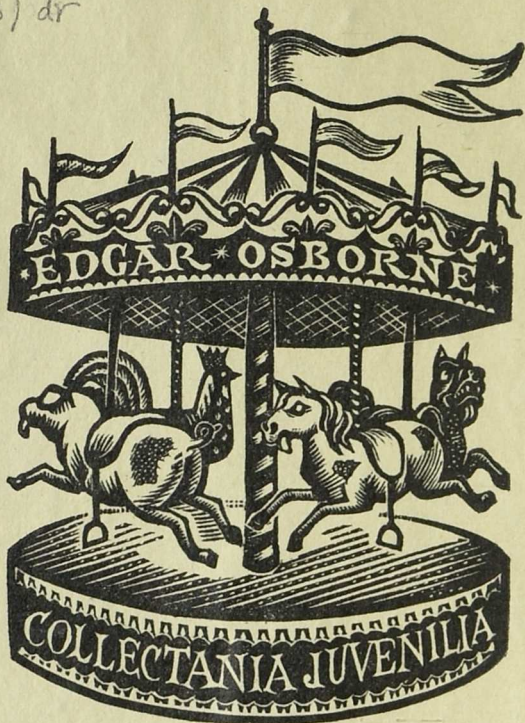


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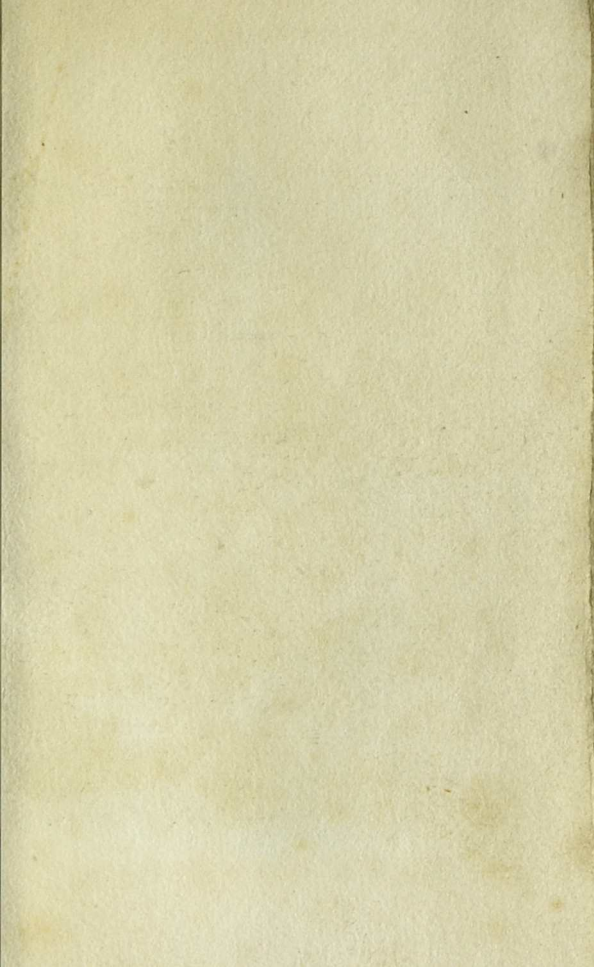


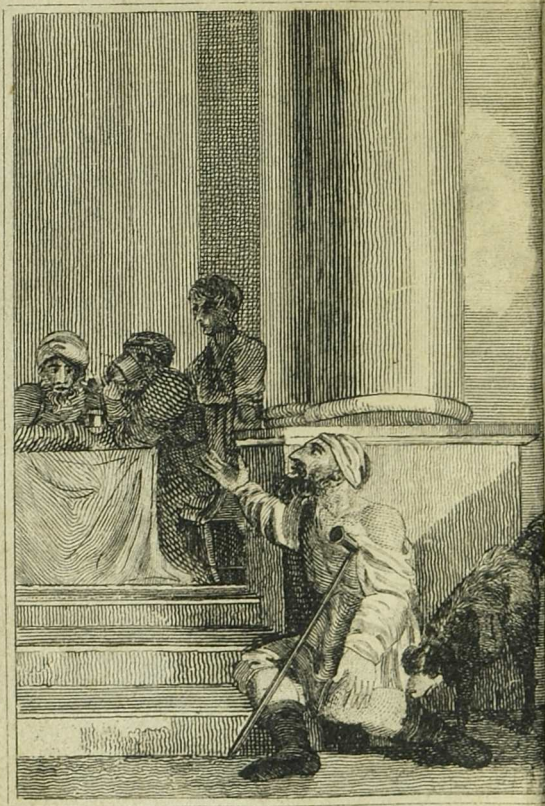
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CHAP. I.

OUR SAVIOUR'S PARABLE OF THE
UNMERCIFUL SERVANT.—Matt.
xviii. 21.

*If we desire that GOD will
forgive us our sins, we must
forgive others.*

THEN came Peter unto
Christ, and said, "Lord, how
oft shall my brother sin against
me, and I forgive him? till
seven times?" Jesus saith un-
to him, "I say not unto thee,

until seven times, but until seventy times seven." Therefore is the kingdom of Heaven likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants. And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which owed him ten thousand talents. But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made. The servant, therefore, fell down and worshipped him, saying, "Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all." Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt.

But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellow-servants, which owed him an hundred pence; and he laid hands on him, and took him by the throat, saying, "Pay me that thou owest." And his fellow-servant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all." And he would not: but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt.

So when his fellow-servants saw what was done, they were very sorry; and came and told unto their lord all that was done. Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, "O thou wicked servant! I forgave thee all that

debt, because thou desiredst me; shouldst not thou also have had compassion on thy fellow-servant, even as I had pity on thee?" And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him. So likewise, shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

CHAP. II.

THE TALENTS.—Matt. xxv. 14.

We must hereafter give an account to God of the means we have had of learning his holy word, and doing good to others.

THE kingdom of heaven

is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods: and unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to every man according to his several ability, and straightway took his journey. Then he that had received the five talents, went and traded with the same, and made them other five talents. And likewise he that had received two, he also gained other two: but he that had received one, went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money.

After a long time, the lord of those servants cometh and reckoneth with them. And so he that had received five ta-

lents, came and brought other five talents, saying, "Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained besides them five talents more." His lord said unto him, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things; I will make thee ruler over many things. Enter you into the joy of thy lord." He, also, that had received two talents, came and said, "Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents, behold, I have gained two other talents besides them." His lord said unto him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things:

enter thou into the joy of thy lord."

Then he which had received the one talent, came and said, "Lord, I knew thee, that thou art an hard man; reaping where thou hast not sown; and gathering where thou hast not strewed: and I was afraid, and I went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo! there thou hast that is thine." His lord answered and said unto him, "Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strewed: thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming, I should have received mine own with usury. Take,

therefore, the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents. For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance; but from him that hath not, shall be taken away, even that which he hath. And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth."



CHAP. III.

THE GOOD SAMARITAN.—Luke x. 30.

As Christ hath loved us, so we ought to love one another; and, as far as we can, to do good to all men.


A CERTAIN man went down from Jerusalem to Jeri-

cho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. And by chance there came down a certain priest that way; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side.

But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him, and went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine; and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And on the morrow, when he

departed, he took out two-pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, "Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee."

"Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves?" And the Lawyer said, "He that shewed mercy on him." Then said Jesus unto him, "Go, and do thou likewise."



CHAP. IV.

THE RICH FOOL. Luke xii. 10.

We must not depend on the continuance of life, but be always prepared for death.

THE ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully. And he thought within himself, saying, what shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits? And he said, This will I do; I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. And I will say to my soul—"Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease; eat, drink,

and be merry." But God said unto him, "Thou fool! this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be which thou hast provided?"—So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich towards God.



CHAP. V.

THE BARREN FIG-TREE. Luke xiii. 6

*God permits sinners to live,
that they may have time to
repent.*

A CERTAIN man had a fig-tree planted in his vineyard, and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none.—Then said he unto the dresser

of his vineyard, "Behold! these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig-tree and find none: cut it down, why cumbereth it the ground?" And he, answering, said unto him, "Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung it: and if it bear fruit, well: and if not, then after that, thou shalt cut it down."



CHAP. VI.

THE PRODIGAL SON. Luke xv. 11.

God is always ready to forgive Sinners, who sincerely repent, and apply to him for pardon through Jesus Christ.

A CERTAIN man had two sons: and the younger of them

said to his father; "Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me." And he divided unto them his living. And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living.

And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want. And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country, who sent him into the fields to feed swine. And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him. And when he came to himself, he said, "How

many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare; and I perish with hunger! I will arise, and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son; make me as one of thy hired servants."

And he arose and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him. And the son said unto him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight; and am no more worthy to be called thy son."

But the father said to his servants, "Bring me forth the

best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it; and let us eat and be merry. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found." And they began to be merry.

Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew nigh to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants, and asked what these things meant. And he said unto him, "Thy brother is come; and thy father hath killed the fatted calf, because he hath received him safe and sound." And he was angry, and would not go in: there-

fore came his father out, and intreated him.—And he answering, said to his father, “Lo, these many years do I serve thee; neither transgressed I at any time thy commandment; and yet thou never gavest me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends: but as soon as this thy son was come, which hath devoured thy living with harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted calf.” And he said unto him, “Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine. It is meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found.”

CHAP. VII.

THE RICH MAN AND LAZARUS.

Luke xvi. 19.

They who do not do good here, according to their means, will be severely punished in a future state; and they who suffer poverty and sickness in this life, with a pious and contented mind, will be eternally happy hereafter.

THERE was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day. And there was a certain beggar, named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores, and desiring to be fed with the

crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover, the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died and was buried. And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried, and said, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me; and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue, for I am tormented in this flame."

But Abraham said, "Son, remember that thou in thy life-time receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus

evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence." Then he said, "I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house; for I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment."

Abraham said unto him, "They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them." And he said, "Nay, father Abraham; but if one went unto them from the dead, they

will repent." And he said unto him, "If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.



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
THE UNJUST JUDGE. Luke xviii. 2.

They who pray earnestly to God will be protected and assisted by him.

AND he spake a parable unto them, to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint; saying, There was in a city a judge, which feared not God, neither regarded man. And there was

a widow in that city, and she came unto him, saying, Avenge me of mine adversary. And he would not for a while: but afterwards he said within himself, "Though I fear not God, nor regard man; yet because this widow troubleth me, I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me."

And the Lord said, "Hear what the unjust judge saith. And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them? I tell you that he will avenge them speedily."



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
THE PHARISEE AND PUBLICAN.—
Luke xviii. 9.

God will accept the prayers of the humble penitent, but not those of the proud and presumptuous.

AND he spake this parable unto certain, which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others. Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. 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. I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.

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." 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.



MIRACLES
OF
OUR BLESSED SAVIOUR.


1. *Christ healeth the Centu-
rion's Servant.*

AND as Jesus came into a city of Galilee, a centurion, who commanded a company of Roman soldiers, came to him, saying, "Lord, my servant lieth at home, sick of the palsy, and in great pain."

Jesus answered, "I will come and heal him." But the centurion said, "Lord, I am

not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say unto this man, go, and he goeth; and to another, come, and he cometh; and to my servant, do this, and he doth it."

Our Lord said unto those who followed him, "Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith; no, not in Israel." Then said he to the centurion, "Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee." And his servant was healed in that same hour.



2. *Christ healeth a man of an unclean spirit, and Peter's wife's mother of a fever.*

AND he continued in that city and taught them on the Sabbath day; and they wondered at his doctrine, for his word was with power. And in the church there was a man, who had an unclean spirit: and he cried out aloud; saying, "What have we to do with thee, Jesus of Nazareth! I know who thou art; the Holy One of God."

Then Jesus rebuked the spirit, and commanded it to come out of him; and the spirit came out of him, and hurt him not; and they were all

amazed; saying, "What power is this, that can command the unclean spirits, and they come out!"

And he went out of the church unto Simon Peter's house, with some of his disciples; and Peter's wife's mother was ill of a fever: and Jesus came, and took her by the hand; and immediately the fever left her, and she was healed: and she arose, and attended on them.



3. *The wonderful draught of fishes.*

AND it came to pass that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God,

he was near the sea of Galilee; and there being two ships, he entered into one of them, which was Simon Peter's; and desired that he would thrust out a little from the land; and Jesus sat down, and taught the people from the ship.

And when he had done speaking, he said unto Peter, "Launch out into the deep, and let down thy nets for a draught;" but Peter said unto him, "Master, we have toiled all night, and have taken nothing; but at your command, I will let down the net."

And when they had thus done, they inclosed a great number of fishes; and their net brake, and they called to James and John, who were in

the other ship, to come and help them: and they came and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink. And when Simon Peter saw this, he fell at the feet of Jesus, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." But Jesus said unto Peter, "Fear not; thou shalt henceforth catch men." And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.



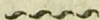
4. *Christ healeth a leprous man, and one sick of the palsy.*

AND there came a leper, kneeling down to him, and

saying, "Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean." And Jesus, moved with pity, put forth his hand, and touched him; and said, "I will; be thou clean:" and as Jesus spoke, the man was healed of his leprosy.

And, as he was teaching in a house, there was a great number of people gathered to hear him; and a man, who was sick of the palsy, was brought in a bed unto him to be healed. But when they could not come nigh unto Jesus for the crowd, they went on the top of the house, and let him down through the roof, in his bed, before Jesus. And Jesus said unto the ick of the palsy, "Son, thy sins

are forgiven thee" Upon which some of the Scribes, who were present, said, "No one can forgive sins, but God only." Jesus therefore said unto them, "That ye may know that I have power to forgive sins (then turning to the sick of the palsy, he said) Arise, take up thy bed and walk." And the man arose, took up his bed, and went out before them all; insomuch that they were all amazed, and glorified God, with fear and wonder.




5. *Christ healeth a man with a withered hand.*

AND it came to pass, on the sabbath day, that he went

into the church and taught. And there was a man there, whose right hand was withered: and the Scribes and Pharisees watched him, to see whether he would heal on the sabbath day; that they might accuse him.


But Jesus knew their thoughts; and said unto the man who had the withered hand, "Rise up and stand forth in the midst." He then said unto the Jews, "Is it lawful to do good on the sabbath day, or to do evil?—to save life, or to destroy it?" But they held their peace. Then said he to the man, "Stretch forth thine hand;" and he stretched it forth; and

it was restored whole, like as to the other.



6. *Christ heals a man sick of the dropsy, on the sabbath day.*

BEHOLD there was a certain man before Jesus, who had the dropsy. And Jesus said, "Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath day?" And the Pharisees did not answer him. And Jesus took the man, and healed him, and let him go.



7. *Christ restoreth a widow's son to life, and healeth a nobleman's son.*

AND as Jesus went into a city called Nain, behold there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and much people of the city were with her. And, when the Lord saw her, he had pity on her, and said unto her, "Weep not:" He then touched the bier, and said, "Young man, I say unto thee, arise;" and he, that was dead, sat up, and began to speak; and Jesus delivered him to his mother. And there came great fear upon all; and they praised

God, saying, "A great prophet is risen up amongst us; and God hath visited his people."

After this, as Jesus went into Cana of Galilee, there was a certain nobleman, whose son was very sick; and he came, and besought Jesus to heal his son, saying, that he was at the point of death; and intreating him to come down quickly, lest his son should die. Jesus said unto him, "Go thy way, thy son liveth;" and the man believed what Jesus said unto him, and went home. And as he returned home, his servants met him, saying, "Thy son liveth, and is well;" and he enquired when he began to amend; and he found it was

at the same time that Jesus said unto him, thy son liveth; and he believed in Christ, with his whole house.



8. *Christ calms the tempest.*

Now it came to pass on a certain day, that Christ went into a ship with his disciples; and he said unto them, "Let us go over, unto the other side of the lake:" and they launched forth. But, as they sailed, he fell asleep; and there arose a great tempest in the sea, in-somuch that the ship was covered with waves; and they were much afraid. And the


disciples came to him, and awoke him, saying, "Lord, save us, or we perish." Then he said unto them, "Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith?" And he arose and rebuked the winds, and the sea; and there was a great calm: and the disciples wondered, and said, "What manner of man is this? For he commandeth even the winds and the sea, and they obey him."



9. *Christ restores the ruler's daughter to life.*

AND they landed in the country, over against Galilee; and a man named Jairus, one


of the rulers in that place, came and intreated him to come unto his house; for he had one only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. And as Jesus was going to the house, one cometh unto the ruler, and saith, "Thy daughter is dead; trouble not the Master:" Jesus said unto him, "Fear not: only believe, and she shall be made well." And he went into the house, and took her by the hand, and said, "Damsel, arise:" and her spirit came again; and she arose, and did eat meat.



10. *The miracle of the loaves
and fishes.*

THEN Jesus departed into a desert place, with his disciples; but the people, when they knew it, followed him in great numbers; and he preached unto them, and taught them. But when the day was far spent, his disciples desired that he would send the multitude away, to the cities around; for this was a desert place. Jesus answered, "Give them to eat." The disciples say, "Whence shall we get bread for all these? There is indeed a lad here, who hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes; but what are

they among so many?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down by fifties:" and they did so.—And he took the five loaves, and the two small fishes; and, when he had given thanks, he brake them, and gave to his disciples: and they gave them to the people. And they did eat, and were filled; and there remained of the fragments twelve baskets full. Now the number of those, who were thus fed, was about five thousand. Then these men, when they had seen this miracle that Jesus did, said, "*This is, of a truth, that prophet, that should come into the world.*"



11. *Christ walketh on the sea.*

THEN Jesus, finding that the people would come, and take him by force, to make him a king, departed alone to a mountain to pray. And in the evening, his disciples went down unto the sea, and entered into a ship; and went over the sea to the other side. And it was dark, and Jesus was not come to them.

And as the sea arose, by reason of a great wind that blew, and they toiled in rowing, for the wind was contrary to them, Jesus came unto them, walking upon the sea. But, when they beheld him, they

were much afraid, and cried out. Jesus said to them, "It is I, be not afraid." Then Peter said, "Lord! if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water; and he said, "Come." and when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water to go to Jesus.

But when Peter saw the waves arise, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, "Lord! save me." Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught hold of him, and said unto him, "O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?" And when they were come into the ship, the wind ceased; and they in the ship worshipped him, saying, "*Of a truth, thou art the Son of God.*"

12. *Christ giveth sight to a
blind man.*

AND they came to Jericho: and as he went out of Jericho, with his disciples, and with a great number of people, a blind man sat by the high-way begging; and when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out, and say, "Jesus! thou son of David, have mercy on me." Jesus asked him, "What wilt thou that I shall do unto thee?" The blind man said unto him, "Lord, that I may receive my sight." Then said Jesus unto him, "Go thy way, thy faith hath made thee whole:" and immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way.

13. *Christ healeth ten lepers.*

IT came to pass, as he went through the midst of Samaria and Galilee, and as he entered a certain village, there met him ten men, who were lepers, who stood afar off; and they lifted up their voices, and said, "Jesus, master, have mercy upon us:" and, when he saw them, he said unto them, "Go, shew yourselves unto the high priest." And behold, as they went, they were healed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was made well, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God; and fell down at the feet of Jesus, and gave thanks;

—now he was a Samaritan. And Jesus said, “Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? There are none of them who have returned to give glory to God, save this stranger.” Then said he to the man, “Arise, go thy way. Thy faith hath made thee whole.”



14. *Christ raiseth Lazarus
from the dead.*

THERE was a certain man of Bethany, named Lazarus, the brother of Martha and Mary; and he was very sick. And when our Lord, who was then beyond Jordan, heard of

his sickness, he said, "This sickness is not unto death: but for the glory of God; that the Son of man may be glorified thereby." And after two days, he said to his disciples, "Lazarus sleepeth, but I will go, and awake him." The disciples answered, "Lord if he sleep, he shall do well." Then said Jesus unto them plainly, "Lazarus is dead: and I am glad, for your sakes, that I was not there: to the intent that ye may believe. But let us go unto him."

And when Jesus came unto Bethany, he found that Lazarus had been buried four days. Then Martha said unto him, "Lord! if thou hadst been here, my brother had not

died: but I know that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, he will give it thee." Jesus saith unto her, "Thy brother shall rise again:"—Martha saith unto him, "I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection, at the last day." Our Lord answered, "*I am the resurrection, and the life. He that believeth in me, tho' he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth, and believeth in me, shall never die.* Believest thou this?" She answered, "Yes, Lord! I believe that thou art the Son of God, who should come into the world."

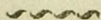
And when Jesus came unto the grave, he said, "Take away the stone;" but Martha

said, " Lord, by this time the body stinketh; for he has been dead above four days." Jesus answered, " Did I not say unto thee, if thou wouldst believe, thou shouldst see the glory of God." And when they had taken away the tombstone, our Lord said with a loud voice, " Lazarus, come forth:" and he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with a sheet; and his face wrapped about with a napkin. Then said Jesus unto them, " Loose him, and let him go."



15. *The fig-tree made to wither
'away.*

JESUS went out of Jerusalem into Bethany, and lodged there. Now in the morning as he returned into the city, he was hungry. And when he saw a fig-tree on the road-side, he came to it; but though it was the season for figs, yet he found nothing on *this* tree but leaves only. And he said unto it, "Let no fruit grow on thee henceforward, for ever!" And presently the fig-tree withered away!



16. *Christ cures an infirm
man at the Pool of Bethesda.*

AFTER this there was a

feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is at Jerusalem by the sheep market a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue Bethesda, having five porches. In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in, was made whole of whatsoever disease he had. And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years. When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time in that case, he saith unto him, Wilt thou be made

whole? The impotent man answered him, Sir, I have no man when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming another steppeth down before me. Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk. And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked; and on the same day was the sabbath.



17. *Christ heals a man who was dumb and deaf.*

AND again departing from the coast of Tyre and Sidon, Jesus came unto the sea of Galilee, through the midst of the

coasts of Decapolis. And they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech; and they beseech him to put his hand upon him. And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue; and looking up to heaven, he sighed, and saith unto him, Ephphatha, that is, Be opened. And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain. And he charged them that they should tell no man, but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal they published it; and were beyond measure as-

tonished, saying, He hath done all things well: he maketh both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak.



18. *Christ heals a woman having an infirmity eighteen years.*

AND, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself. And when Jesus saw her, he called her to him, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity. And he laid his hands on her; and immediately she was made straight,

and glorified God. And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the sabbath day, and said unto the people, There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the sabbath day. The Lord then answered him, and said, Thou hypocrite, doth not each one of you on the sabbath loose his ox, or his ass from the stall, and lead him away to watering? And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day? And when he said these things, all his adversaries were

ashamed: and all the people rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by him.



19. *Christ cures the Demoniacs of Gadara.*

AND when Jesus was come to the other side, into the country of the Gergesenes, there met him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way. And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God; art thou come hither to torment us before the time? And there was a good way off

from them an herd of many swine feeding. So the devils besought him, saying, If thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine. And he said unto them, Go; and when they were come out, they went into the herd of swine; and, behold, the whole herd of swine ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and perished in the waters. And they that kept them fled, and went their way into the city, and told every thing; and what was befallen to the possessed of the devils. And, behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw him, they besought him that he would depart out of their coasts.

20. *Christ heals the ear of Malchus, which Peter had cut off.*

AND Peter smote a servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear. And Jesus answered and said, Suffer ye thus far: and he touched his ear, and healed him.



21. *Christ causes an unexpectedly large draught of fishes.*

AFTER his resurrection Jesus shewed himself again to the disciples at the sea of Tiberias; and on this wise shewed he himself. There were together Simon Peter, and Thomas called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana, in Galilee, and

the sons of Zebedee, and two other of his disciples. Simon Peter saith unto them, I go a fishing. They say unto him, We also go with thee. They went forth, and entered into a ship immediately; and that night they caught nothing. But when the morning was now come, Jesus stood on the shore: but the disciples knew not that it was Jesus. Then Jesus saith unto them, Children, have ye any meat? They answered him, No. And he said unto them, Cast the net on the right-side of the ship, and ye shall find. They cast therefore, and now they were not able to draw it for the multitude of fishes. Therefore that disciple whom Jesus lov-

ed, saith unto Peter, It is the Lord. Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he girt his fisher's coat unto him, (for he was naked) and did cast himself into the sea. And the other disciples came in a little ship, (for they were not far from land, but as it were two hundred cubits) dragging the net with fishes. As soon then as they were come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid thereon, and bread. Jesus saith unto them, Bring of the fish which ye have now caught. Simon Peter went up and drew the net to land full of great fishes, an hundred and fifty and three, and for all there were so many, yet was not the net broken. Jesus saith unto them, Come

and dine. And none of the disciples durst ask him, Who art thou? knowing that it was the Lord. Jesus then cometh, and taketh bread, and giveth them, and fish likewise. This is now the third time that Jesus shewed himself to his disciples after that he was risen from the dead.



Christ ascends into heaven in the presence of his disciples.

AND Jesus led them out as far as to Bethany: and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.

THE END.

