Sunday 2nd April 2017

Name:

Class:

Due Date: Saturday 8th April 2017

Completed Bible Study = 15 points,

Handed in by the due date = 5 points

**The GOSPEL according to ST. Matthew**

Year 5 – Bible Study 9 (Chapters 17 & 18)

**Monday 3rd April Read Chapter 17 verses 1 – 9**

### Jesus Transfigured on the Mount

*1 Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves; 2and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light. 3And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Him. 4Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You wish, let us make here three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.”*

 **God the Father speaks to the disciples saying how pleased He is with Jesus**

*5While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them; and suddenly a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear Him!” 6And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their faces and were greatly afraid. 7But Jesus came and touched them and said, “Arise, and do not be afraid.” 8When they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. 9Now as they came down from the mountain, Jesus commanded them, saying, “Tell the vision to no one until the Son of Man is risen from the dead.”*

1. ****Which two Old Testament prophets appeared next to Jesus when He was transfigured?
2. Peter and James
3. James and John
4. John and Moses
5. Moses and Elijah
6. Whose voice came from the bright cloud?
7. God the Father
8. Jesus
9. The Holy Spirit
10. Moses

**Tuesday 4th April Read Chapter 17 verses 10 – 21**

**Disciples ask Jesus an important question**

### *10And His disciples asked Him, saying, “Why then do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?” 11Jesus answered and said to them, “Indeed, Elijah is coming firstand will restore all things. 12But I say to you that Elijah has come already, and they did not know him but did to him whatever they wished. Likewise the Son of Man is also about to suffer at their hands.” 13Then the disciples understood that He spoke to them of John the Baptist.*

### A Boy Is Healed

*14And when they had come to the multitude, a man came to Him, kneeling down to Him and saying, 15“Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epilepticand suffers severely; for he often falls into the fire and often into the water. 16So I brought him to Your disciples, but they could not cure him.”*

*17Then Jesus answered and said, “O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me.” 18And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him; and the child was cured from that very hour. 19Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, “Why could we not cast it out?” 20So Jesus said to them, “Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you. 21However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting.”*

1. Highlight the correct answer.
* When Jesus said to His disciples ‘*the Son of Man is also about to suffer at their hands’*, He was predicting His crucifixion / resurrection.
* Elijah is a character from the Old / New Testatment and John the Baptist is from the Old / New Testament
1. Read verse 20. Why could the disciples not cast out the demon?
2. Jesus was not with them
3. They did not have enough faith in God
4. They forgot the correct prayer to cast out demons
5. The father didn’t trust them

**Wednesday 5th April Read Chapter 17 verses 22 – 27**

### Jesus Again Predicts His Death and Resurrection

*22Now while they were staying in Galilee, Jesus said to them, “The Son of Man is about to be betrayed into the hands of men, 23and they will kill Him, and the third day He will be raised up.” And they were exceedingly sorrowful.*

### Peter and His Master Pay Their Taxes

*24When they had come to Capernaum those who received the temple tax came to Peter and said, “Does your Teacher not pay the temple tax?” 25He said, “Yes.” And when he had come into the house, Jesus anticipated him, saying, “What do you think, Simon? From whom do the kings of the earth take customs or taxes, from their sons or from strangers?” 26Peter said to Him, “From strangers.” Jesus said to him, “Then the sons are free. 27Nevertheless, lest we offend them, go to the sea, cast in a hook, and take the fish that comes up first. And when you have opened its mouth, you will find a piece of money; take that and give it to them for Me and you.”*

1. Why do you think the disciples were sorrowful or sad at the news they just received?



1. Jesus was expected to pay taxes even though He was very poor. He asked Peter to go and catch a fish, open its mouth and find money to pay the tax. What lesson can we learn from this miracle?
2. We should always pay taxes
3. If we’re lucky, we can find money in fish.
4. God will always provide for us even when it seems impossible

**Thursday 6th April Read Chapter 18 verses 1 – 9**

### Who Is the Greatest?

*1At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?” 2Then Jesus called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, 3and said, “Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. 4Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. 5Whoever receives one little child like this in My name receives Me.*



### Jesus Warns of Offenses

*6“Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were drowned in the depth of the sea. 7Woe to the world because of offenses! For offenses must come, but woe to that man by whom the offense comes! 8“If your hand or foot causes you to sin, cut it off and cast it from you. It is better for you to enter into life lame or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet, to be cast into the everlasting fire. 9And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out and cast it from you. It is better for you to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes, to be cast into hell fire.*

1. **Complete the missing words in Jesus’ quote:**

“Unless you are converted and become as you will by no means enter the kingdom of .Therefore whoever himself as a little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven”.

1. Here Jesus warns us against causing others to sin and being a stumbling stone for the “little ones”. Christ uses the troubling image above of the man drowning because his neck is tied to a heavy millstone. He is warning us of the severity of Gods judgement.

How does Christ suggest we keep ourselves free from sin?

**Friday 7th April Read Chapter 18 verses 10 – 20**

**The Parable of the Lost Sheep**

*10“Take heed that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that in heaven their angels always see the face of My Father who is in heaven. 11For the Son of Man has come to save that which was lost. 12“What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them goes astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine and go to the mountains to seek the one that is straying? 13And if he should find it, assuredly, I say to you, he rejoices more over that sheep than over the ninety-nine that did not go astray. 14Even so it is not the will of your Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.*

**Dealing with a Sinning Brother**

*15“Moreover if your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he hears you, you have gained your brother. 16But if he will not hear, take with you one or two more, that ‘by the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.’ 17And if he refuses to hear them, tell it to the church. But if he refuses even to hear the church, let him be to you like a heathen and a tax collector. 18“Assuredly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. 19“Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. 20For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.”*

1. Match the words below with their meaning

Despise, Go astray, Take heed

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| **Word** | **Meaning**  |
|  | Gets lost  |
|  | Hate  |
|  | Pay attention |

1. Christ gives a three-step plan to solving arguments in the church where a brother sins against you. Put the following steps in the correct order by numbering them 1,2 or 3.

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| Take one or two friends with you as witnesses and go to talk to your brother to discuss what he did wrong and try to reason with him. |  |
| Go and tell your brother what he did wrong so you can talk about it between the two of you privately. |  |
| Tell the church what your brother did wrong in the hope of fixing the problem with him. |  |

**Saturday 8th April Read Chapter 18 verses 21 – 35**

### The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant

*21Then Peter came to Him and said, “Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?” 22Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven. 23Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. 24And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. 25But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made. 26The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, ‘Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.’ 27Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt. 28“But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took him by the throat, saying, ‘Pay me what you owe!’ 29So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.’ 30And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. 31So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. 32Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. 33Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?’ 34And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. 35“So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses.”*



1. Everyday we prayer the Our Father and say ‘forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who tresspass against us’. But do we really really forgive? How many times does Jesus tell Peter we should forgive our brother?
2. In the story Jesus told about the master who forgives his servant a HUGE debt of ten thousand talents, how much is that same servant owed by another servant?
3. 50 denarii
4. 100 denarii
5. 150 denarii

**PARENTS SECTION:**

We kindly ask you as a parent to read (a little each day) in the Holy Bible with your family.

**Now email your answers to your teacher, choose ONE of the email addresses below.**

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