## Late Judean Ministry—Commissioning of the Seventy (November 32)

Luke 10:1-16

- 1 After these things the Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come.
- 2 Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly *is* great, but the laborers *are* few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth laborers into his harvest.
- 3 Go your ways: behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves.
- 4 Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes: and salute no man by the way.
- 5 And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say, Peace be to this house.
- 6 And if the son of peace be there, your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn to you again.
- 7 And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: for the laborer is worthy of his hire. Go not from house to house.
- 8 And into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you:
- 9 And heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.
- 10 But into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you not, go your ways out into the streets of the same, and say,
- 11 Even the very dust of your city, which cleaveth on us, we do wipe off against you: notwithstanding be ye sure of this, that the kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.
- 12 But I say unto you, that it shall be more tolerable in that day for Sodom, than for that city.
- 13 Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works had been done in Tyre and Sidon, which have been done in you, they had a great while ago repented, sitting in sackcloth and ashes.
- 14 But it shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the judgment, than for you.
- 15 And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted to heaven, shalt be thrust down to hell.
- 16 He that heareth you heareth me; and he that despiseth you despiseth me; and he that despiseth me despiseth him that sent me.

## Late Judean Ministry—Return of the Seventy (November 32)

Luke 10:17-24

- 17 And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.
- 18 And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.
- 19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.
- 20 Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.
- 21 In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight.
- 22 All things are delivered to me of my Father: and no man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and *he* to whom the Son will reveal *him*.
- 23 And he turned him unto his disciples, and said privately, Blessed are the eyes which see the things that ye see:
- 24 For I tell you, that many prophets and kings have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen *them*; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard *them*.

# Late Judean Ministry—Who Is My Neighbor? (November 32)

Luke 10:25-37

- 25 And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?
- 26 He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou?
- 27 And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself. [Deut 6:5; Lev 19:18]
- 28 And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live. [Lev 18:5]
- 29 But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbour?
- 30 And Jesus answering said, A certain *man* went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded *him*, and departed, leaving *him* half dead.
- 31 And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.
- 32 And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side.
- 33 But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him,
- 34 And went to *him*, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

- 35 And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave *them* to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.
- 36 Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves?
- 37 And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

## Late Judean Ministry—Mary and Martha (November 32)

Luke 10:38-42

- 38 Now it came to pass, as they went, that he entered into a certain village: and a certain woman named Martha received him into her house.
- 39 And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word.
- 40 But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me.
- 41 And Jesus answered and said unto her, Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things:
- 42 But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.

#### Late Judean Ministry—Teach Us to Pray (November 32)

Luke 11:1–13

- 1 And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.
- 2 And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.
- 3 Give us day by day our daily bread.
- 4 And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
- 5 And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves:
- 6 For a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him?
- 7 And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee.
- 8 I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth.
- 9 And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.
- 10 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.
- 11 If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent?
- 12 Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion?
- 13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall *your* heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

### Late Judean Ministry—A House Divided (November 32)

Luke 11:14–36

- 14 And he was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondered.
- 15 But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebub the chief of the devils.
- 16 And others, tempting *him*, sought of him a sign from heaven.
- 17 But he, knowing their thoughts, said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house *divided* against a house falleth.
- 18 If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because ye say that I cast out devils through Beelzebub.
- 19 And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast them out? therefore shall they be your judges.
- 20 But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you.
- 21 When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace:
- 22 But when a stronger than he shall come upon him, and overcome him, he taketh from him all his armor wherein he trusted, and divideth his spoils.
- 23 He that is not with me is against me: and he that gathereth not with me scattereth.

- 24 When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out.
- 25 And when he cometh, he findeth it swept and garnished.
- 26 Then goeth he, and taketh *to him* seven other spirits more wicked than himself; and they enter in, and dwell there: and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first.
- 27 And it came to pass, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lifted up her voice, and said unto him, Blessed *is* the womb that bare thee, and the paps which thou hast sucked.
- 28 But he said, Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it.
- 29 And when the people were gathered thick together, he began to say, This is an evil generation: they seek a sign; and there shall no sign be given it, but the sign of Jonas the prophet. [cf. Jonah 3]
- 30 For as Jonas was a sign unto the Ninevites, so shall also the Son of man be to this generation.
- 31 The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with the men of this generation, and condemn them: for she came from the utmost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon *is* here. [cf. 1 Kgs 10:1–3]
- 32 The men of Nineveh shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here.
- 33 No man, when he hath lighted a candle, putteth *it* in a secret place, neither under a bushel, but on a candlestick, that they which come in may see the light.
- 34 The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of light; but when *thine eye* is evil, thy body also *is* full of darkness.
- 35 Take heed therefore that the light which is in thee be not darkness.
- 36 If thy whole body therefore *be* full of light, having no part dark, the whole shall be full of light, as when the bright shining of a candle doth give thee light.

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#### **Chronological Notes**

1) Thomas & Gundry comment on Luke 11:15—"The same accusation was made about a year before when a similar debate ensued. Jesus used the same three arguments he had used on the earlier occasion. That the two encounters were distinct from each other is seen by three factors: 1) Luke appears to place this debate in Judea while the earlier one was in Galilee. 2) In Luke's account the man healed is dumb, but in Matthew's he is blind and dumb. Luke, in line with his medical orientation, would hardly have failed to mention the blindness if this were the man's condition. 3) Events that follow the two episodes are quite different, namely, the initiation of parabolic teaching in the earlier case and breakfast with a Pharisee in the later." <sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Robert L. Thomas & Stanley N. Gundry, A Harmony of the Gospels: New American Standard Edition, (Moody Press 1978), 139.