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The Foundations of our Faith



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The Doctrine Of The Second Coming

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“Depart from me”

Matthew 7:21-23; Matthew 25:34-46; Luke 13:22-30



Matthew 7

²¹ “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. ²² On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ ²³ And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; **depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.**’

v.23 Lawlessness (Greek: 458 anomía)

From 1 /A "not" and 3551 /nómos, "law" – properly, without law



Broader Context: Sermon on the Mount

Matthew 5:20 - For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the **scribes** and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 7:21-23 - "...depart from me, you workers of lawlessness."

Matthew 7:28-29 - And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, for he was teaching them as one who had authority, and not as their **scribes**.



Rejection vs Reverence



Immediate Context: False Miracle Workers

Matthew 7:15 - "...false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves."

Matthew 7:22 - On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?'

Matthew 7:23 - And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.'



**In the waiting,
be formed by the Word**



Matthew 25

³⁴ Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶ I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' ³⁷ Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? ³⁸ And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? ³⁹ And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' ⁴⁰ And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'



Matthew 25

⁴¹ “Then he will say to those on his left, **‘Depart from me, you cursed,** into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴² For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, ⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ ⁴⁴ Then they also will answer, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?’ ⁴⁵ Then he will answer them, saying, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ ⁴⁶ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”



Immediate Context

<p>Matthew 25:1-13 Parable of the Ten Virgins “As the bridegroom was delayed”</p>	<p>“...the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps.” Preparing for the bridegroom</p>	<p>“...the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them” Didn't bother to wait properly</p>
<p>Matthew 25:14-30 Parable of the Talents “To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability.”</p>	<p>“...good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much” Steward what they were given, even if it was little</p>	<p>“Master, I knew you to be a hard man... You wicked and slothful servant!” Lazy yet accused the Master's character</p>



Retaliation vs Righteousness




Broader Context: Book of Matthew

Last Block of Teaching — Matthew 21-25: Jesus Confronts Israel's Leaders

Matthew 26

¹ When Jesus had finished all these sayings, he said to his disciples, ² “You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the Son of Man will be delivered up to be crucified.” ³ Then the chief priests and the elders of the people gathered in the palace of the high priest, whose name was Caiaphas, ⁴ and **plotted together in order to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him.**



**In the waiting,
be faithful to the Master**

Luke 13

²² He went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying toward Jerusalem. ²³ And someone said to him, “Lord, will those who are saved be few?” And he said to them, ²⁴ “Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. ²⁵ When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, ‘Lord, open to us,’ then he will answer you, ‘I do not know where you come from.’ ²⁶ Then you will begin to say, ‘We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.’ ²⁷ But he will say, ‘I tell you, I do not know where you come from. **Depart from me, all you workers of evil!**’

Luke 13

²⁸ In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out. ²⁹ And people will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. ³⁰ And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.”

v.27 Evil (Greek: 93 adikia) — a deed violating law and justice

A feminine noun derived from 1 /A "not" and 1349 /díkē, "justice"



Immediate Context: Murder of the Galileans

Luke 13

¹ There were some present at that very time who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. ² And he answered them, “Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? ³ No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. ⁴ Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? ⁵ No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.”



Rebellion vs Repentance



Broader Context: Healing on the Sabbath

Luke 13:10-17 - Woman with disabling spirit healed on Sabbath

v.15 Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it away to water it?

Luke 13:22-30 - “Depart from me, all you workers of evil!”

Luke 14:1-6 - Healing of the man with dropsy on Sabbath

v.5 “Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?”



**In the waiting,
bear fruit in keeping
with repentance**



Be formed by the Word
Be faithful to the Master
Bear fruit in keeping with repentance

Matthew 25:34

...Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.