



**Jesus Christ:
His Second
Year of
Ministry**



Jesus went up to Jerusalem for a feast and He passed by a pool called, Bethesda. A lot of disabled people laid around it because from time to time an angel would come down and move the water and the first one into the pool would be healed. Jesus noticed a man lying there that had been sick for thirty-eight years and was unable to walk. Jesus asked if he would like to be healed. The man replied that he had no one to put him in the water and because of that someone else always got there first. Jesus told him, “Arise, take up thy bed and walk,” and immediately, he was healed.



Some Jews that saw him carrying his bed said, “This is the sabbath day. It is not lawful for thee to carry thy bed.”

The man replied, “He that made me whole, the same said unto me, Take up thy bed, and walk.”

They asked him who this man was, but he didn’t know because Jesus left without telling him.



Later, Jesus found the man in the temple and said to him, “Behold, thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon thee.”

When the man left, he went and told the Jews that it was Jesus that had made him whole, and those people, instead of being grateful for the miracle that healed the man, tried to work out a plan to kill Jesus because he had healed on the sabbath day.



Jesus told the people that were angry with him that He only did things that He saw His Father do. He, also, told them, "...he that heareth My word and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but shall be passed from death unto life. ... For as the Father hath life in Himself; so hath He given to the Son to have life in Himself. ... the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice and shall come forth;



they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil to the resurrection of damnation. ... Ye sent unto John and he bare witness unto the truth. But I have greater witness than that of John: for the works that the Father gavest Me to finish, the same works that I so, bear witness of me. And the Father, Himself, which sent me hath borne witness of Me. Search the scriptures; for in them; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.”



They were angry because He called Himself the Son of God when they believed that someone other than Him would need to say it for it to be true. So , He reminded them of John the Baptist saying He was the Christ and the Lamb of God, how God, Himself had said, This is My beloved Son in whom I Am well pleased, how only God could do the miracles He did, and how the Bible prophesied of Him many years before He came.

See John 5:1-47



Once when Jesus and His disciples were walking through a field of corn on the sabbath day, His disciples picked the corn and ate it on their way by. The Pharisees asked why they were breaking God's law by picking corn on the sabbath day. Jesus answered them by saying that David, in the Old Testament, had once broken the law by eating showbread that he wasn't supposed to eat because that was all he had. He said that God said He would rather have mercy than sacrifice. He, also, told them that the day of rest was made for man and not man for the sabbath, and He told them that He was Lord, also, of the sabbath. See Mathew

12:1-8 and Luke 6:1-5



When Jesus was in the synagogue on the sabbath day, there was a man there with a withered hand. The people asked Jesus, “Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath day?” because they wanted to accuse Him of breaking the law.

Jesus asked, “What man shall there be among you, that shall have one sheep, and if it fall into a pit on the sabbath day, will he not lay hold on him and lift him out? How much then is a man better than a sheep? Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the sabbath days.” Looking around, He was angry at the hardness of their hearts.



However, He told the man to stretch forth his hand, and when he did, it was restored just like the other.

Then, the Pharisees gathered together for a meeting to decide what they should do to Jesus for breaking the law.

When Jesus knew they were meeting, He left. A big crowd followed Him, and He healed them all.

He fulfilled the prophecy spoken by Isaiah that said, “Behold, my servant, whom I have chosen; my beloved, in whom my soul is well-pleased: ... in His name shall the gentiles trust.”

See Mathew 12:9-21 and Mark 3:1-6



Unclean spirits, when they saw Jesus, fell down before Him, and cried, saying, “Thou art the Son of God!” But Jesus charged them that they should not make Him known.”

However, the scribes said that Jesus cast out devils through Beelzebub and the prince of the devils.

Jesus said, “How can Satan cast out Satan? And if a kingdom be divided against itself, that kingdom can not stand. ... And if Satan rise up against himself and be divided, he cannot stand. No man can enter into a



strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man; and then he will spoil his house. Verily I say unto you, All sins shall be forgiven unto the sons of men, and blasphemies wherewith soever they shall blaspheme: but he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Ghost hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation." He told them this because they accused Him of having an unclean spirit."

He went into a mountain and chose his twelve apostles.

See Mark 3:11-30



Jesus taught from the mountain saying, “Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they which are persicuted for righteousness sake: for theirs in the kingdom of heaven.



Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you, falsely, for My sake. Rejoice and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you. ... Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. ... Let your light so shine before men, that they may see you good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. ... Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth: But I say unto you, that ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite you on the right cheek turn to him the other also. And if any man sue you at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have thy cloak also.



Ye have heard that it has been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them that despitefully use you and persecute you; that you may be children of your Father which is in heaven. For He maketh the sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and the unjust. For if ye love them that love ye, what reward have ye? ... Take heed that ye do not you alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven.



...when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heaven do: for they think they shall be heard for their much speaking. ... After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen. For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your heavenly Father forgive you.



... Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt and where thieves do not break through and steal. For where your treasure is there will your heart be also. ... No man can serve two masters. Either he will hate one and love the other or he will hold to one and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon. ... Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? Or what shall we drink? Or wherewithal shall we be clothed? ... for your heavenly Father knoweth ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.



Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For everyone that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Or what man of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? Or if he ask a fish will he give him a serpent? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask Him? Therefore, all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.



Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. ... Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of My Father which is in heaven. Many shall say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have not we prophesied in Thy name? And in Thy name cast of devils? and in Thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.”

See Mathew 5-7



A centurion had a servant that was very close to him that was very sick, close to dying, and he sent to the elders of the Jews, begging them to ask Jesus to heal his servant. So, they went to Jesus and told Him about the centurion. They said that he was worthy to receive this request because he had been good to the Jews and had built them a synagogue. So, Jesus went to the man's house, but before He got there, He was meet by a servant that the centurion had sent to meet them. He told them that his master had said he wasn't worthy for Jesus to come to his house,



but that he knew that Jesus could speak the word only and his servant would be healed.

When Jesus heard this He was surprised by the man's faith. He turned to go back and said, "Verily, I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel. And I say unto you, that many shall come from the east and the west, and shall sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into utter darkness where there is wailing and gnashing of teeth. Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee." And his servant was healed in the self-same hour.

See Luke 7:1-10 and Math. 8:5-13



When they came near the gate of the city, they saw a dead man. He was the only son of his widowed mother, and she was weeping. Jesus said to her, “Weep not,” and he went and stood near the dead man. Then he said, “Young man, I say unto thee, Arise.”



Then, the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus brought him to his mother. Everyone that was there became afraid and glorified God. They said that a great prophet was risen up among them and that God had visited His people.

People talked about Jesus and what he had done all throughout the region.



After John was cast into prison, maybe discouraged and wondering why he was in prison and at risk of death if Jesus was the Christ that was to come and save the world, he sent two of his disciples to go and ask Jesus, again, “Art thou He that should come, or look we for another?”

Jesus told them to go and tell John what they heard and saw that the blind received their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.



Then, Jesus began to speak to the people about John. He asked them, “What went ye out to see, a prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. Verily, I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence and the violent take it by force. For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. ... He that hath ears to hear let him hear.



**... Woe unto thee, Chorazin!
Woe unto thee, Bethsaida!
For if the mighty works
which were done in you
were done in Tyre and
Sidon, they would have
repented long ago in
sackcloth and ashes. ... All
things are delivered unto
me of my Father: and no
man knoweth the Son but
the Father; neither knoweth
any man the Father but the
Son, and he to whom the
Son will reveal Him. Come
unto me, all ye that labor
and are heavy laden, and I
will give you rest. Take my
yoke upon you, and learn of
me; for I Am meek and
lowly of heart: and ye shall
find rest unto your souls.”**

See Mathew 11



One day, a pharisee asked Jesus to his house to eat. While Jesus was there a woman from town, a know sinner, came to Him. She washed his feet with her tears, dried them with her hair, and anointed them with ointment. The man that asked Jesus to eat thought, *This man, if he were a prophet, would have known who and what manner of women this is that toucheth Him: for she is a sinner.*

Jesus said, “Simon, I have some what to say to thee. There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed him five hundred pence, the other fifty. And when they had nothing to pay, he, frankly, forgave



them both. Tell me therefore, which of them will love him the most.

Simon answered, "I suppose that he, to whom he forgave the most."

Jesus said, "Thou hast rightly judged. See this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath washed my feet with her tears... Wherefore I say unto thee, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little...."

The people eating with Him wondered, who Jesus thought He was to forgive sins."

See Luke 7:36-50



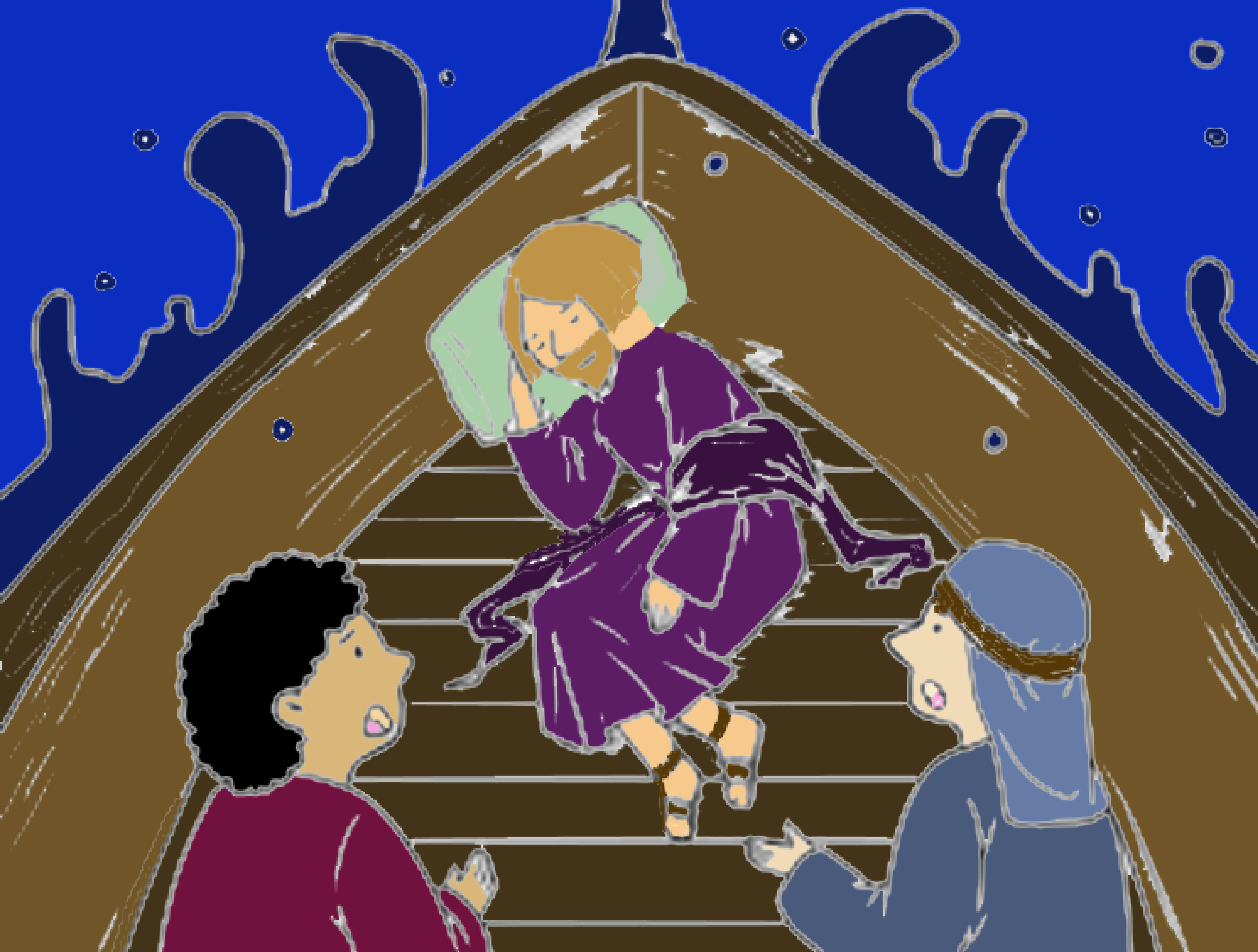
Some of the scribes and Pharisees asked Jesus to show them a sign that He was who He said He was. Jesus answered them, “An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet, Jonah. For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the whale’s belly; so shall the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and, behold, a greater than Jonah is here.”

See Mathew 12:38-45



Jesus taught some people through mysterious stories called parables. He said, “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field: which indeed is the least of all the seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among the herbs....” Also, He said, “The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of flour, till the whole was leavened.” His disciples asked Him why He spake to them in parables, and He said, “Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given. For Whosoever hath, to him it shall be given....”

See Mathew 13



In the evening after a day of preaching, Jesus told his disciples that they should take a ship and go over to the other side. So, they sent the crowd of people away and got in a ship. When they were out on the water a storm with strong winds kicked up. The waves beat hard against the ship, filling it with water. Jesus was asleep in the back of the boat. They went to wake Him up and said, “Master, carest thou not that we perish?”



After getting up, Jesus rebuked the wind and said to the sea, “Peace be still.” Suddenly, the wind stopped and everything became very calm. Jesus said to his disciples, “Why are you so fearful? How is it that ye have no faith?”

Afraid, they said to each other, “What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey Him.”



When they got to the other side of the water, they were at the land of the Gadarenes.

Immediately, when Jesus got off the ship, He was met by a man with an unclean spirit, coming from where he lived among the tombs in the graveyard. He was a wild man that no one could capture. He had been tied up before, but he always broke the chains and ran away. Day and night, he went wandering through the mountains and the tombs, crying and cutting himself with stones.



When the man saw Jesus, he ran to Him and worshiped Him. Jesus said, “Come out of the man, thou unclean spirit.”

The man shouted, “What have I to do with Thee, Jesus, Thou Son of the Most High God? I adjure Thee by God that Thou torment me not.”

Jesus asked his name, and he answered, “My name is Legion, for we are many.” There was a large group of swine feeding nearby and the devils begged Jesus to send them into the swine.



Jesus told the demons that they could go into the pigs. So, they left the man and went into the swine. Then, the swine ran violently down the side of the mountain into the sea and drowned. The people that came out to see what had happened were shocked to see the wild man sitting down and in his right mind, but they were, also, frightened. They got together and asked Jesus to leave. The wild man wanted to go with Jesus, but Jesus said, “Go home to thy friends, and tell them what great things the LORD hath done for thee....”

See Mathew 5:1-20



Jesus went in a ship over the sea back to where he started, and a crowd gathered around Him. A man named Jairus, a ruler of the synagogue came to Him saying, “My little daughter lieth at the point of death: I pray thee, come and lay hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live.” So, Jesus went with him and many people followed them.



His disciples said, “Thou seest the multitude thronging thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me?”

Jesus looked around and saw her. The woman, trembling with fear, came, fell down before Him, and told Him the truth.

Jesus answered her, “Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague.”



While Jesus was still speaking, some people came to tell Jairus that his daughter had died, so there was no more need to trouble Jesus.

But Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, “Be not afraid, only believe.” Then, he asked everyone except Peter, James, and John to leave, and he followed Jairus to his house.



When he got to the house, he saw lots of people greatly upset, weeping and wailing, loudly. When He came inside, He asked, “Why make ye this ado, and weep? The damsel is not dead, but sleepeth.” The people laughed at Him, greatly, but Jesus put them all out of the house and took the girl’s mother and father and Peter, James, and John with Him into where the girl was lying. Then, he took the girl by the hand and said, “Damsel, Arise.” Immediately, the twelve year old girl got up and walked. The parents and his disciples were surprised, shocked, and amazed all at the same time. Jesus told them not to tell anyone what had happened but to give the girl something to eat.



After Jesus left Jairus, two blind men followed Him as He walked. They followed Him, crying, “Thou Son of David have mercy on us.”

When Jesus went into a house, the two blind men followed him, and Jesus asked them, “Believe ye that I am able to do this?”

They answered. “Yeah, Lord.”

Then, He touched their eyes and said, “According to thy faith, be it unto you.” Their eyes were opened, and they could see. Jesus told them to tell no one, but instead, they went out and told everyone they met.



Later, after He left the house, they brought Him a man, possessed with a devil that couldn't speak. Jesus cast the devil out and then the man could speak. Surprised, the people said, "It was never so seen in Israel."

So, Jesus went about all the cities, teaching and preaching and healing every disease. He told His disciples, "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; Pray ye, therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest."

See Mark 5:21-43 and
Mathew 9:18-34



Jesus went back to his own city, Nazareth, and taught in the synagogue, and when the people heard him, they were surprised and said, “From whence hath this Man these things? And what wisdom is this which is given unto Him, that even such mighty works are wrought by His hands? Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, the brother of James, and Joses, and of Judah, and Simon?” And they were offended at Him.

So, Jesus could do no mighty work there, except that he healed a few people.



Jesus called his twelve disciples to Him and sent them out to preach, two by two. He gave them power over unclean spirits, and He told them to take no food or money, or even an extra coat, with them. He said just to take a staff, and He told them, “In what place soever ye enter into a house, there abide till ye depart from that place. And whosoever shall not receive you, when ye depart thence, shake off the dust from under your feet for a testimony against them. Verily, I say unto you, it shall be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment than for that city.”



Then He told them, “Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: Be ye, therefore, wise as serpents, and harmless as doves. But beware of men for they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will scourge you in the synagogues; and ye shall be brought before governors and kings for My sake, for a testimony against them and the Gentiles. ... But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of Man be come. A disciple is not above his master.... If they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more shall they call them of his household.”



He told them, "Fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear Him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven. ... And a man's foes shall be they of his own household. He that loveth 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 taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me. He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.



So, the disciples went out and preached that men should repent. They cast out devils and annointed the sick with oil, healing them.

See Mark 6:1-13 and Mathew 9:35-11:1



When Herod heard of Jesus and His fame, he said, “This is John the Baptist; He is risen from the dead!”

Herod arrested John because he had pointed out that Herod had sinned with his brother’s wife. Herod was going to put him to death, but he feared the people. Then, on Herod’s birthday, his brother’s wife’s daughter danced before him and pleased him. He promised her that he would give her anything that she asked. What she asked for was the head of John the Baptist. Though Herod was sorry to do it, he sent for John the Baptist to be killed and his head to be brought to the girl. Then the girl, proudly, took his head to her mother.