sakes  
10 before our God; night and day praying exceedingly that  
we may see your face, and may supply that which is lack-  
ing in your faith?

11 Now God himself, our Father, and our Lord Jesus di-  
12 rect our way to you; and the Lord make you to increase  
and abound in love toward one another and toward all,  
13 even as we do in love toward you; in order that he may  
establish your hearts unblamable in holiness before God,  
our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his  
holy ones.

IV. Furthermore then, brethren, we beseech you, and ex-  
hort you in the Lord Jesus, that, as ye received from us  
how ye ought to walk and to please God, even as ye are  
2 walking, ye would abound still more; for ye know what  
3 commands we gave you through the Lord Jesus. For  
this is the will of God, your sanctification, that ye should  
4 abstain from fornication; that every one of you should  
know how to procure for himself his own vessel in purity  
5 and honor, not in the passion of lust, even as the gentiles  
6 who know not God; that no one should go beyond and  
overreach his brother in the matter; because the Lord is  
the avenger in respect to all these things, as we also told  
7 you before and solemnly testified. For God did not call  
8 us to live in uncleanness, but in purity. He therefore  
that rejecteth, rejecteth not man, but God, who also gave  
to you his Holy Spirit.

9 But concerning brotherly love there is no need of writ-  
ing to you; for ye yourselves are taught of God to love  
10 one another; for indeed ye do it toward all the brethren  
who are in all Macedonia. But we exhort you, brethren,  
11 to abound in love still more; and to study to be quiet, and

to do your own business, and to work with your own  
12 hands, as we commanded you; that ye may walk be-  
comingly toward those without, and may have need of  
nothing.

13 But we would not have you ignorant, brethren, con-  
cerning those who are sleeping, that ye may not sorrow,  
14 as others do, who have no hope. For if we believe that  
Jesus died and rose again, then also will God, through Je-  
sus, bring again with him those who have fallen asleep.  
15 For this we say to you in the word of the Lord, that we  
who are living, we who are left till the coming of the  
Lord, shall not anticipate those who have fallen asleep.  
16 For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a  
loud summons, with the voice of an archangel, and with  
the trump of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first;  
17 then we who are living, we who are left, shall be caught  
up together with them in clouds, to meet the Lord in the  
18 air; and so shall we be ever with the Lord. So then  
comfort one another with these words.

V. But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, there  
2 is no need of writing to you; for ye yourselves know full  
well, that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in  
3 the night. When they are saying, Peace and safety; then  
doth sudden destruction come upon them, as travail upon  
a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that the day  
5 should overtake you as a thief; for ye all are sons of  
light, and sons of the day; we are not of the night, nor  
6 of darkness. Let us not sleep, then, as others, but let us  
7 watch and be sober. For they that sleep, sleep in the  
night; and they that are drunken, are drunken in the  
8 night; but let us, as we are of the day, be sober, putting  
on the breast-plate of faith and love, and as a helmet, the  
9 hope of salvation; for God did not appoint us to wrath,  
10 but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who

- died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should  
11 together live with him. Wherefore, encourage one another, and edify one another, as indeed ye are doing.
- 12 And we beseech you, brethren, to know those who labor among you, and preside over you in the Lord, and admonish you, and to esteem them very highly in love for their  
13 work's sake. Be at peace among yourselves.
- 14 Moreover we exhort you, brethren, admonish the unruly, comfort the feeble-minded, support the weak, be forbearing to all.
- 15 See that none render evil for evil to any one; but ever follow that which is good, both toward one another and toward all.
- 16, 17, 18 Be always joyful. Pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus in regard to you.
- 19, 20, 21 Quench not the Spirit; despise not prophesyings, but  
22 prove all things; hold fast that which is good; abstain from every form of evil.
- 23 And may the God of peace himself sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit, and soul, and body, be preserved whole, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 24 Faithful is he who calleth you, who also will do it.
- <sup>25</sup><sub>26</sub> Brethren, pray for us. Salute all the brethren with a  
27 holy kiss. I adjure you by the Lord, that this letter be read to all the holy brethren.
- 28 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

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Chap. V. 20. — *prophesyings*; i.e. utterings of inspired speakers, with no special reference to predictions.

## THE SECOND TO THE THESSALONIANS.

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I. PAUL, and Silvanus, and Timothy, to the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace be to you, and peace, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

3 We ought to thank God always for you, brethren, as is fit, because your faith increaseth exceedingly, and the love of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth; 4 so that we ourselves glory in you among the churches of God, for your constancy and faith in all your persecutions 5 and the afflictions which ye endure; an indication of the righteous judgment of God, by which ye will be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which ye are also suffering; 6 since it will be just with God to repay distress to them that 7 distress you, and to you the distressed rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be manifested from heaven, with the 8 angels of his might, in flaming fire, taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of 9 our Lord Jesus; who will be punished with everlasting destruction proceeding from the presence of the Lord and 10 from the glory of his power, when he shall come in that day to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all who believed; for our testimony to you was believed.

11 For which end we also pray always for you, that our God may count you worthy of your calling, and perfect [in you] all pleasure in goodness, and the work of faith, 12 with power; that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may

be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and of the Lord Jesus Christ.

- II. Now we beseech you, brethren, concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and our being assembled together unto him, that ye be not easily shaken in mind, nor troubled, either by spirit, or by word, or by letter as from us, as if the day of the Lord were close at hand.
- 3 Let no one deceive you in any manner; for [that day will not come] unless the apostasy shall have come first and the man of sin have been revealed, the son of per-
- 4 dition; he that opposeth and exalteth himself above every one that is called God, or worthy of worship, so that he sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself to be God.
- 5 Do ye not remember, that, when I was yet with you, I
- 6 told you these things? And now ye know what restraineth, in order that he may be revealed in his own time.
- 7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already working; only there is one who now restraineth, until he be taken out
- 8 of the way; and then will the lawless one be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will consume with the breath of his mouth, and destroy with the manifestation of his com-
- 9 ing; [he,] whose coming is after the working of Satan
- 10 with all power, and signs, and wonders of falsehood, and in all deceit of unrighteousness for those who are perishing; because they received not the love of the truth,
- 11 that they might be saved. And for this cause God sendeth them a working of delusion, that they may believe the
- 12 falsehood; that they may all be judged, who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.
- 13 But we are bound to give thanks always to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, that God chose you

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Chap. II. 7. — *only there is one*, &c. If this is not a strict rendering, it conveys the meaning of the apostle better than a verbal one.



from the beginning to salvation in sanctification of the  
 14 Spirit, and belief of the truth; whereunto he called you  
 by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord  
 15 Jesus Christ. So then, brethren, stand firm, and hold  
 fast the traditions which ye were taught by us, whether  
 16 by word, or by our letter. Now our Lord Jesus Christ  
 himself, and God, our Father, who loved us, and gave  
 us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace,  
 17 encourage your hearts, and establish you in every good  
 work and word.

III. Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the  
 2 Lord may run and be glorified, as with you, and that we  
 may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men; for  
 3 it is not all that have faith. But faithful is the Lord,  
 4 who will establish you, and guard you from evil. And  
 we have confidence in the Lord concerning you, that ye  
 both do and will do the things which we command you.  
 5 And the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God, and  
 to perseverance in the cause of Christ.

6 Now we charge you, brethren, in the name of the  
 Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from  
 every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the  
 7 tradition which they received of us. For ye yourselves  
 know how ye ought to imitate us; for we behaved not  
 8 ourselves disorderly among you, neither did we eat any  
 man's bread for nought, but were working with labor  
 and travail night and day, that we might not be burden-  
 9 some to any of you. Not because we have not authority,  
 but to make ourselves an example to you, that ye should  
 10 imitate us. For also when we were with you, this we  
 commanded you: If any one will not work, neither let

11 him eat. For we hear of some who walk among you  
12 disorderly, working not at all, but are busybodies. Now  
such we charge and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ, that  
with quietness they work, and eat their own bread.

<sup>13</sup>  
14 But ye, brethren, be not weary in well-doing. And if  
any one obey not our word by this epistle, mark that  
man; and keep no company with him, that he may be  
15 shamed; yet count him not as an enemy, but admonish  
him as a brother.

16 Now the Lord of peace himself give you peace always  
in every way; the Lord be with you all.

17 The salutation by the hand of me, Paul; which is the  
18 token in every letter; so I write. The grace of our Lord  
Jesus Christ be with you all.

## THE FIRST TO TIMOTHY.

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I. PAUL, an apostle of Christ Jesus, through the command  
2 of God, our Saviour, and Christ Jesus, our hope, to Timothy, my true child in the faith: Grace, mercy, peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

3 As I besought thee, when I set out for Macedonia, to remain still in Ephesus, that thou mightst charge certain  
4 persons not to teach other doctrine, nor to give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which occasion disputes rather than promote God's dispensation which is in faith, [so I do now.]

5 Now the end of the commandment is love, out of a  
6 pure heart and a good conscience and faith unfeigned; from  
7 which some swerving turned aside to vain babbling, desiring to be teachers of the Law, understanding neither what  
8 they say, nor whereof they affirm. But we know that the  
9 Law is good, if a man use it lawfully, knowing this, that the Law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and unruly, for the ungodly and sinful, for the unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of  
10 mothers, for man-slayers, for whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for men-stealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that  
11 is contrary to the sound teaching, according to the glori-

ous gospel of the blessed God which was committed to my trust.

12 And I thank him who gave me strength, Christ Jesus  
 our Lord, that he accounted me faithful, putting me  
 13 into the ministry, though formerly I was a blasphemer,  
 and a persecutor, and a doer of outrage; but I obtained  
 14 mercy, because I did it ignorantly, in unbelief; and the  
 grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant with faith  
 15 and love which is in Christ Jesus. True is the saying,  
 and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into  
 16 the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. But for  
 this cause I obtained mercy, that in me especially Christ  
 Jesus might show forth all his long-suffering, as an ex-  
 ample to those who should hereafter believe in him to  
 17 life everlasting. Now to the King eternal, the imperish-  
 able, invisible, only God, be honor and glory for ever  
 and ever. Amen.

18 This charge I commit to thee, my child Timothy, in  
 accordance with the directions of the prophets before  
 given to thee, that thou mayst in them war the good  
 19 warfare, having faith, and a good conscience, which some  
 thrusting away made shipwreck concerning the faith; of  
 20 whom is Hymenæus and Alexander, whom I delivered to  
 Satan, that they might be taught not to blaspheme.

II. I exhort then, first of all, that supplications, prayers,  
 intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men;  
 2 for kings, and all that are in authority; that we may lead  
 a quiet and tranquil life in all godliness and propriety.  
 3 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our  
 4 Saviour, whose will is that all men should be saved, and  
 5 come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one  
 God, and one mediator between God and men, the man

6 Christ Jesus, who gave himself a ransom for all; to which  
the testimony was to be borne in its own due times,  
7 whereunto I was appointed a herald and an apostle, (I  
speak the truth, I lie not,) a teacher of the gentiles in faith  
and truth.

8 I desire, then, that the men pray in every place, lifting  
9 up holy hands, without wrath and doubting. In like  
manner also, that women, in seemly attire, adorn them-  
selves with modesty and sobriety, not with braided hair,  
10 and gold, or pearls, or costly apparel; but, as becometh  
women professing godliness, with good works.

11 Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.  
12 But I suffer not the woman to teach, nor to have author-  
13 ity over the man, but to be in silence. For Adam was  
14 first formed, then Eve. And Adam was not deceived;  
but the woman being deceived fell into transgression.  
15 But she will be saved through child-bearing, if they  
continue in faith, and love, and holiness, with sobriety.

III. True is the saying: If a man desire the office of a  
2 bishop, he desireth a good work. A bishop then must  
be blameless, the husband of one wife, sober, discreet,  
3 orderly, hospitable, apt in teaching; not given to wine,  
not a striker, but forbearing, not quarrelsome, not a lover  
4 of money; presiding well over his own house, having his  
5 children in subjection with all propriety;—for if a man  
knoweth not how to preside over his own house, how shall  
6 he take care of the church of God?—not a new convert,  
lest being puffed up with pride he fall into the condemna-  
7 tion of the Devil; moreover he must also have a good re-  
port from them that are without, lest he fall into reproach  
and the snare of the Devil.

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Chap. II. 6. — *the testimony*, &c.; viz. by the apostles. 2 Tim. i. 8.

Chap. III. 1. — *bishop*; i.e. overseer of a church

8 Deacons in like manner must be grave, not double-  
 9 tongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of base  
 10 gain, holding the mystery of the faith in a pure con-  
 11 science. And let these also first be proved; then let  
 12 them serve as deacons, if they are without reproach. The  
 13 women in like manner must be grave, not slanderers,  
 14 sober, faithful in all things.

12 Let the deacons be the husbands of one wife, ruling  
 13 their children and their own houses well. For they that  
 14 have served well as deacons, gain for themselves a good  
 15 standing, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ  
 16 Jesus.

14 These things write I to thee, hoping to come to thee  
 15 shortly; but if I should tarry long, that thou mayst know  
 16 how thou oughtest to conduct thyself in the house of  
 17 God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar  
 18 and foundation of the truth. And confessedly great is  
 19 the mystery of godliness, in him who was manifested in  
 20 the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen by angels, preached  
 21 among the gentiles, believed on in the world, received  
 22 up in glory.

IV. Now the Spirit saith expressly, that in the latter times  
 2 some will depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing  
 3 spirits and teachings of demons, through the hypocrisy  
 4 of speakers of lies, who bear a brand on their own con-  
 5 science, forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain  
 6 from food which God created to be received with thanks-  
 7 giving, for those who believe and know the truth. For  
 8 every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused,  
 9 if it be received with thanksgiving; for it is sanctified  
 10 by the word of God and prayer.

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Ver. 11. *The women*; i.e. who are deaconesses.

Ver. 16. — *in him who*, &c. The words "in him" are not in the Greek, but seem to be implied in the context.

6 If thou lay these things before the brethren, thou  
 wilt be a good minister of Christ Jesus, nourished in the  
 words of the faith, and of the good teaching, with which  
 7 thou art well acquainted. But avoid the profane and  
 old wives' fables; and exercise thyself unto godliness.  
 8. For bodily exercise is profitable for little; but godli-  
 ness is profitable for all things, having promise of the  
 9 life that now is, and of that which is to come. True  
 10 is the saying, and worthy of all acceptance. For to this  
 end we both labor and suffer reproach, because we have  
 placed our hope in the living God, who is the Saviour  
 of all men, especially of believers.

<sup>11</sup><sub>12</sub> These things command and teach. Let no one despise  
 thy youth, but become an example to the believers, in  
 13 word, in behavior, in love, in faith, in purity. Till I  
 come, give attention to reading, to exhortation, to teach-  
 14 ing. Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given  
 thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of  
 15 the presbytery. Meditate on these things, give thyself  
 wholly to them; that thy progress may be manifest to  
 16 all. Give heed to thyself, and to thy teaching; continue  
 in them; for in doing this thou wilt save both thyself and  
 them that hear thee.

V. Do not sharply rebuke an aged man, but exhort him  
 2 as a father; the younger men, as brethren; the elder  
 women, as mothers; the younger, as sisters, with all  
 purity.

<sup>3</sup><sub>4</sub> Honor as widows those that are widows indeed. But if  
 any widow have children or grandchildren, let them learn  
 first to show piety to their own family, and to requite  
 5 their parents; for this is acceptable before God. Now

she that is a widow indeed, and left alone, hath set her hope on God, and continueth in supplications and prayers 6 night and day; but she that giveth herself up to pleasure 7 is dead while she liveth. These things also enjoin, that 8 they may be blameless. But if any one provideth not for his own, and especially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an unbeliever.

9 Let a widow be put on the list when not less than sixty 10 years old, having been the wife of one husband, well reported of for good works; if she have brought up children, if she have lodged strangers, if she have washed the saints' feet, if she have relieved the afflicted, if she 11 have diligently followed every good work. But younger widows refuse; for when they become wanton against 12 Christ, they desire to marry; falling into condemnation, 13 because they have cast off their first faith; and withal they learn to be idle, going about from house to house; and not only idle, but tattlers also, and busybodies, speak- 14 ing things which they ought not. I desire therefore that the younger widows marry, bear children, guide the house, give no occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully. 15 For some have already turned aside after Satan.

16 If any man or woman that is a believer have widows, let them relieve them, and let not the church be burdened, that it may relieve those that are widows indeed.

17 Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honor; especially they who labor in the word and in 18 teaching. For the Scripture saith, "Thou shalt not muzzle the ox while he is treading out the grain";\* and, "The laborer is worthy of his wages."

19 Against an elder receive not an accusation without two 20 or three witnesses. Those that sin rebuke before all, that the rest also may fear.

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\* Deut. xxv. 4.



21 I charge thee before God and Christ Jesus and the elect angels, that thou observe these things without pre-judging, doing nothing with partiality.

22 Lay hands hastily on no one, neither share in other  
23 men's sins. Keep thyself pure. No longer drink water only, but use a little wine for thy stomach's sake, and thy frequent infirmities.

24 Some men's sins are openly manifest, going before them  
25 to judgment; and some men they follow after. In like manner also the good works of some are openly manifest; and those that are otherwise cannot be hid.

VI. Let all who are under the yoke as bond-servants count their own masters worthy of all honor, that the name of  
2 God and his doctrine be not blasphemed. And they that have believing masters, let them not despise them because they are brethren; but rather do them service, because they who receive the benefit are faithful and beloved. These things teach and exhort.

3 If any one teacheth other doctrine, and assenteth not to sound words, the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to  
4 the doctrine which is according to godliness, he is puffed up with pride, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, from which cometh envy, strife,  
5 railings, evil surmisings, incessant disputings of men corrupted in their minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing  
6 that godliness is gain. But godliness with contentment is  
7 great gain. For we brought nothing into the world; and it  
8 is certain we can carry nothing out. If we have, then, food  
9 and raiment, we will be therewith content. But they who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in de-  
10 struction and perdition. For the love of money is a root

of all evils ; which some coveting have strayed away from the faith, and have pierced themselves through with many pangs.

11 But do thou, O man of God, flee these things ; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, 12 meekness. Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on everlasting life, to which thou wast called, and didst profess the good profession before many witnesses.

13 I charge thee before God, who giveth life to all things, and before Christ Jesus, who under Pontius Pilate testified the good profession, that thou keep the commandment without spot, without reproach, until the appearing 14 of our Lord Jesus Christ, which in his own times he shall show, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King 15 of kings, and Lord of lords, who only hath immortality, dwelling in light unapproachable, whom no man hath seen, or can see ; to whom be honor and power everlasting. Amen.

17 Charge those who are rich in this world that they be not high-minded, nor place their hope in uncertain riches, 18 but in God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy ; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, liberal in 19 imparting, willing to communicate, laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on the true life.

20 O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding the profane babblings, and oppositions of the 21 falsely-called knowledge ; which some professing, have erred concerning the faith. Grace be with thee.

## THE SECOND TO TIMOTHY.

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1. PAUL, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus, 2 to Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

3 I thank God, whom I serve from my forefathers with pure conscience, as without ceasing I have remembrance 4 of thee in my prayers night and day, longing to see thee, being mindful of thy tears, that I may be filled 5 with joy; when I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that it dwelleth in thee also.

6 For which cause I remind thee to stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the laying on of my hands; 7 for God gave us not the spirit of cowardice, but of power, and of love, and of admonition.

8 Be not then ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner; but endure hardship with me 9 for the gospel through the power of God, who saved us, and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and the grace which was given us in Christ Jesus before the

10 world began, but is now made manifest by the appearing  
of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death, and  
brought life and incorruption to light through the gospel,  
11 for which I was appointed a herald, and an apostle, and  
12 a teacher of the gentiles. For which cause I suffer also  
these things. But I am not ashamed; for I know whom I  
have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep  
that which he hath committed to me unto that day.

13 Hold the pattern of sound words, which thou heardest  
14 from me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus; the  
good trust committed to thee keep through the Holy  
Spirit which dwelleth in us.

15 Thou knowest this, that all those in Asia turned away  
16 from me, of whom are Phygelus and Hermogenes. The  
Lord give mercy to the house of Onesiphorus, because he  
often refreshed me, and was not ashamed of my chain;  
17 but on the contrary, when he arrived at Rome, he sought  
18 me out very diligently, and found me. The Lord grant  
to him that he may find mercy from the Lord in that  
day: and what services he rendered me at Ephesus, thou  
knowest very well.

II. Thou therefore, my child, be strong in the grace that  
2 is in Christ Jesus; and the things which thou didst hear  
from me before many witnesses, the same commit thou  
to faithful men, such as will be able to teach others also.  
3 Endure hardship with me as a good soldier of Christ  
Jesus.

4 No one serving as a soldier entangleth himself with the  
affairs of life, that he may please him who chose him to  
5 be a soldier. And if a man contendeth in the games, he  
6 is not crowned, unless he contendeth lawfully. The hus-  
bandman that laboreth must be the first partaker of the  
7 fruits. Understand what I say; for the Lord will give  
thee apprehension in all things.

8 Bear in mind Jesus Christ of the seed of David, as  
9 raised from the dead, according to my gospel; in which  
I suffer hardship even unto bonds as an evil-doer; but  
10 the word of God is not bound. For this cause I endure  
all things for the sake of the elect, that they may also ob-  
tain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus, with everlast-  
11 ing glory. True is the saying: for if we died with him,  
12 we shall also live with him; if we endure, we shall also  
reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us;  
13 if we are faithless, he remaineth faithful; for he cannot  
deny himself.

14 Of these things put them in remembrance, charging  
them before the Lord not to carry on a strife of words,  
to no useful purpose, but rather to the subverting of the  
15 hearers. Study to present thyself approved unto God,  
a workman not ashamed, rightly dividing the word of  
16 truth. But shun the profane babblings; for they will  
go on to a higher degree of ungodliness; and their word  
will eat as doth a canker; of whom is Hymenæus and  
18 Philetus, who have erred concerning the truth, saying  
that the resurrection hath already taken place, and over-  
throw the faith of some.

19 Nevertheless God's firm foundation standeth, having  
this seal, "The Lord knoweth them that are his;"\* and,  
"Let every one that nameth the name of the Lord de-  
20 part from iniquity."† But in a great house there are  
not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also wooden  
and earthen ones; and some for honor, and some for dis-  
21 honor. If then any one shall purge himself from these, he  
will be a vessel for honor, hallowed, useful for the house-  
holder, prepared for every good work.

22 But flee youthful lusts, and follow righteousness, faith,  
love, peace, with those who call on the Lord out of a pure

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\* Numb. xvi. 5.

† Comp. Numb. xvi. 26; Isa. lii. 11.

23 heart. But the foolish and ignorant questionings avoid,  
 24 knowing that they gender quarrels; and a servant of  
 the Lord must not quarrel, but be gentle to all, apt in  
 25 teaching, patient of wrong, in meekness admonishing those  
 that oppose themselves; if haply God may give them  
 26 repentance to attain the full knowledge of the truth, and  
 they may awake to their senses out of the snare of the  
 Devil, by whom they have been taken captive to do his  
 will.

III. But know this, that in the last days grievous times  
 2 will come. For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers  
 of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to pa-  
 3 rents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, impla-  
 cable, slanderers, incontinent, fierce, without love for what  
 4 is good, betrayers, headstrong, puffed up, lovers of pleas-  
 5 ure rather than lovers of God; having a form of godli-  
 ness, but denying the power thereof. And from these  
 6 turn away. For of these are they who creep into houses,  
 and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away by  
 7 divers lusts, ever learning, and never able to come to  
 8 the full knowledge of the truth. Now as Jannes and  
 Jambres withstood Moses, so also do these withstand the  
 truth; men corrupted in their minds, reprobate concern-  
 9 ing the faith. But they will proceed no further; for their  
 folly will be clearly manifest to all, as that of those men  
 was.

10 But thou art well acquainted with my teaching, man-  
 ner of life, purpose, faith, long-suffering, love, patience,  
 11 persecutions, sufferings; what things came upon me at  
 Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I

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Chap. II. 26. — *captive to do*, &c. Otherwise, *captive, to do*, &c. In the text, Satan's will is supposed to be meant. According to the other pointing, God's will.

endured, and out of them all the Lord delivered me.  
 12 Yea, and all that desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will  
 13 suffer persecution. But evil men and impostors will wax  
 14 worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. But do  
 thou continue in the things which thou didst learn and  
 wast assured of, knowing from what teachers thou didst  
 15 learn them, and that from a child thou hast known the  
 Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto  
 16 salvation, through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All  
 Scripture is inspired by God, and is profitable for teach-  
 ing, for reproof, for correction, for discipline in righteous-  
 17 ness; that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly  
 furnished unto every good work.

IV. I charge thee before God, and Christ Jesus, who is to  
 judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and  
 2 his kingdom; preach the word, be urgent in season, out of  
 season, confute, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and  
 3 teaching. For the time will come, when they will not  
 endure sound doctrine, but after their own desires will  
 they heap to themselves teachers; because they have  
 4 itching ears; and they will turn away their ears from  
 5 the truth, and turn aside to fables. But be thou watch-  
 ful in all things, endure hardship, do the work of an evan-  
 gelist, fully accomplish thy ministry.

6 For I am already about to be offered as a sacrifice, and  
 7 the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought the  
 good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the  
 8 faith; henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of  
 righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will  
 give to me at that day, and not to me only, but to all  
 those who have loved his appearing.

- <sup>9</sup><sub>10</sub> Use diligence to come to me shortly. For Demas forsook me, because he loved the present world, and went to Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia.
- 11 Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee; for he is useful to me for the ministry. But Tychicus I sent to Ephesus.
- 13 The cloak that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest bring with thee, and the books, especially the parchments.
- 14 Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil; the Lord will reward him according to his works; of whom do thou also beware; for he hath greatly withstood our words.
- 16 At my first defence no one came forward with me, but all forsook me. May it not be laid to their charge! But the Lord stood by me, and strengthened me, that the preaching might be fully accomplished by me, and that all the gentiles might hear; and I was delivered out of the lion's mouth. The Lord will deliver me from every evil deed, and preserve me unto his heavenly kingdom; to whom be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.
- 19 Salute Prisca and Aquila, and the household of Onesiphorus.
- 20 Erastus remained at Corinth, but Trophimus I left at Miletus sick. Use diligence to come before winter.
- Eubulus saluteth thee, and Pudens, and Linus, and Claudia, and all the brethren. The Lord be with thy spirit. Grace be with you.



## TO TITUS.

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1. PAUL, a servant of God, and an apostle of Christ Jesus,  
for the faith of God's elect, and the knowledge of the truth  
2 which is according to godliness, in hope of everlasting life,  
which God, who cannot lie, promised from the most an-  
3 cient times, but in his own seasons manifested his word  
through the preaching with which I was intrusted by the  
4 commandment of God our Saviour: to Titus, true child  
after the common faith: Grace and peace from God the  
Father and Christ Jesus our Saviour.

5 For this cause I left thee behind in Crete, that thou  
shouldst set in order the things that are wanting, and  
6 appoint elders in every city, as I directed thee; if any one  
is without reproach, the husband of one wife, having be-  
lieving children, that are not accused of dissoluteness, or  
7 unruly. For a bishop must be without reproach, as  
God's steward; not self-willed, not soon angry, not given  
8 to wine, not a striker, not greedy of base gain, but hos-  
pitable, a lover of what is good, discreet, just, holy, tem-  
9 perate, holding fast the sure word according to what he  
was taught, that he may be able by sound teaching both  
to exhort, and to refute the gainsayers.

10 For there are many unruly vain talkers and deceivers,  
11 especially they of the circumcision; whose mouths must  
be stopped, since they overturn whole houses, teaching  
things which they ought not, for the sake of base gain.  
12 One of themselves, even a prophet of their own, said:  
"The Cretans are always liars, evil beasts, slothful glut-  
13 tons." This testimony is true; for which cause rebuke

14 them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith, not giving heed to Jewish fables, and commandments of men  
15 who turn away from the truth. To the pure all things are pure; but to the defiled and unbelieving nothing is pure, but both their mind and conscience are defiled.  
16 They profess that they know God, but by their works they deny him, being abominable and disobedient, and for every good work reprobate.

II. But do thou speak the things which become sound  
2 teaching; that aged men be sober, grave, discreet, sound  
3 in faith, in love, in patience; that aged women likewise be in behavior as becometh holiness, not false accusers,  
4 not enslaved to much wine, teachers of what is good, that they may teach the young women to love their husbands,  
5 to love their children, to be discreet, chaste, workers at home, good, in-subjection to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

6 The younger men likewise exhort to be sober-minded;  
7 in all things showing thyself a pattern of good works, in  
8 teaching showing uncorruptness, gravity, sound speech that cannot be condemned; that he that is opposed to us may  
9 be put to shame, having no evil thing to say of us. Exhort bond-servants to be in subjection to their own masters, in all things to be well-pleasing to them, not contradicting,  
10 not purloining, but showing all good faith; that they may adorn the teaching of God our Saviour in all things.

11 For the grace of God, that bringeth salvation to all men, was manifested, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly,  
13 in the present world; looking for the blessed hope, and appearing of the glory of the great God and of our Saviour  
14 Jesus Christ; who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify to himself a people  
15 to be his own, zealous in good works. These things speak

and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no one despise thee.

III. Put them in mind to submit themselves to governments, to authorities, to obey magistrates, to be ready for every good work, to speak evil of no one, to be averse to strife, forbearing, showing all meekness to all men.

For we ourselves also were once foolish, disobedient, going astray, slaves to divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, hating one another. But when the kindness and love for men of God our Saviour appeared, not by works of righteousness which we did, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the bath of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Spirit, which he poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Saviour, that having been accepted as righteous by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of everlasting life. True is the saying; and these things I desire that thou affirm earnestly, that they who have believed in God may be careful to practise good works. These things are good and profitable to men; but avoid foolish questionings, and genealogies, and strifes, and contentions about the Law; for they are unprofitable and vain.

A man that stirs up divisions, after a first and second admonition, avoid; knowing that he that is such is utterly perverted, and sinneth, being self-condemned.

When I shall have sent Artemas to thee, or Tychicus, use diligence to come to me to Nicopolis; for there I have determined to pass the winter.

Zenas the lawyer and Apollos forward on their journey diligently, that nothing may be wanting to them. And let those also who belong to us learn to practise good works for the necessary wants that arise, that they may not be unfruitful.

All that are with me salute thee. Salute those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all.

## TO PHILEMON.

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1 PAUL, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy the  
brother, to Philemon our beloved friend and fellow-la-  
2 borer, and to the beloved Apphia, and to Archippus our  
3 fellow-soldier, and to the church in thy house: Grace be  
to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord  
Jesus Christ.

4 I thank my God at all times, making mention of thee  
5 in my prayers, hearing of thy love and faith, which thou  
hast toward the Lord Jesus and toward all the saints;  
6 that the fellowship of thy faith may become effectual in  
the knowledge of every good thing which is in us, for  
7 Christ Jesus. For we have great thankfulness and com-  
fort on account of thy love, because the hearts of the  
saints have been refreshed by thee, brother.

8 Wherefore, though I have much boldness in Christ to  
9 enjoin upon thee that which is befitting, yet for love's  
sake I beseech thee rather; being such a one as Paul  
10 an old man, and now also a prisoner of Christ Jesus, I  
beseech thee for my child, whom I begot in my bonds,  
11 Onesimus; who in time past was unprofitable to thee,  
12 but is now profitable to thee and to me; whom I have sent  
back; and do thou [receive] him, that is, my own flesh.

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Ver. 11. — *unprofitable*. There is an allusion here to the meaning of the name Onesimus, which signifies "profitable." — A.

13 Whom I would have retained with me, that in thy stead  
 14 he might minister to me in the bonds of the gospel; but  
 I chose to do nothing without thy consent, that thy benefit  
 15 may be not as from necessity, but willingly. For per-  
 haps he was separated from thee for a season to this  
 end, that thou shouldst receive him back as thine for  
 16 ever; no longer as a bond-servant, but above a bond-ser-  
 vant, a brother beloved, especially to me, but how much  
 17 more to thee, both in the flesh, and in the Lord! If  
 thou then regardest me as a partner, receive him as my-  
 18 self. And if he wronged thee in anything, or oweth thee,  
 19 put that to my account. I Paul have written it with my  
 own hand, I will repay it; not to say to thee, that to me  
 20 thou owest even thy own self besides. Yea, brother, let  
 me have joy of thee in the Lord; refresh my heart in  
 21 Christ. Having confidence in thy obedience I have writ-  
 ten to thee, knowing that thou wilt do even more than  
 I say.

22 And at the same time make ready a lodging for me;  
 for I hope that through your prayers I shall be granted  
 23 to you. Epaphras, my fellow-prisoner in Christ Jesus,  
 24 Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, Luke, my fellow-laborers, sa-  
 25 lute thee. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with  
 your spirit.

Ver. 13. — *in thy stead*; otherwise, according to the common meaning of the Greek preposition, *in thy behalf*. — A.

Ver. 15. — *was separated*; according to the more common use of the word, *separated himself, departed*; but the apostle has happily chosen an expression which may be understood as in the text, suiting his indirect reference to the Divine providence. — A.

Ver. 20. — *joy*; or, *profit*; perhaps another allusion to the name Onesimus. — A.

## TO THE HEBREWS.

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I. GOD, who at different times and in different ways  
2 spoke of old to the fathers by the prophets, hath at the  
end of these days spoken to us by his Son, whom he  
appointed heir of all things, by whom he also made the  
3 worlds, who being a brightness from his glory and an  
image of his being, and upholding all things by the word  
of his power, when he had by himself accomplished a  
cleansing of sins, sat down on the right hand of the  
4 Majesty on high; having become so much superior to  
the angels, as he hath inherited a more excellent name  
than they.

5 For to which of the angels did he ever say: "Thou  
art my Son, I this day have begotten thee?"\* and again:  
"I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a  
6 Son?" † And again, when he hath brought in the first-  
begotten into the world, he saith: "And let all the  
7 angels of God pay him homage." ‡ And of the angels he  
saith: "Who maketh his angels winds, and his ministers  
8 a flame of fire;" § but of the Son: "Thy throne, O God,  
is for ever and ever; and the sceptre of thy kingdom is  
9 a sceptre of righteousness. Thou lovedst righteousness,

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Chap. I. 3. — *a brightness from, &c.* Perhaps *rayed-forth likeness of his glory* expresses the writer's conception.

\* Ps. ii. 7. † 2 Sam. vii. 14. ‡ Ps. xcvi. 7. § Ps. civ. 4.

and hatedst iniquity; therefore God, thy God, anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows."\* And: "Thou, Lord, in the beginning didst found the earth, and the heavens are the works of thy hands. They will perish, but thou remainest; and they will all become old as doth a garment, and thou wilt fold them up as a vesture, and they will be changed; but thou art the same, and thy years will not fail."† But to which of the angels hath he ever said: "Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool?"‡ Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?

II. Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest haply we let them slip. For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation, which at the first was spoken through the Lord, and was confirmed to us through those who heard him, God also bearing them witness, both with signs and wonders, and divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to his will?

For not to angels did he put in subjection the world to come, of which we are speaking. But one in a certain place bore testimony, saying, "What is man, that thou art mindful of him, or the son of man, that thou carest for him? Thou madest him a little lower than the angels; thou crownedst him with glory and honor; thou didst put all things in subjection under his feet."§ For in that he put all things in subjection under him, he left nothing that is not put under him. But now we do not yet see all

Chap. II. 1. — *let them slip.* Otherwise, *slide away from them.* — A.

Ver. 7. — *a little lower,* &c. Otherwise, *for a short time lower,* &c.

\* Ps. xlv. 6, 7. † Ps. cii. 25-27. ‡ Ps. cx. 1. § Ps. viii. 4-6.

9 things put under him. But we see him who was made a little lower than the angels, Jesus, on account of the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor; that by the grace of God he might taste death for every one.

10 For it became him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the author of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one; for which cause he is not

12 ashamed to call them brethren; saying, "I will declare thy name to my brethren, in the midst of the congregation will I sing praise to thee."\* And again, "I will put my trust in him;" † and again, "Behold, I, and

14 the children which God gave me." ‡ Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself in like manner shared in the same, that through death he might bring to nought him who had the power

15 of death, that is, the Devil, and might deliver those who, through fear of death, were all their life-time subject to bondage.

16 For surely he doth not help angels, but he helpeth

17 the offspring of Abraham. Whence it was right for him to be in all respects made like to his brethren, that he might become a merciful and faithful high-priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of

18 the people. For in that he himself hath suffered, being tempted, he is able to help those who are tempted.

III. Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of a heavenly calling, consider the apostle and high-priest of our profession, Jesus; who was faithful to him that appointed 2 him, as also was Moses in all his house. For he hath

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Chap. III. 2-6. — *house*. The term here includes the idea of *household family*. The pronoun *his* refers to God. Comp. Numb. xii. 7. — A.

\* Ps. xxii. 22.

† 2 Sam. xxii. 3.

‡ Isa. viii. 18.



been counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inas-  
 4 much as greater than the house is he who built it. For  
 every house is builded by some one; but he who built  
 5 all things is God. And Moses indeed was faithful in  
 all his house as a servant, that he might testify of those  
 6 things which were to be spoken; but Christ as a son  
 over his house; whose house are we, if we hold fast the  
 confidence and joyousness of our hope.

7 Wherefore, as the Holy Spirit saith: "To-day, if ye  
 8 hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provo-  
 cation, in the day of the temptation in the wilderness,  
 9 where your fathers tempted me by proving me, and saw  
 10 my works forty years. Wherefore I was offended with  
 that generation, and said, They always err in their heart,  
 11 but they knew not my ways; so I swore in my wrath,  
 12 "They shall not enter into my rest."\* Take heed, breth-  
 . ren, lest there be in any one of you an evil heart of un-  
 13 belief, in departing from the living God. But exhort one  
 another daily, as long as it is called To-day, that none of  
 you may be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.  
 14 For we have become partakers of Christ, if we hold fast  
 15 our first confidence firm to the end. When it is said,  
 "To-day, if ye hear his voice, harden not your hearts,  
 16 as in the provocation," who then, when they had heard,  
 provoked? Was it not all who came out of Egypt by  
 17 means of Moses? And with whom was he offended forty  
 years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose car-  
 18 casses fell in the wilderness? And to whom did he swear  
 that they should not enter into his rest, except to those  
 19 who were disobedient? So then we see that they could  
 not enter in because of unbelief.

IV. Let us then fear, since a promise is still left us of

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Ver. 3, 4. — *built*; otherwise, *established*, or, *founded*. The term here  
 used includes the idea of organizing and ordering the household. — A.

\* Ps. xciv. 7-11.

entering into his rest, lest any one of you should appear to  
 2 fail of obtaining it. For to us were glad tidings addressed,  
 as well as to them; but the word which was heard did  
 not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who  
 3 heard it. For we who believed enter into the rest, as  
 he hath said: "So I swore in my wrath, they shall not  
 enter into my rest;"\* although the works were finished  
 4 from the foundation of the world. For he hath spoken  
 in a certain place of the seventh day thus: "And God  
 5 rested on the seventh day from all his works;" † and in  
 this place again: "They shall not enter into my rest."\*  
 6 Since then it still remaineth for some to enter into it, and  
 they to whom the glad tidings of it were first brought did  
 7 not enter in because of disobedience, he again appointeth  
 a certain day, "To-day" — saying in David so long a time  
 after, as hath before been said — To-day, if ye hear his  
 8 voice, harden not your hearts." ‡ For if Joshua had given  
 them rest, he would not after this be speaking of another  
 9 day. There remaineth therefore a sabbath-rest to the  
 10 people of God. For he that hath entered into his rest,  
 hath himself rested from his works, as God did from his  
 own.

11 Let us then strive to enter into that rest, that no one  
 12 may fall, as a like example of disobedience. For the word  
 of God is living, and powerful, and sharper than any two-  
 edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of  
 soul and spirit, both the joints and marrow, and is a dis-  
 13 cerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart; and there  
 is no creature that is not manifest in his sight; but all  
 things are naked and laid open to the eyes of him with  
 whom we have to do.

14 Since, then, we have a great high-priest, who hath

\* Ps. xciv. 11.

† Gen. ii. 2.

‡ Ps. xciv. 7, 8.

passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let  
 15 us hold fast our profession. For we have not a high-  
 priest who cannot be touched with the feeling of our in-  
 firmities, but one who hath in all points been tempted  
 16 as we are, without sin. Let us therefore come boldly to  
 the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find  
 grace to help in time of need.

V. For every high-priest, being taken from among men, is  
 appointed for men in things pertaining to God, that he  
 2 may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins; being able  
 to be forbearing toward the ignorant and the erring, since  
 3 he himself also is compassed with infirmity; and by reason  
 of this infirmity he must, as for the people, so also for  
 himself, offer sacrifice for sins.

4 And no one taketh this honor to himself, but when  
 5 called by God, as was Aaron. Thus Christ did not  
 glorify himself to be made high-priest, but he who said  
 to him, "Thou art my Son, I this day have begotten  
 6 thee;"\* as also he saith in another place, "Thou art a  
 7 priest for ever, after the order of Melchizedek."† Who  
 in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers  
 and supplications, with strong crying and tears, to him  
 that was able to save him from death, and was heard by  
 8 reason of his godly reverence, though a son yet learned  
 9 his obedience from what he suffered; and being perfected  
 became the author of everlasting salvation to all who obey  
 10 him, being addressed by God as high-priest after the order  
 of Melchizedek.

11 Of whom we have much to say, and hard to be ex-  
 12 plained, seeing ye have become dull of hearing. For  
 while on account of the length of time ye ought to  
 be teachers, ye again have need that some one should

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Chap. V. 7. — *was heard by reason of his godly reverence. Otherwise,  
 was heard [and delivered] from what he feared.*

\* Ps. ii. 7.

† Ps. cx. 4.

teach you the first elements of the oracles of God, and are become such as have need of milk, and not of solid food. For every one that feedeth on milk is unacquainted with the word of righteousness; for he is a babe; but solid food belongs to those who are of full age, who by use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

VI. Let us then, leaving the first principles of the doctrine of Christ, press on to perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, of the doctrine of baptisms, and of the laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of everlasting judgment. And this we will do, if God permit. For it is impossible that those who have once been enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and been made partakers of the Holy Spirit, and have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, and have fallen away, should again be renewed to repentance, since they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to open shame. For the earth which hath drunk in the rain that cometh often upon it, and beareth plants useful to those for whose sake it is tilled, receiveth blessing from God; but if it bear thorns and briers it is disapproved, and is near to being accursed; and its end is to be burned.

But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you, and things that are connected with salvation, though we do thus speak. For God is not unjust so as to forget your work, and the love which ye showed toward his name, in that ye ministered and are still ministering to the saints. But we earnestly desire that every one of you may show the same diligence with regard to the full assurance of your hope even to the end; that ye may not become slothful, but imitators of those who through faith and endurance inherit the promises. For when God made

a promise to Abraham, since he could swear by no greater,  
14 he swore by himself, saying, "Surely blessing I will bless  
15 thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee."\* And so,  
having endured with patience, he obtained the promised  
16 blessing. For men indeed swear by one who is greater,  
and the oath for confirmation is to them an end of all  
17 strife. Wherefore God, wishing more abundantly to show  
to the heirs of the promise the immutability of his pur-  
18 pose, confirmed it by an oath, that by two immutable  
things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we may  
have strong encouragement, who have fled for refuge to  
19 lay hold upon the hope set before us; which hope we  
have as an anchor of the soul, sure and steadfast, and  
20 which entereth within the veil; where as forerunner for  
us Jesus entered, having become a high-priest for ever,  
after the order of Melchizedek.

VII. For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the most  
high God, who met Abraham returning from the slaugh-  
2 ter of the kings, and blessed him, to whom also Abraham  
apportioned a tenth part of all, who by interpretation is  
first King of righteousness, and then also was King of  
3 Salem, which is, King of peace, without father, without  
mother, without record of descent, having neither begin-  
ning of days, nor end of life, but likened to the Son of  
4 God, remaineth a priest for ever. Consider now how  
great this man was, to whom even Abraham the patri-  
5 arch gave a tenth of the spoils. And those indeed  
of the sons of Levi who receive the office of the priest-  
hood have a command to take tithes of the people by  
the Law, that is, of their brethren, though they have  
6 come out of the loins of Abraham; but he whose descent  
is not reckoned from them took tithes of Abraham,  
7 and blessed him who had the promises. And beyond

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\* Gen. xxii. 17.

8 all contradiction the less is blessed by the greater. And here indeed men that die receive tithes; but there he 9 of whom it is testified that he liveth. And so to speak, Levi also, who receiveth tithes, paid tithes in Abraham; 10 for he was yet in the loins of his father when Melchizedek met him.

11 If indeed perfection had been by the Levitical priesthood, (for under it the people hath received the Law,) what further need was there that a different priest should arise after the order of Melchizedek, and not be called after the order of Aaron? For if the priesthood is changed, 13 there takes place of necessity a change of the law. For he of whom these things are spoken belonged to another tribe, of which no one hath given attendance at the altar; 14 for it is well-known that our Lord sprang out of Judah, in regard to which tribe Moses spoke nothing concerning priests.

15 And it is still more abundantly evident, if after the likeness of Melchizedek there ariseth a different priest, who hath been made, not according to the law of a fleshly commandment, but according to the power of an indissoluble 17 life. For it is testified of him, "Thou art a priest for ever, after the order of Melchizedek."\*

18 For on the one hand there takes place an annulling of the commandment which went before, on account of its 19 weakness and unprofitableness,—for the Law perfected nothing,—and on the other, the bringing in of a better 20 hope, by which we draw near to God. And inasmuch as it was not without an oath that he was made priest,— 21 for they indeed have been made priests without an oath; but he with an oath by him who said to him, "The Lord swore, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever,"\*

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Chap. VII. 8. — *here*; i.e. at present according to the Jewish law.

Ver. 16. — *fleshly*; i.e. relating to men who are flesh, and therefore mortal.

\* Ps. cx. 4.

22 — by so much hath Jesus become the surety of a better covenant.

23 And they indeed have been many priests, because they have been prevented from continuing by reason of death; 24 but he, because he abideth ever, hath an unchangeable 25 priesthood; wherefore he is able also to save to the utmost those who come to God through him, since he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

26 For such a high-priest also became us, holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the 27 heavens; who hath not necessity daily, as the high-priests, to offer up sacrifice first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; for this he did once for all, when 28 he offered up himself. For the Law maketh men high-priests, who have infirmity; but the word of the oath, which was after the Law, maketh the Son, who is perfected for ever.

VIII. Now the principal thing among those of which we are speaking is this: We have such a high-priest, who sat down on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty 2 in the heavens; a minister of the sanctuary, and of the 3 true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, not man. For every high-priest is appointed to offer gifts and sacrifices; whence it is necessary that this one also have something 4 which he may offer. For if, indeed, he were on earth, he would not be a priest, since there are those that offer the 5 gifts according to the Law; who serve the mere delineation and shadow of the heavenly things, as Moses was admonished by God when he was about to make the tabernacle; for, "See," saith he, "that thou make all things according to the pattern which was shown thee in the 6 mount."\* But now he hath obtained a more excellent

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\* Exod. xxv. 40.

ministry, in proportion as he is the mediator of a better covenant, which hath been established upon better promises.

7 For if that first covenant had been faultless, then a  
8 place would not have been sought for a second. For  
finding fault with them, he saith: "Behold, the days are  
coming, saith the Lord, when I will make with the house  
of Israel and with the house of Judah a new covenant;  
9 not according to the covenant which I made with their  
fathers, in the day when I took them by the hand, to  
bring them out of the land of Egypt; because they con-  
tinued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not,  
10 saith the Lord. For this is the covenant that I will  
make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the  
Lord: I will put my laws into their mind, and on their  
hearts will I write them; and I will be to them a God,  
11 and they shall be to me a people. And they shall not  
teach every one his fellow-citizen, and every one his  
brother, saying, Know the Lord; for all shall know me,  
12 from the least to the greatest. For I will be merciful  
to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniqui-  
13 ties I will remember no more."\* In that he saith, "a  
new covenant," he hath made the first old; but that which  
is becoming old, and worn out with age, is ready to van-  
ish away.

IX. The first covenant, then, had indeed ordinances of  
2 religious service, and a worldly sanctuary. For a taber-  
nacle was prepared, the first, wherein was the candlestick,  
and the table, and the show-bread; which is called the  
3 holy place: and after the second veil, the tabernacle  
4 which is called the holy of holies, which had the golden  
altar of incense, and the ark of the covenant overlaid on

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Chap IX. 2. — *the first*; i.e. the first or front part of the tabernacle,  
as represented in the O. T. \* Jer. xxxi. 31-34.



every side with gold, wherein was the golden pot containing the manna, and the rod of Aaron which budded, 5 and the tables of the covenant; and over it the cherubs of glory, overshadowing the mercy-seat; of which we cannot now speak particularly. Now these things being thus prepared, into the first tabernacle indeed the priests enter 6 at all times, performing the services; but into the second the high-priest alone once every year, not without blood, which he offereth for himself, and for the errors of the 7 people; the Holy Spirit clearly showing this, that the way into the sanctuary hath not yet been made manifest, while 8 the first tabernacle is yet standing: which is a figure for the present time, in accordance with which are offered both gifts and sacrifices, which have no power as to the conscience to perfect the worshipper, being only ordinances 9 pertaining to the flesh, which in addition to meats and drinks and divers washings are imposed until the time of reformation.

11 But Christ having appeared, as a high-priest of the good things to come, passing through the greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is, 12 not of this creation, entered once for all into the sanctuary, not with the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood, and obtained for us everlasting redemption. 13 For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the ashes of a heifer sprinkling those who have been defiled, sanctify 14 to the purifying of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who by his everlasting spirit offered himself without spot to God, purify your conscience from dead works, for the worship of the living God!

15 And for this cause he is the mediator of a new covenant, that, death having taken place for redemption from

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Ver. 8, 12. — *the sanctuary*; i.e. the real or archetypal holy of holies in heaven.

the transgressions under the first covenant, they who have been called may receive the everlasting inheritance which  
16 was promised. For where there is a testament there must of necessity be implied the death of the testator;  
17 for a testament is of force after men are dead, since it is  
18 of no force while the testator is living. Hence neither  
19 was the first covenant ratified without blood. For when  
Moses had spoken every precept according to the Law  
to all the people, he took the blood of the calves and  
of the goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop,  
and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people,  
20 saying, "This is the blood of the covenant which God  
21 enjoined in respect to you."\* The tabernacle also and  
all the vessels of the service he in like manner sprinkled  
22 with the blood. And almost all things are according to  
the Law purified with blood, and without shedding of  
23 blood there is no remission. It was necessary therefore  
that the copies of the things in the heavens should be  
purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves  
24 with sacrifices better than these. For Christ did not  
enter into a sanctuary made, with hands, which is only  
a copy of the true one, but into heaven itself, now to  
appear in the presence of God in our behalf.  
25 Nor yet to make an offering of himself many times,  
as the high-priest entereth into the holy place every year  
26 with blood of others; for then must he have suffered  
many times since the foundation of the world; but now  
once in the end of the world he hath appeared, to put  
27 away sin by means of his sacrifice. And as it is ap-  
pointed to men once to die, but after this the judgment;  
28 so also Christ having been once offered up to bear the

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Ver. 16. — *testament*; as the same Greek word denotes *covenant* and *testament*, the original cannot be adequately represented in English.

\* Exod. xxiv. 8.

sins of many, will appear the second time, without sin, for the salvation of those who are waiting for him.

X. For the Law but shadowing forth the good things to come, and not having the very image of the things, can never with the same sacrifices which they offer year by year continually make those who come with them perfect. 2 For in that case would they not have ceased to be offered, because the worshippers, having been once purified, would 3 have had no more consciousness of sins? But in these 4 sacrifices there is a remembrance of sins every year. For it is impossible that the blood of bulls and goats should 5 take away sins. Wherefore, when he cometh into the world, he saith: "Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest 6 not, but a body didst thou prepare for me; in whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hadst no pleas- 7 ure. Then said I, Lo, I have come—in the volume of the book it is written of me—to do thy will, O God."\* 8 Saying above, "Sacrifices and offerings, and whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices for sin thou wouldest not, and hadst no pleasure in them,"—such as are offered in conform- 9 ity to the Law,—then hath he said, "Lo, I have come to do thy will." He setteth aside the first, that he may es- 10 tablish the second. And in this will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ 11 once for all. And every priest indeed standeth performing daily service, and offering again and again the same 12 sacrifices, which can never take away sins; but he, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins, sat down for ever 13 on the right hand of God, thenceforth waiting until his 14 enemies be made his footstool. † For by one offering he 15 hath perfected for ever those who are sanctified. More- 16 over the Holy Spirit also is a witness to us of this. For after he had said, "This is the covenant that I will make

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\* Ps. xl. 6-8.

† See Ps. cx. 1.

with them after those days," the Lord saith, "I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them, and their sins and iniquities will I remember no more."\* But where there is remission of these, there is no longer offering for sin.

19 Having therefore, brethren, boldness for entrance into  
20 the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, a new and living way, which he consecrated for us, through the veil, that  
21 is, his flesh, and having a great priest over the house of  
22 God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having had our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience; and having had our bodies washed with pure  
23 water, let us hold fast the profession of our hope without  
24 wavering, for he is faithful who promised; and let us consider one another, to excite to love and to good  
25 works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the custom of some is, but exhorting one another; and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

26 For if we sin willingly after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remaineth a sacrifice for  
27 sins; but a certain fearful looking for judgment, and an indignation by fire, which will devour the adversaries. He  
28 that hath set at nought the law of Moses dieth without mercy under two or three witnesses; of how much heavier  
29 punishment, think ye, will he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite to the Spirit of grace?  
30 For we know him who said, "Vengeance belongeth to me,

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Chap. X. 25. — *the assembling of ourselves together*; otherwise, *our own assembly, or, congregation*. In the original "our own" is emphatic, referring to the Christian assemblies for religious worship in distinction from others, as the Jewish synagogues. — A.

\* Jer. xxxi. 33, 34.

I will recompense, saith the Lord;”\* and again, “The  
 31 Lord will judge his people.”† It is a fearful thing to fall  
 into the hands of the living God.

32 But call to remembrance the former days, in which, after  
 ye were enlightened, ye endured a great struggle with suf-  
 33 ferings; partly, while ye were made a gazing-stock both  
 by reproaches and afflictions; and partly, while ye became  
 34 partakers with those that were so used. For ye sympa-  
 thized with those in bonds, and ye took joyfully the plun-  
 dering of your goods, knowing that ye have for yourselves  
 35 a better and an enduring substance. Cast not away there-  
 fore your confidence, which hath great recompense of re-  
 36 ward. For ye have need of endurance; that, after ye have  
 done the will of God, ye may receive what is promised.  
 37 For yet a very little while, and “he that is to come will  
 38 come, and will not tarry. Now my righteous man shall  
 live by faith; but if he draw back, my soul hath no pleas-  
 39 ure in him.”‡ But we are not of those who draw back,  
 unto perdition; but of those who believe, to the saving of  
 the soul.

XI. Now faith is assurance of things hoped for, a conviction  
 2 of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good  
 report.

3 Through faith we perceive that the worlds were framed  
 by the word of God, so that that which is seen hath not  
 been made out of things which appear.

4 By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacri-  
 fice than Cain, through which he received testimony that  
 he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and by it  
 though dead he yet speaketh.

5 By faith Enoch was translated, that he should not see

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\* Deut. xxxii. 35.

† Deut. xxxii. 36; Ps. cxxxv. 14.

‡ Hab. ii. 3, 4.

death; and he was not found, because God translated him; for before his translation he had the testimony that he pleased God. But without faith it is impossible to please him; for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of those who diligently seek him.

7 By faith Noah, being warned by God of things not yet seen, moved with fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his house; by which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith.

8 By faith Abraham, when called, obeyed to go forth to a place which he was afterward to receive for an inheritance, and went forth, not knowing whither he was going.

9 By faith he sojourned in the land of the promise, as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise; for he was looking for the city which hath foundations, whose maker and builder is God.

11 Through faith Sarah herself also received power to conceive, even when she was past age, because she accounted him faithful who had promised. Wherefore there sprang even from one, and him become as dead, a race like the stars of heaven in multitude, and like the sand by the seashore which cannot be numbered.

13 These all died in faith, not having received the promised blessings, but having seen them from afar, and greeted them, and having professed that they were strangers and sojourners on the earth. For they who say such things show plainly that they are seeking a country. And if indeed they had been mindful of that from which they came out, they would have had opportunity to return; but now they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly.

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Chap. XI. 10. — *maker and builder*; a little more strictly, *craftsman and master-builder*.

Wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God ; for he prepared for them a city.

- 17 By faith Abraham, when tried, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was offering up his only-  
18 begotten son, he to whom it was said, " From Isaac shall  
19 thine offspring be reckoned ;"\* accounting that God is able even to raise from the dead ; whence also he did figuratively receive him back.
- 20 By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau even concerning things to come.
- 21 By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph ; and worshipped, leaning upon the top of his staff.
- 22 By faith Joseph, when dying, made mention of the departure of the sons of Israel, and gave directions concerning his bones.
- 23 By faith Moses, when born, was hidden three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was fair, and they feared not the king's commandment.
- 24 By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to  
25 be called son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the  
26 pleasures of sin for a season ; esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt ; for he  
27 looked to the recompense of reward. By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king ; for he endured,  
28 as seeing him who is invisible. Through faith he kept the passover, and the sprinkling of the blood, that he who  
29 destroyed the first-born might not touch them. By faith they passed through the Red Sea as through dry land which the Egyptians attempted and were swallowed up.
- 30 By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they had been encompassed for seven days.

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\* Gen. xxi. 12.

31 By faith Rahab the harlot did not perish with those who disobeyed, after having received the spies with peace.

32 And what shall I say more? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon, of Barak, and Samson, and Jephthah, 33 of David and Samuel, and the prophets; who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promised blessings, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became mighty in war, put to flight 35 the armies of the aliens. Women received back their dead by a resurrection; but others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection; 36 and others had trial of mockings and scourgings, and also 37 of bonds and imprisonment; they were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword; they went about in sheep-skins and goat-skins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented, of whom the world was not worthy; they wandered in deserts and mountains, and caves and the clefts of the earth.

39 And these all, having obtained a good report through 40 faith, received not the promised blessing, God having provided for us some better thing, that they might not be made perfect without us.

XII. Therefore let us also, being surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth easily beset us, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us; looking to the author and perfecter of the faith, Jesus, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and hath sat down at the right hand of the throne 3 of God. For consider him that endured such contradiction by sinners against him, lest ye faint in your souls, and become weary.

4 Not yet have ye resisted unto blood, in your contest



5 against sin ; and ye have forgotten the exhortation, which  
 reasoneth with you as with sons: "My son, despise not the  
 chastening of the Lord, nor faint when reproved by him ;  
 6 for whom the Lord loveth, he chasteneth ; and scourgeth  
 7 every son whom he receiveth."\* It is for chastening that  
 ye endure ; God dealeth with you as with sons ; for what  
 8 son is he, whom the father chasteneth not ? But if ye are  
 without chastening, of which all have been made partak-  
 9 ers, then are ye bastards and not sons. Furthermore, we  
 were chastened by the fathers of our flesh, and we gave  
 them reverence ; shall we not much rather be in subjec-  
 10 tion to the Father of spirits, and live ? For they indeed  
 for a few days chastened us, according as it seemed good  
 to them ; but he for our profit, that we might be partak-  
 11 ers of his holiness. Now all chastening for the present  
 indeed seemeth to be not joyous, but grievous ; but after-  
 ward it yieldeth the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those  
 who have been exercised thereby.

12 Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the  
 13 feeble knees ; and make straight paths for your feet, that  
 the lame may not be turned out of the way, but may  
 14 rather be healed. Follow peace with all men, and holi-  
 15 ness, without which no one will see the Lord ; looking  
 diligently, lest any one come short of the grace of God ;  
 lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and  
 16 the many be thereby defiled ; lest there be any fornicator,  
 or profane person as Esau, who for one meal sold even his  
 17 birthright. For ye know that when he afterward wished

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Chap. XII. 7. *It is for chastening that ye endure* ; otherwise, imperatively, *Endure for chastening*. Dr. Noyes had overlooked this reading of Tischendorf, and it is uncertain which construction he would have preferred. The words translated "chasten" and "chastening" are derived from one which signifies "child," and have particular reference to the training and discipline suitable for children. — A.

\* Prov. iii. 11, 12.

to inherit the blessing, he was rejected; for he found no place for repentance, though he sought it earnestly with tears.

18 For ye have not come to a mount that can be touched,  
and burning with fire, and to blackness, and darkness, and  
19 tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and the voice of words,  
which voice they who heard, entreated that no more should  
20 be spoken to them; for they could not bear that which  
was commanded, "If even a beast touch the mountain, it  
21 shall be stoned;"\* and, so terrible was the sight, Moses  
22 said: "I exceedingly fear and tremble;" but ye have  
come to Mount Zion, and to the city of the living God,  
23 the heavenly Jerusalem; and to myriads, the general as-  
sembly of angels; and to the church of the first-born,  
who are enrolled in heaven; and to God the Judge of  
24 all, and to the spirits of righteous men made perfect; and  
to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant; and to a sprink-  
ling with that blood which speaketh something better than  
Abel.

25 See that ye refuse not him who speaketh. For if they  
did not escape, who refused him who spoke his will on  
earth, much more shall not we, if we turn away from  
26 him who speaketh from heaven; whose voice then shook  
the earth; but now he hath promised, saying, "Yet once  
more will I shake, not the earth only, but also the hea-  
27 ven."† And this expression, "Yet once more," signifieth  
the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things  
that have been made, in order that those things which are

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Ver. 17. — *he found no place for repentance*; i.e. he could not by re-  
pentance get back from his father the blessing of the first-born, which he  
had forfeited. Less agreeably to usage, *he found no place for a change of*  
*mind* in his father Isaac.

Ver. 18. — *can be touched*; i.e. a tangible, or material, in contradistin-  
tion from a spiritual mountain.

\* Exod. xix. 13.

† Haggai ii. 6.

28 not shaken may abide. Wherefore receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably, with reverence and godly fear.  
29 For our God is a consuming fire.\*

XIII. Let brotherly love continue. Be not forgetful to entertain strangers; for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.

3 Remember those in bonds, as bound with them; those in distress, as being yourselves also in the body.

4 Let marriage be honored in all respects, and the bed be undefiled; but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge. Let your disposition be without covetousness, and be content with what ye have; for he hath said, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee;" † so that we boldly say, "The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear; what shall man do to me?" ‡ Remember your leaders, who spoke to you the word of God; and considering well the end of their manner of life, imitate their faith.

8 Jesus Christ is yesterday and to-day the same, and for ever. Be not carried aside with various and strange teachings; for it is good that the heart be established with grace, not with meats, in which those who walked were not profited.

10 We have an altar, of which they cannot eat who serve the tabernacle. For the bodies of those beasts whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high-priest are burned without the camp. § Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people by his own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us then go forth to him without the camp, bearing his reproach; for here we have

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Chap. XIII. 4. — *in all respects, &c.* Or, *among all.*

Ver. 9. — *in which*; i.e. in the observance of rules respecting meats.

\* Deut. iv. 24. † See Deut. xxxi. 6, 8; Josh. i 5. ‡ Ps. cxviii. 6.

§ See Lev. xvi. 27.

- no abiding city, but are seeking that which is to come.
- 15 Through him therefore let us offer up a sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of lips giving thanks to his name. But works of kindness and liberality forget not; for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.
- 17 Obey your leaders, and submit yourselves to them; for they keep watch in behalf of your souls, as those who must give an account; that they may do this with joy, and not with grief; for this is not for your advantage.
- 18 Pray for us; for we are persuaded that we have a good conscience, desiring in all things to conduct ourselves well; but I the more earnestly entreat you to do this, that I may be restored to you the sooner.
- 20 Now may the God of peace, who brought up from the dead the great Shepherd of the sheep through the blood of an everlasting covenant, even our Lord Jesus, make you perfect in every good work, to do his will, doing in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be the glory for ever. Amen.
- 22 But I beseech you, brethren, bear with the word of my exhortation; for I have written to you in few words.
- 23 Know that the brother Timothy hath been set at liberty, with whom, if he come shortly, I will see you.
- 24 Salute all your leaders, and all the saints. Those from 25 Italy salute you. Grace be with you all. Amen.

## THE GENERAL EPISTLES.

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### THE EPISTLE OF JAMES.

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1. JAMES, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting. •

2 Count it all joy, my brethren, when ye fall into various  
3 temptations; knowing that the trying of your faith work-  
4 eth endurance. But let endurance have a perfect work,  
that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting in nothing.

5 But if any one of you is wanting in wisdom, let him  
ask of God, who giveth to all liberally, and upbraideth  
6 not; and it will be given him. But let him ask in faith,  
nothing doubting; for he that doubteth is like a wave  
7 of the sea driven by the wind and tossed. For let not  
that man think that he shall receive anything from the  
8 Lord, a double-minded man as he is, unstable in all his  
ways.

9 Let the brother of low degree glory in that he is  
10 exalted; but the rich, in that he is made low; because  
11 as the flower of the grass he will pass away. For the  
sun rose with its burning heat, and withered the grass,  
and its flower fell off, and the beauty of its appearance

perished; so also will the rich man fade away in his ways.  
12 Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for when he is approved, he will receive the crown of life, which He promised to them that love him.

13 Let no one when he is tempted, say, I am tempted by God; for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he  
14 tempteth no one. But each one is tempted when by his  
15 own lust he is led away and enticed; then lust, having conceived, bringeth forth sin, and sin, when completed, bringeth forth death.

<sup>16</sup><sub>17</sub> Do not err, my beloved brethren. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the lights, with whom is no change, nor shadow  
18 from turning. Of his own will he begot us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first-fruits of his creatures.

19 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be  
20 swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath. For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God.  
21 Wherefore put off all filthiness, and excess of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

22 But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, de-  
23 ceiving yourselves. For if any one is a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like a man beholding his  
24 natural face in a glass; for he beholds himself, and goes away, and immediately forgets what manner of man he  
25 was. But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty, and remains there, being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man will be blessed in his deed.  
26 If any one thinks that he is religious, and bridles not his tongue, but deceives his own heart, this man's religion

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Ver. 25. — *remains there*; i.e. looking into it, instead of going away like the other.

27 is vain. Pure religion and undefiled before God, the Father, is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep one's self unspotted from the world.

II. My brethren, hold not the faith of our Lord of glory, 2 Jesus Christ, with respect of persons. For if there come into your assembly a man with a gold ring, in splendid apparel, and there come in also a poor man in vile raiment, 3 and ye have respect to him that weareth the splendid apparel, and say, Sit thou here in a good place, and say to the poor man, Stand thou there, or, Sit under my foot- 4 stool, have ye not been partial among yourselves, and 5 become judges with evil thoughts? Hearken, my beloved brethren. Did not God choose the poor as to the world to be rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he prom- 6 ised to them that love him? but ye have despised the poor man. Do not the rich oppress you, and do not they drag 7 you before the judgment-seats? Do not they blaspheme 8 the worthy name by which ye are called? If indeed ye fulfil the royal law, according to the scripture, "Thou 9 shalt love thy neighbor as thyself,"\* ye do well. But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are con- 10 victed by the law as transgressors. For whoever hath kept the whole law, and yet hath offended in one point, 11 hath become guilty of all. For he who said, "Do not commit adultery," said also, "Do not kill."† Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou hast become 12 a transgressor of the law. So speak, and so do, as they 13 that shall be judged by the law of liberty. For the judgment shall be without mercy to him that showed no mercy. Mercy glorieth against judgment.

14 What doth it profit, my brethren, if any one say that he hath faith, and have not works? Can his faith save

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\* Lev. xix. 18.

† Exod. xx. 13, 14.

15 him? If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of  
 16 daily food, and one of you say to them, Depart in peace,  
 be warmed and be filled, notwithstanding ye give them  
 not the things needful for the body, what doth it profit?  
 17 So also faith, if it hath not works, is dead in itself. But  
 18 some one will say, Thou hast faith, and I have works;  
 show me thy faith without works, and I will show thee  
 19 my faith by my works. Thou believest that God is one;  
 20 thou doest well; the demons also believe, and tremble. But  
 wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is  
 idle?

21 Was not Abraham our father accepted as righteous  
 through works, when he offered Isaac his son upon the  
 22 altar? Thou seest that faith wrought with his works,  
 23 and by works was faith made perfect. And the scripture  
 was fulfilled, which saith, "Abraham believed God, and  
 it was reckoned to him for righteousness;"\* and he was  
 24 called the friend of God. Ye see that by works a man  
 25 is accounted as righteous, and not by faith only. And  
 in like manner was not also Rahab the harlot accounted  
 as righteous through works, when she received the mes-  
 26 sengers, and sent them out another way? For as the  
 body without the spirit is dead, so also faith without works  
 is dead.

III. My brethren, be not many teachers, knowing that we  
 2 shall receive the greater condemnation. For in many  
 things we all offend. If any one offend not in speech,  
 the same is a perfect man, able to bridle the whole body  
 3 also. For when we put the bits into the horses' mouths,  
 that they may obey us, we turn about also their whole  
 4 body. Behold also the ships, which, though they are so  
 great, and driven by fierce winds, are yet turned about with

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\* Gen. xv. 6.



a very small rudder, whithersoever the steersman chooseth.  
5 So also the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a forest a little fire kindleth!  
6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity! The tongue among our members is that which defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the wheel of life, and is itself set on  
7 fire by hell. For every kind of beasts and of birds, of creeping things and things in the sea, is tamed and hath  
8 been tamed by mankind; but the tongue can no man  
9 tame; it is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. Therewith bless we the Lord and Father, and therewith curse we men, who have been made after the likeness of God;  
10 out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing.  
11 My brethren, these things ought not so to be. Doth a fountain from the same opening send forth sweet water  
12 and bitter? Can a fig-tree, my brethren, bear olives, or a vine, figs? Neither can salt water yield fresh.  
13 Who is wise and endued with knowledge among you? let him show out of a good course of conduct his works in  
14 meekness of wisdom. But if ye have bitter rivalry and strife in your hearts, do not glory and lie against the  
15 truth. This wisdom is not that which descendeth from  
16 above, but earthly, sensual, devilish. For where there is rivalry and strife, there is confusion and every evil  
17 work. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, easy to be entreated, full of mercy and  
18 good fruits, without partiality, without hypocrisy. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

IV. Whence are wars and whence are fightings among you? Are they not hence, from your lusts that war in  
2 your members? Ye lust, and have not; ye kill, and earnestly covet, and cannot obtain; ye fight and war.  
3 Ye have not, because ye ask not; ye ask, and receive

not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts.

4 Ye adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore chooseth to be a friend of the world, becometh an enemy of God.

5 Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, "Zealously doth the Spirit, which made its abode in us, long for us"?\*

6 but he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, "God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace to the humble."†

7 Submit yourselves therefore to God; resist the Devil, and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners, and purify your hearts, ye double-minded. Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep; let your laughter be turned into mourning, and your joy into heaviness. Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he will exalt you.

11 Speak not against one another, brethren; he that speaketh against his brother, or judgeth his brother, speaketh against the law, and judgeth the law; but if thou judge the law, thou art not a doer of the law, but a judge. One is the Lawgiver and Judge, he who is able to save, and to destroy; but who art thou, that judgest thy neighbor?

13 Come now, ye that say, To-day and to-morrow we will go into such a city, and spend a year there and traffic, and get gain, (whereas ye know not what will be on the morrow; for what is your life? Ye are even a vapor, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away;) instead of saying, If the Lord will, we shall both live and do this or that; but now ye glory in your boastings. All

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Chap. IV. 5. Otherwise, *the [human] spirit which made its abode in us lusteth to envy, &c.*; or, according to other manuscripts, *which He caused to dwell in us, &c.*

\* We find no passage in the Old Testament having much resemblance to these words. Some have referred them to Gen. vi. 5, or viii. 21.

† Prov. iii. 34.

17 such glorying is evil. Therefore to him that knoweth how to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.

V. Come now, ye rich men, weep and wail for your miseries that are coming upon you. Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are become moth-eaten; your gold and silver is rusted, and the rust of them will be a witness against you, and will eat your flesh as fire; ye have heaped up treasure in the last days! Behold, the hire of the laborers who reaped your fields, which is fraudulently kept back by you, crieth out; and the cries of those who reaped have entered into the ears of the Lord of Hosts. Ye have lived in luxury on the earth, and have been given to pleasure; ye have pampered your hearts in a day of slaughter. Ye have condemned, ye have killed the just man; he doth not resist you.

7 Be patient therefore, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and is patient about it, until it hath received the early and latter rain. Be ye also patient, establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

9 Murmur not against each other, brethren, that ye be not judged. Behold, the Judge standeth before the door. 10 Take, brethren, the prophets, who spoke in the name of the Lord, for an example of affliction, and of patience. 11 Behold, we count those happy who have endured. Ye have heard of the patience of Job; behold also the end of the Lord, that he is very pitiful, and of tender mercy.

12 But above all things, my brethren, swear not; neither by heaven, nor by the earth, nor by any other oath; but let your yea be yea, and your nay, nay; that ye fall not under condemnation.

- 13 Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any cheer-  
14 ful? let him sing praise. Is any sick among you? let him  
call to him the elders of the church, and let them pray  
over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.  
15 And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord  
will raise him up; even if he have committed sins, it  
shall be forgiven him.
- 16 Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one  
another, that ye may be healed. The earnest prayer of  
17 a righteous man availeth much. Elijah was a man of like  
nature with us, and he prayed earnestly that it might not  
rain; and it rained not on the earth for three years and  
18 six months; and again he prayed, and the heaven gave  
rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.
- 19 Brethren, if any one among you be led astray from the  
20 truth, and one convert him, let him know that he who  
converteth a sinner from the error of his way will save  
a soul from death, and will cover a multitude of sins.

## THE FIRST OF PETER.

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1. PETER, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the strangers scattered through Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and  
2 Bithynia, chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace and peace be multiplied to you.
- 3 Blessed be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who, according to his abundant mercy, begot us again into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus  
4 Christ from the dead, to an inheritance imperishable, and  
5 undefiled, and unfading, reserved in heaven for you, who are guarded by the power of God through faith unto a  
6 salvation ready to be revealed in the last time; wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a short time, if need be,  
7 made sorrowful by manifold trials, that the proof of your faith, much more precious than gold which perisheth, but is tried with fire, may be found unto praise and glory and  
8 honor at the manifestation of Jesus Christ; whom, having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full  
9 of glory, receiving the end of your faith, the salvation of your souls.
- 10 Concerning which salvation the prophets sought earnestly and searched earnestly, who prophesied of the grace  
11 that was to come to you; searching what or what manner

of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them signified, when it testified beforehand the sufferings to come upon  
12 Christ, and the glories that were to follow; to whom it was revealed, that not to themselves, but to you, they were ministering the things, which have now been announced to you by them that have brought the glad tidings to you by the Holy Spirit sent down from heaven; which things angels desire to look into.

13 Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope undoubtingly for the grace that is to be brought  
14 to you at the manifestation of Jesus Christ; as children of obedience, not conforming yourselves to the former  
15 lusts in your ignorance; but as he who called you is  
16 holy, be ye also holy in all your conduct; because it is written, "Ye shall be holy, for I am holy."\*

17 And if ye call him Father who without respect of persons judgeth according to each one's work, pass the  
18 time of your sojourning here in fear; knowing that not with perishable things, silver or gold, were ye redeemed from your vain manner of life received by tradition  
19 from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ,  
20 as of a lamb without blemish and without spot; who was foreknown indeed before the foundation of the world,  
21 but manifested in these last times for you, who through him have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

22 Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth unto unfeigned brotherly love, love one another from the  
23 heart, fervently; being born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the word of God, which liveth and abideth. Because, "All flesh is as grass, and  
24 all its glory as the flower of grass; the grass withered,

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\* Lev. xi. 44.

25 and its flower fell off; but the word of the Lord abideth for ever;”\* and this is the word which was preached to you.

II. Laying aside therefore all malice, and all guile, and 2 hypocrisies, and envies, and all slander, as new-born babes, desire the spiritual, pure milk, that ye may grow 3 thereby to salvation; if indeed ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

4 To whom coming, a living stone, rejected indeed by men, 5 but in the sight of God chosen, honored, be ye yourselves also, as living stones, built up, a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable 6 to God through Jesus Christ. Because it is contained in the Scripture: “Behold, I lay in Zion a chief corner-stone, chosen, honored; and he that believeth in him shall not be put to shame.” †

7 To you therefore who believe, is the honor; but to the disobedient, “the stone which the builders rejected, 8 the same hath become the corner-stone,” and “a stone of stumbling, and a rock to strike against;” ‡ even to those who stumble, being disobedient to the word; to which they were also appointed.

9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for a possession, that ye may show forth the praises of him who called you out of darkness 10 into his wonderful light; who once were not a people, but are now the people of God; who had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

11 Beloved, I exhort you, as sojourners and strangers, to abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; 12 having your manner of life among the gentiles honorable; that, whereas they speak against you as evil-doers, they

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\* Isa. xl 6-8. † Isa. xxviii. 16. ‡ See Ps. cxviii. 22; Is. viii. 14

may by your good works, which they behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.

13 Submit yourselves therefore to every human institution  
14 for the Lord's sake; whether to the king, as supreme; or  
to governors, as being sent by him for the punishment  
15 of evil-doers, and the praise of those who do well. For  
so is the will of God, that with well-doing ye may put  
16 to silence the ignorance of foolish men; as free, and not  
using your freedom for a cloak of wickedness, but as  
17 servants of God. Honor all men; love the brotherhood;  
fear God; honor the king.

18 Servants, be subject to your masters with all fear, not  
only to the good and considerate, but also to the perverse.  
19 For this is acceptable, if any one on account of a sense  
of duty to God endureth hardships, suffering wrongfully.  
20 For what glory is it, if, when ye are beaten for your faults,  
ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suf-  
fer for it, ye take it patiently [it is glory]; for this is  
21 acceptable with God. For to this ye were called; be-  
cause even Christ suffered for us, leaving you an example,  
22 that ye should follow his steps; who committed no sin,  
23 neither was guile found in his mouth; \* who, when he was  
reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered did not  
threaten, but committed himself to him that judgeth  
24 righteously; who himself bore our sins in his own body  
on the cross, that we, having died to our sins, should live  
25 to righteousness; by whose stripes ye were healed. † For  
ye were going astray like sheep; but ye have now re-  
turned to the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.

III. In like manner, ye wives, be in subjection to your  
own husbands, that even if any obey not the word, they  
may without the word be won by the behavior of the

Chap. II. 24. -- *the cross*; more literally, *the wooden beam*. See note on  
Acts v. 30.

\* See Isa. liii. 9.

† See Isa. liii. 5.



2 wives, when they behold your chaste behavior coupled  
3 with fear. Whose adorning, let it not be the outward  
adorning of braiding the hair, and of wearing golden orna-  
4 ments, or of putting on apparel; but the hidden man of  
the heart, in that which is imperishable, even the orna-  
ment of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight  
5 of God of great price. For in this manner in the old  
time the holy women also, who hoped in God, adorned  
themselves, being in subjection to their own husbands;  
6 as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord; whose daugh-  
ters ye have become, if ye do well, and fear no alarm.

7 Dwell likewise, O husband, with thy wife according to  
knowledge, as with the weaker vessel, giving her honor  
as being heir with thee of the grace of life, that your  
prayers be not hindered.

8 Finally, be all of one mind, have fellow feeling, love  
9 as brethren, be compassionate, be humble; not rendering  
evil for evil, or railing for railing; but, on the contrary,  
blessing the evil-doer; because for this end ye were called,  
10 that ye might inherit blessing. "For he that would love  
life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from  
11 evil, and his lips from speaking guile; let him turn away  
from evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and pursue  
12 it. For the eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and  
his ears are toward their supplication; but the face of the  
13 Lord is against those who do evil."\* And who is he that  
shall harm you, if ye are followers of that which is good?  
14 But if ye even suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye.  
15 And be not afraid at their terrors, nor alarmed; but sanc-  
tify Christ as Lord in your hearts. †

And be ready always to give an answer to every one  
that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you, but

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\* Ps. xxxiv. 12-16.

† See Isa. viii. 12, 13.

16 with meekness and fear; having a good conscience, that,  
 wherein ye are evil spoken of, they may be ashamed that  
 17 falsely accuse your good conduct in Christ. For it is bet-  
 ter, if it be the will of God, that ye suffer for well-doing,  
 18 than for evil-doing. For Christ also suffered once for  
 sins, the righteous one for the unrighteous, that he might  
 bring you to God, being put to death in the flesh, but made  
 19 alive in the spirit; in which also he went and preached to  
 20 the spirits in prison, who were disobedient in times past,  
 when the long-suffering of God waited in the days of Noah,  
 while the ark was preparing, wherein a few, that is, eight  
 21 souls, were saved by water; which in its antitype, baptism,  
 is now saving you,—not the putting away of the filth of  
 the flesh, but the earnest seeking for a good conscience  
 22 toward God,—by the resurrection of Jesus Christ; who  
 is on the right hand of God, having gone into heaven,  
 angels and authorities and powers being made subject  
 to him.

IV. Christ then having suffered in the flesh, do ye also  
 arm yourselves with the same mind; for he that hath  
 2 suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin; that ye may  
 no longer live the remaining time in the flesh after the  
 3 lusts of men, but after the will of God. For sufficient  
 is the time past to have wrought the will of the gentiles,  
 when ye walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine,  
 4 revellings, carousings, and abominable idolatries; at which  
 they are astonished that ye run not with them to the  
 5 same excess of riot, speaking evil of you; who shall give  
 account to him that is ready to judge the living and the  
 6 dead. For to this end was the gospel preached also to

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Chap. III. 21. — *earnest seeking for, &c.* Possibly, *engagement of, &c.*  
 But this latter meaning is now found only in the later, or Byzantine, Greek.

Chap. IV. 4. — *at which, &c.*; namely, that you have ceased from such  
 practices.

the dead, that they might indeed be judged according to men in the flesh, but might live according to God in the spirit.

But the end of all things is at hand; be ye therefore  
 8 sober, and watch unto prayer. And above all things  
 have fervent love among yourselves; for love covereth  
 9 a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another with-  
 10 out grudging. According as each one hath received a  
 gift, minister the same to one another, as good stewards  
 11 of the manifold grace of God. If any one speak, let him  
 speak as uttering the oracles of God; if any minister, let  
 him do it as from the ability which God giveth; that  
 in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ,  
 to whom be the glory and the dominion for ever and ever.  
 Amen.

12 Beloved, be not surprised at the fiery trial which is  
 taking place among you to prove you, as though a strange  
 13 thing were befalling you; but, in so far as ye share in  
 Christ's sufferings, rejoice; that also at the manifesta-  
 14 tion of his glory ye may rejoice with exceeding joy. If  
 ye are reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye;  
 15 for the Spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you. For  
 let none of you suffer as a murderer, or a thief, or an evil-  
 16 doer, or as a busybody in other men's matters; but if as  
 a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify  
 17 God in this name. For the time is come for judgment to  
 begin at the house of God; but if it first begin with us,  
 what will be the end of those who obey not the gospel  
 18 of God? and "if the righteous scarcely is saved, where  
 19 shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?"\* Wherefore  
 let those who suffer according to the will of God commit  
 the keeping of their souls to him in well-doing, as to a  
 faithful Creator.

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\* Prov. xi. 31.

V. The elders among you I exhort, who am a fellow-elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, who am also a 2 sharer in the glory that is to be revealed; tend the flock of God which is among you, overseeing it, not by constraint, but willingly; not for base gain, but with ready 3 mind; not as lording it over your allotted charge, but 4 being examples to the flock; and when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye will receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away.

5 In like manner, ye younger men, submit yourselves to the elder; and all of you be clothed with humility toward each other; for "God resisteth the proud, but giveth 6 grace to the humble."\* Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you 7 in due time; casting all your care upon him, because he careth for you.

8 Be sober, be watchful. Your adversary the Devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may 9 devour; whom resist, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are being accomplished in your brethren in the world.

10 But the God of all grace, who called you to his everlasting glory in Christ Jesus, will, after ye have suffered a while, himself make you perfect, establish, strengthen, 11 settle you. To him be the dominion for ever. Amen.

12 By Silvanus, the faithful brother as I think, I have written to you in few words, exhorting, and testifying that this 13 is the true grace of God wherein ye stand. The church in Babylon, chosen with you, saluteth you; and Mark, my 14 son. Salute one another with a kiss of love. Peace to you all that are in Christ.

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\* Prov. iii. 34.

## THE SECOND OF PETER.

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I. SYMEON PETER, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ, to those who have obtained like precious faith with us through the righteousness of our God, and the Saviour  
2 Jesus Christ: Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord.  
3 Seeing that his Divine power hath given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness;  
4 through which he hath given us exceedingly great and precious promises, that by these ye may become partakers of the Divine nature, having escaped from the corrup-  
5 tion that is in the world through lust; even for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, and  
6 to virtue knowledge, and to knowledge self-control, and to self-control endurance, and to endurance godliness, and to  
7 godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness  
8 love. For if these things are in you and abound, they make you neither inactive nor unfruitful in gaining the  
9 full knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins.  
10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure; for if ye do these things,  
11 ye will never fall. For in this way the entrance will be richly furnished you into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

12 Wherefore I shall be careful always to remind you of  
these things, though ye know them, and are established in  
13 the truth that is with you. Yea, I think it right, as long  
as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by reminding  
14 you; knowing that I must soon put off my tabernacle,  
15 even as our Lord Jesus Christ declared to me. More-  
over, I shall endeavor that at all times ye may be able,  
after my departure, to call these things to mind.

16 For we did not follow cunningly devised fables, when  
we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord  
Jesus Christ, but had been made eye-witnesses of his maj-  
17 esty. For he received from God the Father honor and  
glory, when such a voice as this was borne to him from  
the excellent glory: "This is my beloved Son, with whom  
18 I am well pleased." And this voice we heard borne from  
19 heaven when we were with him in the holy mount. And  
we have more sure the prophetic word, to which ye do  
well in taking heed, as to a lamp shining in a dark place,  
until the day dawn, and the day-star arise in your hearts;  
20 knowing this first, that no prophecy of the Scripture com-  
21 eth from private interpretation. For prophecy never came  
by the will of man; but moved by the Holy Spirit, men  
spoke from God.

II. But there arose false prophets also among the people,  
as there will be false teachers among you also, who will  
stealthily bring in destructive factions, even denying the  
Lord that bought them; bringing upon themselves swift  
2 destruction. And many will follow their dissolute ways,  
by reason of whom the way of truth will be evil spoken of;  
3 and in covetousness will they with feigned words make  
merchandise of you; for whom the judgment long ago

ordained lingereth not, and their destruction slumbereth not.

4 For if God spared not angels that sinned, but cast them  
 down to hell, and delivered them over to chains of dark-  
 5 ness, to be reserved unto judgment; and spared not the  
 old world, but saved Noah with seven others, a preacher of  
 righteousness, when he brought in the flood upon the world  
 6 of the ungodly; and turning into ashes the cities of Sodom  
 and Gomorrah, condemned them to overthrow, making  
 them an example for those who in after time should live  
 7 ungodly; and delivered righteous Lot, distressed by the  
 8 lewd conduct of the lawless men; (for that righteous man  
 dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing tormented his  
 righteous soul from day to day with their lawless deeds;)   
 9 the Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temp-  
 tation, and to reserve the unrighteous under punishment  
 10 to the day of judgment; but chiefly those who walk after  
 the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise dominion.  
 Presumptuous, self-willed, they are not afraid to rail at  
 11 dignities; whereas angels, who are greater in strength  
 and power, bring not against them a railing accusation;  
 12 but these, as brute beasts, by nature born to be taken  
 and destroyed, railing at things which they understand  
 13 not, shall even perish in their own corruption, receiv-  
 ing the wages of unrighteousness. Counting it pleasure  
 to riot in the day-time, spots and blemishes, revelling in  
 14 their deceits while they feast with you, having eyes full  
 of an adulteress, and that cannot cease from sin, alluring  
 unstable souls, having a heart exercised in covetousness,  
 15 children of a curse, they have forsaken the right way, and

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Chap. II. 4. — *chains of darkness*. In some manuscripts, *pits of darkness*.

Ver. 13. — *in their deceits*; i.e. in the fruits of their deceit or fraud. There is, however, another Greek reading, meaning *love-feasts*, which, though it has much less support from manuscripts, carries considerable probability on the face of it.

have gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of  
16 Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness, but was  
rebuked for his iniquity; the dumb ass, speaking with  
man's voice, restrained the madness of the prophet.

17 These are wells without water, and mists driven by a  
tempest; for whom the blackness of darkness is reserved.

18 For speaking great swelling words of vanity, they allure  
in the lusts of the flesh, by dissolute ways, such as were  
in some measure escaping from those who live in error;

19 promising them liberty, while they themselves are slaves  
of corruption; for by what a man is overcome, by the

20 same is he also brought into bondage. For if after they  
have escaped the pollutions of the world through the  
knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they  
are again entangled therein and overcome, the last state

21 is worse with them than the first. For it would have  
been better for them not to have known the way of right-

eousness, than, after having known it, to turn from the  
22 holy commandment delivered to them. It hath happened

to them according to the true proverb, The dog returned  
to his own vomit; and, The sow that was washed, to her  
wallowing in the mire.

III. This second letter, beloved, I now write to you, in both  
which I stir up your pure minds by putting you in remem-  
2 brance; that ye may be mindful of the words which were  
spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the command-  
3 ment of the Lord and Saviour by your apostles; knowing  
this first, that there will come in the last days open scoffers  
4 following their own lusts, and saying, Where is his prom-  
ised coming? for, from the time when the fathers fell  
asleep, all things continue as then, and as they have con-  
tinued from the beginning of the creation.

5 For of this they are willingly ignorant, that of old by  
the word of God there were heavens, and an earth formed



6 out of the water and by the water, by means of which  
the world that then was, being overflowed with water,  
7 perished; but the present heavens and the present earth  
are by his word kept in store, reserved for fire against the  
day of judgment and the perdition of ungodly men.

8 But forget not, beloved, this one thing, that one day is  
with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years  
9 as one day. The Lord is not tardy concerning his promise,  
as some men count tardiness; but is long-suffering  
toward you, not willing that any should perish, but that  
10 all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord  
will come as a thief; in which the heavens will pass away  
with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent  
heat, and the earth and the works that are therein  
will be burned up.

11 Seeing that all these things are thus to be dissolved,  
what manner of persons ought ye to be in holy conduct  
12 and godliness, looking for and hastening the coming of  
the day of God, by reason of which the heavens being  
on fire will be dissolved, and the elements will melt with  
13 fervent heat! But, according to his promise, we look for  
new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

14 Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for these things,  
be diligent that ye may be found without spot and blame-  
15 less before him in peace, and account the long-suffering of  
our Lord salvation; as also our beloved brother Paul, ac-  
16 cording to the wisdom given to him, wrote to you, as also  
in all his letters, speaking in them of these things; in  
which things are some that are hard to be understood,  
which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as also  
the other Scriptures, to their own destruction.

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Chap. III. 16. — *in which things are some, &c.* According to some old and valuable manuscripts, *in which [letters] are some things, &c.*

17 Do ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things  
beforehand, beware lest, being led away with the error  
18 of the lawless, ye fall from your own steadfastness. But  
grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Sav-  
iour Jesus Christ. To him be the glory, both now and for  
ever.

## THE FIRST OF JOHN.

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I. THAT which was from the beginning, that which we have heard, that which we have seen with our eyes, that which we looked upon, and our hands handled, concerning the word of life, — and the life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and announce to you the everlasting life, which was with the Father, and was manifested to us, — that which we have seen and heard we announce to you, that ye also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ. And these things we write to you, that your joy may be full.

5 And this is the message which we have heard from him, and announce to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in the darkness, we lie, and do not the truth; but if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

II. My children, these things I write to you, that ye may not sin. And if any one have sinned, we have an advocate

2 with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And he is  
a propitiation for our sins ; and not for ours only, but also  
for the whole world.

3 And hereby we know that we know him, if we keep his  
4 commandments. He that saith, I know him, and keepeth  
not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in  
5 him. But whoever keepeth his word, truly in him is the  
love of God perfected. Hereby we know that we are in  
6 him. He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also  
so to walk, even as he walked.

7 Beloved, I write no new commandment to you, but an  
old commandment, which ye have had from the beginning.  
The old commandment is the word which ye have heard,  
8 Again, a new commandment I write to you, which thing  
is true in him, and in you ; because the darkness is pass-  
9 ing away, and the true light now shineth. He that saith  
he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in the dark-  
10 ness until now. He that loveth his brother abideth in  
the light, and there is no occasion of stumbling in him ;  
11 but he that hateth his brother is in the darkness, and walk-  
eth in the darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth,  
because the darkness hath blinded his eyes.

12 I write to you, my children, because your sins have been  
13 forgiven you for his name's sake. I write to you, fathers,  
because ye know him that was from the beginning. I  
write to you, young men, because ye have overcome the  
Evil One.

I have written to you, my children, because ye know the  
14 Father. I have written to you, fathers, because ye know  
him that was from the beginning. I have written to you,  
young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God  
abideth in you, and ye have overcome the Evil One.

15 Love not the world, nor the things in the world. If  
any one loveth the world, the love of the Father is not in  
16 him ; because all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh,

and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the  
17 Father, but is of the world. And the world is passing  
away, and the lust thereof; but he that doeth the will of  
God abideth for ever.

18 My children, the last time is come; and as ye have  
heard that Antichrist is coming, even now there are many  
antichrists; whereby we know that the last time is come.  
19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if  
they had been of us, they would have remained with us  
but they went out, that they might be made manifest that  
they are not all of us.

20 And ye have an anointing from the Holy One, and know  
21 all things. I have not written to you because ye know not  
the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the  
22 truth. Who is the liar, but he that denieth that Jesus is  
the Christ? This is the antichrist, who denieth the Father  
23 and the Son. Whoever denieth the Son, the same hath  
not the Father; he that acknowledgeth the Son hath  
24 also the Father. As for you, let that which ye have  
heard from the beginning abide in you. If that which ye  
have heard from the beginning shall abide in you, ye also  
25 will abide in the Son, and in the Father. And this is the  
promise which he himself promised us, even the life ever-  
26 lasting. These things I have written to you concerning  
27 those who seduce you. And the anointing which ye your-  
selves received from him abideth in you, and ye have no  
need that any one teach you; but as his anointing teach-  
eth you concerning all things, and is truth, and is not a lie,  
even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

28 And now, my children, abide in him; that when he shall  
appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed be-  
fore him at his coming.

29 If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one  
also that doeth righteousness hath been born of him.

III. Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed

upon us, that we should be called children of God! For this cause the world knoweth us not, because it knew him  
2 not. Beloved, now are we children of God, and it hath not yet been manifested what we shall be. We know that, when it shall be manifested, we shall be like him;  
3 because we shall see him as he is. And every one that hath this hope in Him purifieth himself, even as He is  
4 pure. Whoever committeth sin transgresseth thereby the  
5 law; for sin is a transgression of the law. And ye know that he was manifested to take away sins; and in him  
6 is no sin. Whoever abideth in him sinneth not; whoever sinneth hath not seen him, nor known him.

7 My children, let no one deceive you; he that doeth right-  
8 eousness is righteous, even as he is righteous. He that committeth sin is of the Devil; for the Devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the  
9 Devil. Whoever hath been born of God doth not commit sin, because his seed abideth in him; and he cannot  
10 sin, because he hath been born of God. In this are manifest the children of God and the children of the Devil.

Whoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, and he  
11 that loveth not his brother. For this is the message that ye have heard from the beginning, that we should love  
12 one another; not as Cain was of the Evil One, and slew his brother. And wherefore did he slay him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.

<sup>13</sup><sub>14</sub> Wonder not, brethren, if the world hateth you. We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brethren; he that loveth not abideth in death.  
15 Whoever hateth his brother is a murderer; and ye know

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Chap. III. 12. — *not as Cain, &c.* By this inexact comparison the writer probably meant to convey the thought that we should not be of the Evil One, like Cain, who slew his brother.

that no murderer hath everlasting life abiding in him.  
16 Herein we know love, in that he laid down his life for  
us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the breth-  
17 ren. But whoever hath this world's goods, and seeth his  
brother having need, and shutteth up his compassion from  
him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?  
18 My children, let us not love in word, nor in tongue, but  
19 in deed and in truth. And hereby we know that we are  
20 of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him; be-  
cause if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our  
21 heart, and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our heart con-  
22 demn us not, we have confidence toward God; and what-  
ever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his  
commandments, and do the things that are pleasing in  
23 his sight. And this is his commandment, that we should  
believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and should  
24 love one another, as he gave commandment. And he that  
keepeth his commandments abideth in him, and he in him;  
and hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit,  
which he gave us.

IV. Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits,  
whether they are of God; because many false prophets  
2 have gone forth into the world. Hereby ye know the  
Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledgeth that Jesus  
3 Christ hath come in the flesh, is of God. And every  
spirit that doth not acknowledge Jesus, is not of God;  
and this is that spirit of Antichrist, of which ye have  
heard that it is to come, and even now it is already in  
the world.

4 Ye are of God, my children, and have overcome them;  
because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the  
5 world. They are of the world; therefore they speak  
6 of the world, and the world heareth them. We are of  
God; he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not

of God heareth us not. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.

7 Beloved, let us love one another; for love is from God, and every one that loveth hath been born of God, and 8 knoweth God; he that loveth not hath not known God; 9 for God is love. In this was manifested the love of God in regard to us, that God hath sent his only begotten Son 10 into the world, that we may live through him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be a propitiation for our sins.

11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love 12 one another. No one hath ever seen God. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is per- 13 fected in us. Hereby we know that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit. 14 And we have seen and bear witness, that the Father hath 15 sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world. Whoever acknowledgeth that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwell- 16 eth in him, and he in God. And we have known and believed the love that God hath in regard to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

17 Herein hath love been perfected with us, that we have confidence in the day of judgment; because as he is, 18 so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casteth out fear; because fear hath torment; 19 and he that feareth is not made perfect in love. We 20 love, because he first loved us. If any one saith, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar; for he that loveth not his brother, whom he hath seen, how can he 21 love God, whom he hath not seen? And this commandment we have from him, that he who loveth God love also his brother.



V. Whoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ hath been born of God; and every one that loveth him that begat, 2 loveth also him that hath been begotten of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when 3 we love God, and do his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments; and his 4 commandments are not burdensome, because whatever is born of God overcometh the world; and this is the victory that hath overcome the world, even our faith. Who 5 is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

6 This is he who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ; not in the water only, but in the water and in the blood; and the Spirit is that which beareth witness, because the 7 Spirit is truth. For there are three that bear witness, 8 the Spirit, and the water, and the blood; and these three agree in one. If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater; for this is the witness of God, 10 that he hath borne witness concerning his Son. He that believeth in the Son of God hath the witness within him; he that believeth not God hath made him a liar, because he hath not believed in the witness which God hath borne 11 concerning his Son. And this is the witness, that God 12 gave to us everlasting life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath the life; he that hath not the Son of God hath not the life.

13 These things have I written to you, that ye may know that ye who believe in the name of the Son of God have everlasting life.

14 And this is the confidence which we have toward him, that, if we ask anything according to his will, he heareth us; and if we know that he heareth us, whatever we 15 ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked of him.

- 16 If any one see his brother sin a sin not unto death, he shall ask, and shall give him life, — to those who sin not unto death. There is a sin unto death; for that I do not
- 17 say that he shall pray. All unrighteousness is sin; and
- 18 there is a sin not unto death. We know that whoever hath been born of God sinneth not; but he that is born of God keepeth himself, and the Evil One toucheth him not.
- 19 We know that we are of God, and the whole world
- 20 lieth under the dominion of the Evil One. And we know that the Son of God hath come, and hath given us understanding, that we may know the True One; and we are in the True One, in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the
- 21 true God, and everlasting life. My children, keep yourselves from idols.

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Chap. V. 20. — *the True One*; i.e. the true God, as distinguished from idols.

## THE SECOND OF JOHN.

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1 THE elder to the elect Cyria, and to her children, whom  
I love in truth, and not I only, but also all that know the  
2 truth,—for the sake of the truth which abideth in us,  
3 and will be with us for ever. Grace, mercy, peace shall  
be with you from God the Father, and from Jesus Christ,  
the Son of the Father, in truth and love.

4 I rejoiced greatly, that I found some of thy children  
walking in truth, as we received commandment from the  
5 Father. And now I beseech thee, Cyria, not as writing to  
thee a new commandment, but that which we have had from  
6 the beginning, that we love one another. And this is love,  
that we walk according to his commandments. This is the  
commandment, as ye have heard from the beginning, that  
7 ye should walk in it. For many deceivers went out into  
the world, who do not acknowledge Jesus Christ coming  
in the flesh; this is the deceiver and the antichrist.

8 Look to yourselves, that ye lose not the things which  
9 ye wrought, but receive a full reward. Whoever goeth  
beyond, and abideth not in the teaching of Christ, hath

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Ver. 9. *Whoever goeth beyond; otherwise, Whoever is in advance; or, Whoever would be a leader.* Dr. Noyes had overlooked this reading of Tischendorf, and it is uncertain how he would have interpreted and translated it. The Greek word here used means literally "to go before," or "to go forward." The expression may allude to the boast of the false teachers that they were far in advance of ordinary Christians.—A.

not God. He that abideth in the teaching, he hath both  
10 the Son and the Father. If any one cometh to you, and  
bringeth not this teaching, receive him not into your house,  
11 and do not bid him good speed. For he that biddeth him  
good speed taketh part in his evil deeds.

12 Having many things to write to you, I would not write  
with paper and ink; but I hope to come to you, and to  
speak face to face, that our joy may be full.

13 The children of thy elect sister salute thee.

## THE THIRD OF JOHN.

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- 1 THE elder to Gaius the beloved, whom I love in truth.  
2 Beloved, in all things I pray that thou mayst prosper  
3 and be in health, as thy soul prospereth. For I rejoiced  
greatly, when brethren came and bore witness to thy truth,  
4 as thou walkest in truth. I have no greater joy than this,  
to hear that my children walk in the truth.  
5 Beloved, thou doest a faithful thing whatever thou doest  
6 to the brethren, and that to strangers, who bore witness  
of thy love before the church; whom if thou send for-  
ward on their journey in a manner worthy of God, thou  
7 wilt do well. For in behalf of the Name they went forth,  
8 taking nothing of the gentiles. We therefore ought to  
sustain such persons, that we may be fellow-workers for  
the truth.  
9 I wrote something to the church; but Diotrephes, who  
loveth to have the pre-eminence among them, receiveth  
10 us not. Wherefore, if I come, I will bring to remem-  
brance his deeds which he doeth, prating against us with  
malicious words; and not content therewith, he himself  
doth not receive the brethren, and those that would he  
11 forbiddeth, and casteth them out of the church. Beloved,  
do not imitate that which is evil, but that which is good.

He that doeth good is of God; he that doeth evil hath not seen God.

12 To Demetrius testimony hath been borne by all, and by the truth itself; yea, we also bear witness, and ye know that our witness is true.

13 I had many things to write to thee, but I do not wish  
14 to write to thee with ink and pen; but I hope to see thee immediately, and we shall speak face to face. Peace be to thee. The friends salute thee. Salute the friends by name.

## THE EPISTLE OF JUDE.

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- 1 JUDE, a servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James,  
to the called, loved in God the Father and kept by Jesus  
2 Christ: Mercy and peace and love be multiplied to you.  
3 Beloved, while giving all diligence to write to you,  
I found it necessary to write to you concerning the com-  
4 mon salvation, exhorting you to contend earnestly for the  
faith which was once delivered to the saints. For there  
have stealthily crept in certain men who were of old  
appointed beforehand for this condemnation, ungodly men,  
turning the grace of our God into wantonness, and deny-  
5 ing the only Sovereign, and our Lord Jesus Christ.  
6 But I wish to remind you as once knowing it all, that  
the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of  
7 Egypt, afterward destroyed those who believed not; and  
the angels which kept not their principality, but left their  
own dwelling-place, he hath kept in everlasting chains  
under darkness unto the judgment of the great day;  
8 even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them,  
in like manner with them giving themselves over to forni-  
9 cation, and going away after strange flesh, are set forth  
for an example, suffering the vengeance of everlasting  
fire.  
10 Yet in like manner these dreamers defile the flesh,  
11 despise dominion, and rail at dignities. Yet Michael the  
archangel, when contending with the Devil he disputed

about the body of Moses, dared not bring against him a  
 10 railing accusation, but said: The Lord rebuke thee. But  
 these rail at the things which they know not; but what  
 things they understand naturally, as brute beasts, in these  
 11 they corrupt themselves. Woe to them! for they have  
 gone in the way of Cain, and rushed on in the error  
 of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of  
 Korah.

12 These are the rocks in your feasts of love, feasting to-  
 gether without fear, feeding only themselves; clouds with-  
 out water, carried away by winds; trees in late autumn,  
 13 without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots; raging  
 waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering  
 stars, for whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for  
 ever.

14 Yea, and against these Enoch, the seventh from Adam,  
 prophesied, saying, "Behold, the Lord cometh in the midst  
 15 of his holy myriads, to execute judgment upon all, and to  
 convict all the ungodly among them of all the deeds of  
 their ungodliness which they committed, and of all the  
 hard things which ungodly sinners spoke against him."\*  
 16 These are murmurers, complaining of their lot, walking  
 according to their own lusts; and their mouth speaketh  
 great swelling words; admiring men's persons, for the sake  
 of profit.

17 But do ye, beloved, remember the words which were  
 before spoken by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
 18 that they told you that at the last time there would be  
 scoffers, walking according to their own ungodly lusts.  
 19 These are they that separate themselves, sensual, not  
 having the Spirit.

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Ver. 12. — *rocks*; i.e. against which you are in danger of being ship  
 wrecked. — *in late autumn*; i.e. stripped of leaves and fruit.

\* This citation was made from the book of Enoch, a forged writing com-  
 posed, probably, between one and two centuries before Christ.



20 But do ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most  
21 holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in  
the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus  
22 Christ unto eternal life. And some rebuke when they con-  
23 tend; and others save, snatching them out of the fire; and  
on others have compassion with fear, hating even the gar-  
ment spotted by the flesh.

24 But to him that is able to keep them from falling, and  
to present them faultless before the presence of his glory  
25 with exceeding joy, to the only God our Saviour, through  
Jesus Christ our Lord, is glory, majesty, dominion and  
power, before all time, and now, and for ever. Amen.

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Ver. 24. — *them*. The oldest and best manuscripts, including the Vatican and the Sinaitic, with the most important versions, read *you*, which Tischendorf will probably adopt in his eighth edition. In his seventh edition he erroneously supposed the reading *them* to be supported by the Vatican manuscript. — A.

## THE REVELATION OF JOHN.

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- I. THE Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave to him, to show to his servants what must shortly come to pass ; and he sent and signified it by his angel to his servant  
2 John ; who bore witness of the word of God, and of the  
3 testimony of Jesus Christ, — of whatever he saw. Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of the prophecy, and keep the things written therein ; for the time is at hand.
- 4 John to the seven churches which are in Asia : Grace be to you, and peace, from him who is, and who was, and who is to come ; and from the seven spirits which are  
5 before his throne ; and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the first-born of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him that loveth us, and washed us  
6 from our sins in his own blood, and made us a kingdom, priests to God his Father, to him be the glory and the dominion for ever. Amen.
- 7 Behold, he cometh with the clouds, and every eye shall see him, and they who pierced him ; and all the tribes of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.
- 8 I am the Alpha and the Omega, saith the Lord God, he who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.
- 9 I John, your brother, and companion in the affliction and kingdom and endurance in Jesus, was in the isle that is called Patmos, on account of the word of God, and the  
10 testimony of Jesus. I was in the Spirit on the Lord's

day ; and I heard behind me a loud voice, as of a trumpet, saying : What thou seest, write in a book, and send it to the seven churches ; to Ephesus, and to Smyrna, and to Pergamus, and to Thyatira, and to Sardes, and to Philadelphia, and to Laodicea.

12 And I turned to see the voice that was speaking with me ; and having turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks, 13 and in the midst of the candlesticks one like to a son of man, clothed with a garment reaching down to the feet, 14 and girded at the breasts with a golden girdle. His head and his hairs were white as white wool, as snow ; and his 15 eyes were as a flame of fire ; and his feet were like fine brass, as if burning in a furnace ; and his voice was as 16 the sound of many waters. And he had in his right hand seven stars ; and out of his mouth went a sharp two-edged sword ; and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his 17 strength. And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead ; and he laid his right hand on me, saying, Fear not ; I am 18 the first and the last, and he that liveth ; and I was dead, and behold, I am alive for evermore ; and I have the 19 keys of death and the underworld. Write therefore the things which thou sawest, and the things which are, and 20 the things which shall be after these ; the mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches ; and the seven candlesticks are the seven churches.

II. To the angel of the church in Ephesus write : These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks : I know thy works, and thy labor, and thy endurance, and that thou canst not bear evil men ; and thou didst try those who say they are apostles, and are not, and 3 didst find them liars ; and thou hast endurance, and hast

borne on account of my name, and hast not become weary.

4 But I have this against thee, that thou hast left thy first  
5 love. Remember therefore whence thou hast fallen, and  
repent, and do the first works; or else I will come to  
thee, and will remove thy candlestick out of its place, un-  
6 less thou repent. But this thou hast, that thou hatest the  
deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith  
to the churches. To him that overcometh I will give to  
eat of the tree of life, which is in the paradise of my  
God.

8 And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write: These  
things saith the first and the last, who was dead, and lived  
9 again: I know thy affliction and poverty, (but thou art  
rich,) and the blasphemy of those who say they are Jews,  
10 and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan. Fear not the  
things which thou art about to suffer. Behold, now, the  
Devil is about to cast some of you into prison, that ye may  
be tried; and ye will have tribulation ten days. Be thou  
faithful unto death, and I will give thee the crown of life.

11 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith  
to the churches. He that overcometh shall not be hurt by  
the second death.

12 And to the angel of the church in Pergamus write:  
These things saith he that hath the sharp two-edged  
13 sword: I know where thou dwellest, where the throne  
of Satan is; and thou holdest fast my name, and didst  
not deny my faith, even in the days in which Antipas  
was my witness, my faithful one, who was slain among  
you, where Satan dwelleth.

14 But I have a few things against thee; thou hast there  
them that hold the teaching of Balaam, who taught Balak  
to put a stumbling-block in the way of the sons of Israel,  
and to eat things sacrificed to idols, and to commit forni-  
15 cation. So thou also hast men holding the teaching of

- 16 the Nicolaitans, in like manner. Repent therefore; or else I will come to thee quickly, and will make war with them with the sword of my mouth.
- 17 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith to the churches. To him that overcometh, I will give of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and on the stone a new name written, which no one knoweth but he that receiveth it.
- 18 And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write: These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like a flame  
19 of fire, and his feet are like fine brass: I know thy works, and love, and faith, and service, and thy endurance, and  
20 that thy last works are more than the first. But I have this against thee, that thou sufferest thy wife Jezebel, who calleth herself a prophetess, and she teacheth and seduceth  
21 my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed to idols. And I gave her time to repent, and she will  
22 not repent of her fornication. Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and those who together with her commit adultery into  
23 great distress, unless they repent of her deeds. And her children I will slay with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he who searcheth the reins and hearts; and I will give to every one of you according to your  
24 works. But to you I say, the rest who are in Thyatira, as many as have not this teaching, such as have not known "the depths" of Satan, as they speak; I put upon  
25 you no other burden; but that which ye have, hold fast till I come.
- 26 And he that overcometh, and he that keepeth my works to the end, to him I will give authority over the nations,—  
27 and he shall rule them with a rod of iron, as the vessels of a potter are broken to shivers,—as I also have received  
28 of my Father. And I will give him the morning-star.
- 29 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith to the churches.

III. And to the angel of the church in Sardes write: These things saith he who hath the seven spirits of God, and the seven stars: I know thy works, that thou hast a name  
2 that thou livest, and art dead. Be watchful, and strengthen the remaining things, that were ready to die; for I have  
3 not found thy works perfect before my God. Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and keep those things, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch,  
I will come as a thief, and thou shalt not know at what  
4 hour I will come upon thee. But thou hast a few names in Sardes which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white, for they are worthy.

5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white garments; and I will not blot out his name from the book of life, and I will acknowledge his name before my Father, and before his angels.

6 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith to the churches.

7 And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: These things saith he who is holy, he who is true, he who hath the key of David; he who openeth, and no one shall  
8 shut; and shutteth, and no one shall open: I know thy works; behold, I have set before thee an open door, which no one can shut; for thou hast little power, and yet hast  
9 kept my word, and hast not denied my name. Behold, I will make those of the synagogue of Satan, who say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie, — behold, I will make  
them to come and bow down before thy feet, and to know  
10 that I have loved thee. Because thou hast kept my injunction of endurance, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which is about to come upon the whole  
11 world, to try those who dwell upon the earth. I come quickly; hold fast that which thou hast, that no one may take thy crown.

12 He that overcometh, I will make him a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall nevermore go out; and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God, and I will write upon him my new name.

13 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith to the churches.

14 And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write: These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God: I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot; I would thou wert cold or hot. So then, because thou art lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I am about to vomit thee out of my mouth. 17 Because thou sayest, I am rich, and have gotten wealth, and have need of nothing, and knowest not that thou art the wretched and the pitiable one, and poor, and blind, 18 and naked, I advise thee to buy of me gold refined by fire, that thou mayst be rich; and white garments, that thou mayst be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness may not be made manifest; and eye-salve to anoint thine eyes, that thou mayst see. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. Be zealous therefore, and repent.

20 Behold, I stand at the door, and knock; if any one hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

21 He that overcometh, I will give to him to sit with me on my throne, even as I also overcame, and sat down with my Father on his throne.

22 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith to the churches.

IV. After this I saw, and lo! an open door in heaven; and the former voice, which I heard as of a trumpet speaking with me, said, Come up hither, and I will show thee what

2 things must take place after these. Immediately I was in the Spirit; and lo! a throne was set in heaven, and one 3 sat on the throne. And he who sat was in appearance like a jasper stone and a sardius; and there was a rainbow 4 around the throne like in appearance to an emerald. And around the throne were twenty-four thrones; and upon the thrones I saw the twenty-four elders sitting, clothed in white garments, and on their heads crowns of gold. 5 And out of the throne proceed lightnings, and voices and thunders; and there were seven lamps of fire burning be- 6 fore the throne, which are the seven spirits of God; and before the throne there was as it were a sea of glass like to crystal; and in the middle before the throne, and around the throne, were four living creatures full of eyes before 7 and behind. And the first living creature was like a lion, and the second living creature like a calf, and the third living creature had the face of a man, and the fourth 8 living creature was like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, having each of them six wings, around and within are full of eyes; and they have no rest day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, who 9 was, and who is, and who is to come. And when the living creatures give glory, and honor, and thanksgiving to him that sitteth on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever, 10 the twenty-four elders fall down before him that sitteth on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, 11 and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, Worthy art thou, O Lord, and our God, to receive the glory, and the honor, and the power; for thou didst create all things, and on account of thy will they were, and were created.

V. And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and without, sealed fast with 2 seven seals. And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose



3 its seals? And no one in heaven, nor on the earth, nor  
under the earth, was able to open the book, nor to look  
4 thereon. And I wept much, because no one was found  
5 worthy to open the book, nor to look thereon. And one  
of the elders saith to me, Weep not; behold, the Lion that  
is of the tribe of Judah, the shoot from David, conquered,  
he that openeth the book, and its seven seals.

6 And I saw, between the throne and the four living crea-  
tures and the elders, a Lamb standing, as if it had been  
slain, having seven horns, and seven eyes, which are the  
7 seven spirits of God sent forth into all the earth. And  
he came and took the book out of the right hand of him  
that sat upon the throne.

8 And when he had taken the book, the four living crea-  
tures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the  
Lamb, having each one a harp, and golden bowls full  
9 of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And  
they sing a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take  
the book, and to open its seals; for thou wast slain, and  
hast redeemed to God by thy blood men out of every  
10 tribe and tongue and people and nation, and hast made  
them a kingdom and priests, and they reign on the earth.

11 And I saw, and I heard the voice of many angels around  
the throne and the living creatures and the elders; and the  
number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and  
12 thousands of thousands; saying with a loud voice, Worthy  
is the Lamb that was slain to receive the power, and riches,  
and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and bless-  
13 ing. And every creature which is in heaven, and those  
which are on the earth and under the earth, and on the  
sea, and the things in them, I heard them all saying, To  
him that sitteth upon the throne, and to the Lamb, be  
the blessing, and the honor, and the glory, and the domin-  
14 ion, for ever and ever. And the four living creatures said,  
Amen. And the elders fell down and worshipped.

VI. And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seven seals, and I heard, as it were the voice of thunder, one  
2 of the four living creatures saying, Come! And I saw, and lo! a white horse, and he that sat on him, having a bow; and a crown was given to him, and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.

3 And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the  
4 second living creature saying, Come! And there went forth another horse, that was red; and to him that sat thereon it was given to take peace from the earth, and that men should slay one another; and there was given to him a great sword.

5 And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature saying, Come! And I saw, and lo! a black horse, and he that sat on him, having a pair of  
6 scales in his hand. And I heard a voice in the midst of the four living creatures, saying, A quart of wheat for a denāry, and three quarts of barley for a denāry; and, Hurt not the oil and the wine.

7 And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the  
8 fourth living creature saying, Come! And I saw, and lo! a pale horse, and the name of him that sat on him was Death; and the underworld was following with him; and there was given to them power over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with famine, and with death, and by the wild beasts of the earth.

9 And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain on account of the word of God, and on account of the testimony  
10 which they had borne; and they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, the holy and true, dost thou

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Chap. VI. 6. — a *denāry*; i.e. about fifteen cents, or more than six times the usual price: thus indicating famine.

not judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on  
11 the earth? And a white robe was given to them, and  
it was said to them that they should rest yet for a time,  
until their fellow-servants also and their brethren, that  
were about to be killed as they were, should finish their  
course.

12 And I saw when he had opened the sixth seal, and  
there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black  
as sackcloth of hair, and the whole moon became as blood,  
13 and the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig-tree  
casteth its untimely figs when shaken by a great wind;  
14 and the heaven passed off, as a scroll when it is rolled  
up, and every mountain and island were moved out of  
15 their places; and the kings of the earth, and the great  
men, and the chief captains, and the rich men, and the  
strong men, and every bondman and freeman hid them-  
selves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains;  
16 and they say to the mountains and the rocks, Fall on  
us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the  
17 throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb; for the great  
day of his wrath is come, and who is able to stand?

VII. And after this, I saw four angels standing on the four  
corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth,  
that no wind should blow on the earth, nor on the sea,  
nor on any tree.

2 And I saw another angel coming up from the rising of  
the sun, having the seal of the living God; and he cried  
with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was  
3 given to hurt the earth and the sea, saying, Hurt not the  
earth, nor the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the  
servants of our God on their foreheads.

4 And I heard the number of the sealed. A hundred and  
forty-four thousand were sealed out of all the tribes of  
5 the sons of Israel. Out of the tribe of Judah were sealed,

twelve thousand; out of the tribe of Reuben, twelve thousand; out of the tribe of Gad, twelve thousand; out of the tribe of Asher, twelve thousand; out of the tribe of Naphtali, twelve thousand; out of the tribe of Manasseh, twelve thousand; out of the tribe of Simeon, twelve thousand; out of the tribe of Levi, twelve thousand; out of the tribe of Issachar, twelve thousand; out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelve thousand; out of the tribe of Joseph, twelve thousand; out of the tribe of Benjamin twelve thousand were sealed.

9 After these things I saw, and lo! a great multitude, which no one could number, out of every nation and all tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, and palms in their hands. And they cry with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God who sitteth upon the throne, and to the Lamb. And all the angels were standing around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, saying, Amen; the blessing, and the glory, and the wisdom, and the thanksgiving, and the honor, and the power, and the might, be to our God, for ever and ever.

13 And one of the elders answered, saying to me, These who are clothed in the white robes, who are they, and whence came they? And I said to him, My lord, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they who come out of the great tribulation, and they washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he that sitteth on the throne will make his abode with them. They shall hunger

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Chap. VII. 15. — *will make his abode with them.* Otherwise, *will spread his tabernacle (or pavilion) over them.* — A.

no more, nor thirst any more; neither shall the sun fall  
17 upon them, nor any burning heat; for the Lamb who is  
in the midst before the throne is a shepherd to them, and  
leadeth them to the fountains of the waters of life; and  
God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

VIII. And when he had opened the seventh seal, there  
was silence in heaven about half an hour.

2 And I saw the seven angels who stand before God;  
3 and there were given to them seven trumpets. And  
another angel came, and stood at the altar, having a  
golden censer; and there was given to him much incense,  
that he should offer it with the prayers of all the saints  
4 upon the golden altar which was before the throne. And  
the smoke of the incense went up with the prayers of the  
saints before God out of the angel's hand.

5 And the angel took the censer, and filled it from the  
fire of the altar, and cast it upon the earth; and there  
followed thunders, and lightnings, and voices, and an  
earthquake.

6 And the seven angels who had the seven trumpets  
prepared themselves to sound.

7 And the first sounded, and there followed hail and fire  
mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth;  
and the third part of the earth was burnt up, and the  
third part of the trees was burnt up, and all green grass  
was burnt up.

8 And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great  
mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea; and  
9 the third part of the sea became blood; and the third  
part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life,  
died; and the third part of the ships were destroyed.

10 And the third angel sounded, and there fell from heaven  
a great star, burning as a torch, and it fell upon the third  
11 part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters. And

the name of the star is called Wormwood; and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter.

12 And the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars, so that the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night in like manner.

13 And I saw, and heard an eagle flying in mid-heaven, saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to those who dwell on the earth, by reason of the remaining voices of the trumpet of the three angels who are yet to sound!

IX. And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fallen out of heaven to the earth, and to him was given the key of 2 the pit of the abyss; and he opened the pit of the abyss. And there went up a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace, and the sun and the air were dark- 3 ened by reason of the smoke of the pit. And out of the smoke went forth locusts upon the earth, and to them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have 4 power; and it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, nor any green thing, nor any tree, but only those men who have not the seal of 5 God upon their foreheads; and it was given to them that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months; and their torment was as the torment 6 of a scorpion, when it hath struck a man. And in those days men will seek death, and shall not find it; and will desire to die, and death will flee from them.

7 And the shapes of the locusts were like horses prepared for battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of 8 men; and they had hair as the hair of women, and their 9 teeth were as the teeth of lions. And they had breast-

plates like breast-plates of iron, and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle. And they have tails like scorpions, and stings; and in their tails is their power to hurt men five months. They have over them a king, the angel of the abyss, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek he hath for his name Apollyon. The first woe is past; behold, two woes more are yet to come.

13 And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice out of the four horns of the golden altar, which is before God, 14 saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, Loose the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates. 15 And the four angels were loosed, who were in readiness for the hour, and day, and month, and year, to slay the 16 third part of men. And the number of the armies of the horsemen was two hundred thousand thousand; I 17 heard the number of them. And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and those who sat on them, having breast-plates of a fiery, and a dark blue, and a brimstone color; and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions, and out of their mouths issued fire, and smoke, and brimstone. 18 By these three plagues was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and the smoke, and the brimstone, which 19 issued out of their mouths. For the power of the horses is in their mouth, and in their tails; for their tails are like to serpents, having heads; and with them they do 20 hurt. And the rest of men, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, that they should not worship demons, and idols of gold, and of silver, and of brass, and of stone, and of wood, which can 21 neither see, nor hear, nor walk; and they did not repent of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.

X. And I saw another strong angel coming down from

heaven, clothed with a cloud, and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was like the sun, and his feet as 2 pillars of fire. And he had in his hand a little book open.

And he set his right foot upon the sea, and the left upon 3 the land; and he cried with a loud voice, as a lion roars.

4 And when he had cried, the seven thunders uttered their voices. And when the seven thunders had spoken, I was about to write; and I heard a voice from heaven saying,

5 Seal up the things which the seven thunders spoke, and write them not. And the angel whom I saw standing

upon the sea, and upon the land, lifted up his right hand 6 to heaven, and swore by him who liveth for ever and ever,

who created the heaven, and the things therein, and the earth and the things therein, and the sea, and the things

7 therein, that there should be no longer delay; but in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he is about

to sound, then should be finished the mystery of God, as he declared the glad tidings to his servants the prophets.

8 And the voice which I heard out of heaven I heard again speaking to me, and saying: Go, take the little

book which is open in the hand of the angel who is 9 standing upon the sea, and upon the land. And I went

to the angel, telling him to give me the little book. And he saith to me, Take it, and eat it up; and it will make

thy stomach bitter, but in thy mouth it will be sweet as 10 honey. And I took the little book out of the angel's

hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey; and when I had eaten it, my stomach became bit-

11 ter. And it was said to me, Thou must again prophesy concerning many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings.

XI. And there was given me a reed like to a staff, a voice saying: Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the

2 altar, and them that worship therein; but the court which



is outside the temple, leave out, and measure it not, for it hath been given to the gentiles; and the holy city will  
3 they tread under foot forty-two months. And I will give power to my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and sixty days, clothed in sack-cloth.

4 These are the two olive-trees, and the two candle-  
5 sticks, which stand before the Lord of the earth. And if any one designs to hurt them, fire goeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies; and if any one designs to hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.

6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy; and have power over the waters, to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with every  
7 plague, as often as they will. And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that cometh up out of the abyss will make war against them, and will overcome  
8 them, and kill them. And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where their Lord also was crucified.  
9 And some from among the peoples, and tribes, and tongues, and nations, will look upon their dead bodies three days and a half, and will not suffer their dead bodies to be  
10 put into a tomb. And they that dwell upon the earth will rejoice over them, and make merry, and will send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented  
11 those who dwelt on the earth. And after three days and a half the spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon  
12 those who saw them. And they heard a loud voice from heaven, saying to them, Come up hither; and they went up into heaven in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them.

13 And in that hour there was a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake

were slain seven thousand men; and the rest became afraid, and gave glory to the God of heaven.

14 The second woe is past; behold, the third woe cometh quickly.

15 And the seventh angel sounded, and there followed loud voices in heaven, saying, The kingdom of the world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and

16 he will reign for ever and ever. And the twenty-four

elders, who sat before God on their thrones, fell upon

17 their faces, and worshipped God, saying, We give thanks

to thee, O Lord God Almighty, who art and who wast,

because thou hast taken thy great power, and hast reigned.

18 And the nations were enraged, and thy wrath is come, and

the time of the dead to be judged, and to give the reward

to thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and to them

that fear thy name, the small and the great; and to destroy

the destroyers of the earth.

19 And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and the

ark of his covenant was seen in his temple; and there

were lightnings, and voices, and thunders, and an earth-

quake, and a great hailstorm.

XII. And a great sign was seen in heaven; a woman clothed

with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her

2 head a crown of twelve stars; and being with child she

crieth out, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.

3 And another sign was seen in heaven; and behold, a great

red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and on his

4 heads seven diadems; and his tail dragged the third part

of the stars of heaven, and cast them to the earth. And

the dragon standeth before the woman who was about to

bring forth, that when she hath brought forth he may de-

5 vour her child. And she brought forth a man-child, who

is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron; and her

6 child was caught up to God, and to his throne. And the

woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared by God, that they should nourish her there a thousand two hundred and sixty days.

7 And there was war in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his  
8 angels, and prevailed not; neither was their place found  
9 any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast down, the old serpent, called the Devil and Satan, who deceiveth the whole world; he was cast down to the earth, and his angels were cast down with him.

10 And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, Now is come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ; for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, who accused them before our  
11 God day and night; and they conquered him because of the blood of the Lamb, and because of the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives, even to death.  
12 Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the earth and the sea! for the Devil is come down to you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast down to the earth, he persecuted the woman who brought forth the  
14 man-child. And to the woman were given the two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.

15 And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a river, after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried  
16 away by the river. And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the  
17 river which the dragon cast out of his mouth. And the dragon was enraged at the woman, and went away to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God, and maintain the testimony to Jesus.

XIII. And I stood upon the sand of the sea. And I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns and seven heads, and upon his horns ten diadems, and upon 2 his heads names of blasphemy. And the beast which I saw was like a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion. And the dragon gave him his power, and his throne, and great au- 3 thority. And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed. And the 4 whole earth wondered after the beast. And they worshipped the dragon, because he gave the authority to the beast; and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like 5 to the beast, and who is able to make war with him? And there was given to him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemy; and power was given to him to work forty-two 6 months. And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and those 7 who dwell in heaven. And it was given to him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them; and power was given him over every tribe, and people, and tongue, 8 and nation. And all who dwell on the earth will worship him, every one whose name hath not been written in the book of life of the Lamb that was slain from the founda- 9 tion of the world. If any one hath an ear, let him hear. 10 If any one [leadeth] into captivity he shall go into captivity; if any one shall kill with the sword, he must be killed with the sword. Here is the endurance and the faith of the saints.

11 And I saw another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spoke as a 12 dragon. And he exerciseth all the authority of the first

beast in his presence; and causeth the earth and those who dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. And he doeth great signs, so that he even causeth fire to come down from heaven on the earth, in the sight of men. And he deceiveth them that dwell on the earth, by reason of the signs which it was given him to do in the presence of the beast; commanding those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast which had the wound by a sword, and lived. And it was given to him to give breath to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should even speak, and cause that all who did not worship the image of the beast should be killed. And he causeth all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free and the bond, to receive a mark on their right hand, or on their forehead; and that no one shall be able to buy or sell, except him that hath the mark, the name of the beast, or the number of his name. Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast; for it is the number of a man, and his number is six hundred and sixty-six.

XIV. And I saw, and lo! the Lamb stood on Mount Zion, and with him a hundred and forty-four thousand, having his name and the name of his Father written on their foreheads.

2 And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of loud thunder; and the voice which I heard was as that of harpers, harping with their harps. And they sing a new song before the throne, and before the four living creatures and the elders; and no one was able to learn the song but the hundred and forty-four thousand, who were redeemed from the earth. These are they who were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they who follow the Lamb wherever

he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, a first-  
5 fruits to God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was  
found no falsehood; for they are without fault.

6 And I saw another angel flying in mid-heaven, having  
an everlasting message of good tidings to proclaim to those  
who dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and tribe, and  
7 tongue, and people; saying with a loud voice, Fear God,  
and give glory to him, for the hour of his judgment is  
come; and worship him that made the heaven, and the  
earth, and sea, and fountains of waters.

8 And another, a second angel, followed, saying: Fallen,  
fallen is Babylon the great, which hath made all the  
nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.

9 And another, a third angel, followed them, saying with  
a loud voice: If any one worship the beast and his image,  
10 and receive the mark on his forehead or on his hand, the  
same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which  
is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation,  
and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone  
in the presence of the angels, and in the presence of the  
11 Lamb. And the smoke of their torment goeth up for ever  
and ever; and they have no rest day or night, who worship  
the beast and his image, and whoever receiveth the  
12 mark of his name. Here is the endurance of the saints,  
who keep the commandments of God, and the faith of  
Jesus.

13 And I heard a voice from heaven, saying, Write, Blessed  
are the dead, who die in the Lord from henceforth. Yea,  
saith the Spirit, that they shall rest from their labors; and  
their works do follow them.

14 And I saw, and lo! a white cloud, and upon the cloud  
one sat like to a son of man, having on his head a golden  
15 crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. And another angel  
came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to

him who sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap, for the time to reap is come, because the harvest of the  
16 earth is ripe. And he who sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle upon the earth; and the earth was reaped.

17 And another angel came out of the temple which is in  
18 heaven, he also having a sharp sickle. And another angel came out from the altar, who had power over fire; and he cried with a loud cry to him who had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, for the grapes of the earth are fully  
19 ripe. And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the fruit of the vine of the earth, and cast  
20 it into the great wine-press of the wrath of God. And the wine-press was trodden outside the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even to the bits of the horses, to the distance of a thousand six hundred furlongs.

XV. And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous, seven angels, having seven plagues, which are the last, because in them is completed the wrath of God.

2 And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire, and those who had gained the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over the number of his name, stand-  
3 ing at the sea of glass, having harps of God. And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying: Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou  
4 King of the nations; who shall not fear, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for thou only art holy; for all nations shall come and worship before thee, because thy judgments are made manifest.

5 And after these things I saw, and the temple of the  
6 tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened; and the seven angels who had the seven plagues came forth, clothed in pure shining linen, and girded about the breasts

7 with golden girdles. And one of the four living creatures gave to the seven angels seven golden vials, full of the  
8 wrath of God, who liveth for ever and ever. And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; and no one was able to enter the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were completed.

XVI. And I heard a loud voice out of the temple, saying to the seven angels, Go, and pour out the seven vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.

2 And the first departed, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men who had the mark of the beast, and who worshipped his image.

3 And the second poured out his vial into the sea; and it became blood, as of a dead man, and every living thing died, that was in the sea.

4 And the third poured out his vial into the rivers and  
5 fountains of waters; and they became blood. And I heard the angel of the waters saying, Righteous art thou, who art  
6 and wast holy, because thou hast judged thus; for they shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given  
7 them blood to drink; they deserve it. And I heard the altar saying, Even so, Lord God Almighty! true and righteous are thy judgments.

8 And the fourth poured out his vial upon the sun; and  
9 it was given to it to scorch men with fire; and men were scorched with great heat. And men blasphemed the name of God, who had the power over these plagues; and they repented not, to give him glory.

10 And the fifth poured out his vial upon the throne of

Chap. XV. 7. — *vials*; i.e. shallow bowls, or cups.

Chap. XVI. 5. — *who art and wast holy*; otherwise, *who art and who wast*; *holy*, &c.—A.



the beast; and his kingdom became darkened; and they  
11 gnawed their tongues for pain, and blasphemed the God of  
heaven, because of their pains and because of their sores;  
and they repented not of their deeds.

12 And the sixth poured out his vial upon the great river,  
the Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that  
the way of the kings who are from the rising of the sun  
13 might be prepared. And I saw come out of the mouth of  
the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out  
of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits  
14 like frogs; for they are the spirits of demons, working  
signs, which go forth to the kings of the whole world, to  
gather them to the battle of that great day of God Al-  
15 mighty. Behold, I come as a thief; blessed is he that  
watcheth, and keepeth his garments, that he may not walk  
16 naked, and his shame be seen. And he gathered them to-  
gether into the place called in the Hebrew tongue, Har-  
magedon.

17 And the seventh poured out his vial upon the air;  
and there came forth a loud voice from the temple, from  
18 the throne, saying, It is done. And there followed light-  
nings, and voices, and thunders, and there was a great  
earthquake, such as there was not since there was a man  
upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.  
19 And the great city was divided into three parts, and  
the cities of the nations fell; and Babylon the great was  
remembered before God, to give to her the cup of the  
20 wine of the fierceness of his wrath. And every island  
21 fled away, and no mountains were found; and there came  
down from heaven upon men a great storm of hail, every  
stone weighing about a talent; and men blasphemed God  
on account of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof  
was exceeding great.

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Ver. 16. — *he gathered*; otherwise, *they gathered*. — A.

Ver. 21. — *a talent*; i.e. about ninety-five pounds.

- XVII. And there came one of the seven angels who had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying, Come hither; I will show thee the judgment of the great harlot that  
2 sitteth upon the many waters; with whom the kings of the earth committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth were made drunk with the wine of her fornication.  
3 So he carried me away in the Spirit into the wilderness. And I saw a woman sitting upon a scarlet-colored beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten  
4 horns. And the woman was clothed in purple and scarlet, decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand, full of abominations and the im-  
5 purities of the fornication of the earth, and upon her forehead a name written: MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF THE HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINA-  
TIONS OF THE EARTH.
- 6 And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the witnesses of Jesus. And when I saw her, I wondered with great wonder.
- 7 And the angel said to me, Wherefore didst thou wonder? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads,  
8 and the ten horns. The beast which thou sawest, was, and is not, and is to come up out of the abyss, and goeth into perdition; and they that dwell on the earth, whose names have not been written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, will wonder, when they see the beast, that he was, and is not, and yet will come.
- 9 Here is the mind that hath wisdom. The seven heads  
10 are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth. And they are seven kings; five of them are fallen, one is; the other is not yet come, and when he hath come, he must re-  
11 main a short time. And the beast that was, and is not, he is an eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.

12 And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, who  
have received no kingdom as yet, but receive authority  
13 as kings one hour with the beast. These have one mind,  
14 and give their power and authority to the beast. These  
will make war with the Lamb; and the Lamb will over-  
come them, because he is Lord of lords, and King of  
kings: and they who are with him are called, and chosen,  
and faithful.

15 And he saith to me, The waters which thou sawest,  
where the harlot sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and  
16 nations, and tongues. And the ten horns which thou saw-  
est, and the beast, these will hate the harlot, and will make  
her desolate and naked, and will eat her flesh, and will  
17 burn her up with fire. For God hath put in their hearts  
to do his will, and to form one purpose, and to give their  
kingdom to the beast, until the words of God shall be  
18 fulfilled. And the woman which thou sawest is the great  
city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.

XVIII. After these things I saw another angel coming down  
from heaven, having great power; and the earth was light-  
2 ened with his glory. And he cried with a strong voice,  
saying: Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great, and is become  
a habitation of demons, and a hold of every unclean spirit,  
3 and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird; for all the  
nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her forni-  
cation, and the kings of the earth committed fornication  
with her, and the merchants of the earth became rich out  
of the abundance of her luxury.

4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come  
out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her  
5 sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues; for her sins  
have reached to heaven, and God hath remembered her  
6 iniquities. Requite her even as she requited, and render  
to her double according to her works; in the cup which

- 7 she mixed, mix to her double. As much as she glorified herself and lived luxuriously, so much torment and mourning give her. For she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, 8 and am no widow, and shall see no mourning; therefore in one day shall her plagues come, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be burned up with fire; for strong is the Lord God who judged her.
- 9 And the kings of the earth who committed fornication and lived luxuriously with her shall weep and lament for 10 her, when they see the smoke of her burning, standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas, the great city! Babylon, the mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come.
- 11 And the merchants of the earth weep and mourn over her, because no one buyeth their merchandise any more; 12 merchandise of gold and of silver, and of precious stones and of pearls, and of fine linen and of purple, and of silk and of scarlet; and all citron wood, and all manner of vessels of ivory, and all manner of vessels of most costly 13 wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble; and cinnamon, and amomum, and odors, and ointment, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and cattle, and sheep; and merchandise of horses and chariots and slaves; 14 and souls of men. And the fruits that thy soul desired are departed from thee, and all thy dainty and splendid things are perished from thee, and thou shalt find them no more.
- 15 The merchants of these things, who became rich by her, shall stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping 16 and mourning, saying: Alas, alas, the great city, that was clothed in fine linen and purple and scarlet, and decked 17 with gold and precious stones and pearls! for in one hour

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Chap. XVIII. 13. — *souls of men*; i.e. slaves. See Ezek. xxvii. 13. But what distinction, if any, the writer made between slaves and souls of men, unless it be that the former are mentioned as attached to horses and chariots, does not appear.

so great wealth is made desolate. And every pilot, and every one that saileth to any place, and mariners, and as  
18 many as trade by sea, stood afar off, and cried out when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What city is  
19 like the great city! And they cast dust on their heads, and cried out, weeping and mourning, saying: Alas, alas, the great city, whereby were made rich all that had ships in the sea by reason of her wealth! for in one hour she is made desolate.

20 Rejoice over her, thou heaven, and ye saints and ye apostles and ye prophets! for God hath avenged you on her.

21 And a strong angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall Babylon the great city be thrown down, and shall  
22 never more be found. And the sound of harpers, and of musicians, and of pipers, and of trumpeters shall be heard

in thee no more, and no craftsman, of whatever craft, shall be found any more in thee, and the sound of a mill-stone

23 shall never more be heard in thee, and the light of a lamp shall shine no more in thee, and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard in thee no more; for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for

24 by thy sorcery were all the nations deceived. And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that have been slain upon the earth.

XIX. After these things I heard as it were a loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, saying, Hallelujah! The salvation, and the glory, and the power, belong to our God; for true and righteous are his judgments; for he hath judged the great harlot, who corrupted the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her  
3 hand. And a second time they said, Hallelujah! and her  
4 smoke goeth up for ever and ever. And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and wor-

shipped God that sat on the throne, saying, Amen, hallelujah!

5 And a voice came forth from the throne, saying, Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, the small and the great.

6 And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunders, saying, Hallelujah! for the Lord our God

7 the Almighty reigneth. Let us rejoice and exult, and we will give to him the glory; for the marriage of the Lamb

8 is come, and his wife hath made herself ready; and it was given to her that she should be clothed in fine linen, shining and pure. For the fine linen is the righteousness of

9 the saints. And he saith to me, Write, Blessed are they who are called to the marriage-supper of the Lamb. And

10 he saith to me, These are the true words of God. And I fell at his feet to worship him; and he saith to me, See thou do it not; I am a fellow-servant of thee, and of thy brethren who maintain the testimony to Jesus; worship God. For the testimony to Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse, and he who sat upon him was called Faithful and True,

12 and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes were a flame of fire, and on his head were many diadems; and he had names written, and a name writ-

13 ten which no one knoweth but he himself; and he was clothed with a garment dipped in blood; and his name

14 is called, The Word of God. And the armies which are in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine

15 linen, white and pure. And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he may smite the nations; and he will rule them with a rod of iron; and he treadeth the wine-press of the fierceness of the wrath of God Al-

16 mighty. And he hath on his garment and on his thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

17 And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in mid-heaven, Come, gather yourselves together to the great sup-  
18 per of God; that ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great.

19 And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him  
20 who sat on the horse, and against his army. And the beast was seized and he who was with him, the false prophet who wrought the signs in his presence, with which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast, and who worshipped his image; the two were cast  
21 alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone. And the rest were slain with the sword of him who sat upon the horse, the sword which proceeded out of his mouth; and all the birds were glutted with their flesh.

XX. And I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having  
2 the key of the abyss, and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold of the dragon, the old serpent, which is the  
3 Devil and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, and cast him into the abyss, and shut him up and set a seal over him, that he may deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years are ended: after that he must be loosed for a short time.

4 And I saw thrones; and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them; and I saw the souls of those beheaded on account of the testimony to Jesus, and on account of the word of God, and of all who had not worshipped the beast, nor his image, and had not received his mark upon their forehead, or upon their hand; and they  
5 lived, and reigned with Christ a thousand years. And the rest of the dead lived not until the thousand years

6 were ended. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection; on these the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

7 And when the thousand years are ended, Satan will be  
8 loosed out of his prison; and will go out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to the war, the number of whom is as the sand of the sea. And they went up upon the breadth of the earth, and encompassed the camp of the saints, and the beloved city; and fire came down  
10 out of heaven, and devoured them. And the Devil who deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where are also the beast and the false prophet; and they will be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

11 And I saw a great white throne, and him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away,  
12 and no place was found for them. And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged out of the things written in the books, according to their works.  
13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death and the underworld gave up the dead which were in them; and they were judged each one according to his  
14 works. And death and the underworld were cast into the lake of fire; this is the second death, the lake of fire.  
15 And if any one was not found written in the book of life, he was cast into the lake of fire.

XXI. And I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the  
2 sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusa-



lem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a  
3 bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice  
out of the throne, saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God  
is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they will  
be his people, and God himself will be with them, their  
4 God; and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes,  
and death shall be no more, neither shall mourning, nor  
crying, nor pain be any more; for the former things are  
passed away.

5 And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make  
all things new. And he saith, Write; for these words  
6 are faithful and true. And he said to me, All things are  
accomplished. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the be-  
ginning and the end. To him that thirsteth I will give  
7 of the fountain of the water of life freely. He that over-  
cometh shall inherit these things, and I will be his God,  
8 and he shall be my son. But the cowardly, and unbe-  
lieving, and the polluted with abominations, and murder-  
ers, and fornicators, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all  
the liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth  
with fire and brimstone; which is the second death.

9 And there came one of the seven angels who had the  
seven vials filled with the seven last plagues, and talked  
with me, saying, Come hither; I will show thee the bride,  
10 the wife of the Lamb. And he carried me away in the  
Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the  
holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from  
11 God, having the glory of God; her light was like to a  
most precious stone, as it were a jasper stone, clear as  
12 crystal; having a wall great and high; having twelve  
gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written  
thereon, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the  
13 sons of Israel; on the east, three gates; and on the north,

three gates; and on the south, three gates; and on the  
14 west, three gates. And the wall of the city had twelve  
foundation-stones, and on them the twelve names of the  
15 twelve apostles of the Lamb. And he who talked with  
me had for a measure a golden reed, to measure the city,  
16 and the gates thereof, and the wall thereof. And the city  
lieth four-square, and its length is as great as its breadth.  
And he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand  
furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of  
17 it are equal. And he measured the wall thereof, a hun-  
dred and forty-four cubits, according to a man's measure,  
18 which is that of an angel. And the material of its wall  
was jasper; and the city was of pure gold, like to clear  
19 glass. The foundation-stones of the wall of the city were  
adorned with all manner of precious stones: the first foun-  
dation-stone was jasper; the second, sapphire; the third,  
20 chalcedony; the fourth, emerald; the fifth, sardonyx; the  
sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolite; the eighth, beryl;  
the ninth, topaz; the tenth, chrysoprasus; the eleventh,  
21 hyacinth; the twelfth, amethyst. And the twelve gates  
were twelve pearls; every several gate was of one pearl.  
And the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent  
22 glass. And I saw no temple therein; for the Lord God  
23 Almighty is its temple, and the Lamb. And the city  
hath no need of the sun, nor of the moon, to shine upon  
it; for the glory of God lightened it, and the Lamb is  
24 the light thereof. And the nations will walk by the light  
of it; and the kings of the earth bring their glory into  
25 it; and the gates of it shall not be shut by day, for there  
26 will be no night there; and they will bring the glory and  
27 the honor of the nations into it. And there shall not enter  
into it anything unclean, or that worketh abomina-  
tion and falsehood; but only they that are written in the  
Lamb's book of life.

XXII. And he showed me a river of water of life, clear

as crystal, coming out of the throne of God and of the  
2 Lamb. Between the street of the city and the river,  
on one side and on the other, is the tree of life, bearing  
twelve kinds of fruit, and yielding its fruit every month;  
and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the na-  
3 tions. And there shall be no more curse; and the throne  
of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants  
4 will serve him; and they will see his face, and his name  
5 will be upon their foreheads. And there will be no night,  
and no need of lamp or light, for the Lord God will shine  
upon them; and they will reign for ever and ever.

6 And he said to me, These words are faithful and true;  
and the Lord God of the spirits of the prophets sent his  
angel to show to his servants what must shortly come to  
7 pass. And behold, I come quickly. Blessed is he that  
keepeth the words of the prophecy of this book.

8 And I John am he who heard and saw these things;  
and when I had heard and when I had seen, I fell down  
to worship before the feet of the angel who showed me  
9 these things. And he saith to me, See thou do it not;  
I am a fellow-servant of thee, and of thy brethren the  
prophets, and of those who keep the words of this book;  
10 worship God. And he saith to me, Seal not the words  
11 of the prophecy of this book; the time is at hand. He  
that is unjust, let him be unjust still, and he that is filthy,  
let him be filthy still; and he that is righteous, let him do  
righteousness still, and he that is holy, let him be holy  
still.

12 Behold, I come quickly, and my reward is with me, to  
13 give to every one according as his work is. I am the  
Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the begin-  
ning and the end.

14 Blessed are they that wash their robes, that they may  
have a right to the tree of life, and may enter by the

15 gates into the city. Without are dogs, and sorcerers, and fornicators, and murderers, and idolaters, and whoever loveth and practiseth falsehood.

16 I Jesus sent my angel to testify these things to you for the churches. I am the shoot and the offspring of David, the bright morning-star.

17 And the Spirit and the bride say, Come! And let him that heareth say, Come! And let him that thirsteth come! Whoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

18 I testify to every one that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any one shall add to them, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book; 19 and if any one shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his part from the tree of life, and out of the holy city, which are written of in this book.

20 He who testifieth these things saith, Yea, I come quickly. Amen; come, Lord Jesus!

21 The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all.

## NEW READINGS OF TISCHENDORF.

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SINCE the completion of Dr. Noyes's Translation, the fifth part of Tischendorf's eighth critical edition of the Greek Testament has appeared, extending from Luke xviii. 10 to John vi. 23. The text of this new edition differs in some places from that of his *Synopsis Evangelica*, published in 1864, which was followed by Dr. Noyes in this portion of the Gospels. The following is a list of those changes of the text which require a change in the translation.

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### TISCHENDORF'S EIGHTH EDITION, IN

- Luke xviii. 11, omits "by himself."  
xx. 24, reads "they said" for "they answered and said."  
28, reads "be without children" (lit. "childless") for "die without children."  
xxi. 2, omits "also."  
6, omits "here."  
12, inserts the article "the" before synagogues.  
36, reads "all these things" for "all the things."  
xxiii. 17, omits the verse.  
39, omits "saying." Our idiom, however, requires its insertion in the translation.  
xxiv. 13, reads "sixty" for "a hundred and sixty."  
21, reads "we were hoping that it was he who was to redeem Israel" for "we are hoping that it is he who is to redeem Israel."  
John i. 18, reads "only begotten Son" for "only begotten God."  
21, reads "He said" (lit. "saith") for "And he said."  
46 (Gr. 47), reads "Nathanael said" for "And Nathanael said."  
iii. 13, adds, at the end of the verse, "who is in heaven."  
36, reads "he that disobeyeth" for "and he," &c.  
iv. 9, omits "For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans."

John iv. 17, reads "answered and said" for "answered."

— reads "I have" for "that thou hast."

37, reads "herein is the saying true" for "herein is fulfilled the true saying."

v. 9, omits "immediately."

vi. 11, reads "gave thanks, and distributed" (lit. "gave") for "having given thanks, distributed."

15, reads "fleeth" for "withdrew."

22, reads "saw" for "having seen."

23, omits "but."

THE END.









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