

Luke 9

King James Version (KJV)

(Jesus is teaching preachers how to act correctly)

9 Then he called his twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases. (Jesus gave us the power; but we need to have the faith in order to be able to use His power)

²And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick. (They went from being disciples<students> to apostles<sent ones>)

(Jesus gave the 12 the power to heal sickness; He didn't give us that power. For sickness, we only have the authority to ask; God does the healing)

³And he said unto them, Take nothing for your journey, neither staves, nor scrip, neither bread, neither money; neither have two coats apiece. (God doesn't send out money beggars. HE sends teachers) (scrip - this was a begging bag that was used in temples to beg money from the attendees)

NOTE: (Today we see most churches begging and coercing the attendees for money. It is disgraceful)

⁴And whatsoever house ye enter into, there abide, and thence depart. (When a teacher arrived, there was a banquet in his honor. Jesus was saying - don't go house to house, banquet to banquet in one town. Spend your time there teaching, not partying)

⁵And whosoever will not receive you, when ye go out of that city, shake off the very dust from your feet for a testimony against them. (Don't stay where you are not welcome. Teach those who want to learn the Word of God. Those who refuse the Word of God will answer for it later)

⁶And they departed, and went through the towns, preaching the gospel, and healing every where. (They used the power that Jesus gave them to do good works)

⁷Now Herod the tetrarch heard of all that was done by him: and he was perplexed, because that it was said of some, that John was risen from the dead; (While in a drunken stupor, Herod had executed John

the Baptist at the request of his niece, whom he lusted after. He later had a guilty conscience over the murder of John)

⁸And of some, that Elias had appeared; and of others, that one of the old prophets was risen again.

⁹And Herod said, John have I beheaded: but who is this, of whom I hear such things? And he desired to see him.

¹⁰And the apostles, when they were returned, told him all that they had done. And he took them, and went aside privately into a desert place belonging to the city called Bethsaida. (Bethsaida = House of fish)

¹¹And the people, when they knew it, followed him: and he received them, and spake unto them of the kingdom of God, and healed them that had need of healing. (People still followed Him, although He had tried to go away with just the Apostles. People instinctively know when they hear the truth. They wanted to learn more from Jesus)

¹²And when the day began to wear away, then came the twelve, and said unto him, Send the multitude away, that they may go into the towns and country round about, and lodge, and get victuals: for we are here in a desert place. (They were in the wilderness. There was no place to get food)

¹³But he said unto them, Give ye them to eat. And they said, We have no more but five loaves and two fishes; except we should go and buy meat for all this people. (Jesus was feeding them truth, but also He could feed them food, even in the desert. There are a lot of people there, with nothing to eat. Nothing is impossible for God)

¹⁴For they were about five thousand men. And he said to his disciples, Make them sit down by fifties in a company. (There were five thousand men, and their wives and children. It is unknown how many were there in total)

(Jesus made them sit down in groups of 50. God wants order; not a mob)

¹⁵And they did so, and made them all sit down. (Jesus fed them in order, not as a mob)

¹⁶ Then he took the five loaves and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed them, and brake, and gave to the disciples to set before the multitude. (Jesus performed the miracle but He didn't feed the crowd. HE had His disciples feed them. Today, God expects Christians to feed truth to the people)

¹⁷ And they did eat, and were all filled: and there was taken up of fragments that remained to them twelve baskets.

Mathew-16:6-12 (The fragments are symbolic for people teaching church doctrines, instead of the true Word of God, unchanged)

NOTES: (The trinity is a good example of the doctrines of men. There is only one God; not a trinity, working together. This is church doctrine, invented by the early Catholic Church in the 2nd -> 3rd century. It isn't in the Bible. The Bible also mentions many other offices of God; including the Angel of the Lord and Melchizedek. That would imply that there are at least 5; not 3 as in church doctrine)

(Because of this church doctrine <the trinity> some heathen people falsely believe that Christians are polytheists. We're not. There is only one God. He can be whoever or whenever He wants to be)

¹⁸ And it came to pass, as he was alone praying, his disciples were with him: and he asked them, saying, Whom say the people that I am?

¹⁹ They answering said, John the Baptist; but some say, Elias; and others say, that one of the old prophets is risen again.

²⁰ He said unto them, But whom say ye that I am? Peter answering said, The Christ of God. (Christ = the anointed one. Jesus is God, in the flesh) see Mathew-16:16-19

Genesis-1:26-28 (When God said- Let US make man in OUR image. HE made the flesh body of Jesus for Himself; we made our flesh bodies for ourselves through the power of God. That ended the First Age and began the Second Age)

See 2Peter-3 (For scripture of the three Ages of the world)

(We were told to pass through the flesh, innocent; as a test, to determine if we choose to follow God or the ways of the world. God came through the flesh, just as we did. HE came as Jesus, to teach us the right way to live and to give us salvation)

²¹ And he straitly charged them, and commanded them to tell no man that thing; (It wasn't yet the right time)

²² Saying, The Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be slain, and be raised the third day. (To defeat death which is the Devil) Hebrews-2:14

(The Son of man – not the Son of God; Jesus is God in the flesh; not His “son”)

(This prophecy would happen at the Passover – according to God's plan, as foretold in Psalms-22)

²³ And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me. (True Christians will always be feared, hated or persecuted by the world; because we reject the perversions, political correctness and the material excesses of the world)

(Jesus is saying – don't let the world pressure or coerce you to turn away from God. The world is irrelevant in the grand scheme of God's plan)

²⁴ For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for my sake, the same shall save it. (life = soul – better translation) (A friend of God becomes an enemy of the world)

²⁵ For what is a man advantaged, if he gain the whole world, and lose himself, or be cast away? (Cast away = blotted out of eternity)

(This flesh life is short. It's not worth losing your soul over)

NOTE: (be cast away - Our word hell should have been translated the grave. When someone “goes to hell”, the truth is that their soul dies. They are gone forever as if they never existed. Preachers who teach about someone “burning in hell”, are teaching traditions of men; not the Word of God)

²⁶ For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and in his Father's, and of the holy angels. (Moral correctness is right; political correctness is wrong. If people call you a bigot because you discern morality from perversion, they are wrong; not you. Discern <know the difference>, but don't judge them. God is the judge)

NOTE: (Stick with God, not with people. The world will try to shame you by calling you a "holy roller" or a "religious fanatic". Don't fall for it. What people think is irrelevant. What God thinks of you is what is important)

²⁷ But I tell you of a truth, there be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the kingdom of God. (When Jesus was resurrected, that was the beginning of His kingdom. Many people there saw it when they saw Jesus resurrected. It was the beginning of Christianity in the world)

(HE was not talking about the Second Advent. He was talking about the first one. The establishment of Christianity and the New Testament was the First Advent)

²⁸ And it came to pass about an eight days after these sayings, he took Peter and John and James, and went up into a mountain to pray. (Again, Peter, James and John – they must have had a much stronger faith than the others, because God has no favorites. HE loves us based on the amount of our faith, and by our good works)

²⁹ And as he prayed, the fashion of his countenance was altered, and his raiment was white and glistening. (HE was temporarily in His transfigured body – as He would be after the resurrection)

(Jesus was transfigured temporarily here, to show the apostles what would happen after the resurrection)

³⁰ And, behold, there talked with him two men, which were Moses and Elias: (Moses represents the Law; Elijah represents the prophets)

(Because of this, many believe the two witnesses at the end times will be Moses and Elijah. They will testify against Satan <as antichrist>, and be murdered by him. They haven't died yet. They were taken alive into paradise to await the arrival of antichrist)

³¹ Who appeared in glory, and spake of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem. (They were speaking of Jesus' crucifixion. Jesus taught openly to those who have eyes to see and ears to hear. Jesus later said – Behold, I have foretold you all things) Mark-13:23

³² But Peter and they that were with him were heavy with sleep: and when they were awake, they saw his glory, and the two men that

stood with him. (They were witnesses to this great event but they missed the conversation that Jesus had with Moses and Elijah)

NOTE: (This was an example for the Elect in the end days. Don't fall asleep <in a stupor> and miss the events that will take place when the antichrist arrives, and the two witnesses oppose him)

³³ And it came to pass, as they departed from him, Peter said unto Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias: not knowing what he said. (He was asleep, so he didn't hear them talking about the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus)

³⁴ While he thus spake, there came a cloud, and overshadowed them: and they feared as they entered into the cloud. (This cloud was also witnessed by the prophet Ezekiel) Ezekiel-1

³⁵ And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him. (Hear Him – listen, pay attention and learn – Good advice from God Himself)

³⁶ And when the voice was past, Jesus was found alone. And they kept it close, and told no man in those days any of those things which they had seen. (This was kept secret until after the resurrection of Jesus)

³⁷ And it came to pass, that on the next day, when they were come down from the hill, much people met him. (Jesus' popularity had grown significantly. This angered the Pharisees and the rest of the religious community)

³⁸ And, behold, a man of the company cried out, saying, Master, I beseech thee, look upon my son: for he is mine only child.

³⁹ And, lo, a spirit taketh him, and he suddenly crieth out; and it teareth him that he foameth again, and bruising him hardly departeth from him. (He was possessed by an evil spirit)

⁴⁰ And I besought thy disciples to cast him out; and they could not. (They should have been able, but their faith was still lacking. This was a particularly strong evil spirit)

⁴¹ And Jesus answering said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you, and suffer you? Bring thy son hither. Mathew-17:15-23 (The boy was possessed by the devil himself)

⁴² And as he was yet a coming, the devil threw him down, and tare him. And Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the child, and delivered him again to his father. (The devil himself is no match for God. Jesus had no trouble getting him out) Mathew-17:15-20

⁴³ And they were all amazed at the mighty power of God. But while they wondered every one at all things which Jesus did, he said unto his disciples, (The phrase "Almighty God" is not just words. God is all powerful. People who believe in Him should not be amazed by any of His miracles)

⁴⁴ Let these sayings sink down into your ears: for the Son of man shall be delivered into the hands of men. (HE was warning them about the coming crucifixion. They had better get it right because Jesus would depart soon)

⁴⁵ But they understood not this saying, and it was hid from them, that they perceived it not: and they feared to ask him of that saying. (They didn't want to lose Jesus because they loved him. They were in denial and refused to listen)

⁴⁶ Then there arose a reasoning among them, which of them should be greatest. (Typical human nature – ego, running amok)

⁴⁷ And Jesus, perceiving the thought of their heart, took a child, and set him by him,

⁴⁸ And said unto them, Whosoever shall receive this child in my name receiveth me: and whosoever shall receive me receiveth him that sent me: for he that is least among you all, the same shall be great. (He will be great in the eyes of God. Humility, not ego, is what God asks of us. Ego blinds people)

⁴⁹ And John answered and said, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name; and we forbid him, because he followeth not with us. (In Jesus' name – means he was a Christian. The disciples wanted to be lieutenants in some new denomination – again, human nature)

(If this man was able to cast out devils in Jesus' name, he had the belief and the faith to get it done. They had no right to stop him. We are all equal in God's eyes. There are no lieutenants)

⁵⁰ And Jesus said unto him, Forbid him not: for he that is not against us is for us. (Jesus wasn't setting up a denomination. HE was setting up

Christianity for all people who believe and follow Christ. In Christ's name, we all have His authority to fight evil)

⁵¹ And it came to pass, when the time was come that he should be received up, he stedfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem, (It was time for the First Advent to begin)

⁵² And sent messengers before his face: and they went, and entered into a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for him.

⁵³ And they did not receive him, because his face was as though he would go to Jerusalem. (The people of Samaria resented Jerusalem, and vice versa. Again, this is man's ego, running amok)

⁵⁴ And when his disciples James and John saw this, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as Elias did? (That happened when Elijah came up against the Babylonian priests who were pushing Baal worship)

⁵⁵ But he turned, and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of. (Violence and destruction in the name of Christ is not Christianity. Tough love is not violence; it is for correction; not destruction)

⁵⁶ For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them. And they went to another village. (People must choose to follow Christ voluntarily, and not be coerced into Christianity)

NOTES: (Islam is the "religion" of violence and murder. We see it everywhere that Muslims are. Islam coerces people to join; and threatens them with death if they try to leave it)

(It is the religion of the devil. Ignorant preachers today say that we all worship the same God. We don't. Jesus said – you will know them by their deeds. Talk is cheap. Action speaks louder than words) see Matthew-7:16-20

⁵⁷ And it came to pass, that, as they went in the way, a certain man said unto him, Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.

⁵⁸ And Jesus said unto him, Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head.

⁵⁹ And he said unto another, Follow me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father. (His father was in the process of dying. He might live for a while longer)

⁶⁰ Jesus said unto him, Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the kingdom of God. (Let the spiritually dead, bury the corporally dead. Do not delay the teaching of God's Word for any corporal matter)

⁶¹ And another also said, Lord, I will follow thee; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house.

⁶² And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

(This is a metaphor using an agricultural term - If a man looks back while plowing, the plough will turn aside and make a crooked furrow. God wants us to walk a straight line <the truth is absolute – straight ahead, not right nor left>)