# KATA MATΘAION 13 f35

Έν δὲ¹ τῆ ἡμέρα ἐκείνῃ ἐξελθὼν ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἀπὸ² τῆς Οἰκίας ἐκάθητο παρὰ τὴν Θάλασσαν. ² Καὶ συνήχθησαν πρὸς αὐτὸν ὄχλοι πολλοί, ὥστε αὐτὸν εἰς πλοῖον ἐμβάντα καθῆσθαι. Καὶ πᾶς ὁ ὅχλος ἐπὶ τὸν αἰγιαλὸν εἰστήκει.

<sup>3</sup> Καὶ ἐλάλησεν αὐτοῖς ἐν παραβολαῖς πολλὰ<sup>3</sup> λέγων·

Ίδοὺ. Ἐξῆλθεν ὁ σπείρων τοῦ **σπείραι**<sup>4</sup>.

<sup>4</sup> Καὶ ἐν τῷ σπείρειν αὐτὸν ἃ μὲν ἔπεσεν παρὰ τὴν ὁδόν, καὶ ἦλθεν τὰ πετεινὰ. Καὶ<sup>5</sup> κατέφαγεν αὐτά.

- <sup>5</sup> Άλλα δὲ ἔπεσεν ἐπὶ τὰ πετρώδη ὅπου οὐκ εἶχεν γῆν πολλήν. Καὶ εὐθέως ἐξανέτειλεν διὰ τὸ μὴ ἔχειν βάθος γῆς.
- <sup>6</sup> Ήλίου δὲ ἀνατείλαντος ἐκαυματίσθη. Καὶ διὰ τὸ μὴ ἔχειν ῥίζαν ἐξηράνθη.
- <sup>7</sup> Άλλα δὲ ἔπεσεν ἐπὶ τὰς ἀκάνθας. Καὶ ἀνέβησαν αἱ ἄκανθαι καὶ ἀπέπνιξαν<sup>6</sup> αὐτά.
- <sup>8</sup> Άλλα δὲ ἔπεσεν ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν τὴν καλὴν.
  Καὶ ἐδίδου καρπόν,
- δ μεν έκατον,
- ὃ δὲ ἑξήκοντα
- δ δὲ τριάκοντα.
- <sup>9</sup> Ο ἔχων ὧτα ἀκούειν<sup>7</sup> ἀκουέτω.
- $^1$  98.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the conjunction  $\delta\grave{\epsilon}$  here.
- $^2$  97.7% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the preposition  $\dot{\alpha}\pi\dot{\delta}$
- 3 25% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), have the word order ἐν παραβολαῖς πολλὰ here instead of πολλὰ ἐν παραβολαῖς.
- <sup>4</sup> 60% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have σπείραλ (an aorist infinitive)here instead of σπείρειν (a present infinitive).
- 5 98% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), have ἦλθεν τὰ πετεινὰ. Καὶ here instead of ἐλθόντα τὰ πετεινὰ.
- $^6$  98% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have ἀπέπνιξαν here instead of ἔπνιζαν.
- <sup>7</sup> 99.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the infinitive ἀκούειν

## MATTHEW 13 NLET

### JESUS SPOKE IN PARABLES FROM A BOAT

1 Now,<sup>8</sup> on the day – *that is,* that *day* – the Jesus, having come out from<sup>9</sup> the House, was sitting alongside the Sea. 2 And, throngs – great *ones* – were gathered to Him, so that He embarked into a boat to sit. And, all the throng lastingly stood on the sea-shore.

3 And, He spoke many *things* to them in parables, saying: JESUS SPOKE A PARABLE

ABOUT THE VARIOUS ONES WHO ARE HEARING THE WORD

"Look! The one who is sowing went out to sow 10!

- 4 And, while he was sowing, on the one hand, as for what seed fell alongside the road, also the birds came. And,<sup>11</sup> they ate them up.
- 5 On the other hand, other seed fell upon the rocky places where it was not having much soil. And, immediately it sprang up from the ground, because it did not have depth of soil.
- 6 Now, when *the* sun arose, it was scorched. And, because it did not have rooting, it was withered.
- *7* On another hand, other *seed* fell toward the thorny plants. And, the thorny plants sprang up; and, they completely strangled <sup>12</sup> them.
- 8 On yet another hand, other seed fell upon the soil that is, the good soil. And, it was producing a crop –
- which, on the one hand, was a hundred times more;
- > which, on the other hand, was sixty times more;
- > which, on another hand, was thirty times more.
  - 9 Let the one who has ears to hear 13 hear.

here.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 98.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the conjunction translated as 'Now,' here.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 97.7% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the preposition translated as 'from' here.

<sup>10 60%</sup> of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'to sow' (an aorist infinitive) here instead of 'to be sowing' (a present infinitive).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> 98% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), have 'the birds came. And,' here instead of 'having come, the birds'.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> 98% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'completely strangled' here instead of a weaker verb 'strangled'.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> 99.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the infinitive 'to hear' here.

<sup>10</sup> Καὶ προσελθόντες οἱ μαθηταὶ εἶπον<sup>14</sup> αὐτῷ· Διὰ τί ἐν παραβολαῖς λαλεῖς αὐτοῖς;
<sup>11</sup> Ὁ δὲ ἀποκριθεὶς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· Ὅτι ὑμῖν δέδοται γνῶναι τὰ Μυστήρια τῆς Βασιλείας τῶν Οὐρανῶν.

Έκείνοις δὲ οὐ δέδοται.

12 Όστις γὰρ ἔχει, δοθήσεται αὐτῷ. Καὶ περισσευθήσεται.

Όστις δὲ οὐκ ἔχει, καὶ ὃ ἔχει ἀρθήσεται ἀπ' αὐτοῦ.

<sup>13</sup> Διὰ τοῦτο ἐν παραβολαῖς αὐτοῖς λαλῶ.
Ότι βλέποντες οὐ βλέπουσιν, καὶ ἀκούοντες οὐκ ἀκούουσιν οὐδὲ συνίουσιν.

14 Καὶ ἀναπληροῦται αὐτοῖς ἡ προφητεία Ἡσαΐου ἡ λέγουσα· Ακοῆ ἀκούσετε. Καὶ οὐ μὴ συνῆτε, Καὶ βλέποντες βλέψετε, Καὶ οὐ μὴ ἴδητε.

15 Έπαχύνθη γὰρ ἡ καρδία τοῦ λαοῦ τούτου,

καὶ τοῖς ἀσὶν βαρέως ἤκουσαν, καὶ τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς αὐτῶν ἐκάμμυσαν· Μήποτε ἴδωσιν τοῖς ὀφθαλμοῖς καὶ τοῖς ἀσὶν ἀκούσωσιν καὶ τῆ καρδία συνῶσιν καὶ ἐπιστρέψωσιν, καὶ ἰάσωμαι 15 αὐτούς.

16 Ύμῶν δὲ μακάριοι οἱ ὀφθαλμοὶ ὅτι βλέπουσιν, καὶ τὰ ὧτα ὑμῶν ὅτι ἀκούει 16.

10 And, having come to *Him*, the disciples said to Him, "For what reason do You speak in parables to them?"

11 Now, the *Jesus*, responding, said to them, "Because, to you the *Divine* Mysteries<sup>17</sup> of the Kingdom of the Heavens have been lastingly given to know.

Now, to these it has not been lastingly given.

12 For, whoever has, it shall be *freely* given to him. And, it shall be more than enough!

Now, whoever does not have, even what he has shall be lifted and taken away from him.

13 For this reason in parables I keep on speaking to them. Because, ones who keep on seeing do not keep on seeing; and, ones who keep on hearing do not keep on hearing; nor, do they keep on understanding.

14 And, with respect to them, the prophecy of Isaiah is being fulfilled, the one which is saying:

'You shall hear a thing heard;

And, you shall by no means understand.

And, as ones who see, you shall see;

And, you shall by no means perceive!

15 **For**,

- the heart of the People that is, this people has been made dull;
- > and, with the ears with disgust they hear;
- > and, they close the eyes that are theirs.

#### Lest.

- > they might perceive with the eyes;
- and, with the ears they might hear;
- > and, with the heart they might understand,
- > and, they might turn around,
- > and, I might heal 18 them." 19

16 Blessed are

- > the eyes that are YOURS, because they keep on seeing, and
- the pair of ears that are yours, because it keeps on hearing<sup>20</sup>!

JESUS EXPLAINS WHY HE SPOKE IN PARABLES

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> 99.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), have the spelling  $\tilde{\imath}$   $\pi$ ov here instead of  $\tilde{\imath}$   $\pi$ av.

<sup>15 50%</sup> of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have ἰάσωμαι (an aorist, subjunctive verb) here instead of ἰάσομαι (a future, indicative verb).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> 93% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have ἀκούει (a present, singular verb) here instead of ἀκούουσιν (a future, plural verb).

 $<sup>^{17}</sup>$  'Divine Mysteries' – the word is translated as such because one important definition of this Greek word μυστήρια is: 'secret revealed by God, i.e. religious or mystical truth'.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> 50% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'might heal' (an aorist, subjunctive verb) here instead of 'shall heal' (a future, indicative verb).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> A reference to Isaiah 6:9-10

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> 93% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'it keeps on hearingl' (a present, singular verb) here instead of 'they shall hear' (a future, plural verb).

<sup>17</sup> Άμὴν γὰρ λέγω ὑμῖν ὅτι πολλοὶ προφῆται καὶ δίκαιοι ἐπεθύμησαν ἰδεῖν ἃ βλέπετε καὶ οὐκ εἶδον<sup>21</sup>, καὶ ἀκοῦσαι ἃ ἀκούετε καὶ οὐκ ἥκουσαν.

<sup>18</sup> Ύμεῖς οὖν ἀκούσατε τὴν παραβολὴν τοῦ **σπείροντος**<sup>22</sup>.

19 Παντὸς ἀκούοντος τὸν Λόγον τῆς Βασιλείας καὶ μὴ συνιέντος, ἔρχεται ὁ Πονηρὸς καὶ ἀρπάζει τὸ ἐσπαρμένον ἐν τῆ καρδία αὐτοῦ.

Οὖτός ἐστιν ὁ παρὰ τὴν ὁδὸν σπαρείς.

20 Ὁ δὲ ἐπὶ τὰ πετρώδη σπαρείς, οὖτός ἐστιν ὁ τὸν λόγον ἀκούων. Καὶ εὐθὺς μετὰ χαρᾶς λαμβάνων αὐτόν.

<sup>21</sup> Οὐκ ἔχει δὲ ῥίζαν ἐν ἑαυτῷ. Αλλὰ πρόσκαιρός ἐστιν.

Γενομένης δὲ θλίψεως ἢ διωγμοῦ διὰ τὸν Λόγον εὐθὺς σκανδαλίζεται.

<sup>22</sup> Ὁ δὲ εἰς τὰς ἀκάνθας σπαρείς, οὖτός ἐστιν ὁ τὸν Λόγον ἀκούων. Καὶ ἡ μέριμνα τοῦ αἰῶνος τούτου<sup>23</sup> καὶ ἡ ἀπάτη τοῦ Πλούτου συμπνίγει τὸν Λόγον. Καὶ ἄκαρπος γίνεται. <sup>23</sup> Ὁ δὲ ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν τὴν καλὴν<sup>24</sup> σπαρείς, οὖτός ἐστιν ὁ τὸν Λόγον ἀκούων καὶ συνιών<sup>25</sup>, ὃς δὴ καρποφορεῖ καὶ ποιεῖ

δ μὲν έκατὸν

δ δὲ ἑξήκοντα

δ δὲ τριάκοντα.

ῖν ὅτι πολλοὶ προφῆται
 17 For, assuredly I say to you that many prophets and righteous ones set their hearts
 to see what you are seeing, and they did not see; and

- to see what you are seeing, and they did not see; and
- to hear what you are hearing, and they did not hear.

JESUS EXPLAINS THE PARABLE

ABOUT THOSE WHO ARE HEARING THE WORD

18 So then, you, for your part, hear the parable about the one who is sowing<sup>26</sup>:

19 As for all who are hearing the Word of the Kingdom and who are not putting *it* together, the Wicked *One* comes and snatches away the thing having been sown in the heart *that is* his.

This is the one having been sown alongside the road.

20 Now, as for the one who was sown upon the rocky places, this is the one who is hearing the Word. And, immediately he receives it with joy.

21 Now, he does not have a root with respect to himself. Rather, is *one who* lacks staying power.

Now, when tribulation or persecution comes about on account of the Word, immediately he is caught in a deathtrap.

22 Now, as for the one who was sown into the thorns, this the one who is hearing the Word. And, the concerns of the age – that is, this  $one^{27}$  – and the deceitfulness of the Wealth crowds out the Word. And, he becomes unfruitful.

23 Now, as for the one having been sown upon the soil – that is, the good soil,<sup>28</sup> this one is the one who keeps on hearing the Word and who is putting it all together – one who is bearing fruit and is bearing a crop

- which, on the one hand, is a hundred times more;
- which, on the other hand, is sixty times more;
- which, on another hand, is thirty times more.

here instead of  $\tau \dot{\eta} v \kappa \alpha \lambda \dot{\eta} v \gamma \tilde{\eta} v$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> 99% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), have the spelling εἶδον here. On the basis of one manuscript (B) the NU has εἶδαν. <sup>22</sup> 98% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have σπείροντος (a present participle) here instead of σπείραντος (an aorist participle).

<sup>23 99.8%</sup> of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the demonstrative pronoun τούτου here. On the basis of three manuscripts (κ, B and D) the NU omits it.
24 95% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have τὴν γῆν τὴν καλὴν

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> 99% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have συνιών here instead of an earlier spelling συνιείς.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> 98% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'one who is sowing' (a present participle) here instead of 'one who was sowing' (an aorist participle).

 $<sup>^{27}</sup>$  99.8% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the demonstrative pronoun translated as 'that is, this age' here. On the basis of three manuscripts ( $\aleph$ , B and D) the NU omits it.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> 95% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'the soil – that is, the good soil' here instead of 'the good soil'.

<sup>24</sup> Άλλην παραβολὴν παρέθηκεν αὐτοῖς λέγων· Ώμοιώθη ἡ βασιλεία τῶν Οὐρανῶν ἀνθρώπῳ σπείραντι καλὸν σπέρμα ἐν τῷ ἀγρῷ αὐτοῦ.

<sup>25</sup> Έν δὲ τῷ καθεύδειν τοὺς ἀνθρώπους ἦλθεν αὐτοῦ ὁ ἐχθρὸς. Καὶ ἔσπειρεν<sup>29</sup> ζιζάνια ἀνὰ μέσον τοῦ σίτου. Καὶ ἀπῆλθεν.

<sup>26</sup> Ότε δὲ ἐβλάστησεν ὁ χόρτος καὶ καρπὸν ἐποίησεν, τότε ἐφάνη καὶ τὰ ζιζάνια.

<sup>27</sup> Προσελθόντες δὲ οἱ δοῦλοι τοῦ οἰκοδεσπότου εἶπον αὐτῷ· Κύριε, οὐχὶ καλὸν σπέρμα ἔσπειρας ἐν τῷ σῷ ἀγρῷ; Πόθεν οὖν ἔχει ζιζάνια;

<sup>28</sup> Ο δὲ ἔφη αὐτοῖς· Ἐχθρὸς ἄνθρωπος τοῦτο ἐποίησεν.

Οἱ δὲ δοῦλοι **εἶπον αὐτῷ**<sup>30</sup> · Θέλεις οὖν ἀπελθόντες **συλλέξομεν**<sup>31</sup> αὐτά;

<sup>29</sup> Ο δέ **ἔφη** <sup>32</sup>· Οὕ, μήποτε συλλέγοντες τὰ ζιζάνια ἐκριζώσητε ἄμα αὐτοῖς τὸν σῖτον· <sup>30</sup> Ἄφετε συναυξάνεσθαι ἀμφότερα **μέχρι** <sup>33</sup> τοῦ θερισμοῦ·

Καὶ ἐν καιρῷ τοῦ θερισμοῦ ἐρῶ τοῖς θερισταῖς· Συλλέξατε πρῶτον τὰ ζιζάνια καὶ δήσατε αὐτὰ εἰς δέσμας πρὸς τὸ κατακαῦσαι αὐτά. Τὸν δὲ σῖτον συναγάγετε εἰς τὴν ἀποθήκην μου.

JESUS SPOKE A PARABLE ABOUT HYPOCRITS AMONG HIS DISCIPLES

24 He presented another parable before them, saying: "The Kingdom of the Heavens is comparable to a man who was sowing the good seed in the field *that was* his.

25 Now, while the people were sleeping, the enemy *that was* HIS came. And, he sowed<sup>34</sup> darnel<sup>35</sup> in the midst of the grain. And, he departed.

26 Now, when the field sprouted and bore a crop, then also the darnel was made apparent.

27 Now, having approached, the slaves of the household master said to him, 'Lord, did you not sow good seed in the field *that is* yours? So then, from where does it have darnel?'

28 Now, he was saying to them, 'An enemy – a man – did this.'

Now, the slaves said to him<sup>36</sup>, 'So then, do you desire that we, having gone off, gather them together<sup>37</sup>?'

29 Now, he said <sup>38</sup>, 'No! Lest, while bringing the darnel together, you might root out the grain at the same time with them! <sup>30</sup> Leave both alone to grow together, even to<sup>39</sup> the harvest.

And, at *the* time of the harvest I shall say to the reapers, 'Bring the darnel together first. And, bind them together into bundles to burn them up. Then, gather together the grain into the storehouse *that is* mine."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> 98% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have ἔσπειρεν here instead of ἐπέσπειρεν.

<sup>30 98.5%</sup> of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have εἶπον αὐτῷ here instead of αὐτῷ λέγουσιν.

<sup>31 80%</sup> of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have συλλέξομεν (a future indicative verb) here instead of συλλέζωμεν (an aorist subjunctive verb).

 $<sup>^{32}</sup>$  98.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have  $\mbox{\'e}\phi\eta$  (an aorist verb) here instead of  $\phi\eta\sigma\imath\nu$  (a present tense verb).

 $<sup>^{33}</sup>$  98.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have  $\mu \acute{\epsilon} \chi \rho \iota$  (serving as a preposition meaning 'even to') here instead of  $\acute{\epsilon} \omega \varsigma$  (a conjunction meaning 'until'.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> 98% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'sowed' here instead of 'sowed afterward'.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> 'darnel' – likely, this is a look-alike weed that grows in wheat fields.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> 98.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'said to him' here instead of 'to him said' (with a different verb).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> 80% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'shall we gather ... together' (a future indicative verb) here instead of 'should we gather ... together' (an aorist subjunctivel verb).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> 98.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'he said' (an aorist verb) here instead of 'he says' (a present tense verb).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> 98.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have a preposition meaning 'even to' here instead a conjunction meaning 'until'.

#### JESUS TOLD A PARABLE

### ABOUT THE GROWTH OF THE KINGDOM OF THE HEAVENS

31 He set another parable before them, saying:

"The Kingdom of the Heavens is similar to a seed of mustard 32 which, having taken, a man sowed in the field *that was* his which, on the one hand, it is smaller than all <sup>46</sup> the seeds; but, on the other hand, whenever it might grow, it is greater than all of the garden plants. And, it becomes a tree, with the result that the birds of the heaven come; and, they nest in the branches of it.

JESUS SPOKE A PARABLE ABOUT

THE PERVASIVENESS OF THE KINGDOM OF THE HEAVENS 33 He spoke another parable to them:

"The Kingdom of the Heavens is similar to yeast, which, having taken, a woman hid<sup>47</sup> in wheat meal – sata<sup>48</sup>, three *of them!* – until *the* whole is leavened."

JESUS FULFILLED PROPHECY BY SPEAKING IN PARABLES

34 The Jesus spoke these things – all *of them* – to the throngs. And, without a parable He was not<sup>49</sup> speaking to them, 35 in such a manner that the utterance by agency of the Prophet might be fulfilled, saying, "In parables I shall open the mouth *that is* Mine. I shall discharge things having been lastingly hidden from the foundation of a *Created* Order<sup>50</sup>."<sup>51</sup>

JESUS EXPLAINS THE PARABLE

ABOUT HYPOCRITS AMONG HIS DISCIPLES

36 Then, having dismissed the throngs, the Jesus 52

36 Then, having dismissed the throngs, the Jesus<sup>52</sup> went into the House.

And, the disciples *that were* His came to Him, saying, "Tell us clearly<sup>53</sup> the parable of the darnel of the field."

31 Άλλην παραβολὴν παρέθηκεν αὐτοῖς λέγων· Όμοία ἐστὶν ἡ Βασιλεία τῶν Οὐρανῶν κόκκῷ σινάπεως, ὃν λαβὼν ἄνθρωπος ἔσπειρεν ἐν τῷ ἀγρῷ αὐτοῦ· 32 ὃ μικρότερον μέν ἐστιν πάντων τῶν σπερμάτων, ὅταν δὲ αὐξηθῆ μεῖζον πάντων <sup>40</sup> τῶν λαχάνων ἐστὶν. Καὶ γίνεται δένδρον, ὥστε ἐλθεῖν τὰ πετεινὰ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ, καὶ κατασκηνοῦν ἐν τοῖς κλάδοις αὐτοῦ.
33 Ἄλλην παραβολὴν ἐλάλησεν αὐτοῖς· Όμοία ἐστὶν ἡ Βασιλεία τῶν Οὐρανῶν ζύμη, ἣν λαβοῦσα γυνὴ ἔκρυψεν<sup>41</sup> εἰς ἀλεύρου σάτα τρία ἕως οὖ ἐζυμώθη ὅλον.

34 Ταῦτα πάντα ἐλάλησεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐν παραβολαῖς τοῖς ὅχλοις. Καὶ χωρὶς παραβολῆς σὐκ<sup>42</sup> ἐλάλει αὐτοῖς·
35 ὅπως πληρωθῆ τὸ ῥηθὲν διὰ τοῦ προφήτου λέγοντος· Ἀνοίξω ἐν παραβολαῖς τὸ στόμα μου. Ἐρεύξομαι κεκρυμμένα ἀπὸ καταβολῆς Κόσμου<sup>43</sup>.

<sup>36</sup> Τότε ἀφεὶς τοὺς ὄχλους ἦλθεν εἰς τὴν Οἰκίαν ὁ Ἰησοῦς<sup>44</sup>.
 Καὶ προσῆλθον αὐτῷ οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ λέγοντες· Φράσον<sup>45</sup> ἡμῖν τὴν παραβολὴν τῶν ζιζανίων τοῦ ἀγροῦ.

 $<sup>^{40}</sup>$  30% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include  $\pi\acute{a}\nu\tau\omega\nu$  here.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> 85% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have ἔκρυψεν here instead of ἐνέκρυψεν.

 $<sup>^{42}</sup>$  98% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have οὖκ here. instead of οὐδὲν.

 $<sup>^{43}</sup>$  99.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include Κόσμου here. On the basis of one manuscript (B) the NU omits it.  $^{44}$  98% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include ὁ Ἰησοῦς as the subject of this sentence. On the basis of three manuscripts ( $\aleph$ , B and D) the NU omits it.  $^{45}$  99% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best

 $<sup>^{45}</sup>$  99% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have  $\Phi$ ράσον here instead of  $\Delta$ ιασάφησον.

 $<sup>^{46}</sup>$  30% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the word translated as 'of all' here.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> 85% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'hid' here instead of 'hid in' (which makes the following preposition redundant).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> 'sata' – a transliteration of the plural Greek noun  $\sigma\acute{\alpha}\tau\alpha$ , each of which is a dry measure of about 12 U.S. dry quarts.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> 95% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'not' here instead of 'none'.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> 99.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the word translated as 'of a created order' here. On the basis of one manuscript (B) the NU omits it.

<sup>51</sup> A reference to Psalm 78:2

 $<sup>^{52}</sup>$  98% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the words 'the Jesus' as the subject of this sentence. On the basis of three manuscripts ( $\aleph$ ,  $\aleph$  and  $\aleph$ ) the NU omits them.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>53</sup> 99% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'tell clearly' here instead of another verb with the same root but with a prefix meaning practically the same thing - 'state plainly'.

 $^{37}$  Ὁ δὲ ἀποκριθεὶς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς $^{54}$ .

Ό σπείρων τὸ καλὸν σπέρμα ἐστὶν ὁ Υίὸς τοῦ Ἀνθρώπου.

<sup>38</sup> Ὁ δὲ ἀγρός ἐστιν ὁ Κόσμος.

Τὸ δὲ καλὸν σπέρμα, οὖτοί εἰσιν οἱ Υἰοὶ τῆς Βασιλείας.

Τὰ δὲ ζιζάνιά εἰσιν οἱ υἱοὶ τοῦ Πονηροῦ.

 $^{39}$ Ό δὲ ἐχθρὸς ὁ σπείρας αὐτά ἐστιν ὁ Διάβολος.

Ό δὲ θερισμὸς συντέλεια **τοῦ**<sup>55</sup> αἰῶνός ἐστιν.

Οἱ δὲ θερισταὶ ἄγγελοί εἰσιν.

- $^{40}$  ὥσπερ οὖν συλλέγεται τὰ ζιζάνια καὶ πυρὶ καίεται $^{56}$ , οὕτως ἔσται ἐν τῆ συντελεία τοῦ αἰῶνος τούτου $^{57}$ .
- 41 Άποστελεῖ ὁ Υίὸς τοῦ Ἀνθρώπου τοὺς ἀγγέλους αὐτοῦ. Καὶ συλλέξουσιν ἐκ τῆς Βασιλείας αὐτοῦ πάντα τὰ σκάνδαλα καὶ τοὺς ποιοῦντας τὴν ἀνομίαν. 42 Καὶ βαλοῦσιν αὐτοὺς εἰς τὴν Κάμινον τοῦ Πυρός. Ἐκεῖ ἔσται ὁ Κλαυθμὸς καὶ ὁ Βρυγμὸς τῶν Ὁδόντων.
- 43 Τότε οἱ δίκαιοι ἐκλάμψουσιν ὡς ὁ ἥλιος ἐν τῷ Βασιλείᾳ τοῦ Πατρὸς αὐτῶν.

 $\overset{\frown}{\mathrm{O}}$  ἔχων ὧτα ἀκούειν $^{58}$  ἀκουέτω.

- 37 The Jesus, responding, said to them<sup>59</sup>:
- "The one who is sowing the good seed is the Son of the Man.
- 38 The field is the Created Order.
- Now, as for the good seed, these are the Sons of the Kingdom.
- Now, the darnel are the sons of the Wicked One.
- $\triangleright$  39 Now, the enemy, the one who sowed them, is the Devil<sup>60</sup>.
- ➤ Now, the harvest is the Consummation of the<sup>61</sup> Age.
- Now, the harvesters are angels.

40 So then, just as the darnel was brought together and with fire was burned<sup>62</sup>, in the same way it shall be at the consummation of the Age – *namely*, this  $Age^{63}$ .

41 The Son of the Man shall dispatch the angels *that are* His. And, they shall bring together out of the Kingdom *that is* His all the *spiritual* death-trappers and the ones who kept on doing the lawless *thing*. 42 And, they shall throw them into the Furnace of the Fire. There there shall be the Weeping and the Gnashing of the Teeth.

43 Then, the righteous *ones* shall shine as the Sun in the Kingdom of the Father *that is* theirs.

Let the one who has ears to hear<sup>64</sup> hear.

 $<sup>^{54}</sup>$  98.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the pronoun  $\alpha \grave{\upsilon} \tau o \tilde{\iota} \zeta$  here.

 $<sup>^{55}</sup>$  98.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the definite article  $\tau o \tilde{\upsilon}$  here.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> 90% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have καίεται here instead of κατακαίεται.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> 99% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the demonstrative pronoun τούτου here. On the basis of three manuscripts (κ, B and D) the NU omits it.

 $<sup>^{58}</sup>$  99.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the infinitive ἀκούειν here. On the basis of two manuscripts ( $\aleph$  and B) the NU omits it.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> 98.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the pronoun translated as 'to them' here.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>60</sup> 'Devil' – This name is an old English transliteration of the Greek word Διάβολος and means 'slanderer'.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>61</sup> 98.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the definite article 'the' here.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>62</sup> 90% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'was burned' here instead of 'was burned up'.

 $<sup>^{63}</sup>$  99% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the demonstrative pronoun translated as 'namely, this age' here. On the basis of three manuscripts ( $\Re$ ,  $\Re$  and  $\Im$ ) the  $\Re$ 0 omits it.

 $<sup>^{64}</sup>$  99.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the infinitive 'to hear' here. On the basis of two manuscripts ( $\aleph$  and B) the NU omits it.

44 Πάλιν<sup>65</sup> όμοία ἐστὶν ἡ Βασιλεία τῶν Οὐρανῶν θησαυρῷ κεκρυμμένῳ ἐν <sup>66</sup> ἀγρῷ, ὂν εὑρὼν ἄνθρωπος ἔκρυψεν. Καὶ ἀπὸ τῆς χαρᾶς αὐτοῦ ὑπάγει καὶ πάντα ὅσα ἔχει πωλεῖ<sup>67</sup>. Καὶ ἀγοράζει τὸν ἀγρὸν ἐκεῖνον. <sup>45</sup> Πάλιν ὁμοία ἐστὶν ἡ Βασιλεία τῶν Οὐρανῶν ἀνθρώπῳ ἐμπόρῳ ζητοῦντι καλοὺς μαργαρίτας· <sup>46</sup> ὃς εὑρὼν ἕνα πολύτιμον μαργαρίτην ἀπελθὼν πέπρακεν πάντα ὅσα εἶχεν. Καὶ ἠγόρασεν αὐτόν.

<sup>47</sup> Πάλιν όμοία ἐστὶν ἡ Βασιλεία τῶν Οὐρανῶν σαγήνη βληθείση εἰς τὴν θάλασσαν καὶ ἐκ παντὸς γένους συναγαγούση· <sup>48</sup> ἣν ὅτε ἐπληρώθη ἀναβιβάσαντες ἐπὶ τὸν αἰγιαλὸν. Καὶ καθίσαντες συνέλεξαν τὰ καλὰ εἰς ἀγγεῖα<sup>68</sup>. Τὰ δὲ σαπρὰ ἔξω ἔβαλον.

49 Οὕτως ἔσται ἐν τῆ Συντελεία τοῦ Αἰῶνος. Ἐξελεύσονται οἱ ἄγγελοι. Καὶ ἀφοριοῦσιν τοὺς πονηροὺς ἐκ μέσου τῶν δικαίων. <sup>50</sup> Καὶ βαλοῦσιν αὐτοὺς εἰς τὴν Κάμινον τοῦ Πυρός. Ἐκεῖ ἔσται ὁ Κλαυθμὸς καὶ ὁ Βρυγμὸς τῶν ὀδόντων.

<sup>51</sup> **Λέγει αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς,**<sup>69</sup> Συνήκατε ταῦτα πάντα:

Λέγουσιν αὐτῷ· Ναί, **Κύριε**<sup>70</sup>.

44 Again,  $^{71}$  the Kingdom of the Heavens is similar to a treasure having been lastingly hidden in  $a^{72}$  field – which, having found, a man hid. And, springing from the joy *that is* his, he goes and sells all what he has. And, he buys the field – *namely*, that *one*.

45 Again, the Kingdom of the Heavens is similar to a man – that is, a merchant – who is seeking beautiful pearls, 46 who, having found<sup>73</sup> one very costly pearl, having gone away, lastingly sold all what he had. And, he bought it.

JESUS TELLS A PARABLE ABOUT

THE SEPARATION OF PEOPLE AT THE CONSUMMATION OF THE AGE

47 Again, the Kingdom of the Heavens is similar to a large dragnet which has been cast into the sea and has gathered together every kind of sea creature, 48 which, when it was filled, was one having been drawn up upon the beach. And, having sat down, they collect the good ones into buckets.

Now, they throw the bad ones out.

49 In the same way it shall be in the Consummation of the Age. The angels shall go out. And, they shall separate the wicked ones from the midst of the righteous ones. 50 And, they shall throw them into the Furnace of the Fire. There there shall be the Weeping and the Gnashing of the Teeth.

51 The Jesus says to them,<sup>74</sup> "Have you understood these things – that is, all of them?"

They are saying to Him, "Yes, Lord 75"

JESUS TELLS TWO PARABLES ABOUT THE RESPONSE OF HIS DISCIPLES TO THE VALUE OF HIS KINGDOM

 $<sup>^{65}</sup>$  98.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the adverb  $\Pi\acute{\alpha}\lambda\iota\nu$  here.

 $<sup>^{66}</sup>$  30% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), do not include the definite article  $\tau \tilde{\omega}$  here.

 $<sup>^{67}</sup>$  91.3% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have the word order πάντα ὅσα ἔχει πωλεῖ here. On the basis of 4.1% the NU has πωλεῖ πάντα ὅσα ἔχει.

<sup>68 98.5%</sup> of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), have the spelling ἀγγεῖα here instead of ἄννη.

 $<sup>^{69}</sup>$  99.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the words Λέγει αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς,here.

 $<sup>^{70}</sup>$  98% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include  $K\acute{\nu}\rho\iota\epsilon$  here.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>71</sup> 98.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the adverb 'Again,' here.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>72</sup> 30% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), do not include the definite article 'the' here.

 $<sup>^{73}</sup>$  98.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), have 'who, having found,...' here. On the basis of three manuscripts ( $\aleph$ , B, and (D)) the NU have 'Now, having found, ...'.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>74</sup> 99.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the words 'The Jesus says to them,' here.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>75</sup> 98% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include 'Lord' here.

## JESUS ILLUSTRATES THE BLESSING THAT DISCIPLED SCRIBES MIGHT BE

52 Now, the *Jesus* said to them, "For this reason, every scribe, having been discipled into the Kingdom<sup>81</sup> of the Heavens, is similar to a man – *that is,* a master of a household – who is pulling out from the treasure *that is* his *fresh* new *things* and *venerable* old *things*.

JESUS IS REJECTED BY THE PEOPLE OF HIS HOMETOWN

53 And, it came about, when the Jesus completed the parables – *that is,* these, He moved from there.

54 And, having come into the hometown *that was* His, He taught them in the synagogue *that was* theirs, with the result that they were astounded and said, "From where is the wisdom – *that is*, this *wisdom* – and the miracles?

55 Is this *One* not the son of the carpenter? Is not the mother *that* is His said to be Maria and the brothers *that are* His *said to be* Jacob<sup>82</sup>, and Joses<sup>83</sup>, and Simon, and Judas? And, are not the sisters *that are* His all facing us?

So then, from where to this *are* these things – ALL *of them*?"

57 And, they were caught in a deathtrap in connection with Him.

Now, the Jesus said to them, "A prophet is NOT without honor except in the hometown *that is* his."

58 And, there He did not do miracles – that is, many of them – on account of the unbelief that was theirs.

55 Οὐχ οὖτός ἐστιν ὁ τοῦ τέκτονος υἰός; Οὐχί<sup>78</sup> ἡ μήτηρ αὐτοῦ λέγεται Μαριὰμ καὶ οἱ ἀδελφοὶ αὐτοῦ Ἰάκωβος καὶ Ἰωσῆς<sup>79</sup> καὶ Σίμων καὶ Ἰούδας; <sup>56</sup> Καὶ αἱ ἀδελφαὶ αὐτοῦ οὐχὶ πᾶσαι πρὸς ἡμᾶς εἰσιν; Πόθεν οὖν τούτῳ ταῦτα πάντα; <sup>57</sup> Καὶ ἐσκανδαλίζοντο ἐν αὐτῷ. Ό δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· Οὐκ ἔστιν προφήτης ἄτιμος εἰ μὴ ἐν τῆ πατρίδι αὐτοῦ<sup>80</sup> καὶ ἐν τῆ οἰκίᾳ αὐτοῦ.

δυνάμεις;

58 Καὶ οὐκ ἐποίησεν ἐκεῖ δυνάμεις πολλὰς διὰ τὴν ἀπιστίαν αὐτῶν.

<sup>52</sup> Ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· Διὰ τοῦτο πᾶς γραμματεὺς μαθητευθεὶς εἰς τὴν Βασιλείαν<sup>76</sup> τῶν Οὐρανῶν ὅμοιός ἐστιν ἀνθρώπῳ οἰκοδεσπότῃ ὅστις ἐκβάλλει ἐκ τοῦ θησαυροῦ αὐτοῦ καινὰ καὶ παλαιά.
53 Καὶ ἐγένετο ὅτε ἐτέλεσεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς τὰς παραβολὰς ταύτας, μετῆρεν ἐκεῖθεν.
54 Καὶ ἐλθὼν εἰς τὴν πατρίδα αὐτοῦ ἐδίδασκεν αὐτοὺς ἐν τῆ συναγωγῆ αὐτῶν, ὥστε ἐκπλήττεσθαι<sup>77</sup> αὐτοὺς καὶ λέγειν· Πόθεν τούτῳ ἡ σοφία αὕτη καὶ αἰ

 $<sup>^{76}</sup>$  90% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have εἰς τὴν βασιλείαν (a prepositional phrase) here instead of τῆ βασιλεία (a dative noun of respect).

<sup>77 90%</sup> of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), have the spelling ἐκπλήττεσθαι here instead of ἐκπλήσσεσθαι.

 $<sup>^{78}</sup>$  95% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have Οὐχί here instead of an abbrevation Oὐχ.

 $<sup>^{79}</sup>$  90% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have Ἰωσῆς here instead of Ἰωσὴφ.

 $<sup>^{80}</sup>$  97.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the possessive pronoun  $α\dot{v}το\tilde{v}$  here. On the basis of two manuscripts (B and (D)) the NU omits it.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>81</sup> 90% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'into the Kingdom' (a prepositional phrase) here instead of 'with respect to the Kingdom' (a dative noun of respect).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>82</sup> 'Jacob' – a transliteration of the name Ἰάκωβος.

<sup>83 90%</sup> of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35'), have 'Joses' here instead of 'Joseph'.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>84</sup> 97.5% of the Greek manuscripts, including the best line of transmission (f35), include the possessive pronoun translated as 'that is his' here. On the basis of two manuscripts (B and (D)) the NU omits it.