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- [1] And it came to pass in those days, that there L. 2/1
 A went out a decree from Caesar Augustus,
 that all the world should be taxed.
 (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius 2
 was governor of Syria.)
 And all went to be taxed, every one into his 3
 own city.
 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of 4
 the city of Nazareth, into Judaea unto the city
 of David, which is called Bethlehem (because he
 was of the house and lineage of David.)
 To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being 5
 great with child.
 And so it was, that, while they were there, the 6
 days were accomplished that she should be de-
 livered.
 And she brought forth her first-born son, and 7
 wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him
 in a manger; because there was no room for
 them in the inn.
 And when eight days were accomplished for the 21
 circumcising of the child, his name was called
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- L. 2/39 And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth.
- 40 And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom:
- 42 And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem, after the custom of the feast.
- 43 And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of it.
- 44 But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance.
- 45 And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him.
- 46 And it came to pass, that after three days they [2] found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions.
- 47 And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.
- 48 And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing.
- 51 And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them:
- 52 And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature.

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- Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of L. 3/1
Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being
governor of Judaea, and Herod being
tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of Ituraea and of the region of Trachonitis, and Lysanias the tetrarch of Abilene,
Annas and Caiaphas being the high priests, 2
John did baptize in the wilderness, Mk. 1/4
And the same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins; and his meat was locusts and wild honey.
Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judaea, 5
and all the region round about Jordan,
And were baptized of him in Jordan. 6
Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto Mt. 3/13
John, to be baptized of him.
And Jesus himself began to be about thirty L. 3/23
years of age,
After this he went down to Capernaum, he, and J. 2/12
his mother, and his brethren, and his disciples:
and they continued there not many days.
- [3] And the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus 13
went up to Jerusalem,
And found in the temple those that sold oxen 14
and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting:
And when he had made a scourge of small 15
cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep and the oxen; and poured out the

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J. 2/15 changers' money, and overthrew the tables;

16 And said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not my Father's house an house of merchandise.

J. 3/22 After these things came Jesus and his disciples into the land of Judaea; and there he tarried with them, and baptized.

Mt. 4/12 Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, he departed into Galilee;

Mk. 6/17 For Herod himself had sent forth and laid hold upon John, and bound him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife: for he had married her.

18 For John had said unto Herod, It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife.

19 Therefore Herodias had a quarrel against him, and would have killed him; but she could not:

20 For Herod feared John, knowing that he was a just man and an holy, and observed him; and when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly.

21 And when a convenient day was come, that Herod on his birthday made a supper to his lords, high captains, and chiefestates of Galilee;

22 And when the daughter of the said Herodias came in, and danced, and pleased Herod and them that sat with him, the king said unto the damsel, Ask of me whatsoever thou wilt and I will give it thee.

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And he swore unto her, Whatsoever thou shalt ask of me, I will give it thee, unto half of my kingdom. **Mk. 6/23**

[4] And she went forth, and said unto her mother, What shall I ask? and she said, The head of John the Baptist.

And she came in straightway with haste unto the king, and asked, saying, I will that thou give me, by and by in a charger, the head of John the Baptist.

And the king was exceedingly sorry; yet for his oath's sake, and for their sakes which sat with him, he would not reject her.

And immediately the king sent an executioner, and commanded his head to be brought: and he went and beheaded him in prison;

And brought his head in a charger, and gave it to the damsel: and the damsel gave it to her mother.

And they went into Capernaum; and straightway on the sabbath day he entered into the synagogue, and taught. **Mk. 1/21**

And they were astonished at his doctrine: for he taught them as one that had authority, and not as the scribes.

At that time Jesus went on the sabbath day through the corn, and his disciples were an hungered, and began to pluck the ears of corn, and to eat. **Mt. 12/1**

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But when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto him, Behold, thy disciples do that which is not lawful to do upon the sabbath day.

3 But he said unto them, Have ye not read what David did, when he was an hungered, and they that were with him;

4 How he entered into the house of God, and did eat the shewbread, which was not lawful for him to eat, neither for them which were with him, but only for the priests?

5 Or have ye not read in the law, how that on the sabbath days the priests in the temple profane the sabbath, and are blameless?

9 And when he was departed thence, he went into [5] their synagogue:

10 And, behold, there was a man which had his hand withered. And they asked him, saying, Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath days? that they might accuse him.

11 And he said unto them, What man shall there be among you, that shall have one sheep, and if it fall into a pit on the sabbath day, will he not lay hold on it, and lift it out?

12 How much then is a man better than a sheep? Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the sabbath days.

Mk. 2/27 And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath:

Mt. 12/14 Then the Pharisees went out, and held a council

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against him, how they might destroy him. But when Jesus knew it, he withdrew himself 15 from thence: and great multitudes followed him.

And it came to pass in those days that he went L. 6/12 out* into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God.

And when it was day, he called unto him his 13 disciples: and of them he chose twelve, whom also he named apostles;

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

Matthew and Thomas, James the son of Al- 15 phaeus, and Simon called Zelotes,

And Judas the brother of James, and Judas Isca- 16 riot, which also was the traitor.

And he came down with them, and stood in 17 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,

[6] And seeing the multitudes, he went up into Mt. 5/1 a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him:

And he opened his mouth, and taught them, 2 saying, Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the 3 kingdom of heaven.

*Mr. Jefferson changed the word "out" to "up."

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Mt. 5/4 Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

5 Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

6 Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

7 Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

8 Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

9 Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

10 Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 Blessed are ye when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.

12 Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

L. 6/24 But woe unto you that are rich! for ye have received your consolation.

25 Woe unto you that are full! for ye shall hunger. Woe unto you that laugh now! for ye shall mourn and weep.

26 Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets.

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Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

[7] Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

Ye have heard that it was said by them of old

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time, Thou shalt not kill, and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment:

22 But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry

with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.

23 Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath aught against thee;

24 Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.

25 Agree with thine adversary quickly, whilst thou [8] art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison.

26 Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing.

27 Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery:

28 But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.

29 And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee

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that one of thy members should perish, and not Mt. 5/29 that thy whole body should be cast into hell.

And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, 30 and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell.

It hath been said, Whosoever shall put away his 31 wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement:

But I say unto you, That whosoever shall put 32 away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.

Again, ye have heard that it hath been said 33 by them of old time, Thou shalt not forswear thyself, but shalt perform unto the Lord thine oaths:

But I say unto you, Swear not at all; neither 34 by heaven; for it is God's throne:

[9] Nor by the earth; for it is his footstool: neither 35 by Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great King.

Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, because 36 thou canst not make one hair white or black.

But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, 37 nay; for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil.

Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye 38 for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth:

But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: but 39

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Mt. 5/39 whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.

40 And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have thy cloak also.

41 And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain.

42 Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away.

43 Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy.

44 But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;

45 That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

46 For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?

47 And if ye salute your brethren only, what do you more than others? do not even the publicans so?

L. 6/34 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.

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

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of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil. **L. 6/35**

Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful. **36**

Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven. **Mt. 6/1**

Therefore when thou doest thine alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.

But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth: **3**

That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself shall reward thee openly. **4**

And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. **5**

But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. **6**

But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions as the heathen do: for they think that they shall

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Mt. 6/7 be heard for their much speaking.

8 Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.

9 After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father [11] which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

10 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

11 Give us this day our daily bread.

12 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

14 For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you:

15 But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

16 Moreover, when ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.

17 But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face;

18 That thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret: and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly.
19 Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth,

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where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where Mt. 6/19 thieves break through and steal:

But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, 20 where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart 21 be also.

The light of the body is the eye: if therefore 22 thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light.

[12] But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall 23 be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness! No man can serve two masters: for either he 24 will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for 25 your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body 26 than raiment?

Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, 26 neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not 27 much better than they?

Which of you by taking thought can add one 27 cubit unto his stature?

And why take ye thought for raiment? Con- 28

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Mt. 6/28 sider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:

29 And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

30 Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?

31 Therefore, take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Where-withal shall we be clothed?

32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek;) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

34 Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Mt. 7/1 Judge not, that ye be not judged.

2 For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.

L. 6/38 Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom.

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And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye? **Mt. 7/3**

Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye?

Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.

Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.

Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:

For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth, and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone?

Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father, which is in heaven, give good things to them that ask him?

Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.

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Mt. 7/13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the [14]

gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

15 Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.

16 Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?

17 Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.

18 A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

19 Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

20 Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

Mt. 12/35 A good man out of the good treasure of the

heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.

36 But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

37 For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by

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thy words thou shalt be condemned. Mt. 12/37

Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of Mt. 7/24

mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

And the rain descended, and the floods came, 25

and the winds blew, and beat upon that house;

and it fell not; for it was founded upon a rock.

[15] And every one that heareth these sayings of 26

mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:

And the rain descended, and the floods came, 27

and the winds blew, and beat upon that house;

and it fell; and great was the fall of it.

And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended 28

these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine.

For he taught them as one having authority, 29

and not as the scribes.

When he was come down from the mountain, 30

tain, great multitudes followed him. Mt. 8/1

And he went round about the villages, Mk. 6/6

teaching.

Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy Mt. 11/28

laden, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I 29

am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find

rest unto your souls.

For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. 30

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Then they led Jesus from Caiaphas unto the hall of judgment, and it was early; and they themselves went not into the judgment hall, lest they should be defiled; but that they might eat the passover.

29 Pilate then went out unto them, and said, What accusation bring ye against this man?

30 They answered and said unto him, If he were not a malefactor, we would not have delivered him up unto thee.

31 Then said Pilate unto them, Take ye him, and judge him according to your law. The Jews therefore said unto him, It is not lawful for us to put any man to death:

33 Then Pilate entered into the judgment hall again, and called Jesus, and said unto him, Art thou the King of the Jews?

34 Jesus answered him, Sayest thou this thing of thyself, or did others tell it thee of me?

35 Pilate answered, Am I a Jew? Thine own nation and the chief priests have delivered thee unto me: what hast thou done?

36 Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.

37 Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a

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king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Everyone that is of the truth heareth my voice.

38 Pilate saith unto him, What is truth? And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them, I find in him no fault at all.

[77] And they were more fierce, saying, He stirreth up the people, teaching throughout all Jewry, beginning from Galilee to this place.

Then said Pilate unto him, Hearst thou not how many things they witness against thee?

When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked whether the man were a Galilaean.

And as soon as he knew that he belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem at that time.

8 And when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceeding glad: for he was desirous to see him of a long season, because he had heard many things of him; and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by him.

Then he questioned with him in many words; but he answered him nothing.

10 And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused him.

11 And Herod, with his men of war, set him at nought and mocked him, and arrayed him in a

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L. 23/11 gorgeous robe, and sent him again to Pilate.

12 And the same day Pilate and Herod were made friends together: for before they were at enmity between themselves.

13 And Pilate, when he had called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people,

14 Said unto them, Ye have brought this man unto me, as one that perverteth the people: and behold, I, having examined him before you, have found no fault in this man touching those things whereof ye accuse him:

15 No, nor yet Herod: for I sent you to him; and lo, nothing worthy of death is done unto him.

16 I will, therefore, chastise him, and release him.

Mt. 27/15 Now at that feast the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom they would.

16 And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas.

17 Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ?

¹A footnote in Mr. Jefferson's handwriting so small as to be almost illegible, and with some words doubtful, reads,] under the Roman law de seditiosis in crucem tollendis. "Digest de poenis l. 48, lit. 19.6. 28.3." capita plectendi cum saepius seditiosa et turpulentia se gesserint, et aliquoties adprehensi clementius in eadem temeritate propositi perseveraverint?

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For he knew that for envy they had delivered him. Mt. 27/18

19 When he was set down on the judgment seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him.

20 But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus.

21 The governor answered and said unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said, Barabbas.

22 Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ? They all say unto him, Let him be crucified.

23 And the governor said, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified.

26 Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.

27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers.

29 And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews!

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Mt. 27/30 And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head.

31 And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him.

3 Then Judas, which had betrayed him, when he [79] saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders,

4 Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What is that to us? see thou to that.

5 And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple and departed, and went and hanged himself.

6 And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood.

7 And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in.

8 Wherefore that field was called, The field of blood, unto this day.

L. 23/26 And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus.

27 And there followed him a great company of people, and of women, which also bewailed and lamented him.

28 But Jesus turning unto them said, Daughters of

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Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children. **L. 23/28**

For, behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck. **29**

Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us. **30**

For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry? **31**

And there were also two others, malefactors, led with him to be put to death. **32**

[80] And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called the place of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew, Golgotha: **J. 19/17**

Where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst. **18**

And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross. And the writing was, JESUS OF NAZARETH, **19**

THE KING OF THE JEWS. **20**

This title then read many of the Jews: for the place where Jesus was crucified was nigh to the city: and it was written in Hebrew, and Greek, and Latin. **21**

Then said the chief priests of the Jews to Pilate, Write not, The King of the Jews; but that he said, I am King of the Jews. **22**

Pilate answered, What I have written I have written.

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J. 19/23 Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also his coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout.

24 They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be:

Mt. 27/39 And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads,

40 And saying, Thou that destroyest the temple and buildest it in three days, save thyself. If thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross.

41 Likewise also the chief priests mocking him, with the scribes and elders said,

42 He saved others; himself he cannot save. If he be the King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him.

43 He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God.

L. 23/39 And one of the malefactors which were hanged [81] railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us.

40 But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation?

41 And we indeed justly; for we receive the due

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reward of our deeds: but this man hath done **L. 23/41** nothing amiss.

Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they **34** know not what they do.

Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his **J. 19/25** mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene.

When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the **26** disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy Son!

Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy **27** mother! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home.

And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a **Mt. 27/46** loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken me?

Some of them that stood there, when they **47** heard that, said, This man calleth for Elias.

And straightway one of them ran, and took a **48** sponge, and filled it with vinegar and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink.

The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias **49** will come to save him.

Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud **50** voice, yielded up the ghost.

And many women were there beholding afar **55** off, which followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering unto him.

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Mt. 27/56 Among which was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Josès, and the mother of Zebedee's children.

J. 19/31 The Jews, therefore, because it was the preparation, [82]

that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.

32 Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of and first, and of the other which was crucified with him.

33 But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs:

34 But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came thereout blood and water.

38 And after this Joseph of Arimathæa, (being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews,) besought Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus: and Pilate gave him leave. He came therefore, and took the body of Jesus.

39 And there came also Nicodemus, (which at the first came to Jesus by night,) and brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about an hundred pound weight.

40 Then took they the body of Jesus, and wound it in linen clothes with the spices, as the manner of the Jews is to bury.

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Now, in the place where he was crucified, there **J. 19/41** was a garden; and in the garden a new sepulchre, wherein was never man yet laid.

There laid they Jesus, **42**

And rolled a great stone to the door of the Mt. 27/60 sepulchre, and departed.

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