

Fasting 2

Matt 9:9 And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him. **10** And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples. **11** And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master with publicans and sinners? **12** But when Jesus heard that, he said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. **13** But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. **14** Then came to him the disciples of John, saying, Why do we and the Pharisees fast oft, but thy disciples fast not? (KJV)

Matt 9:14 Then came to him the (1)disciples of (2)John, saying, Why do we and the (3)Pharisees (4)fast (5)oft, but thy (6)disciples fast not?(KJV)

Definitions: (1)disciples-3101 mathetes (math-ay-tes');from 3129; a learner, i.e. pupil: KJV-- disciple. (2)of John-2491 Ioannes-John = "Jehovah (Yahweh) is a gracious giver" 1) John the Baptist was the son of Zacharias and Elizabeth; the forerunner of Christ. By order of Herod Antipas, John was cast into prison and beheaded afterward. (3)Pharisees-5330 Pharisaioi (far-is-ah'-yos); of Hebrew origin [compare 6567]; a separatist, i.e. exclusively religious; a Pharisean, i.e. Jewish sectary: KJV-- Pharisee. (4)fast-3522 nesteuo (nace-tyoo'-o); from 3523; to abstain from food (religiously): KJV-- fast. (5)oft-4183 polus-many, much, large. (6) but thou disciples-3101 mathetes (math-ay-tes');from 3129; a learner, i.e. pupil: KJV-- disciple.

Matt 9:14 ... the disciples of John, (KJV)

Matt 11:1 And it came to pass, when Jesus had made an end of commanding his twelve disciples, he departed thence to teach and to preach in their cities. **2** Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, **3** And said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another? **4** Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: **5** The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them. **6** And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me. **7** And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind? **8** But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses. **9** But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. **10** For this is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. **11** Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. **12** And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force. **13** For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. **14** And if ye will receive it, **this is Elias**, which was for to come. **15** He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. (KJV)

John 3:20 For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reprov'd. **21** But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God. **22** After these things came Jesus and his disciples into the land of Judaea; and there he tarried with them, and baptized. **23** And John also was baptizing in Aenon near to Salim, because there was much water there: and they came, and were baptized. **24** For John was not yet cast into prison. **25** Then there arose a question between some of John's disciples and the Jews about purifying. **26** And they came unto John, and said unto him, Rabbi, he that was with thee beyond Jordan, to whom thou barest witness, behold, the same baptizeth, and all men come to him. **27** John answered and said, A man can receive nothing, except it be given him from heaven. **28** Ye yourselves bear me witness, that I said, I am not the Christ, but that I am sent before him. **29** He that hath the bride is the bridegroom: but the friend of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this my joy therefore is fulfilled. **30** He must increase, but I must decrease. **31** He that cometh from above is above all: he that is of the earth is earthly, and speaketh of the earth: he that cometh from heaven is above all. **32** And what he hath seen and heard, that he testifieth; and no man receiveth his testimony. **33** He that hath received his testimony hath set to his seal that God is true. **34** For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him. **35** The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand. **36** He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

John 4:1 When therefore the Lord knew how the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and **(1)baptized** more disciples than John, **2** (Though Jesus himself baptized not, but his disciples,)

Definition: **(1)baptized**-907 baptizo (bap-tid'-zo); from a derivative of 911; to immerse, submerge; to make overwhelmed (i.e. fully wet); used only (in the N. T.) of ceremonial ablution, especially (technically) of the ordinance of Christian baptism: KJV-- Baptist, baptize, wash.

Matt 9:14 ... Why do we and the Pharisees fast oft, (KJV)

Prov 20:6 Most men will proclaim every one his own goodness: but a faithful man who can find?(KJV)

Matt 6:16 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, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: **20** But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: **21** For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. **22** The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light. **23** But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness! **24** No man can serve two masters: for either he 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 **(1)mammon**.(KJV)

Definition: (1)mammon-3126 mamonas (mam-o-nas') or mammonas (mam-mo-nas'); of Aramaic origin (confidence, i.e. wealth, personified); mammonas, i.e. avarice (deified) 1) mammon 2) treasure 3) riches (where it is personified and opposed to God): KJV-- mammon. **(See personification and opposed to God: Romans 12:16; 2Cor.4:17-18; Col.3:1-3; James2:1-5; 1John2:15-17)**

Matt 11:16 But whereunto shall I liken this generation? It is like unto children sitting in the markets, and calling unto their fellows, **17** And saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned unto you, and ye have not lamented. **18** For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, He hath a devil. **19** The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners. But wisdom is justified of her children. **20** Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not: **21** Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. **22** But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you. **23** And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. **24** But I say unto you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for thee. **25** At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. **26** Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight.(KJV)

Mark 2:18 And the disciples of John and of the Pharisees used to fast: and they come and say unto him, Why do the disciples of John and of the Pharisees fast, but thy disciples fast not? **19** And Jesus said unto them, Can the children of the bridechamber fast, while the bridegroom is with them? as long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast. **20** But the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them, and then shall they fast in those days. **21** No man also seweth a piece of new cloth on an old garment: else the new piece that filled it up taketh away from the old, and the rent is made worse. **22** And no man putteth new wine into old bottles: else the new wine doth burst the bottles, and the wine is spilled, and the bottles will be marred: but new wine must be put into new bottles. **23** And it came to pass, that he went through the corn fields on the sabbath day; and his disciples began, as they went, to pluck the ears of corn. **24** And the Pharisees said unto him, Behold, why do they on the sabbath day that which is not lawful? **25** And he said unto them, Have ye never read what David did, when he had need, and was an hungred, he, and they that were with him? **26** How he went into the house of God in the days of Abiathar the high priest, and did eat the shewbread, which is not lawful to eat but for the priests, and gave also to them which were with him? **27** And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath: **28** Therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.(KJV)

Luke 18:7 And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them? **8** I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth? **9** And he spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: **10** Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. **11** The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. **12** I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. **13** And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. **14** I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted. **15** And they brought unto him also infants, that he would touch them: but when his disciples saw it, they rebuked them. **16** But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God. **17** Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child shall in no wise enter therein. **18** And a certain ruler asked him, saying, Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? **19** And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? none is good, save one, that is, God. **20** Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother. **21** And he said, All these have I kept from my youth up. **22** Now when Jesus heard these things, he said unto him, Yet lackest thou one thing: sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me. **23** And when he heard this, he was very sorrowful: for he was very rich. **24** And when Jesus saw that he was very sorrowful, he said, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God! **25** For it is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. **26** And they that heard it said, Who then can be saved? **27** And he said, The things which are impossible with men are possible with God. **28** Then Peter said, Lo, we have left all, and followed thee. **29** And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children, for the kingdom of God's sake, **30** Who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come life everlasting.(KJV)

Matt 9:14 ... additional scriptures (KJV)

Ps 35:12 They rewarded me evil for good to the **(1)spoiling** of my soul. **13** But as for me, when they were sick, my clothing was sackcloth: I **(2)humbled** my soul with fasting; and my prayer returned into mine own bosom. **14** I behaved myself as though he had been my friend or brother: **(3)I bowed down (4)heavily**, as one that **(5)mourneth** for his mother. **15** But in mine adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together: yea, the abjects gathered themselves together against me, and I knew it not; they did tear me, and ceased not: **16** With hypocritical mockers in feasts, they gnashed upon me with their teeth.(KJV)

Definitions: **(1)spoiling** of my soul-7908 shekowl-bereavement, the loss of children. **(2)humbled** my soul with fasting 6031 `anah (aw-naw'); a primitive root [possibly rather ident. with 6030 through the idea of looking down or browbeating]; to depress literally or figuratively, transitive or intransitive (in various applications, as follows): KJV-- abaseself, afflict (-ionself,), chastenself, deal hardly with, defile, exercise, force, gentleness, humble (self), hurt, ravish,

submitself, weaken, X in any wise. **(3)I bowed down**-7817 shachach (shaw-khakh'); a primitive root; to sink or depress (reflexive or causative): KJV-- bend, bow (down), bring (cast) down, couch, humbleself, be (bring) low, stoop. **(4)heavily**-6937 qadar (kaw-dar'); a primitive root; to be ashy, i.e. dark-colored; by implication, to mourn (in sackcloth or sordid garments): KJV-- be black (-ish), be (make) dark (-en), X heavily, (cause to) mourn. **(5)mourneth**-57 'abel (aw-bale'); from 56; lamenting: KJV-- mourn (-er, -ing).