### Teachings of Jesus

I. "Judge not, that you be not judged"

A. Take the log out of your own eye and then you will see clearly the speck in your brother's eye

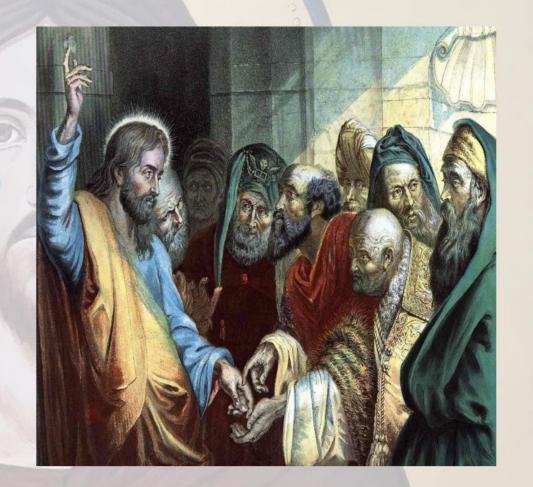
II. "Render unto Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's"

A. City of God and City of Man, i.e. stance towards authority

III. A House Divided Against Itself Cannot Stand, i.e. Abraham Lincoln

A. Civil War - How can Satan cast out Satan? How can Jesus cast down demons in the name of Beelzebul?

IV. "Love your enemies...Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful"



Teachings of Jesus: Sermon on the Mount

- I. "Blessed are the poor in spirit"
- A. Recognize the need for God and his grace
- II. "Blessed are those who mourn"
- A. Weep for sins, grief in this life
- III. "Blessed are the meek"
- A. Inner strength to restrain anger and discouragement in the face of adversity
- IV. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness"
- A. Live rightly according to the will of God
- V. "Blessed are the merciful"
- A. Patient and understanding in bearing with other's faults
- VI. "Blessed are the pure in heart"
- A. Serve God unselfishly and with integrity
- VII. "Blessed are the peacemakers"
- A. Peace in this life, but also peace with God
- VIII. Blessed are those who persecuted"
- A. Those who maintain the faith in the face of hatred and persecution



# The Parables of Jesus: The Prodigal Son

I. A younger son asks his father for his share of the inheritance

A. Give me my inheritance now, for you are dead to me

II. The younger son leaves, squanders his inheritance

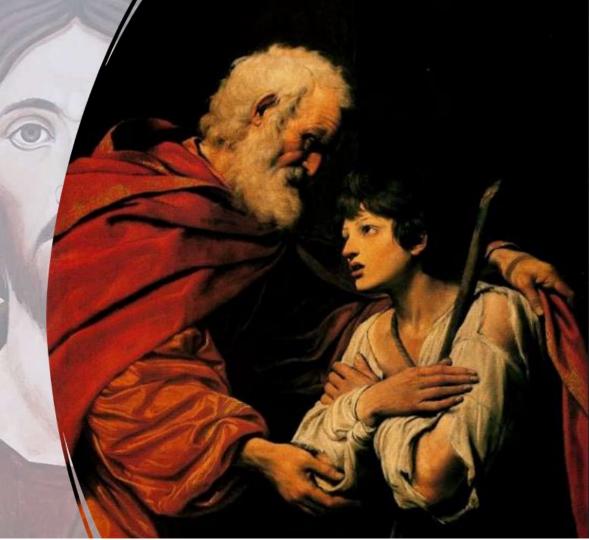
III. The son is then forced to feed swine, but receives little himself

A. The son decides to return to his father and asks that he be treated like a slave

IV. Seeing his son in the distance, the Father runs and embraces him, restores him to sonship, hosts a great feast

V. The older son of the father becomes resentful

A. We must be merry, for your brother was dead, and is alive, he was lost, and is now found



### The Parables of Jesus - The Lost Sheep

- I. A shepherd with one-hundred sheep leaves ninety-nine of them to find one that is lost
- A. "Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost"
- B. There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine who have no need of repentance
- II. Jesus as the good shepherd, physician of souls
- A. Jesus is sent for the sake of the sick, the sinner
- 1. All men have need of the heavenly physician



#### The Parables of Jesus: The Good Samaritan



- 1. Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?
- A. Love the Lord thy God, and Love your neighbor as yourself
- II. Who is my neighbor?
- A. A man is robbed and beaten and left on the side of the road to die
- 1. Despite his need, he is neglected by a priest and a Levite
- 2. He is only helped by a Samaritan (those who were not exiled after the northern kingdom of Israel was annexed by the Assyrians)
- a. The Samaritan, who shows the man mercy and saves him, is the good neighbor
- Jesus is the good Samaritan who saves

#### The Parables of Jesus – The Mustard Seed

I. The Kingdom of Heaven is like a mustard seed that is sown into a field

A. It starts off small, the smallest of seeds

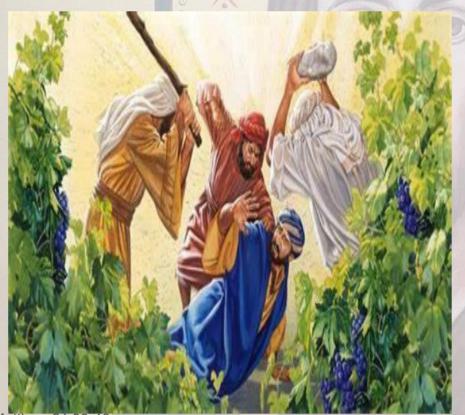
B. It soon grows into a great tree for the birds of the air

C. The church begins like a small mustard seed, but soon grows into a large tree





#### The Parables of Jesus – The Wicked Tenants



- I. An owner plants a vineyard and lends it out to tenants
- A. When it comes time to gather the fruit, the owner sends his servants to collect
- 1. The tenants beat, kill, and stone the servants (prophets)
- B. The owner sends his son (Jesus)
- 1. The tenants kill the son
- II. Rejection of Jesus as the Messiah, Cornerstone

Matthew 21:33-46

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    - i. Authority
- 3. House divided cannot stand
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- 5. Sermon on the Mount

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- 2. ...
- 3. ...
- 4. ...
- 5. ...
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  - a. Young son demands inheritance, wastes the money and is forced to come home
  - b. Father rejoices but older brother is resentful
    - i Brother was lost and is now found

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- 7. Lost Sheep
  - a. Shepherd has 100 sheep, leaves the 99 to go find the one
  - b. More joy over 1 who returns then over the others who didn't need repentance
- 8. Good Samaritan
  - a. "Love your neighbor as yourself"
  - b. Man is robbed/beaten and left for dead
    - Is ignored until a samaritan shows him mercy and saves him

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