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NT #11

Matthew 10-12, Mark 2, Luke 7, 11



These Twelve Jesus Sent Forth

We live in a time when this is happening

Prophet & Apostles @ Rome Temple

Short mission - nearby towns - Jews. First shall be last

Alexandrian vs. Byzantine

doxology of Lord's Prayer (not present in Luke 11) like Jeremiah 10
Le.g. vv. 10-12

Luke refers to the "kingdom of God" instead of Matthew's "kingdom of heaven"

Mark 2 -> forgiveness = healing or healing as proof of forgiveness

They didn't see forgiveness like we do (confession, change, restitution)

forgiveness happens in one place - the Jerusalem temple

Jesus is making a bold claim, threatening the upending of all they know
claiming to be the Messiah is one thing. Changing the nature of
what it even means to be the Messiah is another.

Matt. 11: 2-3 John doubted Jesus

4-6 Jesus doesn't answer unequivocally, quotes Isaiah. 29, 35, 42, 61

What kind of Messiah do we look for? If even John could doubt, what does that tell us
great day, purify his people w/ judgment, send messianic kingdom
about how easy it is to believe

"I am the one, the kingdom is here. It doesn't look like what you thought it would look like."
blessed are those who can see beyond what they thought would happen

Isaiah 29:18 the blind shall see

35:5-6 blind, deaf, lame, dumb

42:7 prisoners made free, open blind eyes

16 blind will have darkness made light

19 blind servant = Israel -> part of Jesus' mission is precisely to teach about why he came

High Expectations
not met -> oh well

Basic Expectations
not met -> rug pulled out

is John's hope in Jesus?
why follow Jesus?

did Jesus ever have
frustrated expectations?

why aren't your dreams coming true?
we can rule out one option with certainty
- it is not because Jesus doesn't love you

Matt 11:19 - Wisdom Proverbs 1, 9 - wisdom ^{what is} is proved right over time

Matt. 11:20-24 Chorazin, Bethsaida, Capernaum Woes. These 3 towns under Mt. Arbel

~~24-27~~ Isa 53 Your way of proceeding leads to the Grave

Matt 11:23 hell = graves = the grave

24 day of judgment - is this necessarily 'final' judgment?

Woe - extreme anguish & concern, prediction of bad consequences

Mt. Arbel = headquarters of Jewish guerilla resistance to Roman rule
~~24-27~~ So - these 3 towns that meet violence with violence are on a path that leads to the grave

25-27 The wise in Galilee & Judaea will not understand Jesus's way. God only reveals it to those like little children. Everyone else has too much to lose.

28-30 Jesus will not take away our burdens, but add another will redistribute the load and makes us able to bear it.

My burden is light - in English, a fun play on words

Matt 12: give us a sign - ^{← chapters are connected} once again, Jesus is addressing expectations - ^{this time to Bible teachers and Pharisees.}
Mary Poppins "First of all, let me make one thing perfectly clear. I never explain anything."
Sabbath - miracles - cast out devils by Beelzebub (preceding episodes ch. 12)
we doesn't observe Sabbath the way they expect

Luke 7, most other episodes same as Matt 11
Simon the Pharisee "The Gift of Grace" Elder Uchtdorf April 2015

Luke 11 difference in Lord's Prayers

v. 8 it's ok to "bother" God.

v. 24-26 recidivism - evil spirit will return w/reinforcements if we don't truly change

v. 54 Laying wait for him

47 Your fathers killed the prophets