

GOSPELS

Matthew 28: 16-20

The Commissioning of the Disciples.*

16 The eleven* disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them.

17* When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted.

18 Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

19 Go, therefore,* and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit,

20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.* And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

Luke 4: 16-21

Jesus chooses what scripture to read

16 He came to Nazareth, where he had grown up, and went according to his custom* into the synagogue on the sabbath day. He stood up to read

17 and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written:

18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,* because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, 19 and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord."

20 Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. 21 He said to them, "Today this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."*

Mark 10: 35-45

Jesus speaks to Pride and Ambition

35 Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you."

36 He replied, "What do you wish [me] to do for you?"

37 They answered him, "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left."

38 Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?"

39 They said to him, "We can." Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized;

40 but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared."

41 When the ten heard this, they became indignant at James and John.

42 Jesus summoned them and said to them,^p "You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. 43 But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; 44 whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all.

45 For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."

John 6: 35-40 Jesus is the bread of Life

35 Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst.

36 But I told you that although you have seen [me], you do not believe.r

37 Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and I will not reject anyone who comes to me,

38 because I came down from heaven not to do my own will but the will of the one who sent me.

39 And this is the will of the one who sent me, that I should not lose anything of what he gave me, but that I should raise it [on] the last day.t

40 For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him [on] the last day."u

John 10:1-11 Jesus is The Good Shepherd.

1 * "Amen, amen, I say to you,a whoever does not enter a sheepfold* through the gate but climbs over elsewhere is a thief and a robber.

2 But whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep.

3 The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.

4 * When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him,b because they recognize his voice.

5 But they will not follow a stranger; they will run away from him, because they do not recognize the voice of strangers."

6 Although Jesus used this figure of speech,* they did not realize what he was trying to tell them. 7 * So Jesus said again, "Amen, amen, I say to you, I am the gate for the sheep.

8 * All who came [before me] are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them.

9 I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. 10 A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy; I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.

11 I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.c