

Perean Ministry—Ten Lepers Healed (c. March 22–27, 33)

Luke 17:11–37

The Grateful Samaritan

- 11 Now on the way to Jerusalem, Jesus was passing along between Samaria and Galilee.
 12 As he was entering a village, ten men with leprosy met him. They stood at a distance,
 13 raised their voices and said, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.”
 14 When he saw them he said, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” [cf. [Lev 13:49; 14:2–4](#)] And as they went along, they were cleansed.
 15 Then one of them, when he saw he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice.
 16 He fell with his face to the ground at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. (Now he was a Samaritan.)
 17 Then Jesus said, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the other nine?
 18 Was no one found to turn back and give praise to God except this foreigner?” [cf. [2 Kgs 5:1–19](#)]
 19 Then he said to the man, “Get up and go your way. Your faith has made you well.”

The Coming of Messiah’s Kingdom—The First and Second Comings

- 20 Now at one point the Pharisees asked Jesus when the kingdom of God was coming, so he answered, “The kingdom of God is not coming with signs to be observed,
 21 nor will they say, ‘Look, here it is!’ or ‘There!’ For indeed, the kingdom of God is in your midst.”
 22 Then he said to the disciples, “The days are coming when you will desire to see one of the days of the Son of Man, and you will not see it.
 23 Then people will say to you, ‘Look, there he is!’ or ‘Look, here he is!’ Do not go out or chase after them.
 24 For just like the lightning flashes and lights up the sky from one side to the other, so will the Son of Man be in his day.
 25 But first he must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation.
 26 Just as it was in the days of Noah, so too it will be in the days of the Son of Man. [cf. [Gen 6–7](#)]
 27 People were eating, they were drinking, they were marrying, they were being given in marriage—right up to the day Noah entered the ark. Then the flood came and destroyed them all.
 28 Likewise, just as it was in the days of Lot, people were eating, drinking, buying, selling, planting, building;
 29 but on the day Lot went out from Sodom, fire and sulfur rained down from heaven and destroyed them all.
 30 It will be the same on the day the Son of Man is revealed.
 31 On that day, anyone who is on the roof, with his goods in the house, must not come down to take them away, and likewise the person in the field must not turn back.
 32 Remember Lot’s wife! [cf. [Gen 19](#)]
 33 Whoever tries to keep his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life will preserve it.
 34 I tell you, in that night there will be two people in one bed; one will be taken and the other left.
 35 There will be two women grinding grain together; one will be taken and the other left.”
 36 [*many manuscripts do not contain this verse*]
 37 Then the disciples said to him, “Where, Lord?” He replied to them, “Where the dead body is, there the vultures will gather.”

Perean Ministry—Two Parables on Prayer (c. March 22–27, 33)

Luke 18:1–14

Pray With Endurance—God Will Answer Quickly

- 1 Then Jesus told them a parable to show them they should always pray and not lose heart.
 2 He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected people.
 3 There was also a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Give me justice against my adversary.’
 4 For a while he refused, but later on he said to himself, ‘Though I neither fear God nor have regard for people,
 5 yet because this widow keeps on bothering me, I will give her justice, or in the end she will wear me out by her unending pleas.’”
 6 And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unrighteous judge says!
 7 Won’t God give justice to his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he delay long to help them?
 8 I tell you, he will give them justice speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

Pray With Humility—God Resists the Proud

- 9 Jesus also told this parable to some who were confident that they were righteous and looked down on everyone else.
 10 “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.
 11 The Pharisee stood and prayed about himself like this: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: extortionists, unrighteous people, adulterers—or even like this tax collector.
 12 I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of everything I get.’
 13 The tax collector, however, stood far off and would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, ‘God, be merciful to

me, sinner that I am!’

14 I tell you that this man went down to his home justified rather than the Pharisee. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

Perean Ministry—Concerning Divorce (c. March 22–27, 33)

Matthew 19:1–12

1 Now when Jesus finished these sayings, he left Galilee and went to the region of Judea beyond the Jordan River.
 2 Large crowds followed him, and he healed them there.

3 Then some Pharisees came to him in order to test him. They asked, “Is it lawful to divorce a wife for any cause?”

4 He answered,

“Have you not read that from the beginning the Creator *made them male and female*, [Gen 1:27; 5:2] 5 and said, ‘*For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and will be united with his wife, and the two will become one flesh*’? [Gen 2:24] 6 So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.” 7 They said to him, “Why then did Moses command us to give a *certificate of dismissal* and to divorce her?” 8 Jesus said to them, “Moses permitted you to divorce your wives because of your hard hearts, but from the beginning it was not this way.

9 Now I say to you that whoever divorces his wife, except for immorality, and marries another commits adultery.”

10 The disciples said to him, “If this is the case of a husband with a wife, it is better not to marry!” 11 He said to them, “Not everyone can accept this statement, except those to whom it has been given. 12 For there are some eunuchs who were that way from birth, and some who were made eunuchs by others, and some who became eunuchs for the sake of the kingdom of heaven. The one who is able to accept this should accept it.”

Mark 10:1–12

1 Then Jesus left that place and went to the region of Judea and beyond the Jordan River. Again crowds gathered to him, and again, as was his custom, he taught them.

2 Then some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?”

3 He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” 4 They said, “Moses permitted a man to *write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her*.” [cf. Deut 24:1–4] 5 But Jesus said to them, “He wrote this commandment for you because of your hard hearts. 6 But from the beginning of creation *he made them male and female*. 7 *For this reason a man will leave his father and mother, 8 and the two will become one flesh*. So they are no longer two, but one flesh. 9 Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

10 In the house once again, the disciples asked him about this. 11 So he told them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her. 12 And if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

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