

Galilean Ministry—Final Visit to Nazareth (April – December 31)

Matthew 13:54–58	Mark 6:1–6a
<p>54 Then he came to his hometown</p> <p>and began to teach the people in their synagogue. They were astonished and said, “Where did this man get such wisdom and miraculous powers?</p> <p>55 Isn’t this the carpenter’s son? Isn’t his mother named Mary? And aren’t his brothers James, Joseph, Simon, and Judas?</p> <p>56 And aren’t all his sisters here with us? Where did he get all this?”</p> <p>57 And so they took offense at him. But Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his hometown and in his own house.”</p> <p>58 And he did not do many miracles there because of their unbelief.</p>	<p>1 Now Jesus left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him.</p> <p>2 When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the synagogue. Many who heard him were astonished, saying, “Where did he get these ideas? And what is this wisdom that has been given to him? What are these miracles that are done through his hands?</p> <p>3 Isn’t this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James, Joses, Judas, and Simon? And aren’t his sisters here with us?”</p> <p>And so they took offense at him.</p> <p>4 Then Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his hometown, and among his relatives, and in his own house.”</p> <p>5 He was not able to do a miracle there, except to lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them.</p> <p>6a And he was amazed because of their unbelief.</p>

Galilean Ministry—Commissioning of the Twelve (April – December 31)

Matthew 9:35–11:1	Mark 6:6b–13	Luke 9:1–6
<p>9:35 Then Jesus went throughout all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every kind of disease and sickness.</p> <p>36 When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them because they were bewildered and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.</p> <p>37 Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few.</p> <p>38 Therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest.”</p> <p>10:1 Jesus called his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits so they could cast them out and heal every kind of disease and sickness.</p> <p>2 Now these are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (called Peter), and Andrew his brother; James son of Zebedee and John his brother;</p> <p>3 Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus;</p> <p>4 Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.</p> <p>5 Jesus sent out these twelve, instructing them as follows: “Do not go to Gentile regions and do not enter any Samaritan town.</p> <p>6 Go instead to the lost sheep of the</p>	<p>6b Then he went around among the villages and taught.</p> <p>7 Jesus called the twelve and began to send them out two by two. He gave them authority over the unclean spirits.</p> <p>8 He instructed them</p>	<p>1 After Jesus called the twelve together, he gave them power and authority over all demons and to cure diseases,</p> <p>2 and he sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal the sick.</p> <p>3 He said to them,</p>

<p>house of Israel.</p> <p>7 As you go, preach this message: ‘The kingdom of heaven is near!’</p> <p>8 Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. Freely you received, freely give.</p> <p>9 Do not take gold, silver, or copper in your belts,</p> <p>10 no bag for the journey, or an extra tunic, or sandals or staff, for the worker deserves his provisions.</p> <p>11 Whenever you enter a town or village, find out who is worthy there and stay with them until you leave.</p> <p>12 As you enter the house, give it greetings.</p> <p>13 And if the house is worthy, let your peace come on it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you.</p> <p>14 And if anyone will not welcome you or listen to your message, shake the dust off your feet as you leave that house or that town.</p> <p>15 I tell you the truth, it will be more bearable for the region of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town!</p> <p>16 “I am sending you out like sheep surrounded by wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves.</p> <p>17 Beware of people, because they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues.</p> <p>18 And you will be brought before governors and kings because of me, as a witness to them and the Gentiles.</p> <p>19 Whenever they hand you over for trial, do not worry about how to speak or what to say, for what you should say will be given to you at that time.</p> <p>20 For it is not you speaking, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.</p> <p>21 “Brother will hand over brother to death, and a father his child. Children will rise against parents and have them put to death.</p> <p>22 And you will be hated by everyone because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.</p> <p>23 Whenever they persecute you in one place, flee to another. I tell you the truth, you will not finish going through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.</p> <p>24 “A disciple is not greater than his</p>	<p>to take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts—</p> <p>9 and to put on sandals but not to wear two tunics.</p> <p>10 He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the area.</p> <p>11 If a place will not welcome you or listen to you, as you go out from there, shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them.”</p>	<p>“Take nothing for your journey—no staff, no bag, no bread, no money, and do not take an extra tunic.</p> <p>4 Whatever house you enter, stay there until you leave the area.</p> <p>5 Wherever they do not receive you, as you leave that town, shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them.”</p>
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teacher, nor a slave greater than his master.

25 It is enough for the disciple to become like his teacher, and the slave like his master. If they have called the head of the house 'Beelzebul,' how much more will they defame the members of his household!

26 "Do not be afraid of them, for nothing is hidden that will not be revealed, and nothing is secret that will not be made known.

27 What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light, and what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the housetops.

28 Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Instead, fear the one who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

29 Aren't two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father's will.

30 Even all the hairs on your head are numbered.

31 So do not be afraid; you are more valuable than many sparrows.

32 "Whoever, then, acknowledges me before people, I will acknowledge before my Father in heaven.

33 But whoever denies me before people, I will deny him also before my Father in heaven.

34 "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace but a sword.

35 For I have come to set *a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law,*

36 *and a man's enemies will be the members of his household.* [[Mic 7:6](#)]

37 "Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.

38 And whoever does not take up his cross and follow me is not worthy of me.

39 Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life because of me will find it.

40 "Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me.

41 Whoever receives a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward. Whoever receives a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward.

<p>42 And whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple, I tell you the truth, he will never lose his reward.” 11:1 When Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he went on from there to teach and preach in their towns.</p>	<p>12 So they went out and preached that all should repent. 13 They cast out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.</p>	<p>6 Then they departed and went throughout the villages, proclaiming the good news and healing people everywhere.</p>
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Herod Antipas Beheads John (Tebeth 32 [Dec 31/Jan 32])

Matthew 14:1–2, 6–12	Mark 6:14–16, 21–29	Luke 9:7–9
<p>Herod Antipas’ Birthday 6 But on Herod’s birthday, the daughter of Herodias danced before them and pleased Herod, 7 so much that he promised with an oath to give her whatever she asked. 8 Instructed by her mother, she said, “Give me the head of John the Baptist here on a platter.” 9 Although it grieved the king, because of his oath and the dinner guests he commanded it to be given. 10 So he sent and had John beheaded in the prison. 11 His head was brought on a platter and given to the girl, and she brought it to her mother. 12 Then John’s disciples came and took the body and buried it and went and told Jesus.</p> <p>Herod Wonders about Jesus 1 At that time Herod the tetrarch heard reports about Jesus,</p>	<p>21 But a suitable day came, when Herod gave a banquet on his birthday for his court officials, military commanders, and leaders of Galilee. 22 When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his dinner guests. The king said to the girl, “Ask me for whatever you want and I will give it to you.” 23 He swore to her, “Whatever you ask I will give you, up to half my kingdom.” 24 So she went out and said to her mother, “What should I ask for?” Her mother said, “The head of John the baptizer.” 25 Immediately she hurried back to the king and made her request: “I want the head of John the Baptist on a platter immediately.” 26 Although it grieved the king deeply, he did not want to reject her request because of his oath and his guests. 27 So the king sent an executioner at once to bring John’s head, and he went and beheaded John in prison. 28 He brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother. 29 When John’s disciples heard this, they came and took his body and placed it in a tomb.</p> <p>14 Now King Herod heard this, for Jesus’ name had become known. Some were saying, “John the baptizer has been raised from</p>	<p>7 Now Herod the tetrarch heard about everything that was happening, and he was thoroughly perplexed, because some people were saying that John had been raised from</p>

<p>2 and he said to his servants, “This is John the Baptist.</p> <p>He has been raised from the dead! And because of this, miraculous powers are at work in him.”</p>	<p>the dead, and because of this, miraculous powers are at work in him.” 15 Others said, “He is Elijah.” Others said, “He is a prophet, like one of the prophets from the past.” 16 But when Herod heard this, he said, “John, whom I beheaded, has been raised!”</p>	<p>the dead, 8 while others were saying that Elijah had appeared, and still others that one of the prophets of long ago had risen. 9 Herod said, “I had John beheaded, but who is this about whom I hear such things?”</p> <p>So Herod wanted to learn about Jesus.</p>
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