



Matthew Chapters 20a Parables and Prophecies

This morning's study into the book of Matthew is going to be a unique study that will reveal to us several different attributes of the only begotten Son of God that I would dare say the church today has long ago forgotten.

What we will find here in Matthew chapters 20 and 21 are absolutely astounding when we take into consideration what has been lost through the denominational empires of men and their charters of men and their brick-and-mortar institutions of men who have become just as guilty of adding to God's word and taking away from God's word as the New Testament Pharisees and scribes were guilty of adding to God's word and taking away from God's word.

The evidence that we find right here in the book of Matthew this morning is absolutely astounding when we compare what the church today by and large teaches versus what the Scripture actually does and does not say.

As we continue our journey through the book of Matthew here this morning on our Father's seventh day Sabbath, I would like for us all to be on the lookout as we read through these God breathed Scriptures and to be keenly aware of exactly what is being said here in the book of Matthew and just as importantly... what is not being said here in the book of Matthew. Because I would submit to you that there is a stark

contrast between the truth of what our God breathed Scripture proclaims and the deception that today's modern-day version of Christianity now proclaims.

As we have said so many times before, it is tectonically important to remember who the arch enemies of our Messiah were back in the days that our Messiah was walking the earth. The archenemies are our Messiah were not the atheist. The archenemies of our Messiah were not the unbeliever's. The archenemies of our Messiah were not the skeptics. The archenemies of our Messiah were the pastors and the priests that were standing behind the pulpits of his time. It was these men who were standing behind the pulpits of his time that he called twofold children of hell. It was the men who were standing behind the pulpits of his time that he said would travel over land and sea to make one follower and when they had made him a follower, they had made him twice as much a child of hell as themselves. It was these men who were standing behind the pulpits of his time that were plotting to murder him.

And therefore... we should without a doubt hold those who are standing behind our modern-day pulpits today accountable more so than anyone else because it was indeed these men who were the archenemies of our Messiah back in his day. The very men who claimed to be men of God were indeed no man of God at all in fact, quite the contrary.

Keeping all of these things in mind let us do our due diligence in reading through Matthew chapter 20 so that we can know exactly what it does say and just as importantly what it does not say. Let's begin this morning by turning to **Matthew chapter 20 E1**

Laborers in the Vineyard

Mat 20:1 "For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard.

Mat 20:2 After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard.

Mat 20:3 And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in

the marketplace,

Mat 20:4 and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.'

Mat 20:5 So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same.

Mat 20:6 And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?'

Mat 20:7 They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.'

Mat 20:8 And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.'

Mat 20:9 And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius.

Mat 20:10 Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius.

Mat 20:11 And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house,

Mat 20:12 saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.'

Mat 20:13 But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius?'

Mat 20:14 Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you.

Mat 20:15 Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?'

Mat 20:16 **So the last will be first, and the first last."**

Jesus Foretells His Death a Third Time

Mat 20:17 And as Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples aside, and on the way he said to them,

Mat 20:18 **"See, we are going up to Jerusalem. And the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn him to death**

Mat 20:19 and deliver him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified, and he will be raised on the third day."

A Mother's Request

Mat 20:20 Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came up to him with her sons, and kneeling before him she asked him for something.

Mat 20:21 And he said to her, **"What do you want?"** She said to him, **"Say**

that these two sons of mine are to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom.”

Mat 20:22 Jesus answered, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am to drink?” They said to him, “We are able.”

Mat 20:23 He said to them, “You will drink my cup, but to sit at my right hand and at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father.”

Mat 20:24 And when the ten heard it, they were indignant at the two brothers.

Mat 20:25 But Jesus called them to him and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them.

Mat 20:26 It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant,

Mat 20:27 and whoever would be first among you must be your slave,

Mat 20:28 even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Jesus Heals Two Blind Men

Mat 20:29 And as they went out of Jericho, a great crowd followed him.

Mat 20:30 And behold, there were two blind men sitting by the roadside, and when they heard that Jesus was passing by, they cried out, “Lord, have mercy on us, Son of David!”

Mat 20:31 The crowd rebuked them, telling them to be silent, but they cried out all the more, “Lord, have mercy on us, Son of David!”

Mat 20:32 And stopping, Jesus called them and said, “What do you want me to do for you?”

Mat 20:33 They said to him, “Lord, let our eyes be opened.”

Mat 20:34 And Jesus in pity touched their eyes, and immediately they recovered their sight and followed him.

What we find here in Matthew chapter 20 is by and large the red-letter words of our very own Messiah which is exactly what makes Matthew chapter 20 so vitally important. And one of the first things that our Messiah says in Matthew chapter 20 is and I quote “the kingdom of heaven is like...”

“The kingdom of heaven is like...” And this is not the only time that our Messiah uses the phrase “the kingdom of heaven is like...”

There are several other times that our Messiah uses this phrase “the kingdom of heaven is like” and because he does use this phrase so often, I would like us to take the time to go back and read some of these other parables and some of these other quotes that have everything to do with what the kingdom of heaven will be like. Let’s begin by turning back to **Matthew chapter 13 verses 24 through 30 E2**

The Parable of the Weeds

Mat 13:24 He put another parable before them, saying, “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field,

Mat 13:25 but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away.

Mat 13:26 So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also.

Mat 13:27 And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?’

Mat 13:28 He said to them, ‘An enemy has done this.’ So the servants said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’

Mat 13:29 But he said, ‘No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them.

Mat 13:30 Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, “Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.””

The parable of the weeds is an extremely important parable because it does indeed explain in some detail what the kingdom of heaven will be like and what it can be compared to. And according to our Messiah, this parable is explained just a few verses down in Matthew chapter 13 verses 36 through 43 where our Messiah tells us that the one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. And once again, our Messiah always refers to himself as “the Son of Man” in the New Testament. It very quickly becomes evident to anyone who has read the Bible for themselves that the primary title of Yeshua (Jesus in the Greek) in the New Testament is “the Son of Man”.

Yeshua is referred to as “the Son of Man” over 88 different times in the New Testament and we could get into a whole Bible study on exactly why Yeshua is called the Son of Man that could literally go on for weeks. But for time’s sake, I think it’s important to once again go back and visit second Samuel chapter 7 so that we can see exactly why our Messiah always refers to himself and is referred to by others as “the Son of Man”.

But before we do that it’s important to understand that the church today has its own ideas about why Yeshua calls himself the Son of Man and why he is called the Son of Man by others. But I would submit to you that today’s modern-day denominational churches and their ideas are oftentimes a far cry from the truth of what the Bible itself actually says. And the reason for this is, that the church today in our time is almost entirely ignorant of what is written within the confines of the first half of their own Bibles. And therefore, because I do not want to leave us ignorant and unstudied of what the Bible says concerning our Messiah, I would like to now take you back to second Samuel chapter 7 so that we can understand why our Messiah is called “the Son of Man” in the New Testament over 88 different times. Let’s very quickly go back and revisit **second Samuel chapter 7 verses eight through 17 E3**

2Sa 7:8 Now, therefore, thus you shall say to my servant David, ‘Thus says the LORD of hosts, I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people Israel.

2Sa 7:9 And I have been with you wherever you went and have cut off all your enemies from before you. And I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth.

2Sa 7:10 And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may dwell in their own place and be disturbed no more. And violent men shall afflict them no more, as formerly,

2Sa 7:11 from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel. And I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house.

2Sa 7:12 When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom.

2Sa 7:13 He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.

2Sa 7:14 I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son. When he commits iniquity, I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men,

2Sa 7:15 but my steadfast love will not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you.

2Sa 7:16 And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever.”

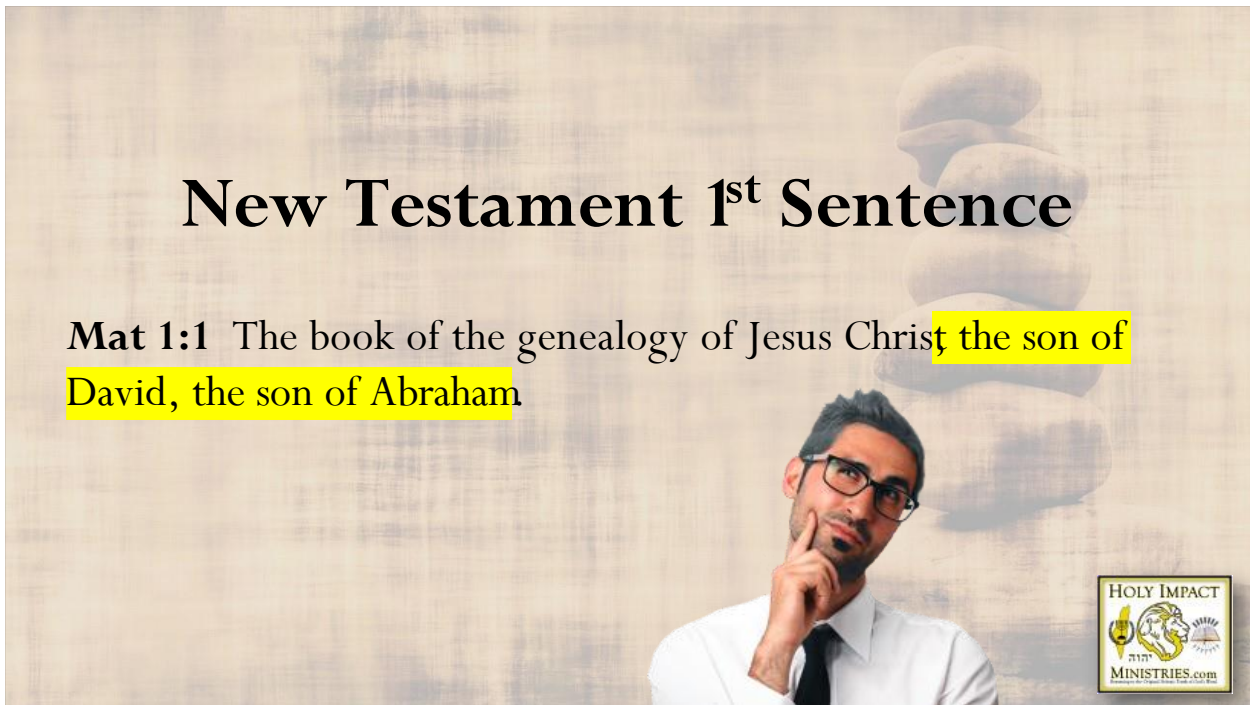
2Sa 7:17 In accordance with all these words, and in accordance with all this vision, Nathan spoke to David.

Now this my friends, is what your Bible says. And this my friends is why our Messiah refers to himself as “the Son of Man”.

Many ignorant and unstudied Christians who are nothing more than byproducts of the ignorant and the unstudied that they worship... will try to sell us on the idea that our Messiah did not have a human father. They will try to sell us on the fact that Yeshua... the one that they call “Jesus” had no human father and that all he had was a virgin human mother. But that’s not what the Bible says at all, is it? In fact... that’s a far cry from what the Bible says right here in second Samuel chapter 7, isn’t it? In fact... that’s a far cry from the very first sentence of the New Testament isn’t it? **(scrn 1)**

New Testament 1st Sentence

Mat 1:1 The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of Abraham



According to the very first sentence of our New Testament, we are very clearly told by the apostle Matthew that this is the book of the genealogy of Yeshua the Messiah the Son of David the Son of Abraham. Upon which time Matthew goes into great detail explaining the genealogy of Yeshua back to David.

And therefore, according to Matthew our Messiah did indeed have a human father and a human genealogy. And why is it that Matthew would have told us that our Messiah had a human father? Why would Matthew find it important to teach these things and to explain these things to us? Because the God of Abraham Isaac and Jacob also told us that our Messiah, would have a human father long before our Father in heaven would have created this Son of David within the womb of his virgin mother Mary. And just to once again solidify this biblical fact I would like us to once again go back and reread **second Samuel chapter 7 verses 12 through 14 E4**

2Sa 7:12 When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from

your body, and I will establish his kingdom.

2Sa 7:13 He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.

2Sa 7:14 I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son. When he commits iniquity, I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men,

Now I don't know about you my friends, but the idea of the Son of God not having a human father is nothing short of another god that is being taught by the church today. They are literally teaching "another god". A god that they have created for themselves within their own minds and within their own philosophies and within their own theologies and within their own doctrines and dogmas and traditions. And what was the very first commandment of our Father's testimony by the way? Was it not that we are to have no other gods before him?

Clearly, right here in the beginning of the book in second Samuel chapter 7 verses 12 through 14 Yehovah the one true Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob tells David... promises David... that when David dies and lays down with his father's, that Yehovah God would raise up his offspring after him who shall come from his body and that God would establish his kingdom. Furthermore... Yehovah God also promises David in verse 14 that God himself would be a father to this offspring of David and that this offspring of David would be to him a Son.

My friends, I don't care how you slice it and I don't care how you dice it. Anything short of this... is not our Messiah. Anything short of this is a fake. Anything short of this is a fraud. And anything short of this is indeed... another man-made god created nowhere else but within the minds of men which is usually by and large where all other pagan gods are created.

And therefore, there should be no doubt in our minds why it is that our Messiah calls himself "the Son of Man" all throughout his ministry and

why it is that he is referred to as “the Son of Man” all throughout the New Testament.

Isn't it eye-opening... Isn't it refreshing... Isn't it revitalizing to sit down and to read the Scriptures for ourselves? Just imagine how long we might have gone on being ignorant and unstudied. Just imagine how long we might have gone on perpetuating a lie... a lie of the most despotic kind. A lie that conceals... hides... and distorts the true identity of the only begotten Son of David, Son of Abraham who was created by God from the very body of David so that God could point to him as being his only begotten... Son.

You see just as Jacob had adopted Manasseh and Ephraim from his son Joseph... so too did Yehovah God adopt Yeshua from David. Jacob was able to adopt Manasseh and Ephraim from Joseph because Joseph was his son. Yehovah God was able to adopt Yeshua from David because David himself had proven himself to be a son of God. And for those of you who have never read your Bible before from the beginning of the book, and have never been properly introduced to your Messiah in the beginning of the book... we have many video teachings that will help you to understand the true identity of your Messiah at our website at HolyImpactMinistries.com and all that it will cost you is the time that it takes to sit down and to view these video teachings and to get down on your knees and to test them through the fire of prayer.

But because our time is short here this morning, and because we want to stay on course with our study here into the book of Matthew this morning, we need to continue to move forward. Nevertheless... It is no secret that our Messiah continuously points to himself as a Son of Man all throughout his ministry and we will continue to see that as we study out the rest of the New Testament in the weeks ahead.

But as for now, I would like to go back and read Matthew chapter 13 verses 24 through 52 so that we can concentrate on exactly what the kingdom of heaven will be like according to our Messiah. And so, let's

go back and let's reread **Matthew chapter 13 verses 24 through 52 E5**

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Mat 13:25 but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away.

Mat 13:26 So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also.

Mat 13:27 And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?'

Mat 13:28 He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' So the servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?'

Mat 13:29 But he said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them.

Mat 13:30 Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, "Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn."""

The Mustard Seed and the Leaven

Mat 13:31 He put another parable before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven is like a grain of mustard seed that a man took and sowed in his field.

Mat 13:32 It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is larger than all the garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

Mat 13:33 He told them another parable. "The kingdom of heaven is like leaven that a woman took and hid in three measures of flour, till it was all leavened."

Prophecy and Parables

Mat 13:34 All these things Jesus said to the crowds in parables; indeed, he said nothing to them without a parable.

Mat 13:35 This was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet: "I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter what has been hidden since the foundation of the world."

The Parable of the Weeds Explained

Mat 13:36 Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the

field.”

Mat 13:37 He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man.

Mat 13:38 The field is the world, and the good seed is the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one,

Mat 13:39 and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels.

Mat 13:40 Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the end of the age.

Mat 13:41 The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers,

Mat 13:42 and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Mat 13:43 Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.

The Parable of the Hidden Treasure

Mat 13:44 “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

The Parable of the Pearl of Great Value

Mat 13:45 “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls,

Mat 13:46 who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

The Parable of the Net

Mat 13:47 “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind.

Mat 13:48 When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad.

Mat 13:49 So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous

Mat 13:50 and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

New and Old Treasures

Mat 13:51 “Have you understood all these things?” They said to him, “Yes.”

Mat 13:52 And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

Once again, our Messiah uses the parable of the weeds in order to help us understand what the kingdom of heaven can be compared to. Once again, the reason that our Messiah used the analogy of wheat and weeds in this first parable is to demonstrate the fact that the evil seeds of the serpent are indeed growing up amongst the good seeds of Yehovah God. And he also used the analogy of wheat and weeds to demonstrate the fact that the weeds (which are the seeds of the serpent) will be taken and bound and burned first, and not second mind you. Who will be taken first? ... The weeds or the wheat? According to our Messiah, the weeds which represent evil are taken and bound and burned *first* and then after the weeds are taken and bound and burned first... Then the wheat is taken into his barn.

Now once again my friends I would submit to you that this is a far cry from what the church teaches today is it not? How many times have we been taught about a pre-tribulation rescue? How many denominational empires have been built upon nothing more than the philosophical assumptions and theologies and dogmas of men and the Moody Bible press and the Scofield Bible? And yet, clearly, right here in the parable of the weeds our Messiah clearly tells all who have the eyes to see and the ears to hear who it is that will be taken first. And I want us to pay extremely close attention to Matthew chapter 13 verse 40 where our Messiah says, and I quote “just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire so it will be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers (get that my friends “all lawbreakers”) and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then our Messiah says... “The righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their father. He who has ears let him hear.”

My friends, I don't know about you... but if I have to decide between what the church today is teaching and what my Messiah says... I'm going with the red letter words of my Messiah. And for those of you who

choose the church over the red-letter words of your own Messiah all I have to say to you is good luck with that... Because luck is all you have. And I might also add that “luck” in of itself is nothing more than another man-made fairytale which is worth nothing more than a handful of sand.

The kingdom of heaven is indeed like a treasure hidden in a field which a man found and covered up and then went and bought that whole field. You see that’s what the truth is like. Once you find the truth within the confines of your God-breathed Scripture, you will indeed purchase that whole Bible and not just half of it. You will indeed own that Bible in more ways than one. You will indeed take ownership of it. That Bible and those God-breathed Scripture will indeed be written across your heart and in your mind because the treasure that is found within it... is the truth. And the truth is... the treasure that does indeed lead to everlasting life and not only everlasting life but life more abundant.

And once again our Messiah tells us in verse 47 that the kingdom of heaven is like a net that is thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. And when it was full men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come down and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace in that place where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

And my friends, I just don’t see the difficulty in understanding these things. I just don’t see the difficulty in having the ability to decipher between what is right and what is wrong. I don’t see the difficulty in establishing the truth from the deception. For me, it is extremely easy to choose the truth that has been given to me within the confines of these God-breathed Scriptures because I know that they are indeed God-breathed.

Now I suppose for some, the difficulty comes from not knowing that these God-breathed Scriptures are indeed God-breathed. When the devil, the serpent, the Dragon, the little g god of this world puts doubt in your

heart and in your mind... this is where the difficulty comes from. And this is where the difficulty grows like black mold over a white gown.

And for those who are covered in the black toxic mold of doubt and deception, I can only challenge you to look around you. I can only challenge you to see his creation in every direction that you look. I can only challenge you to look into the eyes of a newborn child, or to make note of the intricate magnificence of a simple leaf. Or to see how all of creation relies upon all other creation in order to survive. **Romans chapter 1 verses 18 through 32 E6**

God's Wrath on Unrighteousness

Rom 1:18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth.

Rom 1:19 For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them.

Rom 1:20 For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.

Rom 1:21 For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Rom 1:22 Claiming to be wise, they became fools,

Rom 1:23 and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things.

Rom 1:24 Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves,

Rom 1:25 because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen.

Rom 1:26 For this reason God gave them up to dishonorable passions. For their women exchanged natural relations for those that are contrary to nature;

Rom 1:27 and the men likewise gave up natural relations with women and were consumed with passion for one another, men committing shameless acts with men and receiving in themselves the due penalty for their error.

Rom 1:28 And since they did not see fit to acknowledge God, God gave

them up to a debased mind to do what ought not to be done.

Rom 1:29 They were filled with all manner of unrighteousness, evil, covetousness, malice. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, maliciousness. They are gossips,

Rom 1:30 slanderers, haters of God, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents,

Rom 1:31 foolish, faithless, heartless, ruthless.

Rom 1:32 Though they know God's righteous decree that those who practice such things deserve to die, they not only do them but give approval to those who practice them.

And so you see, even those who do not believe because of the doubt that they have allowed to grow like mold within their hearts are indeed without excuse when it comes to not having faith. And it is indeed this very fact that leads us back to why it was that our Messiah spoke in parables in the first place! Why did our Messiah speak in parables in the first place? In order to better understand why our Messiah spoke in parables we need only to turn back to **Matthew chapter 13 verses 10 through 17 E7**

The Purpose of the Parables

Mat 13:10 Then the disciples came and said to him, "Why do you speak to them in parables?"

Mat 13:11 And he answered them, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given.

Mat 13:12 For to the one who has, more will be given, and he will have an abundance, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away.

Mat 13:13 This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand.

Mat 13:14 Indeed, in their case the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled that says: ""You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive."

Mat 13:15 For this people's heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them.'

Mat 13:16 But blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear.

Mat 13:17 For truly, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.

You see, just as our Messiah had told his apostles, there are some to whom it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but there are also some that the secrets of the kingdom of heaven have not been given. And I know that that's a very tough pill for a lot of modern-day liberal thinking Christians to swallow.

It is oftentimes once again taught within the church today that Jesus welcomes everyone within the gates of heaven. But the truth of the matter is that you simply will not find that nonsense being spoken of by our Messiah anywhere within the confines of the Bible.

Our Messiah did indeed come to be a propitiation for the sins of the whole world. But we must understand who the world is that our Messiah came for. Our Messiah was not talking about the wicked of the world, he was only talking about the righteous of the world who would willfully and intentionally pick up their cross and follow him and walk as he walked and do as he did.

I want us to notice very clearly here in Matthew chapter 13 that our Messiah tells us without stutter that in their case the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled that says, "and you will indeed hear but never understand and you will indeed see but never perceive" and why? Because this people's heart has grown dull and with their ears, they can barely hear and their eyes they have closed lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn and he would heal them.

The very reason that our Messiah spoke in parables in the first place is because he did not want them to have the secrets that he was divulging to those who truly loved him, those who were chosen by him, those who were willing to come and to turn and to repent, those who were willing. And there is a lesson in this far beyond what we can teach here in one

sitting. It was long ago written in Genesis chapter 3 verse 15 that God would put enmity between the offspring of the serpent and the offspring of the human woman. And from that very moment that God had doled out his punishment upon the serpent for causing man to fall in the garden, he had put enmity between the offspring of the serpent and between the offspring of the woman. The problem is that the church today because of her liberal-minded thinking can no longer decipher between the offspring of the serpent and the offspring of the woman. The church today no longer sets the evil person outside of the assembly as we are taught within the confines of our God-breathed Scripture even by the apostle Paul in the New Testament.

The church has become so far removed from the truth of God's word that our Messiah could once again be standing right in front of the pastors and the priests of our time and just like the Pharisees of his own time... they would have no idea who he was. The pastors and the priests of our time could hear our Messiah preaching in the town square and would inevitably call him a heretic just like the pastors and the priests did in our Messiah's time. And why?

Because they are not interested in what the Bible says. They're not interested in the God-breathed Scripture that they hold in their very hands and what it proclaims from within its pages. Just like the Pharisees and the scribes of our Messiah's time... they have added to... and taken away from the word of God to such an extent that what they teach and what they preach today no longer even resembles the word of God let alone the gospel message that God sent the descendent of David to deliver to us.

And this is exactly why our Messiah spoke in parables back when he walked on the earth the first time. The secrets of the kingdom of heaven were not given to them because they had already mishandled what had been given to them and therefore... even what they had was indeed taken away from them.

Were they keeping the seventh-day Sabbath of God? Yes, they were keeping the seventh-day Sabbath of God. Were they keeping the feast days of God? Yes, they were keeping the feast days of God. Were they reading the Torah and the law every Saturday in the synagogues? Yes, they were reading the Torah and the law every Saturday in the synagogues. Were they wearing blue cords on the corners of their hips? Yes, they were wearing blue cords on the corners of their hips. All of these things they were doing and yet... our Messiah called them twofold children of hell who traveled over sea and land to make one follower and when they had made him a follower they made him twice as much a child of hell as themselves. Why?

Because although they were going through many of the motions that were commanded within the Scripture, they were distorting those commandments that were found within the Scripture by adding to those commandments and taking away from those commandments. You could walk this far on the Sabbath, but you could not walk that far because that was against the law of the Pharisees. You had to wash your hands before you ate because that was a law of the Pharisees. You could not enter the house of a Gentile because Gentiles were seen as dogs according to the law of the Pharisees. You could not disobey a Pharisee according to the law of the Pharisees. You could not pop a couple of grains in your mouth while walking through a field on the Sabbath day because that was against the law of the Pharisees.

The law of the Pharisees had become the law of the land and the law of God had taken a backseat to the law of the Pharisees and their Talmud and the writings of their sages and their rabbinical Babylonian human gods on earth who were essentially nothing more than pagan philosophers who had literally attempted to steal the authority of God himself in order to usurp his power and authority for themselves. And you'd better believe me when I tell you that the same rabbinical Babylonian human gods are still on the earth today. Some call themselves "rabbis" while others call themselves "popes". But no matter the title... birds of a feather do indeed flock together.

And today my friends I would submit to you that our modern-day pastors and priests are 70-fold times as guilty as the Pharisees and the scribes of our Messiah's time because they too have added to and taken away from the word of God just like the Pharisees and the scribes of our Messiah's time. Today the pendulum has swung in the other direction. Do as thou wilt is now the whole of the law and once saved always saved has now become the mantra of the devil's church that loves to dress itself up like an angel of light. **(show blasphemy clip)**

First day of the week Sunday Sabbath commanded by no one anywhere within the confines of the 66 books of the Bible... Good Friday found nowhere within the confines of the 66 books of the Bible... Easter Sunday morning found nowhere within the confines of the 66 books of the Bible... Advent, Lent, All Saints Day and praying to the dead, Valentine's Day, Christ-mass found nowhere within the confines of the 66 books of the Bible are all nothing other than vessels, traps, and snares of the devil himself that cause men standing behind our pulpits today to be just as guilty as the Pharisees and the scribes of our Messiah's time who our Messiah once again pointed to as children of the devil themselves because of their blasphemy against the truth of God's spoken word.

You just simply can't make this stuff up my friends. It is so in our faces. It is so demonstrably evident. It has been so wickedly concocted for so many generations. And just like the wicked rabbinical rabbis that brought all of their trash and garbage and filth up out of Babylon... our modern-day Christian churches have followed after their mother church of Rome who has also brought up all of her pagan practices and pagan theologies and pagan doctrines up out of Babylon.

Just as we read in the 20th chapter of the book of Matthew, the last will be first and the first will be last. Many of us who are teaching and preaching the true gospel message today in our time will be surpassed by those who will come in the future after us. And this is our greatest hope.

This is our greatest prayer. Because everything that we do here today is being done to expand the coming kingdom of our Messiah and it makes no difference to us who enters first or who enters last or who has been serving the longest. The only thing that matters to us... is that we all become one bound together with unbreakable chains welded together by the very name of Yeshua Hamashiach the son of David the son of Abraham... the only begotten... Son of God. And this is the fight that we fight and the hope that we have been given by the one who sits upon the throne of David this very day.

And as the world marches on in its quest for power and authority over the children of God, the sound of thunderous horse hooves can be heard in the distance as our Messiah approaches with the armies of heaven who follow with him arrayed in fine linen white and pure following him on white horses to make war on the ungodly and on the unjust. And from his mouth comes a sharp-edged sword that he will use to strike down the nations and he will rule them with a rod of iron and he will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty and on his robe and on his thigh he has a name written “King of Kings and Lord of lords.” And the angels of heaven will call the birds of prey of the earth to come down and to eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all men both free and slave both small and great.

That day is soon coming my friends.

As we continue our study into Matthew chapter 20 next week we will see our Messiah foretelling his death that would indeed take place on Passover day for the third time. We’ll also see our Messiah explaining to us the importance of anyone who would become a leader first becoming a servant and a slave. We’ll also see the triumphal entry of our Messiah into Jerusalem, and how our Messiah formed a whip out of cords and entered into his Father’s house and fought valiantly for what he called “his father’s house”.

All of this and more is still yet to come next week at 11 AM Eastern Standard Time on our Father's seventh-day Sabbath the only seventh-day Sabbath commanded by anyone anywhere within the confines of the 66 books of your Bible.

But until that time I will once again ask everyone within the sound of my voice to please take what you have heard here today to your own prayer closet. Bow your head and bend your knee and face the holy promised land of Jerusalem and asked in the name of Yeshua Hamashiach if what you have heard here today be true or not.

Ask, seek, and knock on his door and on his door alone and the proper door will be opened to you. And if you will do that, and if you will stay the course to the end, you and I will surely walk through the gates of his soon coming kingdom together.