Bible Alive 365 – Day #308

Matthew 23, Luke 20-21

Matthew 23:1-39 Then spake Jesus to the multitude, and to his disciples, **2** Saying, The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat: **3** All therefore whatsoever they bid you observe, *that* observe and do; but do not ye after their works: for they say, and do not. **4** For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay *them* on men's shoulders; but they *themselves* will not move them with one of their fingers. **5** But all their works they do for to be seen of men: they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments, **6** And love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues, **7** And greetings in the markets, and to be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi. **8** But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, *even* Christ; and all ye are brethren. **9** And call no *man* your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven. **10** Neither be ye called masters: for one is your Master, *even* Christ. **11** But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant. **12** And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted. **13** But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men: for ye neither go in *yourselves,* neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in. **14** Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayer: therefore ye shall receive the greater damnation. **15** Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves. **16** Woe unto you, *ye* blind guides, which say, Whosoever shall swear by the temple, it is nothing; but whosoever shall swear by the gold of the temple, he is a debtor! **17** *Ye* fools and blind: for whether is greater, the gold, or the temple that sanctifieth the gold? **18** And, Whosoever shall swear by the altar, it is nothing; but whosoever sweareth by the gift that is upon it, he is guilty. **19** *Ye* fools and blind: for whether *is* greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifieth the gift? **20** Whoso therefore shall swear by the altar, sweareth by it, and by all things thereon. **21** And whoso shall swear by the temple, sweareth by it, and by him that dwelleth therein. **22** And he that shall swear by heaven, sweareth by the throne of God, and by him that sitteth thereon. **23** Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier *matters* of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone. **24** *Ye* blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel. **25** Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess. **26** *Thou* blind Pharisee, cleanse first that *which is* within the cup and platter, that the outside of them may be clean also. **27** Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead *men's* bones, and of all uncleanness. **28** Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity. **29** Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because ye build the tombs of the prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous, **30** And say, If we had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets. **31** Wherefore ye be witnesses unto yourselves, that ye are the children of them which killed the prophets. **32** Fill ye up then the measure of your fathers. **33** *Ye* serpents, *ye* generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell? **34** Wherefore, behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and *some* of them ye shall kill and crucify; and *some* of them shall ye scourge in your synagogues, and persecute *them* from city to city: **35** That upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar. **36** Verily I say unto you, All these things

shall come upon this generation. **37** O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, *thou* that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under *her* wings, and ye would not! **38** Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. **39** For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed *is* he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Luke 20:1-47 And it came to pass, *that* on one of those days, as he taught the people in the temple, and preached the gospel, the chief priests and the scribes came upon *him* with the elders, **2** And spake unto him, saying, Tell us, by what authority doest thou these things? or who is he that gave thee this authority? **3** And he answered and said unto them, I will also ask you one thing; and answer me: **4** The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or of men? **5** And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say, Why then believed ye him not? **6** But and if we say, Of men; all the people will stone us: for they be persuaded that John was a prophet. **7** And they answered, that they could not tell whence *it was.* **8** And Jesus said unto them, Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things. **9** Then began he to speak to the people this parable; A certain man planted a vineyard, and let it forth to husbandmen, and went into a far country for a long time. **10** And at the season he sent a servant to the husbandmen, that they should give him of the fruit of the vineyard: but the husbandmen beat him, and sent *him* away empty. **11** And again he sent another servant: and they beat him also, and entreated *him* shamefully, and sent *him* away empty. **12** And again he sent a third: and they wounded him also, and cast *him* out. **13** Then said the lord of the vineyard, What shall I do? I will send my beloved son: it may be they will reverence *him* when they see him. **14** But when the husbandmen saw him, they reasoned among themselves, saying, This is the heir: come, let us kill him, that the inheritance may be ours. **15** So they cast him out of the vineyard, and killed *him.* What therefore shall the lord of the vineyard do unto them? **16** He shall come and destroy these husbandmen, and shall give the vineyard to others. And when they heard *it,* they said, God forbid. **17** And he beheld them, and said, What is this then that is written, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner? **18** Whosoever shall fall upon that stone shall be broken; but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder. **19** And the chief priests and the scribes the same hour sought to lay hands on him; and they feared the people: for they perceived that he had spoken this parable against them. **20** And they watched *him,* and sent forth spies, which should feign themselves just men, that they might take hold of his words, that so they might deliver him unto the power and authority of the governor. **21** And they asked him, saying, Master, we know that thou sayest and teachest rightly, neither acceptest thou the person *of any,* but teachest the way of God truly: **22** Is it lawful for us to give tribute unto Caesar, or no? **23** But he perceived their craftiness, and said unto them, Why tempt ye me? **24** Shew me a penny. Whose image and superscription hath it? They answered and said, Caesar's. **25** And he said unto them, Render therefore unto Caesar the things which be Caesar's, and unto God the things which be God's. **26** And they could not take hold of his words before the people: and they marvelled at his answer, and held their peace. **27** Then came to *him* certain of the Sadducees, which deny that there is any resurrection; and they asked him, **28** Saying, Master, Moses wrote unto us, If any man's brother die, having a wife, and he die without children, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother. **29** There were therefore seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and died without children. **30** And the second took her to wife, and he died childless. **31** And the third took her; and in like manner the seven also: and they left no children, and died. **32** Last of all the woman died also. **33** Therefore in the resurrection whose wife of them is she? for seven had her to wife. **34** And Jesus answering said unto them, The children of this world marry, and are given in marriage: **35** But they

which shall be accounted worthy to obtain that world, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage: **36** Neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the angels; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection. **37** Now that the dead are raised, even Moses shewed at the bush, when he calleth the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. **38** For he is not a God of the dead, but of the living: for all live unto him. **39** Then certain of the scribes answering said, Master, thou hast well said. **40** And after that they durst not ask him any *question at all.* **41** And he said unto them, How say they that Christ is David's son? **42** And David himself saith in the book of Psalms, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, **43** Till I make thine enemies thy footstool. **44** David therefore calleth him Lord, how is he then his son? **45** Then in the audience of all the people he said unto his disciples, **46** Beware of the scribes, which desire to walk in long robes, and love greetings in the markets, and the highest seats in the synagogues, and the chief rooms at feasts; **47** Which devour widows' houses, and for a shew make long prayers: the same shall receive greater damnation.

Luke 21:1-38 And he looked up, and saw the rich men casting their gifts into the treasury. **2** And he saw also a certain poor widow casting in thither two mites. **3** And he said, Of a truth I say unto you, that this poor widow hath cast in more than they all: **4** For all these have of their abundance cast in unto the offerings of God: but she of her penury hath cast in all the living that she had. **5** And as some spake of the temple, how it was adorned with goodly stones and gifts, he said, **6** *As for* these things which ye behold, the days will come, in the which there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down. **7** And they asked him, saying, Master, but when shall these things be? and what sign *will there be* when these things shall come to pass? **8** And he said, Take heed that ye be not deceived: for many shall come in my name, saying, I am *Christ;* and the time draweth near: go ye not therefore after them. **9** But when ye shall hear of wars and commotions, be not terrified: for these things must first come to pass; but the end *is* not by and by. **10** Then said he unto them, Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: **11** And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven. **12** But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute *you,* delivering *you* up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake. **13** And it shall turn to you for a testimony. **14** Settle *it* therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer: **15** For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist. **16** And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and *some* of you shall they cause to be put to death. **17** And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake. **18** But there shall not an hair of your head perish. **19** In your patience possess ye your souls. **20** And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh. **21** Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto. **22** For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled. **23** But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people. **24** And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. **25** And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; **26** Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. **27** And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. **28** And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your

heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. **29** And he spake to them a parable; Behold the fig tree, and all the trees; **30** When they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand. **31** So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand. **32** Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled. **33** Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away. **34** And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and *so* that day come upon you unawares. **35** For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth. **36** Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man. **37** And in the day time he was teaching in the temple; and at night he went out, and abode in the mount that is called *the mount* of Olives. **38** And all the people came early in the morning to him in the temple, for to hear him.