

“The Kingdom’s ‘Force’ – Violence Here, Violence There”



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Matt. 11:12 From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force.



Luke 16:16 ¶ “The Law and the Prophets were proclaimed until John; since that time the gospel of the kingdom of God has been preached, and everyone is forcing his way into it.



Matt. 11:13 For all the prophets and the law
prophesied until John came;

Matt. 11:14 and if you are willing to accept it,
he is Elijah who is to come.

Matt. 11:15 Let anyone with ears listen!



Matt. 23:29 ¶ “Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you build the tombs of the prophets and decorate the graves of the righteous,

Matt. 23:30 and you say, ‘If we had lived in the days of our ancestors, we would not have taken part with them in shedding the blood of the prophets.’



Matt. 11:16 ¶ “But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

Matt. 11:17 ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

Matt. 11:18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’;

Matt. 11:19 the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”



Matt. 11:20 ¶ Then he began to reproach the cities in which most of his deeds of power had been done, because they did not repent.

Matt. 11:21 “Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.

Matt. 11:22 But I tell you, on the day of judgment it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon than for you.

Matt. 11:23 And you, Capernaum,
will you be exalted to heaven?

No, you will be brought down to Hades.

For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day.

Matt. 11:24 But I tell you that on the day of judgment it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom than for you.”



Bethsaida -

Mark 6 -

Sick on mats

All who touched was healed...

Mark 8 - Blind man



Capernaum -

Matt 8 -

Centurions Servant

Matt 17

Tax from a fish

Mark 1

Casting out demon in Synagogue

Peter's mother in law

Whole city gathers at door and heals many & casts out demons

John 4

Royal official's son

Mark 5 & Luke 8

Jairus' daughter?



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Matt. 15:21 ¶ Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon.

Matt. 15:22 Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon."



Matt. 15:23 But he did not answer her at all.

And his disciples came and urged him, saying,
“Send her away, for she keeps shouting
after us.”



Matt. 15:27 She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table."

Matt. 15:28 Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.



Matt. 11:25 ¶ At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants;

Matt. 11:26 yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.



Matt. 11:27 All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.



Matt. 11:28 ¶ “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

Matt. 11:29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Matt. 11:30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

