Luke 6

King James Version (KJV)

6 And it came to pass on the <u>second sabbath</u> after the first, that he went through the corn fields; and his disciples plucked the ears of corn, and did eat, rubbing them in their hands. (This was called gleaning. It was legal in Jewish law, to allow the poor to eat from what was left in the fields after the harvest)

(The second Sabbath would be a high Sabbath < like Passover, Pentecost or Feast of Tabernacles> that would follow a regular weekly Sabbath. This one was the second sabbath in that particular week)

- ² And certain of the Pharisees said unto them, Why do ye that which is not lawful to do on the sabbath days? (They're only eating, not working. And besides, they are ministers, who normally work on the Sabbath)
- ³ And Jesus answering them said, Have ye not read so much as this, what David did, when himself was an hungred, and they which were with him;
- ⁴How he went into the house of God, and did take and eat the shewbread, and gave also to them that were with him; which it is not lawful to eat but for the priests alone? (David, chosen by God, was a prophet. He was also a priest of sorts) 1Samuel-21:6
- ⁵ And he said unto them, That the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath. (Jesus, God with us <Immanuel>, is the greatest priest of all) (Jesus, calling Himself Lord of the Sabbath, is going to upset the Pharisees)

1Corinthians-5:6-7 (Jesus became our Passover for all time)

- ⁶And it came to pass also on another sabbath, that he entered into the synagogue and taught: and there was a man whose right hand was withered.
- ⁷And the scribes and Pharisees watched him, whether he would heal on the sabbath day; that they might find an accusation against him. (This was the organized religion, trying to trap Jesus; so that they could have him executed. These priests were contemplating murder)

- ⁸ But he knew their thoughts, and said to the man which had the withered hand, Rise up, and stand forth in the midst. And he arose and stood forth. (God can read minds)
- Then said Jesus unto them, I will ask you one thing; Is it lawful on the sabbath days to do good, or to do evil? to save life, or to destroy it? (This life is a test for us to choose whom to follow - God <the Ten Commandments>; or the devil <and the ways of the world - greed, lust, lies, hatred, perversion, etc)

(Satan is called the destroyer in the Bible) Revelation-9:11

- ¹⁰ And looking round about upon them all, he said unto the man, Stretch forth thy hand. And he did so: and his hand was restored whole as the other. (Jesus healed the man without touching him)
- ¹¹ And they were filled with madness; and communed one with another what they might do to Jesus. (They wanted to kill Jesus, and they were looking for any excuse to get it done)

(Jesus was exposing them as frauds and money grubbers. People were leaving their synagogues in order to follow Jesus)

¹² And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God. (Jesus was meditating with Himself – as the flesh man communing with the Father. There is one God. He has many offices)

NOTE: When God became man, as Jesus, He had the same limitations that we have as flesh people. He didn't make Himself any better than He made us. Communing <meditation> is reflection. Prayer is also reflection. It is good for us to stop, think and pray to God)

¹³ And when it was day, he called unto him his <u>disciples</u>: and of them he chose twelve, whom also he named <u>apostles</u>; (disciples = students) (apostles = sent ones - ready to teach other people)

(These men were taught by Jesus; and were now ready to go out to teach the people)

¹⁴ Simon, (whom he also named Peter,) and Andrew his brother, James and John, Philip and Bartholomew,

- ¹⁵ Matthew and Thomas, James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon called Zelotes,
- ¹⁶ And Judas the brother of James, and Judas <u>Iscariot</u>, which also was the traitor. (Iscariot = builder of a city -> this was the prophecy of Kenites back in Genesis. This Judas was a Kenite) Genesis-4:17
- ¹⁷ And he came down with them, and stood in the plain, and the company of his disciples, and a great multitude of people out of all Judaea and Jerusalem, and from the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon, which came to hear him, and to be healed of their diseases;
- ¹⁸ And they that were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed. (Jesus was able to do what the Pharisees could not. People knew this and so they flocked to Him)
- ¹⁹ And the whole multitude sought to touch him: for there went virtue out of him, and healed them all. (They could feel presence of God in Jesus)

NOTE: (In the next verses, Jesus is teaching His Apostles, not the general public. These verses are called the beatitudes)

- ²⁰ And <u>he lifted up his eyes on his disciples</u>, and said, Blessed be ye <u>poor</u>: for yours is the kingdom of God. (poor = humble better translation)
- ²¹ Blessed are ye that hunger now: for ye shall be filled. Blessed are ye that weep now: for ye shall laugh. (Hunger for truth; weep for the situation in the world) see Amos-8:11

(Ye shall laugh - You will be rewarded at the Millennium)

- ²² Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake. (They don't hate us because we are evil or wicked. They hate us because we teach the true Word of God; because we are Christians)
- ²³ Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold, your reward is great in heaven: for in the like manner did their fathers unto the prophets. (From day 1, the prophets of God were persecuted) (Today Christians are persecuted by Muslims, Hindus, communists and atheists around the world)

NOTE: (Next come the woes)

²⁴ But woe unto you that are rich! for ye have received your consolation. (These are the people who got rich from ill-gotten gains; the crooks, which lie, cheat and steal. Your riches on earth are your reward. You won't get anything later in Heaven)

(People who got rich through honest work are blessed; if they also give to charity. Many people never got the chances in life that we have. It is good to give back from what we have gained)

²⁵ Woe unto you that are full! for ye shall hunger. Woe unto you that laugh now! for ye shall mourn and weep. (These are the fat and strong who prey on the weak and the poor. They never have enough and always want more for themselves. This includes crooked preachers who sell prayers, "holy things" and tickets to Heaven)

²⁶ Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets. (When you go against God, the world loves you. When you side with God, the world will hate you)

²⁷ But I say unto you which hear, Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you, (Love your enemies – this is tough love)

(Correct those who need it; so they might learn something and straighten out. Tough love might save those who have been doing wrong. Like a good parent corrects a child if they do wrong)

²⁸ <u>Bless them</u> that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you. (Bless them - Don't worry about them. Don't let them ruin your day)

(Stay positive in your life. Stay focused on God, and not those ignorant people. God will avenge you in due time)

²⁹ And unto him that smiteth thee on the one cheek offer also the other; and him that taketh away thy cloak forbid not to take thy coat also. (Jesus is speaking to his Apostles, not to all Christians)

(If a preacher offends someone or their religion, by teaching too much at once, then he should apologize. He caused their overreaction)

NOTE: (This DOES NOT mean a Christian should let a thug abuse him. God wants Christians to defend themselves, their families and their

communities against evil. That's called tough love. The apostles carried swords to defend themselves against thugs)

- ³⁰ Give to every man that asketh of thee; and of him that taketh away thy goods ask them not again. (Share your knowledge of God's Word with anyone who wants to learn. That's why God gave you some of His knowledge and wisdom in the first place)
- ³¹ And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise. (The Golden Rule)
- ³² For if ye love them which love you, what thank have ye? for sinners also love those that love them. (Try to get along with people, if it is possible. Not just with your friends. Be a good example to all people)
- ³³ And if ye do good to them which do good to you, what thank have ye? for sinners also do even the same. (Making the first move to someone who is unfriendly to you might change their mind about you. Give everyone a chance, until they prove that they don't deserve another chance)
- ³⁴ And if ye lend to them of whom ye hope to receive, what thank have ye? for sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again. (Be generous with others, even if you won't get anything back for it)
- ³⁵ But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil. (Jesus died on the cross for the salvation of sinners. Not everyone will repent, but that's on them)

(Be a good Christian and make a difference in the world. Some people will recognize that and follow your example. Others won't, but that's on them; not you)

- ³⁶Be ye therefore <u>merciful</u>, as your Father also is <u>merciful</u>. (<u>merciful</u> = <u>compassionate</u> <u>better translation</u>)
- ³⁷ Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven: (Discerning or recognizing good from evil is not judging someone to heaven or hell)

(If someone asks for forgiveness, then forgive. If they don't, then forgive them in your heart and move on without them. That means

move on with your life and don't let them bother you anymore. God will even things out in due time. It's not up to us)

- ³⁸ Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again. See Verse-20 (Jesus is teaching the Apostles to behave as teachers. Teach with passion and teach only the truth of God's Word. Teach truthfully and completely and you won't have to beg people for money)
- ³⁹ And he spake a parable unto them, Can <u>the blind</u> lead the blind? shall they not both fall into the ditch? (This verse is not about someone who is physically blind. It's about someone who is spiritually blind. This is not a true teacher of God's Word. This is a teacher who teaches traditions of men and other made up doctrines)

(Instead, find teachers that have spiritual eyes open to see the truth and understand the meaning of God's Word. Most preachers, today, have no clue)

- The disciple is not above his master: but every one that is <u>perfect</u> shall be as his master. (perfect = mature better translation)
- ⁴¹ And why beholdest thou the <u>mote</u> that is in thy brother's eye, but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye? (mote a splinter) (We look for the smallest faults in other people; while we ignore our own greatest shortcomings)
- ⁴² Either how canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Thou <u>hypocrite</u>, cast out first the beam out of thine own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to pull out the mote that is in thy brother's eye. (hypocrite = play actor) (Fix your own faults first, before you worry about other peoples' faults(

(Learn God's Word the right way and learn it completely; before you think about teaching it to others)

⁴³ For a good tree bringeth not forth corrupt fruit; neither doth a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. (A good preacher only teaches the truth of God's Word. Biblically ignorant preachers teach traditions of men and church denominational doctrines)

^{⁴⁴} For every tree is known by his own fruit. For of thorns men do not gather figs, nor of a bramble bush gather they grapes. (The bramble bush also is symbolic of Satan) see Judges-9:14-15

(In Genesis, the tree of the knowledge of good and evil <Satan> brought nothing but sin and shame to Adam and Eve. Eve's conception from that evil union produced Cain – the murderer of Abel & the father of the Kenites)

⁴⁵ A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh. (The apple doesn't fall far from the tree. Listen long enough and a preacher's true intent will eventually be revealed)

(Are they teaching truth of God's Word to enlighten people? Or are they teaching traditions of men in order to raise money for themselves? It's easy enough to see their true intention)

- ⁴⁶ And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say? (Good question)
- ⁴⁷ Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, <u>and doeth them</u>, I will shew you to whom he is like: (Hearing is not enough; we must live as Christ taught. Do as the Ten Commandments teach and you won't go wrong. Treat people fairly and you will be treated fairly)
- ⁴⁸ He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock. (Our Rock is Jesus Christ. HE is the foundation of our faith) Hebrews-12

(In Revelation – Satan will loose a flood of lies upon the Elect. If they are standing on the Rock which is Jesus Christ, they can't be shaken)

⁴⁹ But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great. (Pew potatoes – they go to church every week and learn nothing. Even when they hear some truths, they don't live those truths in their daily lives. They don't do any good works)