

he went not.

**31** Which of the two did the father's will? They say to him: The first. Jesus saith to them: Amen I say to you, that the publicans and the harlots shall go into the kingdom of God before you.

**32** For John came to you in the way of justice, and you did not believe him. But the publicans and the harlots believed him: but you, seeing it, did not even afterwards repent, that you might believe him.

**33** Hear ye another parable. There was a man an householder, who planted a vineyard, and made a hedge round about it, and dug in it a press, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen; and went into a strange country.

**34** And when the time of the fruits drew nigh, he sent his servants to the husbandmen that they might receive the fruits thereof.

**35** And the husbandmen laying hands on his servants, beat one, and killed another, and stoned another.

**36** Again he sent other servants more than the former; and they did to them in like manner.

**37** And last of all he sent to them his son, saying: They will reverence my son.

**38** But the husbandmen seeing the son, said among themselves: This is the heir: come, let us kill him, and we shall have his inheritance.

**39** And taking him, they cast him forth out of the vineyard, and killed him.

**40** When therefore the lord of the vineyard shall come, what will he do to those husbandmen?

**41** They say to him: He will bring those evil men to an evil end; and will let out his vineyard to other husbandmen, that shall render him the fruit in due season.

**42** Jesus saith to them: Have you never read in the Scriptures: The stone which the builders

rejected, the same is become the head of the corner? By the Lord this has been done; and it is wonderful in our eyes.

**43** Therefore I say to you, that the kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and shall be given to a nation yielding the fruits thereof.

**44** And whosoever shall fall on this stone, shall be broken: but on whomsoever it shall fall, it shall grind him to powder.

**45** And when the chief priests and Pharisees had heard his parables, they knew that he spoke of them.

**46** And seeking to lay hands on him, they feared the multitudes: because they held him as a prophet.

## Chapter 22

And Jesus answering, spoke again in parables to them, saying:

**2** The kingdom of heaven is likened to a king, who made a marriage for his son.

**3** And he sent his servants, to call them that were invited to the marriage; and they would not come.

**4** Again he sent other servants, saying: Tell them that were invited, Behold, I have prepared my dinner; my beeves and fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come ye to the marriage.

**5** But they neglected, and went their own ways, one to his farm, and another to his merchandise.

**6** And the rest laid hands on his servants, and having treated them contumeliously, put them to death.

**7** But when the king had heard of it, he was angry, and sending his armies, he destroyed those murderers, and burnt their city.

**8** Then he saith to his servants: The marriage

indeed is ready; but they that were invited were not worthy.

**9** Go ye therefore into the highways; and as many as you shall find, call to the marriage.

**10** And his servants going forth into the ways, gathered together all that they found, both bad and good: and the marriage was filled with guests.

**11** And the king went in to see the guests: and he saw there a man who had not on a wedding garment.

**12** And he saith to him: Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? But he was silent.

**13** Then the king said to the waiters: Bind his hands and feet, and cast him into the exterior darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

**14** For many are called, but few are chosen.

**15** Then the Pharisees going, consulted among themselves how to insnare him in his speech.

**16** And they sent to him their disciples with the Herodians, saying: Master, we know that thou art a true speaker, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any man: for thou dost not regard the person of men.

**17** Tell us therefore what dost thou think, is it lawful to give tribute to Caesar, or not?

**18** But Jesus knowing their wickedness, said: Why do you tempt me, ye hypocrites?

**19** Shew me the coin of the tribute. And they offered him a penny.

**20** And Jesus saith to them: Whose image and inscription is this?

**21** They say to him: Caesar's. Then he saith to them: Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's; and to God, the things that are God's.

**22** And hearing this they wondered, and leaving him, went their ways.

**23** That day there came to him the Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection; and asked him,

**24** Saying: Master, Moses said: If a man die having no son, his brother shall marry his wife, and raise up issue to his brother.

**25** Now there were with us seven brethren: and the first having married a wife, died; and not having issue, left his wife to his brother.

**26** In like manner the second, and the third, and so on to the seventh.

**27** And last of all the woman died also.

**28** At the resurrection therefore whose wife of the seven shall she be? for they all had her.

**29** And Jesus answering, said to them: You err, not knowing the Scriptures, nor the power of God.

**30** For in the resurrection they shall neither marry nor be married; but shall be as the angels of God in heaven.

**31** And concerning the resurrection of the dead, have you not read that which was spoken by God, saying to you:

**32** I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? He is not the God of the dead, but of the living.

**33** And the multitudes hearing it, were in admiration at his doctrine.

**34** But the Pharisees hearing that he had silenced the Sadducees, came together:

**35** And one of them, a doctor of the law, asking him, tempting him:

**36** Master, which is the greatest commandment in the law?

**37** Jesus said to him: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with thy whole heart, and with thy whole soul, and with thy whole mind.

**38** This is the greatest and the first commandment.

**39** And the second is like to this: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

**40** On these two commandments dependeth the whole law and the prophets.

**41** And the Pharisees being gathered together, Jesus asked them,

**42** Saying: What think you of Christ? whose son is he? They say to him: David's.

**43** He saith to them: How then doth David in spirit call him Lord, saying:

**44** The Lord said to my Lord, Sit on my right hand, until I make thy enemies thy footstool?

**45** If David then call him Lord, how is he his son?

**46** And no man was able to answer him a word; neither durst any man from that day forth ask him any more questions.

## Chapter 23

Then Jesus spoke to the multitudes and to his disciples,

**2** Saying: The scribes and the Pharisees have sitten on the chair of Moses.

**3** All things therefore whatsoever they shall say to you, observe and do: but according to their works do ye not; for they say, and do not.

**4** For they bind heavy and insupportable burdens, and lay them on men's shoulders; but with a finger of their own they will not move them.

**5** And all their works they do for to be seen of men. For they make their phylacteries broad, and enlarge their fringes.

**6** And they love the first places at feasts, and the first chairs in the synagogues,

**7** And salutations in the market place, and to be called by men, Rabbi.

**8** But be not you called Rabbi. For one is your master; and all you are brethren.

**9** And call none your father upon earth; for one is your father, who is in heaven.

**10** Neither be ye called masters; for one is you master, Christ.

**11** He that is the greatest among you shall be your servant.

**12** And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be humbled: and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted.

**13** But woe to you scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites; because you shut the kingdom of heaven against men, for you yourselves do not enter in; and those that are going in, you suffer not to enter.

**14** Woe to you scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites: because you devour the houses of widows, praying long prayers. For this you shall receive the greater judgment.

**15** Woe to you scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites; because you go round about the sea and the land to make one proselyte; and when he is made, you make him the child of hell twofold more than yourselves.

**16** Woe to you blind guides, that say, Whosoever shall swear by the temple, it is nothing; but he that shall swear by the gold of the temple, is a debtor.

**17** Ye foolish and blind; for whether is greater, the gold, or the temple that sanctifieth the gold?

**18** And whosoever shall swear by the altar, it is nothing; but whosoever shall swear by the gift that is upon it, is a debtor.

**19** Ye blind: for whether is greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifieth the gift?

**20** He therefore that sweareth by the altar, sweareth by it, and by all things that are upon it:

**21** And whosoever shall swear by temple, sweareth by it, and by him that dwelleth in it:

**22** And he that sweareth by heaven, sweareth by the throne of God, and by him that sitteth thereon.