



The Hip-Hop Gospel

A contemporary rhyming version of Luke's Gospel.

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ACT 1: THE MISSION OF JESUS

Chapter 1

Liz and Zechariah

Parts: **Chorus**, **Luke**, **Angel**, **Zechariah**, **Elizabeth**

Introduction

Chorus	<u>_ Give it up for the gospel of Luke</u> <u>Exploding off the page like a tactical nuke</u>	
Luke	<u>No doubt that people shout about the things that took place</u> <u>Using stories from the people who met Jesus face-to-face</u>	1 2
	<u>To get a perspective, I've tried to be objective</u> <u>I'm an effective, reflective, Messiah detective</u>	3
	<u>Now Theo, my mate, you can be certain of the truth</u> <u>Big up your brother Luke, cos I'm a gospel sleuth</u>	4

Setting the scene

Luke	<u>Back when Herod reigned as king of all Judea</u>	5
Chorus	<u>That's the southern part of Israel, got to make things crystal clear</u>	
Luke	<u>A high flier, to admire, of the order of Abiah</u> <u>Welcome to the stage a Jewish priest called Zechariah</u>	
	<u>He and Liz were from the priestly line of Aaron, Moses' brother</u> <u>Obedient to God, Liz longed to be a mother</u>	6-7
	<u>Though they tried for a child, it ended up in tears</u> <u>To be fair on the pair, they were getting on in years</u>	

An angel visits Zechariah

Luke	<u>One day in the month, Big Zee was doing his job</u> <u>Serving in the temple with the Temple Mob</u>	8
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Following the laws, for chores, they all drew straws
 Before they could explore behind the closed doors 9

It was necessary, to take a bite of the cherry
 A turn to burn a joss stick in the inner sanctuary

For Big Zee this was a once in a lifetime opportunity
 While outside the temple people prayed in holy unity 10

The angel's message to Zechariah

And so, alone, he got scared to the bone 11-12
 An angel of the Lord appeared in the target zone

Angel Do not fear, you're gonna have a miracle son 13
 Liz is gonna have a baby and the baby's name is John

God's heard your prayer, so break out the Cava
 It's time to party cos you're gonna be a father 14

This child of yours will be a great, great man 15
 But he's got to stay sober with an alcoholic ban

You see, God's gonna fill him with his Holy Spirit
 Before he's born, he's gonna be with it

John's going to be a leader, a spiritual feeder 16
 Someone who will help the people in the land who need a

Creed to succeed in turning back to God
 With the power of Elijah like a spiritual hot rod 17

He's gonna blaze a trail for the coming of the Lord
 With a message for the people that cannot be ignored

So if you lament a misspent dissent
 This'll represent and present an event to repent

	Turning <u>dads</u> to <u>kids</u> , _ and vice versa	
Chorus	that's a <u>quote</u> from Malachi	
Angel	he'll <u>be</u> a precursor	
	To the <u>one</u> for the <u>rebel</u> , get <u>ready</u> for the <u>bass</u>	
	Embrace, the <u>grace</u> of this <u>spiritual ace</u>	
Luke	Zechariah was <u>shaken</u> , he <u>thought</u> he was forsaken	18
	He <u>said</u> to the <u>angel</u>	
Zechariah	I <u>think</u> you are mistaken	
Angel	Hold <u>on</u> a <u>mo</u> , I don't <u>think</u> you get the <u>gist</u>	19
	My <u>name</u> is Gabriel and I'm <u>standing</u> in God's <u>midst</u>	
	Yes I'm <u>coming</u> at <u>you</u> , with <u>God's</u> communication	
	To <u>reservate</u> and <u>hesitate</u> <u>is</u> an aberration	20
	<u>Because</u> you <u>refuse</u> , to <u>trust</u> the good <u>news</u>	
	You're getting your <u>dues</u> and I'm <u>pulling</u> the <u>fuse</u>	
	On your <u>power</u> to <u>speak</u> , there is no <u>use</u> in <u>trying</u>	
	You're <u>gonna</u> be <u>mute</u> 'til you <u>hear</u> the baby <u>crying</u>	
<i>Elizabeth falls pregnant</i>		
Luke	<u>Back</u> outside the <u>temple</u> the <u>people</u> were <u>waiting</u>	21
	<u>Pacing</u> , <u>debating</u> , <u>long</u> anticipating	
	Then from <u>through</u> the <u>door</u> Zechariah <u>emerged</u>	22
	With the <u>urge</u> , on the <u>verge</u> of <u>making</u> a <u>splurge</u>	
	But there had <u>been</u> a collision, an <u>angelic</u> <u>decision</u>	
	Making <u>signs</u> with his <u>hands</u> , they <u>knew</u> he'd seen a <u>vision</u>	
	But it was <u>time</u> to go, it was <u>end</u> of the show	23
	He <u>went</u> back <u>home</u> , he had a <u>seed</u> to <u>sow</u>	

There are some things you can do without a translator
And Liz became pregnant, a few weeks later

24

Her one conclusion, to hide her protrusion
She spent five months hidden, in solitary seclusion

Elizabeth

The Lord has done a great thing, my claim to fame
He took away my shame, I'm no longer to blame

25

He's handed me a waiver, shown me favour
The Lord our God is a holy life-saver

Mary

Parts: Luke, Angel, Mary, Elizabeth

An angel visits Mary

Luke	Now <u>six months after John was conceived</u> God <u>sent</u> the angel <u>Gabriel</u> to <u>Nazareth</u> in <u>Galilee</u>	26
	<u>Living there</u> was a <u>lass</u> who was <u>engaged</u> , <u>secure</u> She was a <u>pearl</u> of a <u>girl</u> , who had <u>kept</u> herself <u>pure</u>	27
	<u>Joseph</u> was her <u>man man</u> , <u>bloke's bloke</u> , <u>real thing</u> This <u>Joseph</u> was <u>descended</u> straight from <u>David</u> the <u>King</u>	
Angel	The <u>angel Gabriel</u> appeared <u>in</u> his second <u>debut</u> <u>Yo esteemed woman</u> , the Lord <u>God</u> is <u>with</u> you!	28
Luke	<u>Appearing</u> on the <u>scene</u> to a <u>perplexed teen</u> Mary <u>tried</u> to think of <u>what</u> , the <u>angel</u> could <u>mean</u>	29
Angel	It's <u>all</u> good <u>Mary</u>	30
Luke	the <u>angel</u> <u>told</u> her	
Angel	<u>Because</u> with <u>God</u> , <u>you</u> have found <u>favour</u>	
	<u>You're gonna</u> get <u>preggers</u> and you're <u>gonna</u> have a <u>son</u> His <u>name</u> will be <u>Jesus</u> , God's <u>chosen one</u>	31
	He's <u>gonna</u> be <u>huge</u> , as <u>Lord</u> he will <u>reign</u> He'll <u>attain</u> and <u>sustain</u> a <u>kingly domain</u>	32
	With <u>merit</u> he'll <u>inherit</u> old King <u>David's</u> <u>throne</u> Over <u>Israel</u> he'll <u>prevail</u> and in the <u>world</u> he will be <u>known</u>	33
	As <u>Son</u> of the <u>Most</u> High, we're <u>talking</u> true <u>divinity</u> His <u>Kingdom</u> will <u>stride</u> from <u>here</u> into <u>infinity</u> !	

Mary Sorry Mr Angel, I don't mean to cast doubt 34
 I'm a virgin, you know, I thought I ought to point it out

Angel Now let me express, this request, to be blessed 35
 The Spirit will fill you, God's power will be manifest

He'll be called The Son of God and although you are lowly
 Let me say this slowly, your baby will be holy

What's more, your cousin Liz, as I have foretold 36
 Is going to have a baby even though she is old

People said it couldn't happen, but she's six months gone
 With God all things are possible. I'll see you anon 37

Mary May he orchestrate and create, let him lead ahead 38
 I'm the Lord's operator, let it happen as you said

Mary visits Elizabeth

Luke A few days later Mary hurried to Judea 39
 To the town in the hills of Liz and Zechariah

Mary found the pad with her heart fast beating 40
 She entered the house and gave Lizzy a greeting

As soon as Mary entered the room 41
 The child jumped for joy in Elizabeth's womb

God was willing, the scene was thrilling
 With the girlies in the house the Holy Spirit was a-filling

Lizzy gave a shout and cried out to her cousin 42
 Elizabeth God has blessed you Mary, above all other women!

Your child is blessed and you've come to see 42-43

You're the mother of my Lord, why do you honour me?

When I heard your voice my baby jumped for joy
 Surely there's a blessing on your baby boy

44

And blessèd are you Mary because you choose to believe
 To perceive and conceive what only God can achieve

45

Mary sings her song

Mary I raise my gaze because my soul's ablaze
 Give it up to my Lord, the Holy God that I praise

46-47

For he's keen and seen between the fat and the lean
 He caught me, and brought me and made me a queen

48

In every generation it'll be confess-ed
Across the world they will call me blessèd

He's the Mighty One and you know he is holy
Look at all the great things he's done to bestow me

49

From generation to generation
 His mercy stretches to those with veneration

50

With a mighty arm he's wowed the crowd
 He's disarmed the harm of the loud and proud

51

He's knocked off princes from their throne
 He's lifted up the humble and crowned the unknown

52

For the starving, there's a roast he's carving
 The rich go hungry, their rations are halving

53

Like an elephant, _ he'll never forget
 Whether MP3, diskette or cassette

54

The message keeps playing, God's conveying
He'll keep his promises and there's no delaying

He's assisted his agent Is-ra-el
Remembered mercy, Im-man-u-el

To our forebears, _ he made this guarantee
To Abraham and his kids for eternity

55

Luke

For a good few months Mary stayed with Liz
Before heading back home to do the nativity biz

56

	They were <u>dazed</u> , <u>amazed</u> at his <u>turn of phrase</u> Filled with <u>awe</u> , what they <u>saw</u> , at the <u>way</u> God <u>plays</u>	65
	Like a <u>shock</u> wave, <u>_ from</u> a <u>detonation</u> This <u>family</u> <u>became</u> a <u>headline</u> <u>sensation</u>	
Crowd	And in the <u>hills</u> of <u>Judea</u> , the <u>people</u> <u>speculated</u> <u>Who is</u> this <u>wonder</u> <u>child</u> that God has <u>consecrated</u> ?	65-66
<i>Zechariah sings his song</i>		
Luke	With the <u>Holy Spirit</u> , <u>inside</u> , his <u>guide</u> Zechariah stepped <u>up</u> and <u>prophesied</u>	67
Zechariah	<u>Praise</u> the <u>Lord</u> , the <u>God</u> , of <u>Is-ra-el</u> He <u>rocked up</u> , <u>shocked up</u> and <u>redeemed</u> his <u>people</u>	68
	From the <u>blue</u> line of <u>Dave</u> , our <u>God</u> is <u>stating</u> The <u>one</u> on a <u>mission</u> is <u>mighty</u> <u>liberating</u>	69
	Us <u>from</u> our <u>rivals</u> , they will <u>be</u> <u>deterred</u> Through his <u>holy</u> <u>prophets</u> God <u>gave</u> his <u>word</u>	70-71
	To <u>remember</u> his <u>promise</u> , his <u>pledge</u> to <u>assure</u> Being <u>merciful</u> to <u>those</u> that <u>came</u> <u>before</u>	72
	He did a <u>deal</u> to <u>win</u> , a <u>great</u> <u>planned</u> <u>grand</u> <u>slam</u> Through a <u>contract</u> he <u>made</u> with <u>Abraham</u>	73
	And <u>so</u> we have been <u>saved</u> from <u>being</u> <u>enslaved</u> <u>Preserved</u> to <u>serve</u> without <u>having</u> to be <u>brave</u>	74
	For we are <u>edified</u> , <u>verified</u> , <u>amnestied</u> , <u>bona fide</u> For <u>ever</u> and a <u>day</u> we are <u>fully</u> <u>sanctified</u>	75
	And <u>you</u> , my little <u>boy</u> will be the <u>prophet</u> of the <u>Most</u> <u>High</u>	76

Prepare and declare, the way for the big guy

With a message to the massive how to save their soul
Forgiving the sin, taken in like a black hole

77

Because God's mercy is loving and tender
The dawn from heaven is about to render

78

Light to those in darkness on the edge of mortality
Fatality, brutality, we're talking in-finality

79

To guide us to the place of peace and vitality
Morality, normality, a holy totality

Luke John grew on becoming spiritually strong 80
The wilderness was where he found he could belong

He stayed until he took up, his position
A ministry to Israel, a holy mission

Chorus So that's the end of Chapter One
The Gospel of Luke has only just begun

Chapter 2

The Nativity

Parts: **Luke**, **Angel**, **Chorus**, **Angel Choir**, **Shepherds**

Jesus is born

Luke	<u>Back</u> in the <u>day</u> of <u>Caesar Augustus</u>	1
	<u>He decreed</u> to <u>proceed</u> with an <u>empirical census</u>	
	<u>The first</u> while <u>Quirinius</u> was the <u>Syrian nexus</u>	2
	<u>To enlist</u> and <u>insist</u> that people <u>get</u> on the <u>next bus</u>	3
	<u>Back</u> to the <u>shack</u> where in <u>fact</u> they <u>came</u> from	
	<u>The empire</u> striking <u>back</u> to <u>boost</u> their <u>income</u>	
	<u>Cos Joseph</u> was a <u>member</u> of <u>David's kin</u>	4
	<u>He made</u> a <u>steer</u> for <u>Judea</u> and <u>Bethlehem</u>	
	<u>He went down</u> from the <u>town</u> of <u>Nazareth</u> in <u>Galilee</u>	
	<u>Taking</u> his <u>fiancée</u> , <u>Mary</u> near <u>delivery</u>	5
	<u>And during</u> their <u>stay</u> , nature <u>had</u> its <u>way</u>	6
	<u>Put</u> the <u>date</u> in the <u>diary</u> for a <u>King's birthday</u>	
	<u>While out</u> in the <u>ballpark</u> she <u>hit</u> home <u>run</u>	7
	<u>Cos Mary</u> gave <u>birth</u> to her <u>firstborn son</u>	
	<u>No hotel</u> , <u>motel</u> , <u>custom</u> baby- <u>changer</u>	
	<u>She wrapped</u> the baby <u>up</u> and <u>laid</u> him in a <u>manger</u>	

The Angels Appear to the Shepherds

	<u>Meanwhile</u> , <u>8-mile</u> , <u>shepherds</u> in the <u>wild style</u>	8
	<u>Defending</u> the <u>sheep</u> from <u>night-time hostile</u>	
	<u>To their surprise</u> , coming from the <u>skies</u>	9
	<u>An angel</u> of the <u>Lord</u> did <u>materialise</u>	

Like lightning, _ God's glory was bright'ning
 Lit up like day, the angel was fright'ning

Angel 10
 Chill out my friends, there's no need for trepidation
 I've got a message for the world and it's elation information

Be delighted and excited, the rocket's been ignited
 The party has started and you have been invited

Chorus 11
 Angel
 Today In Bethlehem
 that's David's town
 A boy has been born who will wear the crown

He's the saviour and the Lord, there's no one higher
 God's anointed One, we're talking Messiah

But you require a sign from this divine arranger 12
 Look for a baby snuggled in a manger

Luke 13
 The angel was joined by his heavenly gang
 Praising God, holy squad, the multitude sang

Angel Choir 14
 Glory to God above time and space
 Peace to the people that he turns his face!

Luke 15
 Then the angels were gone, yes they'd finished their song
 The shepherds had a chat about the heavenly throng

Shepherds
 Let's go to Bethlehem and see this occasion
 The Lord has reported, we need little persuasion

Luke 16
 So they hurried to the village to find Joseph and Mary
 Lying in the feeding trough was the miracle baby

And after what they had seen of the nativity scene 17

They started spilling the beans like a coffee machine

So, undeterred, the shepherds spread the word

The people were amazed at the story that they heard

18

But Mary was smart, kept these things in her heart

19

Pondering and wondering, reliving this part

And with hearts that burned, the shepherds returned

20

Praising holy God for the things that they'd learned

About all they had seen, wonderful things that had been

All working together like an oiled machine

And eight days later he was circumcised

21

Received, preconceived, the name the angel had advised

We use the Greek version of the Hebrew and thus

A name that means salvation from God, Jesus!

Growing Up

Parts: **Luke**, **Simeon**, **Chorus**, **Mary**, **Jesus**

Purification

Luke Now according to the Law, that came years before 22
 If you birthed a baby boy then it made you impure

 And so after a time, and so to cleanse the grime
 The parents made an offering before the divine

 They took their baby to Jerus'lem to present him to the Lord
 And made a sacrifice to God at a price they could afford

 For in the Law of the Lord it is clearly stated 23
 The first boy created, must be dedicated

 And so they offered their gift to the Lord above 24
 Obeying the law with young pigeons or dove

Simeon prophesies

Luke Now in Jerusalem there was a spirit-filled man 25
 Devoted, Simeon hoped to see the rescue plan

Waiting, anticipating for the Christ who'd save the nation
 Devout, holding out, for Messianic revelation

 Because the Spirit of the Lord had prophesied 26
 That the Christ would be espied before he died

 And in the Jewish way with J and M that day 27
 The spirit took Simeon to the temple to pray

 Giving legal consent to pay the spiritual rent
 The cool couple arrived and went forward to present

Their child to God as was the law of the land
 With Simeon on the ground who could understand

That the moment had arrived, there'd be no more waiting 28
 With the child in his arms he praised God stating

Simeon Sovereign Lord, I'm at the end of my lease 29
 You promised that you'd let your servant die in peace

And before the whole world, you've declared your care 30
 To share the salvation that you have prepared

For the glory of Israel has been unfurled 31
 He's a spotlight to God for the nations of the world 32

Luke With jaw to the floor, the folks were blown away 33
 But Simeon blessed the parents and continued to say 34

Simeon Now listen up, Mary, to the truths I'm telling
 Your child's destiny's to be a full-fat blessing

And although he's a sign to shine from the divine
 I've got to make it clear he'll be a dividing line

For this child represents our nation's curtain call
 The opposition coalition's heading for a fall

For our inner hearts will be exposed 35
Peeled and revealed, our thoughts disclosed

But by way of a conclusion there's just one last part
 Check this Mary, a sword will pierce your heart

Anna prophecies

Luke Now hanging out in the temple was a prophetess named Anna 36

For the record, her dad was Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher

She was hitched seven years until her husband sadly died
And at eighty-four years old this sorted widow prophesied

37

She was fasting, she was praying, she would one day see the light
No she never left the temple but she worshipped day and night

And to her surprise, before her very eyes
She saw, Simeon with Mary and her two belovéd guys

38

She gave thanks and praised God, she was 'Anna FM'
Transmitting the saving plan for Jer-u-sa-lem

To all who were waiting for the coming of the Lord
Like a walking human podcast, that could not be ignored

And when J and M done praying and were finally through
Fulfilling the law, as Jewish parents do

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Chorus

They travelled home to Nazareth, back to Galilee
That's the northern part of Israel where Jesus' home would be

Luke

And Jesus grew to manhood knowing God was all around
Grace enveloping, developing, healthy wise and sound

40

Jesus as a boy

Luke

Now parents took perennial, Passover party trip
Jerus'lem was the place, being central it was hip

41

Hop party time to celebrate the Exodus scene
With Jesus twelve years old the clan achieved the routine

42

But when the party departed and the journey home started
Jesus stayed behind, confined, defined, unknowingly parted

43

	From the <u>rellies</u> on the <u>inbound crowd</u> , on the <u>ground</u> A <u>whole day later</u> , he was <u>nowhere</u> to be <u>found</u>	44
	<u>Concerned</u> they <u>yearned</u> , the <u>mum</u> and <u>dad</u> returned <u>Searching</u> in <u>Jerusalem</u> , no <u>stone</u> <u>untuned</u>	45
Chorus	And <u>after</u> <u>three</u> <u>days</u> now there's a <u>biblical phrase</u>	46
Luke	They <u>found</u> him in the <u>temple</u> court and they <u>had</u> to <u>reappraise</u> For he was <u>sitting</u> among the <u>teachers</u> making <u>quite</u> an <u>impression</u> A <u>profession</u> of <u>expression</u> , as he <u>listened</u> and he <u>questioned</u>	
	And <u>everyone</u> who <u>heard</u> him was <u>astounded</u> at his <u>knowledge</u> Like a <u>lecturer</u> in <u>college</u> , his <u>parents</u> were <u>astonished</u>	47 48
Mary	Mary <u>took</u> the <u>floor</u> Why did you <u>do</u> this to us <u>Son</u> ? Your <u>dad</u> and I were <u>worried</u> and we <u>wondered</u> where you'd <u>gone</u>	
Jesus	Why were you <u>searching</u> , <u>please</u> start <u>chilling</u> ? Didn't you <u>know</u> in my <u>dad's</u> <u>dwelling</u> that <u>I'd</u> be on the <u>billing</u> ?	49
Luke	Mum and <u>dad</u> were <u>mystified</u> , they were <u>baffled</u> , they were <u>thrown</u> But <u>obedient</u> to his <u>parents</u> they went to <u>Nazareth</u> back <u>home</u>	50 51
	And <u>Mary</u> tucked these <u>things</u> away in her <u>heart</u> about her <u>son</u> <u>Jesus</u> grew in <u>wisdom</u> and esteem with <u>God</u> and <u>everyone</u>	52

Chapter 3

John the Baptist

Parts: **Luke**, **John**, **Tax Peeps**, **Soldiers**, **Crowd**, **Chorus**

Setting the scene

Luke I'm serious, when Tiberius reigned his fifteenth year
Ruling rover Rome while Pontius Pilate ruled Judea 1

Herod Antipas was governor of Galilee, Perea
 While Philip his bro ruled Trachonitis, Iturea

They ruled a quarter of the kingdom, it was a tetrarchy
 And Lysanias

Chorus whoever he was

Luke governed Abileenee

The high priests of the moment were Caiaphas and Annas 2
 God had a chat with John in the wild sand savannas

This John of the wilds was Zechariah's son

Chorus You can read all about it back in Luke Chapter One

Luke John journeyed 'round the Jordan with a message for the nation 3
Preaching admission for sin to the Jewish population

Like a spiritual dust cart emptying bins
Washing in the river the forgiveness of sins

A desire to acquire from this baptism supplier

Check out these words of John from the prophet Isaiah 4

John's call

John Time to express an address from the wilderness
Shouting out from the desert with flow finesse

Get yourself ready for the coming of the Regent
 Clear the street with red carpet treatment

Mountains will be flattened and the valleys plugged 5
 He'll straighten the curves and level up the rough

Cos it's time to sit up and check out the situation
 A cosmic equation of equalisation

A revelation to the nation and the wider population 6
 People, are you ready for total God salvation?

John gives a tongue-lashing

Luke As the crowds came to dowse and make their vows 7
John rocked the house with the whys and hows

John You bunch of snakes, the quake's about to break
 Who informed and warned you to make your escape?

You've gotta prove that you've moved in your thoughts and actions
Retracted your infractions with God attractions

So don't give each other spam with 'Abraham's our man' 8
 Cos from these very stones God can raise his gang

For the axe is ready at the root of the oak 9
 No fruit, no dice, wanna go up in smoke?

John's Q&A session

Luke The crowd plied and cried 10

Crowd Give us a bright side, a guide?

Luke To provide, John replied, a freestyle to be applied

John If you've got two tops, drop to the bareback bloke 11
 No joke, you got food, give it up to the broke

Luke	Then <u>even tax collectors</u> came to <u>inspect</u> and <u>wet</u> Their <u>heads</u> with <u>respect</u> asking	12
Tax Peeps	<u>What's the effect?</u>	
John	Don't <u>collect unchecked</u> , to <u>increase your stash</u> Or <u>command</u> or <u>demand additional cash</u>	13
Luke	And in a <u>flash</u> some soldiers <u>asked</u>	14
Soldiers	What should be <u>our intent?</u>	
John	Don't <u>extort</u> , make <u>false report</u> , and be <u>content</u> with your <u>rent</u>	

John announces the real Messiah

Luke	The <u>Jewish</u> sect <u>expected</u> the <u>Messiah</u> and <u>suspected</u> John the <u>B</u> , so they <u>inspected</u> , checked if <u>dots connected</u>	15
John	Someone's surely <u>coming</u> who's more <u>powerful</u> than I And the <u>straps</u> of his <u>sandals</u> I'm <u>unworthy</u> to <u>untie</u> *	16
	For I <u>baptise</u> with <u>water</u> but his <u>authority</u> is <u>higher</u> This <u>Messiah</u> <u>purifier</u> will <u>baptise</u> with <u>Spirit</u> and with <u>fire</u>	
	With his <u>winning</u> <u>fork</u> he'll split the <u>chaff</u> from the <u>wheat</u> <u>Cleaning up the floor</u> , keeping <u>grain</u> that's good to <u>eat</u>	17
	Storing <u>good</u> stuff in his <u>barn</u> , gathering <u>up</u> what <u>remains</u> <u>Burning up</u> the useless <u>chaff</u> with his <u>never-ending flames</u>	

* V.16 or 'the laces of his sneakers'

John gets arrested

Luke	And with <u>scores</u> of <u>warns</u> and <u>cautions</u> John <u>broadcast</u> to the <u>Jews</u> <u>Proclaiming</u> , <u>name-and-shaming</u> , <u>narrating</u> the <u>good news</u>	18
	But the <u>truth</u> was hard to <u>hear</u> for a <u>certain</u> <u>head of state</u> For a <u>spate</u> of <u>crime</u> from <u>Herod</u> , John just <u>couldn't</u> wipe the <u>slate</u>	19

John criticized, advised this Antipas not to throw away his life
But he'd hooked up with Herodias, his brother Philip's wife

To the tetrarch's list of deeds, with no admission of contrition
He locked up John in prison, a final duff decision

20

Baptism and Genealogy

Parts: **Luke**, **God**, **Chorus**

Jesus gets baptised

Luke Now as the populace were plunged, Jesus came to be baptised 21
 And as he prayed, big surprise, God opened up the skies

God With a heavenly voice the Spirit dropped like a dove 22
 Get this, you're my joy and my son whom I love

Jesus' family tree

Luke Now Jesus was near thirty when he launched his ministry 23
 Identity in ancestry, God's genealogy

Let's start with Jesus, son of Joseph, who had a father Heli
 Son of Matthat begat by Levi, son of Melki, son of Jannai 24

Son of Joseph, who was son of Mattathias number one 24-25
 Son of Amos, son of Nahum, son of Esli, Naggai's son

Chorus Then an addy daddy Maath from Mattathias number two 26
 Son of Semein, son of Josech
 we're a fifth of the way through

Luke Joda, Joanan, Rhesa then old Zerubbabel is the daddy 26-27
 Then there's Shealtiel, son of Neri, son of Melki, son of Addi 27-28

Cosam an' Elmadam, with Er, Joshua and Eliezer 28-29

Jorim, Matthat, son of Levi, son of Simeon and then Judah 29-30

Chorus Son of Joseph, son of Jonam, Eliakim and Melea 30-31
 Son of Menna and Mattatha
 now we're getting into gear

Luke	Son of <u>Nathan</u> , son of <u>David</u> , son of <u>Jesse</u> , Obed's <u>son</u> Son of <u>Boaz</u> , son of <u>Salmon</u> known as ' <u>Sala</u> ' of <u>Nahshon</u>	31-32
	Son of <u>Amminadab</u> , then <u>Admin</u> , son of <u>Arni</u> known as <u>Ram</u> Son of <u>Hezron</u> , <u>Perez</u> , <u>Judah</u> , <u>Jacob</u> , <u>Isaac</u> , <u>Abraham</u>	33 33-34
	Son of <u>Terah</u> , son of <u>Nahor</u> , son of <u>Serug</u> , <u>Reu</u> 's the <u>dad</u> Son of <u>Peleg</u> , <u>Eber</u> , <u>Shelah</u> , <u>Cainan</u> , son of <u>Arphaxad</u>	34-35
	Son of <u>Shem</u> , son of <u>Noah</u> , son of <u>Lamech</u> , <u>Methuseleh</u> <u>Enoch</u> , <u>Jared</u> , <u>Mahalalel</u> , son of <u>Kenan</u>	36-37
Chorus	nearly <u>there</u>	
Luke	And <u>with</u> a final <u>flourish</u> , we <u>name</u> this holy <u>squad</u> Son of <u>Enosh</u> , <u>Seth</u> , and <u>Adam</u> , who <u>was</u> the son of <u>God</u>	38

Chapter 4

Breaking the Chains

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Devil**, **Moses**, **Crowd**, **Demon**

Devil Battle Rap

Luke	With the <u>Spirit inside</u> , his <u>guide to a ride</u> and a <u>stride</u> into the <u>desert</u> leaving the <u>Jordan</u> to one <u>side</u>	1
	He was <u>led</u> by the <u>Spirit</u> to a <u>new address</u> It was <u>time</u> to <u>progress</u> to the <u>wilderness</u>	
	Where for <u>forty days</u> he was <u>tested</u> with <u>nothing</u> there to <u>eat</u> Satan <u>tempting</u> to the <u>end</u> he was <u>starving</u> but not <u>beat</u>	2
Devil	And <u>underfed</u> the devil <u>pled</u> and tried to <u>get</u> inside his <u>head</u> If you're <u>really</u> God's own <u>Son</u> then tell this <u>stone</u> to morph to <u>bread</u>	3
Luke	<u>Forgetting</u> his <u>gastronomy</u> , no <u>autonomy</u> in God's <u>economy</u> From <u>chapter eight</u> verse <u>three</u> , Jesus <u>quoted</u> Deuteronomy	4
Jesus (Moses)	It is <u>written</u> in the <u>Bible</u> You cannot <u>live</u> on bread <u>alone</u>	
Luke	So the <u>devil</u> <u>elevated</u> , <u>relocated</u> , Jesus <u>shown</u>	5
	In an <u>instant</u> every <u>empire</u> of the <u>world</u> was his to <u>see</u> Speak of the <u>Devil</u> ,	6
Devil	All <u>authority's</u> been <u>given</u> unto <u>me</u>	
	All the <u>splendour</u> in the <u>world</u> is at my <u>whim</u> to give <u>away</u> Give me your <u>devotion</u> and it's <u>yours</u> . Hey <u>what d'ya say?</u>	7
Luke	Jesus <u>cited</u> Deuteronomy chapter <u>six thirteen</u>	8
Jesus (Moses)	It is <u>written</u> Worship the <u>Lord</u> your God and <u>serve</u> only <u>him</u>	

Luke	Then the <u>devil</u> led <u>ahead</u> one-hundred- <u>forty</u> b.p.m. To the <u>top</u> of the <u>temple</u> in <u>Jerusalem</u>	9
Devil	<u>Throw</u> yourself from <u>here</u> if you're <u>really</u> God's <u>son</u> For it is <u>written</u> ,	10
Luke	<u>spitting</u> a <u>lyric</u> from Psalm <u>ninety-one</u>	
Devil	He will <u>command</u> and <u>demand</u> his angels <u>lend</u> a <u>hand</u> If you <u>trip-hop</u> <u>tumble</u> they will <u>help</u> you <u>stand</u>	11
Luke	From chapter <u>six</u> <u>sixteen</u> of Deuteronomy Jesus <u>fessed</u>	12
Jesus	<u>It is said</u>	
(Moses)	Do not put the <u>Lord</u> your God <u>to</u> the <u>test</u>	
Luke	And when the <u>tempting</u> was <u>complete</u> the devil <u>took</u> a <u>retreat</u> Until he could <u>make</u> a <u>break</u> the <u>snake</u> took a back <u>seat</u>	13
Manifesto		
Luke	Jesus <u>went</u> again to <u>Galilee</u> in <u>Spirit</u> with <u>authority</u> News <u>commentary</u> was <u>broadcast</u> throughout the <u>whole</u> <u>locality</u>	14
	With <u>greatest</u> debut <u>rating</u> , <u>population</u> <u>commentating</u> Jesus <u>preaching</u> and his <u>teaching</u> , <u>synagogic</u> <u>educating</u>	15
	He <u>took</u> a trip <u>trekking</u> back to the <u>town</u> where he'd <u>been</u> To his <u>boyhood</u> <u>beginnings</u> native <u>Nazarene</u>	16
	The <u>Synagogue</u> on <u>Saturday</u> was <u>Jesus</u> <u>routine</u> And on the <u>Sabbath</u> took a <u>path</u> to the <u>worshipping</u> <u>scene</u>	
	<u>Standing</u> up to <u>read</u> and <u>given</u> the <u>green</u> <u>light</u> J was <u>handed</u> the <u>tome</u> from <u>which</u> to <u>recite</u>	17
	To <u>depict</u> from the <u>manuscript</u> he <u>began</u> to <u>unroll</u> And finding <u>Isaiah</u> <u>sixty-one</u> he <u>read</u> from the <u>scroll</u>	

Jesus	The <u>Spirit</u> of the <u>Lord</u> is my <u>core</u> guarantor I'm <u>ordained</u> to <u>proclaim</u> super <u>news</u> to the <u>poor</u>	18
	Yes, I'm <u>shouting</u> out to <u>announce</u> a <u>shift</u> in situation We're <u>talking</u> emancipation; a <u>hostage</u> liberation	
	The <u>blind</u> will <u>see</u> , the <u>oppressed</u> go <u>free</u> I'm <u>announcing</u> the <u>year</u> of God's <u>loving</u> decree	19
Luke	Then he <u>spooled</u> the <u>scroll</u> and after <u>making</u> his <u>stand</u> He gave it <u>back</u> to the <u>man</u> who was <u>waiting</u> on <u>hand</u>	20
	Every <u>gaze</u> in the <u>place</u> was <u>fixed</u> and fascinated And with <u>everyone's</u> <u>attention</u> , this <u>Jesus</u> plainly <u>stated</u>	20-21
Jesus	Take <u>note</u> that <u>today</u> you've tuned <u>in</u> to <u>hear</u> God's <u>word</u> is fulfilled right <u>now</u> and right <u>here</u>	
Luke	Jesus <u>words</u> were laced with <u>grace</u> and the <u>people</u> were <u>amazed</u> And they <u>praised</u> his word <u>plays</u> and his <u>turns-of-phrase</u>	22
	But <u>this</u> posed a <u>problem</u>	
Crowd	What's <u>going</u> on?	
Luke	They asked	
Crowd	Isn't this <u>bloke</u> old <u>Joseph's</u> son?	
Jesus	Go <u>ahead</u> and pull this <u>saying</u> right <u>off</u> 've the <u>shelf</u> Hit me <u>up</u> with the <u>quote</u> 'Doctor, <u>heal</u> yourself!'	23
	You <u>learned</u> of the good <u>turns</u> I <u>performed</u> in Capernaum Yet you <u>yearn</u> to discern whether I will <u>recur</u> them	
	But listen <u>up</u> to the <u>truth</u> and let me <u>break</u> it <u>down</u> No <u>prophet</u> is <u>acknowledged</u> in <u>their</u> <u>hometown</u>	24
	Let me <u>narrate</u> to you a <u>story</u> from the <u>time</u> of <u>Elijah</u>	25

A story about a prophet and a needy outsider

There were very many widows living in that terrain
 When for forty-two months they didn't see a drop of rain

And during this widespread famine Elijah only went to one
 a Zarephath widow in the land of Sidon 26

Or check out this story from the time of Elisha 27
Another starring a prophet and a needy outsider

There were many in Israel with skin disease
 How many were healed? Just one of these

A foreigner, a stranger, an outside alien
 This Syrian went by the name of Nay-a-man

Luke And taking offence the church people were incensed 28
 They jumped out of their seats their intent to dispense 29

And they commenced to drive Jesus right out of the town
 To city hill to edge of cliff to cast his backside down

And take down this preacher without further delay
 But Jesus walked through the crowd and went on his way 30

Jesus battles a demon

Luke Then Jesus tripped down to the town of Capernaum 31
Communicating, educating helping them learn some

In the synagogue each Sabbath in the Galilee vicinity
Speaking with authority, stunning with philosophy 32

One time in church he was pressed and addressed 33
 By a guy with a spirit who was demon possessed

Demon	The <u>man</u> began <u>bawling</u> at the <u>top</u> of his <u>voice</u> Go <u>away</u> J of <u>Naz</u> , are you <u>starting</u> on <u>us</u> ?	34
	Have you <u>come</u> to call us <u>out</u> and <u>escalate</u> the <u>confrontation</u> ? Will you <u>spit</u> a holy <u>rhyme</u> and <u>dictate</u> a <u>termination</u> ?	
	I <u>know</u> who you <u>are</u> , you're God's <u>holy</u> chosen <u>one</u> <u>Anointed</u> and <u>appointed</u> phonic <u>phaser</u> set to <u>stun</u>	
Luke	As the <u>people</u> looked <u>on</u> Jesus <u>spoke</u> his <u>command</u> <u>Demanding</u>	35
Jesus	<u>Keep</u> your mouth <u>shut</u> and bail <u>out</u> of the <u>man</u>	
Luke	Then the <u>demon</u> slammed the <u>man</u> <u>bam</u> <u>into</u> the <u>ground</u> <u>Pitch</u> and <u>ditch</u> the body <u>downed</u> , but the <u>bro</u> was safe and <u>sound</u>	
Crowd	And <u>amazed</u> at the <u>raid</u> , <u>liberated</u> people <u>stated</u> <u>Check</u> <u>out</u> the <u>perfect</u> <u>power</u> that his <u>words</u> have <u>propagated</u>	36
Luke	Even <u>'taminated</u> <u>spirits</u> make a <u>break</u> at his <u>command</u> ! And the <u>noise</u> about <u>Jesus</u> could be <u>heard</u> across the <u>land</u>	37
	<i>Jesus makes a noise</i>	
Luke	Now <u>Jesus</u> left the <u>synagogue</u> an' <u>blazed</u> <u>up</u> to Simon's <u>pad</u> Simon's <u>spouses'</u> mom was <u>laid</u> <u>up</u> full of <u>fever</u> feeling <u>bad</u>	38
	And <u>praying</u> for a <u>miracle</u> they asked <u>Jesus</u> for <u>aid</u> For this <u>totally</u> <u>corona'd*</u> lady, J bent <u>over</u> where she <u>laid</u>	39
	He <u>rebuked</u> the raging <u>fever</u> and <u>berated</u> it <u>abated</u> No <u>longer</u> <u>sedated</u> , sister <u>rising</u> on them <u>waited</u>	
	And at <u>sunset</u> people <u>led</u> to Jesus <u>all</u> the <u>diseased</u> And <u>laying</u> on his <u>hands</u> they were <u>pleased</u> to be <u>freed</u>	40
	And many <u>spirits</u> were <u>purged</u> at <u>J's</u> <u>command</u>	41

Demons Shouting
 You're the Son of God
 Luke cos he was the main man

With a plan, this Messiah verbalised his demand
To exorcise and chastise with a censorship ban

Jesus spreads the word

At first light, wanting privacy and seeking isolation 42
Jesus hit the road to find a calm location

And invading his space in that solitary place
The people supplicated that he stay on the case

Jesus Now listen up 43
 Luke Jesus stated
 Jesus to the message being related
This record's going diamond multi-platinum gold-plated

Gotta preach the good news, God's kingdom education
I'm an ambassador from God to the wider population

Luke Heaven sent to proclaim a message that's crystal clear
So Jesus kept on preaching in the temples of Judea 44

* V.39 Or 'ebolaed'

Chapter 5

Forgiveness of Sins

Parts: **Luke**, **Chorus**, **Jesus**, **Simon**, **Guy**, **Pharisees**, **Crowd**

The first crew members

Luke	J was <u>standing</u> on the <u>shore</u> by the <u>Lake</u> of <u>Gennesaret</u>	1
Chorus	That's the <u>Sea</u> of <u>Galilee</u> , next <u>stage</u> of the <u>story</u> set	
Luke	Where <u>peeps</u> were <u>crowding</u> <u>around</u> , <u>tuning</u> <u>in</u> to <u>God's</u> <u>word</u> So <u>Jesus</u> came <u>up</u> with a <u>plan</u> to be <u>heard</u>	
	He <u>spied</u> , <u>dock</u> <u>tied</u> , two <u>boats</u> of <u>fishing</u> <u>guys</u>	2
	Who were <u>rinsing</u> their <u>nets</u> , got in the <u>boat</u> that was <u>Si's</u>	2-3
	He asked <u>Simon</u> , push the <u>boat</u> a little <u>way</u> from the <u>beach</u> And <u>Jesus</u> sitting <u>down</u> on the <u>deck</u> began to <u>teach</u>	
Jesus	And <u>when</u> he had finished <u>speaking</u> , he <u>turned</u> to <u>Si</u> and <u>said</u> Go <u>deep</u> , you're gonna <u>catch</u> , drop your <u>nets</u> to the <u>lake</u> <u>bed</u>	4
Luke	<u>Si</u> <u>replied</u>	5
Simon	With <u>due</u> <u>respect</u> we've <u>night-sweated</u> the <u>nets</u> But <u>cos</u> it's <u>you</u> I'll play <u>roulette</u> and <u>heaven</u> <u>hedge</u> my <u>bets</u>	
Luke	Then on the <u>drop</u> they couldn't <u>stop</u> , 'cause the <u>net's</u> about to <u>pop</u> So they <u>called</u> to their <u>mates</u> to help <u>land</u> the <u>fishy</u> <u>crop</u>	6 7
	They <u>rowed</u> <u>over</u> in their <u>boat</u> and filled the <u>vessels</u> to the <u>brink</u> To the <u>point</u> where they might <u>sink</u> and end <u>up</u> in the <u>drink</u>	
Simon	And when <u>Simon</u> <u>Pete</u> <u>perceived</u> , he <u>fell</u> at <u>Jesus's</u> <u>knees</u> Lord, I <u>am</u> a <u>sinful</u> <u>man</u> ! Get <u>yourself</u> away from <u>me</u>	8
Luke	For <u>he</u> and his <u>gang</u> were <u>enthralled</u> by the <u>haul</u> <u>Representing</u> <u>all-in-all</u> , the <u>biggest</u> <u>net</u> <u>trawl</u>	9

This included Simon's buddies, a fish fraternity 10
 Naming claiming James and John, the two sons of Zebedee

Luke Then Jesus said to Simon
 Jesus There's no need to be fearful
 You once fished for fish, here on in you fish for people

Luke So they heaved their boats back onto the beach, a 11
Sign left behind, consigned to follow the teacher

An eased skin disease

Luke While J was in town he met a skin-diseased guy 12
 Seeing J he bowed down and begged the rabbi to reply

Guy Lord, if you're inclined, have a mind to heal would you possibly
Cleanse my anomaly with Godly dermatology?

Luke J set about, reached out laying hands on the man 13
 Jesus Be cured for sure, for your wish is my command

Luke And the decay was allayed straight away, no delay
 But J gave the man an order that he had to obey 14

Jesus Look, it's best not to fess about this healing skin scene
 Go to the priest, make your peace and show him that you're made clean
 And make the offering that Moses ordered as a confirmation
 To indicate and demonstrate your healing restoration

Luke Yet despite J's instruction to keep his lips tight 15
 The scoop about J spread faster than light

So that people crowded in to hear J speak and be healed
 But Jesus oft withdrew to pray alone and concealed 16

A man, a roof and a miracle

Luke	<p>One <u>day</u> in the <u>week</u> while <u>J</u> was <u>upskilling</u> Some <u>Pharisees</u> and a <u>bunch</u> of law <u>pros</u> were near <u>chilling</u></p> <p>They'd <u>raced</u> from every <u>place</u> in the <u>close</u> vicinity From <u>Jerus'lem</u> and <u>Judea</u> and the <u>whole</u> of <u>Galilee</u></p> <p>And the <u>power</u> of the <u>Lord</u> was with <u>Jesus</u> to the <u>max</u> To <u>heal</u> the sick and <u>lame</u> with <u>miraculous</u> <u>acts</u></p>	17
	<p>When some <u>guys</u> <u>pad</u> <u>arrived</u> with a <u>paralysed</u> <u>friend</u> With a <u>plan</u> to <u>depend</u> on rabbi <u>Jesus</u> to <u>mend</u></p>	18
	<p>By laying <u>matey</u> on his <u>mat</u> on the <u>floor</u> at <u>J's</u> <u>feet</u> But they <u>couldn't</u> get <u>near</u> <u>cos</u> the <u>crowd</u> was too <u>deep</u></p>	19
	<p>So they <u>climbed</u> up on the <u>roof</u> and <u>began</u> to <u>remove</u> <u>Roofing</u> <u>tiles</u> to make a <u>hole</u> big <u>enough</u> to get <u>through</u></p>	
	<p>And then they <u>lowered</u> their <u>friend</u> right <u>down</u> through the <u>gap</u> Into the <u>crowd</u>, touching <u>down</u> on <u>all</u> but <u>Jesus'</u> <u>lap</u></p>	
	<p>And when <u>Jesus</u> saw their <u>faith</u> through the <u>lengths</u> they'd <u>striven</u> He said</p>	20
Jesus	<p><u>Listen</u> up, young <u>guy</u>, your <u>sins</u> are <u>forgiven</u></p>	
Luke Pharisees	<p>But the <u>Pharisees</u> and <u>legal</u> hot <u>shots</u> began to <u>mutter</u> Who <u>is</u> this crazy <u>person</u>? Are we <u>dealing</u> with a <u>nutter</u>?</p> <p>Cos you <u>don't</u> pronounce <u>forgiveness</u> with your <u>actions</u> or your <u>gob</u> You see, it's <u>blasphemous</u> to <u>go</u> around <u>doing</u> God's <u>job</u>!</p>	21
Luke Jesus	<p>But <u>J</u> <u>knew</u> what they were <u>thinking</u> so he <u>turned</u> around and <u>asked</u> Why are you <u>harbouring</u> these <u>thoughts</u> in your <u>minds</u> and your <u>hearts</u>?</p>	22

	Tell me, of <u>these</u> two <u>things</u> , which is <u>easier</u> to say 'Your <u>sins</u> are forgiven' or 'Get <u>up</u> and walk <u>away</u> '?	23
	But I <u>want</u> you to <u>know</u> that I, the <u>Son</u> of <u>Man</u> Have authority on <u>earth</u> to <u>grant</u> the <u>command</u>	24
Luke	And <u>forgive</u> the <u>offences</u> of a <u>sinner</u> just 'like <u>that</u> ' So he <u>turned</u> to the <u>paralysed</u> <u>man</u> on the <u>mat</u>	
Jesus	Pick <u>up</u> your bed <u>rug</u> and <u>turn</u> to face the <u>grace</u> Because it's <u>time</u> to head <u>back</u> and <u>return</u> to home <u>base</u>	
Luke	And in <u>front</u> of the <u>crowd</u> and the <u>juridical</u> <u>squad</u> He jumped <u>up</u> , grabbed his <u>mat</u> and went <u>home</u> praising <u>God</u>	25
Crowd	The <u>crowd</u> Lord-applauded, they were <u>blown</u> <u>away</u> We're <u>filled</u> with awe and <u>wonder</u> at the <u>events</u> we've seen <u>today</u>	26

Levi throws a party

Luke	Collecting at a <u>kiosk</u> , was a <u>guy</u> called <u>Levi</u> And as J <u>split</u> from the <u>town</u> , he <u>spied</u> the tax <u>guy</u>	27
Jesus	Put your <u>files</u> <u>away</u> , get <u>up</u> and follow <u>me</u>	
Luke	So <u>Levi</u> dropped the <u>lot</u> , became a <u>J</u> <u>groupie</u>	28
	<u>Some</u> time <u>later</u> Levi <u>threw</u> a phat <u>fest</u> At his <u>res</u> with J <u>behest</u> as the <u>honorary</u> <u>guest</u>	29
	He'd <u>invited</u> every <u>member</u> of the <u>Inland</u> <u>Revenue</u> And as they <u>partied</u> J was <u>subject</u> to a <u>legal</u> <u>review</u>	
	For the <u>Pharisees</u> and <u>law</u> advisers <u>filed</u> a <u>complaint</u> With J's <u>disciples</u> about his <u>blatant</u> , shameful <u>lack</u> of <u>constraint</u>	30
Pharisees	Why <u>acquaint</u> with the <u>tainted</u> , tax <u>collectors</u> , and <u>crims</u> ?	
Jesus	It's not the <u>well</u> that need a <u>medic</u> but those <u>sick</u> in their <u>sins</u>	31

And why do I hang with the broken and spent?

I've not come to call the godly but bid sinners repent

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Rules and Regulations

Parts: **Luke**, **Crowd**, **Jesus**, **Pharisees**

Jesus quizzed about fasting

Luke	Some <u>people</u> popped a <u>question</u> to <u>Jesus</u> and <u>asked</u>	33
Crowd	We've <u>noticed</u> that <u>disciples</u> often <u>pray</u> and <u>fast</u>	
	<u>The Pharisees</u> and <u>John</u> the Baptist's <u>have</u> this way of <u>thinking</u>	34
	So <u>how</u> come your <u>disciples</u> keep on <u>eating</u> and <u>drinking</u> ?	
Luke	To provide an <u>answer</u> J <u>replied</u> with a <u>question</u>	
Jesus	Do <u>wedding</u> guests <u>fast</u> at the <u>marriage</u> <u>reception</u>	
	While hanging <u>out</u> with the <u>groom</u> ? Here me <u>say</u> , no <u>way</u> !	
	But you <u>know</u> that someday he'll be <u>taken</u> <u>away</u>	35
	From the <u>guests</u> and when this <u>happens</u> then it's <u>fasting</u> <u>time</u>	
Luke	Then J <u>told</u> a <u>parable</u> about some <u>cloth</u> and some <u>wine</u>	36
Jesus	Look, <u>no</u> one rips a <u>strip</u> out of a <u>hip</u> new <u>dress</u>	
	To <u>attach</u> as a <u>patch</u> on some <u>old</u> used <u>threads</u>	
	For they'll have <u>shredded</u> new <u>threads</u> so they <u>can't</u> be <u>worn</u>	
	And the <u>patch</u> won't <u>match</u> from the <u>dress</u> that is <u>torn</u>	
	And <u>no</u> one fills <u>skins</u> that are <u>old</u> with new <u>wine</u>	37
	When they're <u>fresh</u> from the <u>vine</u> , no the <u>two</u> won't <u>combine</u>	
	You see, the <u>skin</u> will <u>split</u> , <u>consigned</u> to <u>decline</u>	
	You'll <u>fill</u> to <u>spill</u> , that's the <u>bottom</u> <u>line</u>	
	You see you <u>gotta</u> know <u>how</u> and <u>where</u> to <u>begin</u>	38
	And <u>assign</u> fresh <u>wine</u> to an <u>unused</u> <u>skin</u>	

And after they've necked down a vintage cru

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They say

Crowd

The older is better, we don't want the new!

Chapter 6

Rules and Regulations (continued)

Parts: **Luke**, **Crowd**, **Jesus**, **Pharisees**

Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath

Luke One Sabbath Jesus walked through a field of wheat 1
His disciples picked and rubbed the grain, _ began to eat

Pharisees But some Pharisees were gawping, eyeballing like a hawk 2
It's the Sabbath, don't you know that you are breaking the law?

Luke J replied, being spied, taken aside, to chide 3
Jesus Haven't you read in the Bible, how David gratified

And satisfied his need for food by stepping inside 4
The temple with his mates, he took the bread and supplied

Himself and his buddies until they'd eaten enough
Of the bread that only priests can scoff - the consecrated stuff

Luke Then with a final strike of the ball he scored
Saying
Jesus The Son of Man is the Sabbath Lord 5

Jesus heals on the Sabbath

Luke One Sabbath in the synagogue, J was teaching 6
There was a man with a right hand, withered, misshapen

And the pharisees and lawyers were heavy, hardcore 7
Ready to indict if Jesus breached the law

You see, healing on the Sabbath broke the code of the land
For healing was work and working was banned

	So they <u>baited</u> and <u>waited</u> to see if <u>Jesus</u> would <u>comply</u> But <u>Jesus</u> knew their <u>thoughts</u> so he <u>called</u> to the <u>guy</u>	8
Jesus	<u>Brother</u> , come on <u>down</u> and stand <u>tall</u> , be <u>proud</u>	
Luke	So the <u>man</u> came <u>forward</u> and Jesus <u>said</u> to the <u>crowd</u>	8-9
Jesus	Let me <u>ask</u> you a <u>question</u> about the <u>Sabbath</u> <u>regulation</u> Is it <u>legal</u> to do <u>evil</u> , <u>good</u> , <u>destruction</u> or <u>salvation</u> ?	
Luke	And <u>catching</u> the <u>eye</u> of them <u>one</u> by <u>one</u> And whilst <u>holding</u> their <u>gaze</u> he <u>said</u> to the <u>man</u>	10
Jesus	Hold <u>out</u> your <u>hand</u> , <u>unconcealed</u> , <u>revealed</u>	
Luke	The man <u>abided</u> , <u>complied</u> , and his <u>hand</u> was <u>healed</u> !	
	But the <u>pharisees</u> and <u>lawyers</u> blew their <u>tops</u> in <u>disgust</u> How to <u>deal</u> with <u>J</u> , they had a <u>lot</u> to <u>discuss</u>	11

The Sermon on the Plain

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**

The choosing of the Apostles

Luke	Soon <u>after</u> J <u>climbed</u> up a <u>mountain</u> to <u>pray</u> <u>Interfacing</u> with <u>God</u> until the <u>following day</u>	12
	And when the <u>morning</u> finally <u>broke</u> he called together his <u>crew</u> And chose the <u>twelve</u> that he <u>labeled</u> as <u>apostles</u> <u>too</u>	13
	There was <u>Simon</u> renamed <u>Peter</u> and his <u>brother</u> <u>Andrew</u> Also <u>James</u> , <u>John</u> , <u>Philip</u> and <u>Bartholomew</u> ,	14
	There was <u>Matthew</u> , <u>Thomas</u> n' <u>James</u> , <u>Alphaeus's son</u> And the <u>guy</u> they called The <u>Zealot</u> whose <u>name</u> was <u>Simon</u>	15
	There was <u>Judas</u> son of <u>James</u> , and <u>Ju</u> <u>Isca</u> riot who <u>later</u> Was the <u>Judas</u> that <u>became</u> a back- <u>stabber</u> and a <u>traitor</u>	16

Blessings and Woahs!

Luke	J <u>dismounted</u> from the <u>mound</u> and stood <u>down</u> on <u>flat ground</u> With a <u>dozen</u> <u>disciples</u> , <u>surrounded</u> by a <u>crowd</u>	17
	Of <u>followers</u> and <u>friends</u> that <u>flooded</u> <u>in</u> to <u>hear</u> <u>Appearing</u> from <u>Jerus'lem</u> and the <u>whole</u> of <u>Judea</u>	
	They made a <u>steer</u> from as <u>far</u> as <u>Tyre</u> and <u>Si-don</u> <u>Ripping</u> up the <u>miles</u> from the <u>north</u> <u>coast</u> <u>region</u>	
	To <u>listen</u> to his <u>diction</u> and be <u>cured</u> of <u>affliction</u> <u>All</u> the <u>impure</u> <u>spirits</u> given <u>notice</u> of <u>eviction</u>	18
	And the <u>people</u> tried to <u>touch</u> him cos his <u>power</u> <u>radiated</u> <u>Dissipated</u> to the <u>masses</u> , ailing <u>satisfied</u> and <u>sated</u>	19

	And <u>fixing</u> his <u>disciples</u> in his <u>direct</u> line of <u>sight</u> with a <u>set</u> of <u>blessèd</u> <u>teaching</u> J <u>began</u> to <u>recite</u>	20
Jesus	<u>Blessèd</u> are <u>you</u> who <u>find</u> yourselves <u>poor</u> For the <u>Kingdom</u> of <u>God</u> and of <u>Heaven</u> is <u>yours</u>	
	And <u>blessèd</u> are <u>you</u> who are <u>food</u> <u>deprived</u> You'll be <u>gratified</u> and <u>satisfied</u> and <u>well</u> <u>supplied</u>	21
	And <u>blessèd</u> are <u>you</u> who are <u>crying</u> out your <u>eyes</u> You're <u>gonna</u> <u>laugh</u> <u>hard</u> with a <u>five-mile</u> <u>wide</u> <u>smile</u>	
	And <u>blessèd</u> are <u>you</u> when <u>people</u> <u>reject</u> When they <u>eject</u> , <u>unchecked</u> , lip with <u>disrespect</u>	22
	And slam your <u>name</u> down <u>bam</u> without <u>giving</u> a <u>damn</u> * Cos you <u>follow</u> J.C., me, the <u>Son</u> of <u>Man</u>	
	Let's <u>get</u> the party <u>started</u> , turn <u>up</u> the <u>hi-fi</u> Cos you've <u>won</u> the <u>prize</u> so wave your <u>hands</u> up <u>high</u>	23
	For <u>likewise</u> , God's <u>prophets</u> were <u>slated</u> They were <u>burned</u> and <u>spurned</u> , <u>predecessors</u> <u>denigrated</u>	
	So <u>watch</u> your <u>back</u> if you've <u>got</u> it <u>made</u> You've <u>received</u> your <u>ease</u> and your <u>bill's</u> been <u>paid</u>	24
	And <u>watch</u> your <u>back</u> if you're <u>well</u> <u>supplied</u> You'll be <u>half-starved</u> , <u>bread-barred</u> , <u>food</u> <u>deprived</u>	25
	And <u>watch</u> your <u>back</u> if you're <u>smiling</u> <u>wide</u> For there's a <u>slide</u> to <u>ride</u> , gonna <u>cry</u> your <u>eyes</u>	
	And <u>watch</u> your <u>back</u> when you're <u>lionized</u> For the <u>forebears</u> <u>treated</u> false <u>prophets</u> <u>likewise</u>	26

Love your enemies

Jesus	Yes it's <u>time</u> to get <u>down</u> with the <u>message</u> I'm <u>bringing</u> Turn your <u>ears</u> to <u>hear</u> this def <u>record</u> I'm <u>spinning</u>	27
	Love your <u>enemies</u> <u>credibly</u> and <u>give</u> them your <u>best</u> To the <u>haters</u> do <u>good</u> and let your <u>cursers</u> be <u>blessed</u>	27-28
	I say <u>today</u> you gotta <u>pray</u> for the <u>crew</u> that <u>mistreat</u> you For the <u>cheaters</u> and <u>deceiters</u> that <u>defeat</u> and <u>beat</u> you	
	So if <u>someone</u> throws a <u>blow</u> to the <u>side</u> of your <u>head</u> Learn to <u>turn</u> the other <u>cheek</u> and switch your <u>sides</u> <u>instead</u>	29
	And if <u>someone</u> takes your <u>coat</u> or your <u>jacket</u> or <u>sweater</u> Don't <u>withhold</u> your <u>shirt</u> cos giving is <u>better</u>	
	Give to <u>everyone</u> who <u>asks</u> and if they <u>take</u> your <u>stuff</u> Don't <u>demand</u> it <u>back</u> or <u>rebuff</u> or get <u>tough</u>	30
	You see it's <u>time</u> to <u>break</u> <u>through</u> and taking <u>up</u> my <u>cue</u> Do to <u>others</u> as you'd <u>have</u> them <u>do</u> to <u>you</u>	31
	You see, <u>if</u> you <u>love</u> <u>those</u> who <u>love</u> you <u>back</u> Why do you <u>warrant</u> a <u>reward</u> and get a <u>badge</u> on your <u>cap</u> ?	32
	Cos there's <u>no</u> due <u>credit</u> where <u>respect</u> is <u>reimbursed</u> Even <u>sinners</u> love <u>those</u> who <u>love</u> them <u>first</u>	
	And <u>doing</u> good <u>stuff</u> that's <u>tit</u> for <u>tat</u> There's no <u>respect</u> you can <u>bet</u> cos even <u>sinners</u> do <u>that</u>	33
	And if you <u>lend</u> hard <u>dough</u> to those that <u>settle</u> <u>up</u> Know it's <u>no</u> big <u>deal</u> , know there's <u>no</u> prize <u>cup</u>	34
	Because <u>sinners</u> lend to <u>sinners</u> and <u>have</u> this <u>pull</u>	

Let me lyric from Rakim, 'They're getting paid in full'

Love your enemy with clemency, the other side

35

Lend and spend without depending on a gift in kind

Then your prize will be great, you'll be a child of God

He is kind to the thankless and the wicked and the flawed

Be compassionate and merciful, merciful compassionate

36

Just like your father is, smashing it, don't ration it

* V.22 'damn' may be replaced with 'ham':

Don't judge others

And do not judge and you won't be judged

37

Don't nudge or budge or hold a life-long grudge

Don't offend, reprehend with the word or the pen

You can depend my friend and you won't be condemned

Just live and forgive and you'll be forgiv'n

Give and live and to you it'll be giv'n

38

You'll get a good portion, packed in with excess

The amount you give will shape your repossess

Can the blind lead the blind

39

Luke

J began to explain

Jesus

Won't they both fall in a ditch, pit, gutter or drain?

The pupil's not more primo, perfect than the preacher

40

But the trainee who is trained will become like the teacher

And why check out the dust in your brother's eye

41

When there's a collision with your vision that you deny

How can you say to your brother, 'I'll get the speck for you' 42
 When you can't see past the plank in your field of view

First take the beam from your peeper, plaster saint
 Then you'll have the clarity to wash the dust from your mate

Fruit and Foundations

Jesus A top tree can't create feral fruit 43
 and a wack tree can't produce a crop that's good

And you know the type of tree by the fruit that it makes 44
 You don't pick figs from thorns or check brambles for grapes

Cos a perf person's heart imparts A-list things 45
 Whereas a prob person's heart imparts hack happenings

If your heart is bad then your words go south
 You see what's in your heart comes out of your mouth

Why call me, "Lord, Lord!" and don't obey what I say? 46
 If someone comes, listens, acts, let me show you how they play 47

They're like a builder digging deep, laying a foundation on stone 48
 It'll stay safe in the zone, when the floods swamp the home

But if you hear and don't act, you're like a house with no foundation 49
 When the floods sweep down we're talking flow disintegration

Chapter 7

Healings

Parts: **Luke**, **Elders**, **Roman**, **Jesus**, **Crowd**

The faith of a Roman officer

Luke	When <u>Jesus</u> finished <u>speaking</u> words to <u>crowds</u> that <u>concern</u> them He <u>made</u> some tracks to <u>head</u> back, to <u>return</u> to Capernaum	1
	There was a <u>Roman</u> Centurion with a <u>slave</u> to <u>save</u> He had a <u>servant</u> who was <u>sick</u> , quick <u>heading</u> for the <u>grave</u>	2
	So when the <u>trooper</u> got <u>wind</u> about <u>Jesus</u> he <u>elected</u> To <u>send</u> some leading <u>elders</u> who were <u>Jewish</u> , <u>respected</u>	3
	To ask <u>J</u> to come and <u>heal</u> their friend's <u>laid up</u> <u>slave</u> They went to <u>plead</u> on their <u>knees</u> that J would <u>come</u> to their <u>aid</u>	4
Elders	If there's a <u>person</u> on the <u>planet</u> owed <u>help</u> , it's this <u>dude</u> For he <u>built</u> our <u>synagogue</u> and he's a <u>friend</u> of the <u>Jews</u>	5
Luke	So J <u>journeyed</u> with the <u>crew</u> but they were <u>intercepted</u> For the <u>trooper</u> sent a <u>message</u> with some <u>mates</u> that <u>objected</u>	6
Roman	Lord, don't <u>trouble</u> yourself to make <u>moves</u> to my <u>manor</u> For I'm not <u>worthy</u> , <u>undeserving</u> of <u>such</u> a great <u>honour</u>	
	I'd <u>meet</u> you face to <u>face</u> if I <u>deserved</u> to be <u>seen</u> But say the <u>word</u> and my <u>servant</u> will be <u>healed</u> and made <u>clean</u>	7
	I'm <u>savvy</u> cos I'm <u>under</u> the <u>command</u> of my <u>chief</u> And have the <u>respect</u> and <u>command</u> of my <u>soldiers</u> <u>beneath</u>	8
	I say, ' <u>go</u> ,' and they <u>go</u> , or ' <u>come</u> ,' and they <u>come</u> And <u>if</u> I ask my <u>servants</u> , ' <u>do this</u> ' then it's <u>done</u>	

Luke When Jesus heard the message he was blown away 9
 And to the crowd that was following he turned to say

Jesus Listen up! Check out this guy of the Roman persuasion
 I've not encountered such great faith in the whole Jewish nation

Luke And when the officer's friends tracked back to the hood 10
 They found the servant who was floored, full restored and made good

Jesus raises a widow's son

Luke Soon after J blazed with his disciples to Nain 11
 He was tracked by a pack, by a mega human train

And as they gained on the place the loco had to terminate 12
 Because a tragic grave wake was breaking on through the gate

A dust-bitten young guy was a widow's only son
 A huge crowd from the town was keeping her strong

When the Lord saw the widow and her tear-filled eyes 13
 Compassion filled his heart and he told her
 Jesus Don't cry!

Luke He came close to the coffin and laid hands on the shroud 14
 The bearers stopped in their tracks as Jesus said out loud

Jesus Young guy, listen up, for it's time to arise!

Luke The lost boy sat up and began to vocalise 15

Then J gave him back to mum who was watching and waiting
 The peeps were filled with awe and they praised God stating

Crowd A great prophet has arisen from the population 16
 And today God's dropped and popped in on the nation

Luke

And the news about J spread throughout all Judea
Stardate three zero to the final frontier

17

Bad Attitudes

Parts: **Luke**, **Duo**, **Jesus**, **Malachi**, **Kids**, **Simon**, **Guests**

Jesus and John the Baptist

Luke	<p>John the <u>B</u>aptist had <u>disciples</u> who would <u>hear</u> and <u>collate</u> About <u>J</u>esus, keeping <u>J</u>ohn narrated, <u>bang</u> up-to-date</p>	18
	<p>So John <u>requested</u> an <u>assessment</u> made by <u>two</u> of his <u>gang</u> To <u>locate</u> and find <u>J</u>esus and to <u>question</u> the <u>man</u></p>	19
	<p>To <u>ask</u>, <u>give</u> it to us <u>straight</u>, are you the <u>Messiah</u>, the <u>One</u>? Or should we <u>wait</u>, <u>anticipate</u> another <u>guy</u> to come <u>along</u>?</p>	
Duo	<p>They <u>navigated</u> to <u>J</u>esus and <u>interrogated</u> John the <u>B</u>aptist <u>instigated</u> so that <u>doubt's</u> <u>eliminated</u></p>	20
	<p>Please <u>give</u> it to us <u>straight</u>, are you the <u>Messiah</u>, the <u>One</u>? Or should we <u>wait</u>, <u>anticipate</u> another <u>guy</u> to come <u>along</u>?</p>	
Luke	<p>Now <u>J</u> was all-out <u>healing</u> many <u>people</u> at the <u>time</u> <u>Lurgies</u>, bugs and <u>demons</u>, bringing <u>sight</u> to the <u>blind</u></p>	21
Jesus	<p>So when the <u>evaluating</u> <u>duo</u> came to <u>J</u> he plainly <u>stated</u> Go <u>back</u> to John the <u>B</u> with all the <u>claims</u> corroborated</p>	22
	<p>Lame <u>walking</u>, deaf <u>hearing</u>, skin <u>healing</u> of <u>disease</u> The <u>dead</u> are raised to <u>life</u> and the <u>blinded</u> can <u>see</u></p>	
	<p>Good <u>News</u> is being <u>preached</u> to the <u>people</u> in <u>need</u> Tell him, <u>blessèd</u> are <u>those</u> who aren't <u>offended</u> by <u>me</u></p>	23
Luke	<p>Then when the <u>couple</u> left <u>J</u>, he public <u>spoke</u> about <u>John</u></p>	24
Jesus	<p>You went <u>to</u> the wild <u>wastes</u> to scan what <u>kind</u> of a <u>man</u>?</p>	

	Did you <u>find</u> a weedy <u>guy</u> , hot and <u>cold</u> and thin <u>skinned</u> A weak <u>reed</u> in the <u>marshes</u> swayed by <u>ev'ry</u> breath of <u>wind</u> ?	
	Or were you <u>banking</u> on a <u>man</u> glammed <u>up</u> in <u>bling</u> ? No, <u>dressers</u> to <u>impress</u> live in <u>palaces</u> for <u>kings</u> !	25
	Or is it an <u>old</u> school <u>prophet</u> you were <u>looking</u> for? Yes he's an <u>old</u> school <u>prophet</u> but a <u>whole</u> lot <u>more</u>	26
	For when you <u>read</u> in Malachi chapter <u>three</u> verse <u>one</u> The <u>Bible's</u> chattin' <u>about</u> our best <u>buddy</u> , our <u>John</u>	27
(Malachi)	Check <u>this</u> , before you <u>come</u> I've sent my <u>messenger</u> <u>ahead</u> He will <u>prep</u> the path <u>before</u> you and the <u>trackway</u> that you <u>tread</u>	
Jesus	Listen <u>up</u> , of all the <u>people</u> in the <u>world</u> there isn't <u>one</u> Single <u>person</u> ever <u>lived</u> that's greater <u>than</u> my buddy <u>John</u>	28
Luke	When the <u>people</u> heard J <u>speak</u> , <u>everyone</u> gave him the <u>nod</u> Even the <u>tax</u> guys <u>agreed</u> the righteous <u>way</u> was with <u>God</u>	29
	They'd been <u>baptised</u> by <u>John</u> but some <u>refused</u> to be <u>done</u> The <u>pharisees</u> and law <u>degrees</u> had <u>rejected</u> God's <u>plan</u>	29-30
Jesus	But <u>Jesus</u> hadn't <u>finished</u> his <u>communication</u> With <u>what</u> can I compare this <u>current</u> <u>generation</u> ?	31
(Kids)	They're like <u>kids</u> playing <u>in</u> the park heart- <u>carping</u> to their <u>friends</u> You didn't <u>dance</u> to our <u>happy</u> songs or <u>cry</u> at our <u>laments</u>	32
Jesus	And <u>because</u> he didn't <u>spend</u> time eating <u>bread</u> and drinking <u>wine</u> You <u>whine</u> that John is <u>demonised</u> , you <u>undermine</u> , <u>malign</u>	33
	And then there's <u>me</u> , here I <u>am</u> , yes, the <u>Son</u> of <u>Man</u> I came <u>eating</u> and <u>drinking</u> on the <u>other</u> <u>hand</u>	

And you say I'm a dustbin and a boozer, an alcohol abuser 34
 And a friend of tax collectors, offenders and losers

But wisdom by her children is entirely justified 35
 i.e. shown to be right when people follow and abide

A forgiven woman

Luke Now Jesus was invited by a Pharisee to eat 36
 So he travelled to the pad and sat down in his seat

A street woman got wise about the meal with the master 37
 With an alabaster perfume pot she took it to the pastor

And then kneeling on the floor behind the boss began to weep 38
 So she hair-wiped, kissed, and then perfumed his feet

Then the pharisee host scoping the scene unfold 39
Thought

Pharisee If he was a prophet he would clock who has hold

And what kind of hussy's uninvited to the dinner
 He would know he's being handled by a woman and a sinner

Jesus Simon, listen up, you gotta get this in your head 40
 In your ear, you gotta hear

Luke And then Si replied and said

Simon Go ahead, tell me Teacher, make it simple and plain

Luke So J regaled with a tale and began to explain 41

Jesus Two people owed cash to a certain moneylender
 With one owing more than ten times the legal tender

Being strapped for cash their reserves had been plundered
Neither had the notes to pay their fifty or five hundred 42

So the lender being kind signed and settled the score
Tell me, which of these two debtors now will love him more?

Simon I guess the one with the bigger debt cancelled and erased 43

Jesus You got it my friend

Luke and to the woman he faced 44

Jesus Yo Simon, see this woman on the floor of your home
Since I entered let's remember all things that were done

You didn't give me water, to get my feet fair
Yet she washed them with her tears and wiped them dry with her hair

You didn't greet me with kiss but take a look at the floor 45
This woman's kissed my feet since I stepped through the door

You didn't oil my head to make me feel at home 46
But she's smothered my feet in kicking eau de cologne

Listen up cos she's been giving me so much love 47
Her many sins are forgiven, yes her love is enough

But petit pardoned people only love a little smidgen
Luke And then turning to the woman said 48
Jesus Your sins are forgiven

Luke The gathered guests began to goss about the things 49
Guests Who's this bloke that goes around town forgiving people's sins?

Luke Then Jesus, once again, said to the woman, on her knees 50
Jesus Your faith in me has saved you, now go and live in peace

Chapter 8

Sowing the Seeds of Love

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Random Person**, **Isaiah**

Support

Luke	<p>Soon <u>after</u> his <u>supper</u> with <u>Si</u> the <u>pharisee</u></p> <p>Jesus <u>toured</u> the towns and <u>boroughs</u> in the <u>near vicinity</u></p> <p><u>Proclaiming good news</u> of the <u>Kingdom of God</u></p> <p>Jesus <u>took</u> along the <u>Twelve</u> that made up <u>half</u> of his <u>squad</u></p>	1
	<p>For there were <u>women</u> who'd been <u>healed</u> of <u>evil fiends</u> and <u>diseases</u></p> <p>Like <u>Mary</u> from <u>Magdala</u> who'd been <u>freed</u> from seven <u>demons</u></p>	2
	<p>And <u>Herod's</u> honcho, <u>Chuza's</u> wife, her <u>name</u> was <u>Joanna</u></p> <p>And a <u>heap</u> of peeps that <u>tagged</u> along including <u>Susanna</u></p>	3
	<p>They gave <u>aid</u> to <u>sustain</u>, maintain the <u>life</u> and <u>ministry</u></p> <p>Of <u>Jesus</u> and <u>disciples</u> as they <u>worked</u> in <u>Galilee</u></p>	
	<p>Now a <u>large pack</u> of <u>people</u> from the <u>neighbouring towns</u></p> <p><u>Surrounded J</u>, so with a <u>parable</u> he <u>began</u> to <u>expound</u></p>	4

The Parable of the Sower

Jesus	<p>A <u>farmer</u> went to <u>field</u> to sow his <u>seed</u> in the <u>ground</u></p> <p>And as he <u>scattered around</u> check out the <u>things</u> that went <u>down</u></p> <p>Some <u>fell</u> along the <u>track</u> as it was <u>being transferred</u></p> <p>And it was <u>trodden down flat</u> and eaten <u>up</u> by the <u>birds</u></p>	5
	<p>Some <u>fell</u> on <u>rocky ground</u> and when the <u>little plants</u> <u>sprouted</u></p> <p>They <u>withered</u> and <u>died</u>, <u>defied</u>, <u>drooped</u>, and <u>droughted</u></p>	6
	<p>Some <u>fell</u> among <u>thorns</u> that <u>began</u> to <u>impede</u></p> <p>And as the <u>young plants</u> <u>grew</u> they got <u>choked</u> by the <u>weeds</u></p>	7

	But <u>some</u> they fell <u>well</u> on good <u>soil</u> and grew <u>strong</u> Producing a <u>crop</u> a hundred <u>times</u> that was <u>sown</u>	8
Luke Jesus	Then he <u>finished</u> the <u>pitch</u> and spoke <u>up</u> with a <u>quote</u> You got <u>ears</u> to <u>hear</u> , listen <u>up</u> and take <u>note</u>	
Luke	<u>Puzzled</u> and <u>perplexed</u> , about the <u>parable's</u> gist <u>Confused</u> , <u>bemused</u> , the Twelve <u>called</u> him to <u>assist</u>	9
Jesus	You're given <u>access</u> to the <u>classified</u> <u>Kingdom</u> of <u>God</u> I teach <u>pictures</u> so the <u>scriptures</u> are <u>fulfilled</u> and made <u>good</u>	10
(Isaiah)	Let me <u>quote</u> from <u>Isaiah</u> chapter <u>six</u> verse <u>nine</u> They <u>look</u> and don't <u>see</u> , hear, they <u>don't</u> understand	
Jesus	This <u>brain</u> ache <u>parable</u> I've <u>brought</u> and <u>taught</u> Let me <u>explain</u> and make <u>plain</u> my <u>train</u> of <u>thought</u>	11
	The <u>seed</u> is God's <u>word</u> and those <u>on</u> the <u>track</u> Hear the <u>word</u> , crushing <u>bird</u> , devil takes it <u>back</u>	11-12
	From their <u>hearts</u> that are <u>lying</u> on a <u>road</u> that is <u>paved</u> They won't <u>believe</u> and be <u>saved</u> and <u>remain</u> enslaved	
	And <u>those</u> on the <u>rocky</u> ground <u>receive</u> with <u>elation</u> But no <u>roots</u> on their <u>boots</u> there's no <u>firm</u> foundation	13
	They don't <u>stay</u> in the <u>game</u> or <u>make</u> the <u>climb</u> When the <u>going</u> gets <u>tough</u> they call it <u>quits</u> at half <u>time</u>	
	And the <u>seed</u> in the <u>thorns</u> are <u>those</u> that take <u>note</u> But their <u>lungs</u> are <u>choked</u> with a <u>rank</u> tobacco <u>smoke</u>	14
	Life's <u>pleasures</u> , and their <u>riches</u> and their <u>worries</u> <u>envelop</u> It <u>stunts</u> their <u>growth</u> and they <u>don't</u> develop	

But the seed on good soil represents the crew 15
Who are keeping it real and whose hearts are true

The message hit home that had been conferred
They produce huge crop from the word that they heard

You see, no one lights a lamp then sticks it under a bowl 16
Or a bed, no instead they put it up on a pole

So that everyone that enters in can see the light
Like stuff will be displayed that was out of sight 17

For there is nothing under wraps that won't be revealed
There's nothing on earth that will stay concealed

Therefore make sure, listen, lend an ear 18
For more will be given to the buddies that hear

But to those who tuned out, at the end of the day
Even the stuff they love will be taken away

Jesus' mother and brothers

Luke J's mother and brothers came round, inbound 19
Found they couldn't gain ground through the gridlocked crowd

Random So someone collared J in the fray and explained 20
Your ma and bro want in to exchange, engage

Luke J answered and proposed 21
Jesus My Ma and bros are those
Who transpose God's prose to life scenarios

	<p>He was <u>homeless</u> and <u>naked</u> and for <u>ages</u> <u>enslaved</u> With a <u>boneyard</u> <u>living</u> in the <u>graves</u>, <u>depraved</u></p>	
	<p>Laying <u>eyes</u> on <u>J</u>, he bayed and <u>fell</u> at his <u>feet</u> Shouting Son of the Most High I'm on my <u>knees</u></p>	28
Demon	<p>You here to <u>hurt</u> and <u>torment</u> and <u>deliver</u> misery? Jesus, Son of <u>God</u>, what do you <u>want</u> with <u>me</u>?</p>	
Luke	<p>But <u>Jesus</u> had already <u>dished</u> and <u>issued</u> his <u>command</u> Demand the <u>unclean</u> <u>fiend</u> to come on <u>out</u> of the <u>man</u></p>	29
	<p>You see, for <u>day</u> after <u>day</u> the <u>dirty</u> <u>demon</u> had <u>restrained</u> <u>Detained</u> and <u>contained</u> even <u>when</u> he was <u>chained</u></p>	
	<p>Both <u>hand</u> and <u>foot</u> and <u>kept</u> under <u>guard</u> He'd <u>busted</u> his <u>shackles</u>, been <u>banished</u> and <u>barred</u></p>	
	<p>To the <u>back</u> of <u>beyond</u> beneath a <u>pirate</u> <u>flag</u> So, <u>J</u> asked the <u>man</u> Tell me, <u>what's</u> your <u>tag</u>?</p>	30
Jesus		
Luke	<p>Filled with <u>untold</u> <u>demons</u>, a <u>military</u> <u>division</u> The <u>guy</u> <u>replied</u></p>	
Demon	<p>My <u>name</u> is <u>Legion</u></p>	
Luke	<p>And the <u>demons</u> begged <u>Jesus</u>, they were <u>looping</u> on <u>repeat</u> Not to <u>hurl</u> them to the <u>underworld</u>, <u>abyss</u> or <u>pit</u></p>	31
	<p>A huge <u>swathe</u> of <u>swine</u> were on the <u>hillside</u> <u>feeding</u> The <u>demons</u> <u>beseached</u>, <u>entreated</u> <u>Jesus</u>, <u>pleading</u></p>	32
	<p>To let them <u>enter</u> the <u>pigs</u> and for <u>J</u> to <u>assent</u> So he <u>gave</u> the <u>green</u> <u>light</u> and <u>agreed</u> to <u>consent</u></p>	

So when the demons man-departed, they were pig inbound 33
 The herd hurtled down the hillside to the lake and were drowned

When the swine minders spied and eyed the drowning herd 34
 They sped to spread the news and views of what occurred

And when the locals heard the word they journeyed out to see 35
 And reaching Jesus, found the guy who'd been clean set free

His marbles intact, rest, dressed and complete
 Mine-swept of the pests, blessed, sat at J's feet

But the neighbours were freaked, not reassured 36
 As the witnesses spoke of how the guy had been cured

Then the peeps that were rooted in the Gerasene region 37
 Way quaking, leaf-shaking, prayed Jesus to leave them

So J got in the boat and as he prepped to get going 38
 The once-oppressed guy try applied to go with him

Jesus But Jesus sent him packing, the demon-battle won 39
 Go on back to your shack and publicise what God's done

Luke So the man returned home, affirmed and attested
 As he bigged-up God just as Jesus requested

Two women and two miracles

Luke Returning over the lake J reconnected 40
 And was welcomed by the crowd as he was soon expected

Then a man named Jairus, synagogue M.D. 41
 Fell flat at J's feet and dished his heartfelt plea

For J to come to his pad, for his daughter was bad 41-42

She was twelve years young, her life fading fast

So J agreed to proceed, to intercede her need

He pressed through the crowd with haste and speed

Now a hemorrhagic woman had been filled with tears

43

She was bleeding, needing healing for a dozen years

And coming from behind she touched the edge of J's cloak

44

And on the spot the bleeding stopped, flow blocked and choked

J stopped in his tracks and he turned and asked

45

Jesus Who touched my cloak, gained and made contact?

Luke But no one confessed and Peter professed

Peter Boss, the crowd's jam-packed, crammed, wedged and pressed

Luke But Jesus persisted, insisted and stated

46

Jesus Someone touched my cloak, healing power radiated

Luke And knowing she was gonna be discovered, disclosed

47

The sister fell at his feet, all shaking and exposed

And in front of them all, she opened up and spilled the beans

Explaining why she touched him, straight away made clean

Then Jesus responded, to explain and to tell

48

Jesus Daughter, go in peace, your faith has made you well

Luke But while J was mid-flow, a messenger showed

49

He'd rolled in and arrived from Jairus' home and abode

With a deadly payload for the synagogue head

The bomb exploded, dealt a blow, when the messenger said

Messenger Don't trouble the teacher, time to stop what you started

Your daughter is dead, deceased and departed

Luke But hearing the word, J held Jairus, appealing 50

Jesus Don't fear, trust in me, for it's time for a healing

Luke When they finally made the journey out to Jairus's pad 51

Only Pete, John and James and the girl's mum and dad

Were permitted by Jesus to follow inside

And while the inner peeps cried, J testified 52

Jesus Don't cry, dry your eyes, for it's time to revive

This girl is just sleeping, not dead but alive

Luke The crowd jeered and sneered for they knew she had died 53

But J got alongside, held her hand and replied 54

Jesus My child, wake up, it's time to arise

Luke Straight away, then and there, she popped open her eyes 55

Her life flooded back and she got to her feet

Then Jesus told the crowd to get her something to eat

Her parents were bowled, made up and surprised 56

But J pressed to keep the circumstances classified

Chapter 9

The Twelve Disciples

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Herod**, **Crew**, **Peter**, **God**

Jesus sends his crew

Luke	Then J <u>summoned</u> the <u>dozen</u> and <u>commissioned</u> his <u>command</u> So <u>diseases</u> could be <u>eased</u> and every <u>demon</u> shackle <u>bound</u>	1
	And so <u>anointed</u> and <u>appointed</u> they were <u>sent</u> to <u>present</u> The <u>Kingdom</u> of <u>God</u> , to heal the <u>sick</u> and J <u>said</u>	2 2-3
Jesus	Leave your <u>luggage</u> <u>behind</u> and travel <u>lighter</u> than <u>light</u> No <u>cane</u> , <u>eats</u> , or <u>cash</u> , no duty <u>free</u> on the <u>flight</u>	
	No spare <u>underwear</u> , <u>coat</u> , <u>tunic</u> , or <u>gown</u> Oh, and <u>stay</u> in one <u>house</u> until it's <u>time</u> to leave <u>town</u>	4
	And <u>wherever</u> you are <u>shunned</u> , when you <u>take</u> the <u>back gate</u> Shake the <u>dirt</u> from your <u>treads</u> and leave the <u>town</u> to their <u>fate</u>	5
Luke	So the <u>crew</u> , on <u>cue</u> , <u>travelled</u> on <u>through</u> The <u>towns</u> <u>easing</u> <u>ills</u> and <u>declaring</u> the good <u>news</u>	6

King Herod's confused

Luke	Now king <u>Herod</u> the head <u>honcho</u> had his <u>ear</u> to the <u>ground</u> He was <u>confusion</u> <u>thrown</u> by <u>theories</u> doing the <u>rounds</u>	7
	Sounds like <u>J</u> was John the <u>Baptist</u> who'd been <u>raised</u> from the <u>dead</u> Or a <u>rising</u> ancient <u>prophet</u> like <u>Elijah</u> was <u>instead?</u>	8
Herod	Now I <u>had</u> John the <u>Baptist</u> <u>decapitated</u> <u>Muted</u> , <u>executed</u> , we're <u>talking</u> X-rated	9
Luke	So <u>who's</u> this <u>swaggering</u> and <u>holding</u> <u>sway</u> So Herod <u>set</u> about <u>trying</u> to <u>Facetime</u> <u>J</u>	

Feeding the five thousand

Luke	<p>When they returned to J the apostles spilled the beans Explaining how they'd smashed it and all that they'd achieved</p> <p>So gathering the gang J decided they should meet In the city of Bethsaida for a classified retreat</p>	10
	<p>But when the masses ascertained and laid plain their location J welcomed entertained the pursuing congregation</p> <p>Narrating and orating about the Kingdom of God And healing all the people that were needing to be cured</p>	11
Crew	<p>But the twelve were getting twitchy, it was late in the day So concerned they yearned for J to Send the crowds away</p> <p>Yes they need to get some food so a crisis is averted Diverted to the towns cos this place we're in's deserted</p>	12
Luke Jesus	<p>But J alerted now asserted turned and said to his crew It's time to serve some supper cos the catering's down to you</p>	13
Crew	<p>Right, unless we go buy take-out, getting shedloads for the droves All we have to eat tonight are two fishes and five loaves</p>	
Luke	<p>Not including kids and women in the multitudes Gathered in that place were about five thousand blokey dudes</p>	14
Jesus Luke	<p>Bunch them up in fifties and get them sitting on the ground So the the gang, obeying J, got the people hunkered down</p>	15
	<p>And then taking the two fishes and five loaves of bread J looked up to heaven, blessed it, broke it, and he shared</p>	16

The food to his crew who provided and supplied
 Until each person in the crowd was plied, sated, satisfied 17

And when they'd finally finished they had twelve doggie bags to go
 Of broken bits and pieces, of crumbs and bins and bone

Peter's Declaration about Jesus

Luke One time when J was praying alone 18
 With only his crew in the stone throw zone

He asked
 Jesus Who do the masses make me out to be?
 Luke The gang replied, multiple choice, with a one, two, three 19

Crew Now some say Elijah or John the B instead
 Yet others that an ancient prophet has risen from the dead

Jesus But tell me who do you guess and fess that I am? 20
 Peter Jesus Christ, the Messiah, God's Anointed One

Luke Then gravely J commanded them to keep it under wraps 21
 Saying

Jesus The Son of Man will suffer, now listen to the facts
 He'll be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes 22
 Life commuted, executed, but on the third day he will rise

If anyone wants to join my gang and be a groupie 23
 Then deny yourself, grab your cross and come and follow me

For if you want to save your life then first you'll have to lose it 24
 And those who lose their life for me, for my sake, yes they'll save it

For how do you profit if you gain the whole world 25
 If you discard yourself and are binned, and hurled

And if you're ashamed of me, the things I say and do 26
Then the Son of Man too will be ashamed of you

When he comes in both his own and his father's glory
And the holy angels, I'm telling you surely

That there are some stood here that won't die or demise 27
Before they scope God's Kingdom with their very own eyes

The Transfiguration

Luke Now about eight days after J had his say 28
He took Peter and John up a mountain to pray

And during his prayers he went super luma bright 29
Face transformed, clothes dazzling white

Then the duo spied J engaging two other guys 30
It was Moses and Elijah, and they were also glorified 30-31

They were talking about the date J would break and take his leave
And all his deeds in Jerusalem that he would yet achieve

Now Peter and his mates, though dead on their feet 32
Were wired enough to witness this midnight meet

With a radiating J and the couple bright as day
Just as they were leaving, Peter turned and said to J 33

Peter Hey Boss it's way great that we're hanging out together
Let us make three tents for you, and for Moses and Elijah

Luke But Pete wasn't clued in, he didn't know what he was saying
And as he spoke a cloud descended, a fog blanket overlaying 34

Then the duo from the crew were terrified and cowed
When a voice spoke aloud from the shroud of the cloud 35

Taking Sides

Parts: **Luke**, **Dad**, **Jesus**, **John**, **James**, **Bod 1**, **Bod 2**, **Bod 3**

A demon-possessed boy

Luke	The <u>next</u> day <u>they</u> came <u>down</u> from the <u>mount</u> And <u>faced</u> a great <u>crowd</u> when they <u>heard</u> a guy <u>shout</u>	37 37-38
Dad	Yo <u>Teacher</u> , I <u>beseech</u> ya, take <u>look</u> at my <u>son</u> He's my <u>only</u> <u>child</u> , yes I <u>only</u> have <u>one</u>	
	For the the <u>kid</u> has a <u>spirit</u> which <u>takes</u> <u>control</u> It <u>twists</u> him and <u>turns</u> him and <u>begins</u> to <u>maul</u>	39
	Mouth <u>foaming</u> he <u>screams</u> , it won't <u>leave</u> him <u>alone</u> I <u>begged</u> your crew to <u>free</u> him, they said it <u>couldn't</u> be <u>done</u>	40
Jesus	You <u>twisted</u> , <u>faithless</u> <u>people</u> , how <u>long</u> must I <u>bear</u> To <u>live</u> with you and <u>stay</u> , now bring your <u>son</u> over <u>here</u>	41
Luke	But <u>even</u> on his <u>way</u> the <u>demon</u> held <u>sway</u> Splay <u>slaying</u> the <u>kid</u> who was <u>shaking</u> where he <u>lay</u>	42
	But <u>today</u> was <u>D-day</u> , the dirty <u>demon</u> <u>obeyed</u> J <u>kicked</u> out the <u>spirit</u> and gave the <u>kid</u> some <u>first</u> <u>aid</u>	
	Now <u>allayed</u> and <u>restored</u> as he <u>healed</u> the <u>lad</u> J <u>conveyed</u> and <u>transported</u> , gave him <u>back</u> to his <u>dad</u>	
	And while the <u>groupies</u> were <u>gawping</u> at the <u>greatness</u> of <u>God</u> All <u>astounded</u> and <u>amazed</u> , J <u>said</u> to his <u>squad</u>	43
Jesus	Get this <u>into</u> your <u>head</u> about the the <u>Son</u> of <u>Man</u> He'll be <u>betrayed</u> and <u>back-stabbed</u> into <u>human</u> <u>hands</u>	44

Luke But the gang didn't click cos the meaning was masked 45
They couldn't receive or perceive and were too afraid to ask

Two sayings

Luke Now among J's crew egos got a bit inflated 46
When an argie broke out about who was top-rated

But J knew what they were thinking, what was going thru their minds 47
And he took a small child and placed her by his side

Jesus If you welcome this kid in my name then you extend a 48
Welcome to me and a welcome to my sender

Yes ya really wanna know which one of you is a beast?
If you wanna be the greatest then you've gotta be the least

Luke Then John followed on and began to explain 49
John We saw this guy casting out, bashing demons in your name

He didn't follow like us, he wasn't part of the scene
So we insisted he desisted and we tried to intervene

Jesus Hey don't try and stop him or turn the tide 50
For whoever's not against you is on your side

Samaritan opposition

Luke When the time was getting close for J to depart 51
Jerus'lem was the place where he'd set his heart

He sent messengers ahead to a town which was Samaritan 52
To get things ready but the residents were having none 52-53

Of anything to do with it, no welcoming committee
Cos J was heading for Jerusalem, the holy city

When James and John saw what was going on 54

	They said	
James	Lord shall we punish with a heavenly bomb?	
John	Demand and command like the prophet Elijah	
James	Call an airstrike and light up with fire	
Luke	But J spun on his heels and turned and said	55
Jesus	Hold on, slow down, try not to lose your head	
	You don't know which spirit has bewitched your sanity	
	The Son of Man didn't land to destroy humanity	
	But he came to save and bring emancipation	
Luke	Then the gang moved on, next destination	56
<i>The cost of following Jesus</i>		
Luke	Now a bod piped up while they were going with the flow	57
Bod 1	I will follow you J wherever you will go	
Jesus	Foxes have holes, birds have their nests	58
	But the Son of Man doesn't even have a bed to rest	
Luke	To a second bod he fessed	59
Jesus	Come, follow me	
Bod 2	I would but dad's funeral is where I gotta be	
Jesus	Let the dead bury their own, but you instead	60
	Go proclaim the K.O.G.	
Luke	Then a third bod said	
Bod 3	I will follow you Lord, but before I go ahead	61
	Gotta say bye to my fam back at the homestead	

Luke	He said	
Jesus	<u>Peeps</u> that are <u>back-looking</u> <u>over</u> their <u>shoulder</u>	62
	<u>Don't</u> fit the <u>mould</u> to be a <u>Kingdom</u> <u>shareholder</u>	

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Chapter 10

The Sending of the Crew

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Crew**

Jesus redeploys his crew

Luke	Now <u>J</u> <u>doubled up</u> and <u>redployed his crew</u> <u>Propelling out pairs up to seventy-two</u>	1
	<u>We're talking thirty six channels in ste-re-o</u> <u>Broadcast to the places he intended to go</u>	
Jesus	There are <u>heaps of crops</u> but the <u>workers are scant</u> So ask the <u>owner of the land</u> to <u>send more hands</u>	2
	And you'd <u>better get going</u> , it's time to <u>hit the track</u> <u>Grasp you're sent like lambs to a wild wolf pack</u>	3
	Don't <u>stop to say hi</u> , you gotta <u>choose to refuse</u> <u>No carry-on luggage, no wallet, no shoes</u>	4
	And when you <u>enter a crib</u> you say " <u>Peace to this place!</u> "	5
	And <u>whoever agrees</u> will get a <u>gallon of grace</u>	6
	But if they <u>don't want the spoils</u> , <u>excess going spare</u> <u>You'll get your peace back</u> that they <u>don't want to share</u>	
	And stay <u>put in one home</u> , no <u>flirting or flitting</u> <u>Hitting up other dwellings</u> , it's a <u>single house sitting</u>	
	And <u>eat what's before you</u> when the <u>table is laid</u>	7
	For the <u>wayfaring worker</u> <u>deserves to get paid</u>	
	And when you <u>enter a town</u> and the <u>inhabitants welcome</u>	8
	<u>Eat what you're given</u> , heal the <u>sick</u> , and <u>tell them</u>	8-9

“The Kingdom of God’s appeared for you right here
Dished up on a plate, yes it’s clear that it’s near”

But if you enter a town and the shoulder is cold 10
Take to the streets and let this message be told

“As a protest against your rejection of us 11
We’re shaking off the crud and the dirty town dust

We’re wiping our feet of the mud that’s clinged on
Behold you gotta hear the deal about God’s own Kingdom

It’s here right now” and on the day it goes down
Listen up, better Sodom than to be in that town 12

Woes and Woahs!

Chorazin, woe! Bethsaida, woe! 13
Should have switched your direction way long ago

If instead of your towns the cool deeds had been done
In the twin med cities of Tyre and Sidon

They’d have way back lamented, confessions vented
Sitting in ashes and rags, repented

But on the judgment day, we’re talking Terminator 14
A better fate for them than Chorazin, Bethsaida

And what about Capern-a-um, you want to know? 15
Promoted up to heaven? No, I don’t think so!

To the heart of Hades is where you’ll be hurled
You’ll be making your base in the underworld

Whoever listens to you without dissention 16
Is listening to me and paying attention

But whoever scorns you and severs the connection
It's me that they are shunning with their flat rejection

And if they blackball me, crop, chop, and stopping
The one who sent me is the one they're dropping

The return of the crew

Luke The seventy-two returned full of joy, contented 17
Crew Lord, in your name even demons relented!

Jesus I watched Satan fall from heaven like a lightning strike 18
You'll win the rap battle when you pick up the mike 19

Like, nothing can harm you, do whatever it takes
Yes, you have my permission to crush scorpions and snakes

But don't be all pumped that the spirits are relenting 20
Rejoice that your names are written in heaven

A prayer of thanksgiving

Luke Now, J was elated in the Spirit of God 21
And right now, right there, he began to pray on the spot

Jesus I give it up to you Lord, Dad of heaven and earth
Cos you've hidden these things from those that have worth

Like the fully-fledged, brainiacademicly bright
No, you revealed it to babies and it's pleasing in your sight

It's all been handed over, the world's apparel 22
From the Father to me, block, lock, stock and barrel

And no one knows the Son apart from the Dad
And no one knows the Father except for the Lad

Unless the Son selects and is so disposed

To disclose his Dad to the those he chose

Luke Then turning to his crew J said privately 23

Jesus Blessèd are the eyes that see what you see!

For I'm telling you, right, that heaps of prophets and kings

24

Longed to see what you see but missed out on these things

To catch a glimpse or give ear to this heavenly din

To hear what you hear but they couldn't tune in

Two Ends of the Spectrum

Parts: **Luke**, **Expert**, **Jesus**, **Samaritan**, **Martha**

The good Samaritan

Luke	One <u>time</u> a <u>professor</u> set <u>Jesus</u> to the <u>test</u> On a <u>quest</u> the pious <u>expert</u> in the <u>holy</u> law expressed	25
Expert	Life <u>eternal</u> is my <u>aim</u> and I <u>wanna</u> <u>inherit</u> Yo <u>Teacher</u> , I <u>beseech</u> ya, tell me <u>how</u> can I <u>get</u> it?	
Jesus	<u>Moses</u> wrote the <u>law</u> for <u>you</u> to <u>decode</u> What do you <u>make</u> of his <u>Mosaic</u> and the <u>Torah</u> moral <u>code</u> ?	26
Luke	With <u>Deuteronomy</u> <u>six</u> _ and verse <u>five</u> <u>Leviticus</u> chapter <u>nineteen</u> , the <u>man</u> replied	27
Expert	Love your <u>neighbour</u> as <u>yourself</u> and give <u>God</u> your <u>all</u> Love the <u>Lord</u> with all your <u>might</u> , mind, <u>heart</u> and <u>soul</u>	
Jesus	You're bang <u>on</u> my <u>son</u> and you've <u>got</u> it in <u>one</u> Do <u>this</u> and you will <u>live</u> and the <u>race</u> will be <u>won</u>	28
Luke	But for <u>self-validation</u> of the <u>Moses'</u> <u>equation</u> He asked	29
Expert	<u>Who</u> is my <u>neighbour</u> ?	
Luke	And here's <u>Jesus'</u> <u>narration</u>	30
Jesus	A Jewish <u>Joe</u> was heading <u>from</u> <u>Jerusalem</u> to <u>Jericho</u> , He was <u>jumped</u> and <u>mugged</u> and the <u>gang</u> began to <u>throw</u> And hose <u>blows</u> to his <u>head</u> , they stripped <u>Joe</u> of his <u>clothes</u> <u>Left</u> him <u>comatose</u> by the <u>side</u> of the <u>road</u> A priest <u>happened</u> to be <u>passing</u> the <u>man</u> that was <u>beat</u>	31

	He steered <u>clear</u> and adhered to the <u>far</u> side of the <u>street</u>	
	A <u>Levite</u> , temple <u>helper</u> , also <u>happened</u> to pass <u>by</u> But he <u>too</u> made the <u>move</u> to <u>elude</u> the fallen <u>guy</u>	32
	But a <u>despised</u> <u>Samaritan</u> who was <u>passing on through</u> Saw the <u>man</u> and with <u>compassion</u> , he <u>knew</u> just what to <u>do</u>	33
	So <u>going</u> to the <u>aid</u> of a <u>life</u> on the <u>line</u> He dressed the <u>wounds</u> , soothed the <u>bruises</u> , with <u>oil</u> and <u>wine</u>	34
	To a <u>hotel</u> on his <u>donkey</u> , he <u>helped</u> the man <u>ride</u> Where he <u>tended</u> to his <u>needs</u> and sat <u>by</u> his <u>bedside</u>	
	Next <u>day</u> he paid for <u>aid</u> , for the <u>man</u> to <u>stay</u> With a <u>couple</u> of silver <u>coins</u> , that's <u>about</u> a day's <u>wage</u>	35
Samaritan	And for a <u>chat</u> he took the <u>keeper</u> of the <u>inn</u> to one <u>side</u> Whatever he <u>needs</u> , you've <u>got</u> to <u>provide</u>	
	I'll <u>reimburse</u> from my <u>purse</u> as you <u>nurse</u> the <u>lad</u> And <u>when</u> I <u>return</u> , I'll <u>pick</u> up the <u>tab</u>	
Jesus	I ask you <u>which</u> of the <u>trio</u> was a <u>neighbour</u> to the <u>man</u> that <u>fell</u> into the <u>hands</u> of the <u>murderous</u> <u>gang</u> ?	36
Expert Jesus	The <u>one</u> who showed him <u>mercy</u> and <u>came</u> to his <u>aid</u> In a <u>word</u> , now you've <u>heard</u> , time to <u>go</u> and do the <u>same</u>	37
<i>Martha and Mary</i>		
Luke	Now, as <u>J</u> travelled <u>on</u> with his <u>motley</u> <u>crew</u> He <u>entered</u> a <u>village</u> , instead of <u>passing on through</u>	38
	A <u>woman</u> named <u>Martha</u> who <u>graced</u> that <u>place</u> <u>Embraced</u> and welcomed him <u>in</u> to her <u>living</u> <u>space</u>	

	She had a <u>sister</u> named <u>Mary</u> who <u>sat</u> at Jesus' <u>feet</u> Tuning <u>in</u> to what he <u>had</u> to say while <u>Martha</u> prepped to <u>eat</u>	39
	But <u>Martha</u> was <u>distracted</u> by the <u>stacks</u> and stacks of <u>tasks</u> The <u>foot</u> rushed woman <u>flagged</u> down J and <u>flustered</u> full-on <u>asked</u>	40
Martha	Can't you <u>see</u> I'm backward <u>bending</u> , Lord, <u>don't</u> you give a <u>damn?</u> <u>Command</u> my sis to <u>get</u> with this and <u>lend</u> a helping <u>hand</u>	
Luke	But <u>mind</u> , the Lord <u>replied</u> in kind by <u>calling</u> out her <u>name</u> <u>Saying</u>	41
Jesus	<u>Martha</u> , <u>Martha</u> , <u>dearest</u> one, you're <u>winning</u> at your <u>game</u> But you're <u>acting</u> all <u>distracted</u> , tangled <u>knickers</u> in a <u>twist</u> With all that's <u>piled</u> upon your <u>plate</u> , it's a <u>never-ending</u> <u>list</u> But if you <u>put</u> aside all else <u>beside</u> there's <u>one</u> thing that is <u>left</u> Now <u>Mary</u> chose this <u>better</u> part and she'll <u>never</u> be <u>bereft</u>	42

Chapter 11

How to Pray

Parts: **Luke**, **Disciple**, **Jesus**, **You**, **Friend**, **Crowds**, **Evil Spirit**, **Woman**

The Lord's Prayer

Luke Now J was praying in a certain location 1
 And when through, a crew member asked for information

Disciple Like John taught his band, Lord teach us to pray
 Luke So J relayed, conveyed, 2
 Jesus Okay, when you pray, say

Heavenly Father, yes your name is sacred 3
Send your Holy Spirit so we're consecrated

Today and the next, supply our daily bread
 And acquit our sins as we remit the debt 4

Of those that are hating on us and committing
Crimes, we're defined by the mercy we're emitting

And may we not stretch, snap, or come undone
 Being tempted, but delivered from the evil one

Asking for the Spirit

Okay, suppose you chose to go and see a mate 5-6
 It's late, midnight, you ring the bell and state

You A buddy's arrived and the fridge is bare
 Friend, do you have three loaves to spare?

Jesus But you hear a voice coming from deep within 7
 Friend You're kidding me right cos we've all turned in

My kids are asleep and the door is locked

I'm not getting you dit, I can't believe you knocked!

Jesus

Listen up, even though he's a mate and refuses
Because the pal's pushy, he relents and chooses

8

To jump out of bed and get whatever he needs
So listen up, tune in, pay attention and heed

9

If you ask you'll get and if you seek you'll find
Knock and the door will swing open wide

For askers get and will find if scoping
And if anyone knocks the door will open

10

Is there anyone here, if your kid makes a wish
That would give her a snake if she asks for a fish?

11

Or would give her a stone if she asks for bread?
Or a scorpion sting if she asks for an egg?

12

So if you know good gifting even though you are bad
How much more will your heavenly Dad

13

Give you the Holy Spirit? There's legit, one task
Simply, open your mouth or heart. Just ask!

The power source

Luke

Now one day J delivered a demon that was mute
And when he had finally given the boot to the brute

14

The silent guy spoke and the crowds were astounded
But some of them dissed and hollered and hounded

15

Crowds

It's by the king of the demons that he has the clout
With Beel-Z-Bub's power he can cast them out

Luke	Others <u>tested</u> and <u>pled</u> for a <u>sign</u> from <u>heaven</u>	16
	But he <u>knew</u> what they were <u>thinking</u> and he <u>turned</u> and <u>said</u> to them	17
Jesus	A <u>city</u> that <u>divides</u> with two <u>sides</u> at <u>war</u>	
	Will <u>become</u> a bombed-out <u>rubble</u> , homes <u>flattened</u> to the <u>floor</u>	
	So if <u>Satan</u> self <u>splits</u> and <u>against</u> himself <u>pits</u>	18
	With a <u>blitz</u> his knit <u>kingdom</u> will be <u>shattered</u> into <u>bits</u>	
	Cos you <u>say</u> I deem <u>deliver</u> by <u>Beel-Z-Bul</u>	
	And if <u>Beel-Z-Bul's</u> my <u>boss</u> , let me <u>ask</u> you this in <u>full</u>	19
	Under <u>what</u> <u>jurisdiction</u> do your <u>brothers</u> cast them <u>out</u> ?	
	So let <u>them</u> be the <u>judge</u> so there <u>won't</u> be any <u>doubt</u>	
	But if I'm <u>casting</u> out <u>demons</u> by <u>God's</u> <u>mandate</u>	20
	Then guess <u>what</u> , the <u>K.O.G.'s</u> crash <u>landed</u> on your <u>plate</u>	
	When a <u>tough</u> guy's <u>weaponised</u> , <u>protecting</u> his <u>vault</u>	21
	Then his <u>stash</u> is kept <u>safe</u> from any <u>kind</u> of <u>assault</u>	
	But if a <u>stronger</u> guy <u>attacks</u> , <u>overpowers</u> , takes him <u>out</u>	22
	Nabs the <u>ammo</u> in which he <u>trusted</u> and <u>takes</u> away his <u>clout</u>	
	The <u>tough</u> guy will be <u>beaten</u> , his <u>belongings</u> put <u>asunder</u>	
	And the <u>stronger</u> guy will <u>parcel</u> up and <u>divvie</u> up his <u>plunder</u>	
	You see <u>whoever's</u> not <u>with</u> me <u>against</u> me <u>stands</u>	23
	And <u>whoever's</u> not <u>uniting</u> on my <u>side</u> <u>disbands</u>	
	<u>Understand</u> if you <u>can</u> that when a <u>spirit's</u> <u>unclean</u>	24
	And it <u>leaves</u> a <u>geezer</u> no <u>longer</u> to be <u>seen</u>	
	It <u>wanders</u> in dry <u>wastelands</u> <u>looking</u> for a <u>place</u>	
	And it <u>says</u> to <u>itself</u> when it <u>can't</u> find a <u>base</u>	

Evil Spirit	I'll head <u>back</u> to the <u>shack</u> from <u>where</u> I <u>came</u>	
Jesus	And <u>returning</u> it <u>learns</u> that the <u>house</u> is fair game	25
	<u>Cos</u> it's <u>ship</u> -shape, <u>tidied</u> and <u>sparkling</u> <u>clean</u>	
	So the <u>spirit</u> goes <u>collects</u> seven <u>others</u> more <u>mean</u>	26
	And they <u>enter</u> the <u>person</u> , <u>embedded</u> , <u>immersed</u>	
	And now the <u>person's</u> final <u>state</u> is <u>worse</u> than the <u>first</u>	
Luke	Now <u>while</u> J was <u>saying</u> these <u>words</u> to the <u>crowd</u>	27
	A <u>woman</u> raised her <u>voice</u> to be <u>heard</u> clear and <u>loud</u>	
Woman	The <u>woman</u> that <u>begot</u> you is <u>blessèd</u> , <u>preferred</u> !	
Jesus	No, <u>blessèd</u> are <u>those</u> that hear and <u>obey</u> God's <u>word</u> !	28

This Generation

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Scribe**

The crowds want a sign

Luke	When the <u>crowds</u> were getting <u>bigger</u> J began a <u>narration</u>	29
Jesus	This <u>aberration</u> <u>population</u> is an <u>evil</u> <u>generation</u>	
	Protesting and <u>proclaiming</u> , it <u>asks</u> to be <u>thrown</u> a <u>bone</u> but I'm <u>denying</u> all but the <u>sign</u> of <u>Jonah</u>	
	For <u>in</u> the same <u>way</u> <u>Jonah</u> was a <u>pointer</u> for the <u>clan</u> Of <u>Nin-e-veh</u> <u>city</u> , so the <u>Son</u> of <u>Man</u>	30
	Will <u>indicate</u> and <u>relate</u> , like does a <u>clock</u> have <u>hands</u> ? Yes, for <u>this</u> <u>generation</u> he's a <u>marker</u> in the <u>sand</u>	
	On <u>judgment</u> <u>day</u> , the <u>Sheba</u> <u>Queen</u>	31
	That's the <u>Queen</u> of the <u>South</u> will <u>come</u> on the <u>scene</u>	
	When she <u>rises</u> and <u>flies</u> with <u>this</u> <u>generation</u> She'll <u>stand</u> <u>against</u> them with <u>condemnation</u>	
	You see <u>way</u> back <u>then</u> she was <u>backwards</u> <u>bent</u> <u>Intent</u> from the <u>ends</u> of the <u>earth</u> she <u>went</u>	
	To <u>listen</u> and <u>hear</u> to <u>Solomon's</u> <u>wisdom</u> Now <u>here's</u> a bigger <u>fish</u> and you <u>whistle</u> and <u>hum</u> ?	
	Even the <u>Nineveh</u> <u>peeps</u> will <u>rise</u> again	32
	And on <u>judgement</u> <u>day</u> they'll <u>also</u> <u>condemn</u>	
	This <u>generation</u> because of <u>what</u> they <u>heard</u> They <u>changed</u> their <u>ways</u> when <u>Jonah</u> stirred the <u>word</u>	

And now someone to a greater extent is sent
 But you refuse to listen, to hear, and repent

Light and Darkness

Jesus When you flick your bedside switch you don't downplay 33
 Try to slide it under pillows and hide the light away

You want your perfect pad to be a tomb of gloom?
 No, you keep your lamp up high so it super lumes your room

In the same way for your body, your eyesight is the light 34
 And when your eye is healthy your body's super bright

But if your eye's unhealthy then your bod is turned to night 35
 Is the lume in you true darkness? You gotta check that it is right

And when you're blazed with light rays with no shadows being cast 36
 Then you'll shine with luminescence that will never be surpassed

The religious elite

Luke While J was full-on phrasing a Pharisee asked J to dine 37
 So Jesus went on in and to the table to recline

The Pharisee was floored cos surely J was versed 38
 In the Pharisaic rulebook, gotta wash your hands first

Jesus You wash and wipe the outside of your beaker and your dish 39
 But inner Pharisees are full of greed and wickedness

You fools, don't you know the one who formed your outer skin 40
 Also made you on the inside, who you are, deep down within

It's not vital how vivid are your cups and your platters
 You see it's not just your outer appearance that matters

So provide for the poor from what is inside you 41

And you'll be clean all over, yes, as good as new

So to the Pharisee throng here's woah number one
You set aside a tithe, just a teeny, tiny sum

42

Of the herbs from your plot but you to choose to ignore
The love of God and God's justice, the eternal law

Now sure, you should tithe and freely give, no strings
But not at the expense of more important things

So to the Pharisee crew here's woah number two
Gonna mention the attention that's lavished on you

43

In the synagogue meets you love the honorific seats
And respect from peeps and the marketplace greets

So to the clan Pharisee here's woah number three
And when I say woe, I mean a sorrowful decree

44

You're like unmarked graves lying in the ground
People walking over, blind, wandering around

Luke Now, one of the scribes, an expert in the law 45
Knew the rules and regulations, didn't like what he saw

What he heard from J and he'd had enough
Saying

Scribe Teach, you breach us too when you say this stuff

Jesus To you tribe of scribes here's woah number one 46
Let's talk about the burdens that weigh a cool tonne

That you heap on peeps, they're too much to bear
Crushing, do you help? No you just don't care

- And to you scribes and lawyers here's woah number two 47
 Let's talk about the tombs you construct, construe
- Mausoleums for the prophets that you birth and build
 For the very same prophets your ancestors killed
- By turning out these tombs you approve and agree 48
 To be accessories to murder for your forebear's deeds
- For it's admitting in God's Wisdom written that he will 49
 "Send them prophets and apostles they will burn and kill"
- Therefore the blame's been laid on this generation 50
 For the popping of the prophets since the world's foundation
- You're charged with the massacres of Abel to Zee 51
Zechariah tween the altar and sanctuary
- And everyone between that was deep-sixed dead
 This generation's dubbed and it's on your head
- And if you think I'm done and finished my eulogy* 52
Yo, scribes and lawyers here's woah number three
- You've removed key details from the people you teach
 And by not entering yourselves you now impeach
- Each hindering and hampering you make a back rod
Impeding peeps from entering the Kingdom of God
- Luke While J was vacating the place, the Scribes and Pharisees 53
Were hostile, wringing, giving the third degree

Wishing J would trip and misstate to self incriminate
They baited, laid in wait, hoping for a checkmate

* V.52 Feel free to swap 'eulogy' with 'obloquy' or 'delivery':

Chapter 12

Living out Salvation

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Chorus**, **Bystander**, **Rich Girl**, **God**, **Peter**

Do not fear!

Luke	<p><u>Thousands were gathered and the swelling crowd grew</u> <u>Tripping over each other, J first turned to his crew</u></p>	1
Jesus	<p><u>Beware the fungus of the Pharisees, what makes them tick</u> <u>Is holiness hypocrisy, they lay it on thick</u></p> <p><u>Click a time is coming up when the lid'll be lifted</u> <u>No secrets are hid and the truth'll be gifted</u></p> <p><u>What you've said in the dark'll be heard in the light</u> <u>Shouting out by day what's whispered at night</u></p> <p><u>What you murmur and purr behind doors shut closed</u> <u>Will be taken to the rooftops, blow-horned, exposed</u></p> <p><u>Listen up dear friends, don't fear a core</u> <u>Who can kill the body and can do no more</u></p> <p><u>But you really wanna know who to respect and revere?</u> <u>The holy God in heaven, he's the one to fear!</u></p> <p><u>For when you're dead and gone, he has authority</u> <u>To cast you to Gehenna, a kind of purgatory</u></p>	2
Chorus	<p><u>The Valley of Hinnom where judgement's made</u> <u>A place of reckoning where debts are paid</u></p>	
Jesus	<p><u>Now don't five sparrows fetch a couple of cents?</u> <u>Yet God won't forget and'll come to their defence</u></p>	6

He'll remember each one, so don't be misled
 He's numbered and counted every hair on your head!

So no need to fear, now mark my words
 You're worth way much more than a flock of birds!

Whoever in public, plain gives me the nod
 The Son of Man will applaud before the angels of God

But if they decry me, chide, lay me aside
 Before God's angels they will be denied

Dis the Son of Man and you'll be forgiven
 Blaspheme the Holy Spirit and a wedge'll be driven

And when they bring you to the synagogue authorities
 And rulers, don't stress about how you will appease

Or how to convey, for without delay
 The Holy Spirit will direct what shot to play

The rich fool

Luke Someone in the crowd asked J to tell him straight
 Bystander Yo Teach, tell my bro to share the family estate

Jesus Mate, who made me jury over you and your need?
 Be aware and on guard against every kind of greed

Luke You see, life isn't measured by the stuff in your possession
 And to make his point clear he bold told them this lesson

Jesus There was this uber-rich girl with a prime stack of land
 Which cropped such a lot that she had to expand

Rich Girl And she thought to herself
 Now what am I to do

I've done run out of room to store this boom that I grew

I know, I'll flatten my barns and build sheds high and wide 18

Provide a place to store my bounty and my other goods inside

And I will say to myself, "You done good, my friend 19

You got cash in the bank and hot dollars to spend

With no bottom line it's time to recline

Fine dine, drink and chill cos the party's at mine

Luke But God said to the girl 20

God You complete and utter clutz!

Cos tonight you're gonna peg it, yes you're gonna bite the dust

And all the stuff you hoarded, self-rewarded, tell me straight

Mate, declare who will share and inherit your estate?

Jesus So this is how it plays for those that wrap a tight wad 21

Storing riches for themselves but aren't rich towards God

What it's like in God's Kingdom?

Luke J said to his crew 22

Jesus Hey, let me tell you

Not to stress about your life and the duties that you do

What you'll eat, about your body, or how you will appear

For life is more than food and the body more than gear 23

Now think about the birds, they don't sow, or tend, or reap 24

They don't have barns for storage yet they're tended in God's keep

And if they're fed and watered from the storehouse here on earth

How much more than the birds are your precious lives worth?

Can any of you by worrying add an hour to your life 25

- Or add a single inch to stature, by some magic grow your height
- So if you're powerless to ply such a simple thing as that 26
Why worry about all else and where the rest of life is at?
- Fact check how flowers grow, they don't toil or spin or weave 27
Yet Solomon in his splendour wasn't decked as one of these
- So if God rigs out the grass that grows in fields today 28
But tomorrow is hacked down and burned or turned to hay
- How much more will God equip, fix, fit and kit you out?
Oh you of little faith, don't give up or ever doubt!
- So back out of backward bending for your drinks and for your eats 29
Cold sweating, stressing out, heart palpitating beats
- It's the nations of the world that hanker after all this stuff 30
But your Dad knows what you need and he'll ensure you have enough
- So stay focused, take your aim and keep God's Kingdom in your view 31
And all the things we've talked about will be given unto you
- Do not fear my dear friends, get alarmed or agitated 32
For giving you the Kingdom leaves your Father God elated
- So donate, liquidate, sell your kit, and give away 33
To the destitute, the needy, the hard up waif and stray
- And make yourself some wallets or purses that won't wear
A treasure banked in heaven that'll never need repair
- A vault which can't be raided, disintegrated, safe with me
For where your treasure can be found your heart will also be 34

Be ready!

Jesus	Get <u>ready</u> , dress for <u>action</u> , switch <u>on</u> your house <u>lights</u> Let me <u>cite</u> a short <u>ditty</u> spitting <u>who</u> you should be <u>like</u>	35
	Mimic <u>servs</u> who are <u>alert</u> and are <u>yearning</u> to <u>discern</u> A certain <u>knock</u> at the <u>door</u> which <u>signals</u> the <u>return</u>	36
	Of their <u>boss</u> who's been <u>attending</u> on <u>wedding</u> shore <u>leave</u> Standing <u>by</u> the front door <u>primed</u> , <u>ready</u> to <u>receive</u>	36
	And as they <u>eagerly</u> <u>wait</u> , it'll be <u>good</u> for their <u>sake</u> I tell you, <u>bless'd</u> are the <u>servants</u> who are <u>discovered</u> <u>awake</u>	37
	Cos when he <u>comes</u> , apron <u>tied</u> , the boss'll <u>stay</u> on his <u>feet</u> Yes he'll <u>meet</u> their <u>needs</u> and sit them <u>down</u> to <u>eat</u>	
	Whether <u>crack</u> of <u>dawn</u> or we're <u>talking</u> crazy <u>late</u> The <u>servs</u> will be <u>blessed</u> if they're <u>found</u> in fit <u>state</u>	38
	Or <u>take</u> a <u>homeowner</u> who <u>wouldn't</u> dare <u>leave</u> If he <u>knew</u> the very <u>time</u> to <u>expect</u> the <u>thief</u>	39
	In the <u>same</u> way <u>prepare</u> , get <u>ready</u> , make a <u>plan</u> For the <u>blindside</u> surprise <u>arrival</u> of the <u>Son</u> of <u>Man</u>	40
Luke	<u>Pete asked</u>	41
Peter	Lord, the <u>story</u> you just <u>communicated</u> Is it only for <u>us</u> or to be Google <u>translated</u> ?	
Jesus	Tell me <u>who's</u> the <u>boss</u> who serves the <u>ruler</u> of <u>all</u> Who's <u>anointed</u> and <u>appointed</u> to <u>run</u> the <u>payroll</u>	42
	Overseeing the <u>servants</u> and <u>keeping</u> in <u>line</u> Making <u>sure</u> they're all <u>fed</u> at the <u>appointed</u> <u>time</u> ?	

My, blessèd is that servant if he's not found shirking 43
 If when the ruler arrives she finds him hard working

I'm telling you straight, she will delegate 44
 And let the servant be in charge of the whole estate

Chorus But there are three other options, as J explains
How the servant could perform in the whole ball game

Jesus If the serv says to himself, "She's long gone, delayed"
 And back behind betrays and strays and plays

Begins beating other servants, eating, drinking, getting drunk
 Won't the ruler return with a hard slam dunk 46

Unannounced and unexpected, the serv will be corrected
 He'll be sliced and diced, and with the traitors be ejected

Or if the servant clearly knows what the ruler is tasking 47
 But is lazy, unprepared and doesn't do what she's asking

He'll get a beating for not behaving doing the things he oughta
 He'll be named and shamed and blown out the water

But finally, number three, the serv that has no clue 48
 No notion of the duties he's been asked to do

If he crosses a line and should be beaten quite rightly
 He'll be wrist slapped and only punished quite lightly

For whoever's given stacks, big gains will be desired
 And whoever's trusted much, big returns will be required

Jesus causes division

Jesus I came to bring fire to the earth and ignite 49
 And how I wish it was burning and already alight

And there's a bold baptism that I keep my eyes on 50
 For my baptism date is on the horizon

And until it's accomplished I'm under duress
 I confess that till it's finished I'm feeling the stress

Do you think, for a second, I'm bringing peace to earth 51
 No, division is the child that I bring to birth

Splitting five atoms, a nuked family 52
Three against two and two against three

Mum against daughter and dad against lad 53
Lass against mum and son against dad

Drawing sword straws against the fam in-laws
 Micah seven verse six talks of relative wars*

Interpreting the signs

Luke As well as these things, J said to the crowds 54

Jesus When you look to the west and see dark'ning clouds

You say, straight away, "Hey, it's going to rain"
 And you're right, yes it does, cos it's nose face plain

You say, "It's gonna be hot" when the south wind blows 55
 And you're right, yes it does, like a plain face nose

You hypocrites! You can't piece it all together 56
 The signs of the times but you can forecast the weather?

Striking a deal

Jesus And why can't you judge for yourselves what's right 57

Using lame excuses to defend your plight

You go with your accuser before a magistrate 58
But you should settle your case before it gets too late

You may be dragged before a judge who will discern and hail
A guard who will throw your sorry butt in jail

And you'll never be released until you've paid the fine 59
We're talking every last lepton, cent, penny and dime

* V.53 The next verse in the book of the prophet Micah says, "But as for me, the Lord will be my help. I'll wait for the God who will save me. My God will hear me."

Chapter 13

Turning to God

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Chorus**, **Owner**, **Gardener**, **Leader**

A call to repentance

Luke	<p>About this <u>time</u> some <u>came</u> to J and <u>said</u> That <u>Pilate</u> had some <u>Galileans</u> <u>gunned</u> <u>down</u> <u>dead</u></p> <p><u>Offering</u> at the <u>temple</u> they'd <u>paid</u> the <u>price</u> As <u>Pilate</u> mixed their <u>blood</u> with their <u>sacrifice</u></p>	1
Jesus	<p>Do you <u>think</u> those <u>Galileans</u> suffered <u>on</u> this <u>day</u> Because they were <u>sinners</u> in <u>any</u> worse <u>way</u></p> <p>Than <u>anyone</u> <u>else</u>? No, to <u>zero</u> <u>extent</u> But <u>you</u> too will <u>perish</u> unless you <u>truly</u> <u>repent</u></p> <p>Or <u>what</u> about the <u>eighteen</u> that were <u>tragically</u> <u>killed</u> When the <u>tower</u> of <u>Siloam</u> <u>toppled</u> and <u>spilled</u></p> <p>Is <u>everyone</u> <u>else</u> living in <u>Jerusalem</u> Any worse a <u>sinner</u> or <u>offender</u> than <u>them</u></p> <p>No <u>way</u>! Not a <u>chance</u>, you'd be <u>way</u> <u>off</u> <u>grid</u> Unless you <u>repent</u> you'll go the <u>way</u> they <u>did</u></p>	2 2-3 4
		5

The barren fig tree

Luke	Then <u>Jesus</u> <u>related</u> this <u>relevant</u> <u>parable</u>	6
Chorus	About a <u>failing</u> <u>fig</u> <u>tree</u> , all <u>alluding</u> <u>allegorical</u>	
Jesus	<p>A <u>guy</u> grew a <u>fig</u> <u>tree</u> in his <u>vineyard</u> <u>plot</u> And each <u>time</u> he arrived to <u>visit</u> he <u>tried</u> to <u>spot</u></p> <p>A single <u>fruit</u> on the <u>tree</u> but he <u>failed</u> to see <u>one</u> So he <u>gathered</u> his <u>gardener</u> to <u>tell</u> him he's <u>done</u></p>	7

Owner	Now <u>check this out!</u> I've been <u>coming</u> for three <u>years</u> <u>Looking for fruit, time to get the shears</u>	
	<u>Cos it's clear</u> that this <u>tree</u> is a <u>barren</u> dead <u>loss</u> <u>Cut it down, chop and lop, it's a waste of compost</u>	
Gardener	Sir, <u>leave it alone</u> for just <u>one</u> more <u>year</u> I'll dig it <u>over</u> , <u>fertilise</u> , and hope that <u>figs</u> <u>appear</u>	8
	And <u>if we get figs</u> , well, we're <u>on</u> to a <u>winner</u> But if it <u>doesn't</u> bear <u>fruit</u> I'll be the <u>first</u> axe <u>swinger</u>	9

Healing on the Sabbath

Luke	Now J was <u>preaching</u> , <u>teaching</u> on the <u>sabbath</u> , seventh <u>day</u> In the <u>Jewish</u> <u>synagogue</u> when a <u>woman</u> came his <u>way</u>	10 10-11
	She'd been <u>crippled</u> by a <u>spirit</u> , years - <u>ten</u> plus <u>eight</u> She was <u>bent</u> over <u>double</u> , couldn't <u>stand</u> up <u>straight</u>	11
	When J perceived her <u>problem</u> , he <u>called</u> her to his <u>side</u>	12
Jesus	Dear <u>woman</u> you're <u>unbound</u> from the <u>plight</u> that's got you <u>tied</u>	
Luke	Then he <u>reached</u> out and <u>touched</u> her and with <u>no</u> <u>delays</u> She <u>stood</u> up <u>straight</u> , and began <u>God's</u> <u>praise</u>	13
	But the <u>synagogue</u> <u>leader</u> was <u>under</u> a <u>cloud</u> He was <u>hacked</u> , mad, <u>hopping</u> , kept <u>saying</u> to the <u>crowd</u>	14
Leader	It's a <u>six</u> day <u>week</u> for doing <u>work</u> and no <u>play</u> <u>Come</u> get healed <u>then</u> , not on the <u>Sabbath</u> <u>Day!</u>	
Luke	But the <u>Lord</u> spoke <u>up</u> , and <u>answered</u> with this <u>flow</u>	15
Jesus	You <u>bunch</u> of hypocrites! As your <u>actions</u> clearly <u>show</u> <u>On the Sabbath</u> don't you <u>do</u> this, now, <u>concentrate</u> and <u>think</u>	

Don't you take your ox or donkey, untie them, let them drink?

So this Abraham's daughter oughta be set free

16

For eighteen long years been under lock and key

Enslaved by Satan, body held at bay

So shouldn't she be released on the Sabbath day?

Luke

And when J had finished speaking his rivals were shame faced

17

But the crowds were elated at the wonders Jesus aced

The Kingdom of God

Parts: **Jesus**, **Luke**, **Someone**, **Pharisees**

The mustard seed

Jesus Now how to relate God's kingdom, with something to compare? 18
 It's like a mini mustard seed which was planted with great care 19

Garden sown it grew into a massive tree and housed
 The birds that came and nested in its branches and its boughs

Yeast

How else to relate God's Kingdom, what light can I shed? 20
 It's like the yeast a person uses when baking making bread 21

Mixing pinches into flour power stirring to and fro
 It permeates the bowlfful, prize rising up the dough

The narrow door

Luke J was heading for Jerus'lem, his final destination 22
Going, rhymes flowing, sowing vocal narration

Someone Making town after town, when this question was laid
Lord, will only a handful of people be saved? 23

Jesus You gotta go all out, take the narrow door 24
 Cos many will shoot but they'll fail to score

For there's a sure time coming when the homeowner stands 25
 Shuts the door and then you're caught left wringing your hands

You're stuck outside, banging, making a fuss
 Imploring, "Lord, Lord, open up the door for us!"

Then from inside you'll hear this reply and blow
 "Where you come from, I just don't know."

But you'll argue, "Hey, we had drinks and eats 26
 Hanging out together, you taught in our streets."

Then he'll tell them again, "Look, I'm making it clear 27
Criminal offenders get out of here

I just don't know you or where you're from!"
 And with that the homeowner was said and done

With cold tears splashing and old teeth gnashing 28
 Your whole life around you smashing and crashing

Don't you think you might just give a God damn
 When you see Jake, Isaac, and Abraham

And all the prophets safely stowed in the K. O. G.
 But yourselves cast away, ditched, all at sea

Then from north to south, from west to east 29
 Many people will come to God's Kingdom and feast

So about some people, and since you asked 30
 The last will be first and the first will be last

Crying over Jerusalem

Luke Some Pharisees arrived right then and said 31
 Pharisees Get away from here. Herod wants you dead

Jesus (Pfft) Go and inform that fox from me
 I'm casting out demons and the blind can see 32

For today and tomorrow it's what I'm called to be
 Until I attain my aims on day number three

Yes, today and tomorrow and the very next day 33
Gotta stay on course, I've gotta make my way

For there's no chance that a prophet of God can be killed
Outside of Jerus'lem no blood can be spilled

Oh Jerusalem, Oh Jerusalem 34
The 'city of peace' how you like to condemn

Stoning God's messengers and madly hell bent
On killing the prophets and those who are sent

How often I was craving to convene your kids
Like a mother hen protects her chicks under her wings

But no, you wouldn't let me, you refused, rejected
And now reflect your house is a ruin neglected 35

(All) Check this, you won't see me till the day you claim
"Blessèd is the one who comes in the Lord's name!"

Chapter 14

Dinner with a Pharisee

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Host**, **Pharisee**, **Servant**, **Guest 1**, **Guest 2**, **Guest 3**

Healing on the Sabbath

Luke	It was a <u>Sabbath</u> , rest <u>day</u> , when Jesus <u>went</u> to <u>see</u> And <u>eat</u> in the <u>house</u> of an esteemed Pharisee	1
	They <u>monitored</u> his <u>moves</u> , would he be <u>named</u> and <u>shamed</u> ? When <u>before</u> him was a <u>man</u> whose <u>limbs</u> were <u>inflamed</u>	2
Jesus	Jesus <u>quizzed</u> the Pharisees and the <u>legal hotshots</u> Is it <u>prop</u> to drop a <u>healing</u> on the <u>Sabbath</u> or <u>not</u> ?	3
Luke	But <u>they</u> remained <u>quiet</u> so J <u>prayed</u> and <u>laid</u> <u>Hands</u> on the <u>man</u> who <u>gained</u> an upgrade	4
	He was <u>healed</u> , out- <u>classed</u> , his <u>body recast</u> And as he <u>got</u> his leave <u>pass</u> , Jesus <u>turned</u> and <u>asked</u>	4-5
Jesus	If <u>one</u> of you <u>has</u> a child or a <u>donkey</u> or <u>bull</u> That <u>trips</u> and <u>slips</u> into a <u>well</u> that's <u>full</u>	
Luke	Even on a <u>Sabbath</u> don't you <u>save</u> them straight <u>away</u> ? The <u>guests</u> were struck <u>dumb</u> and had <u>nothing</u> to <u>say</u>	6
	Then he <u>googled</u> how the <u>gathered</u> guests <u>picked</u> the best <u>seats</u> At the <u>table</u> so with a <u>parable</u> he <u>began</u> to <u>speak</u>	7
Jesus	When you're <u>invited</u> to a <u>wedding</u> <u>reception</u> to <u>eat</u> You don't <u>take</u> the top <u>table</u> or the <u>bride</u> or groom's <u>seat</u>	8
	Because you <u>know</u> what will <u>happen</u> if you <u>stake</u> your <u>claim</u> The <u>host</u> of the <u>wedding</u> will be <u>forced</u> to <u>explain</u>	9

Host	<u>On your bike buddy, you're in the wrong place!</u>	
Jesus	You'll have to <u>move</u> further <u>back</u> with <u>egg</u> on your <u>face</u>	
	But when you're invited to <u>dine</u> take the <u>lowest position</u>	10
	So <u>when</u> the host <u>comes</u> by he'll <u>make</u> it his <u>mission</u>	
	<u>Saying</u>	
Host	<u>Hey, good friend, why you sitting over there?</u>	
	<u>Move up here and sit your butt in this chair!</u>	
Jesus	For this <u>space</u> is <u>reserved</u> for the <u>best</u> of the <u>best</u>	
	You'll be <u>respected</u> and <u>elected</u> in the <u>eyes</u> of the <u>guests</u>	
	For if you <u>big</u> yourself <u>up</u> then you'll <u>be</u> brought <u>down</u>	11
	But if you <u>hug</u> the <u>ground</u> then you'll <u>be</u> <u>renowned</u>	
Luke	Then <u>Jesus</u> turned his <u>radar</u> to the <u>host</u> of the <u>night</u>	12
Jesus	When you <u>give</u> a lunch or <u>dinner</u> who do you <u>invite</u> ?	
	Not your <u>friends</u> , <u>rellies</u> , <u>sisters</u> or the <u>self</u> <u>money</u> <u>made</u>	
	For they'll <u>invite</u> you <u>back</u> and you'll be <u>fully</u> <u>repaid</u>	
	But <u>on</u> your party <u>invite</u> you <u>know</u> who to <u>name</u>	13
	Write the <u>poor</u> , <u>crippled</u> , <u>blind</u> , <u>sick</u> , <u>broken</u> and <u>lame</u>	
	For at the <u>resurrection</u> <u>fest</u> , <u>accounts</u> will be <u>redressed</u>	14
	Though they <u>can't</u> settle <u>up</u> your <u>life</u> will be <u>blessed</u>	
<i>The great banquet</i>		
Luke	When a <u>table</u> guest <u>heard</u> , he gave <u>Jesus</u> the <u>nod</u>	15
	<u>He said,</u>	
Pharisee	<u>Blessed</u> are the <u>feasters</u> in the <u>kingdom</u> of <u>God</u>	
Luke	<u>J</u> <u>replied</u> with a <u>parabolic</u> <u>story</u> with a <u>twist</u>	
Jesus	A guy <u>prepped</u> for a party with a <u>mega</u> guest <u>list</u>	16

	And when the <u>date</u> <u>arrived</u> he sent his <u>servant</u> to <u>comply</u> <u>Saying</u>	17
Servant	<u>Get blinged up</u> for it's <u>time</u> to stop <u>by</u>	
Jesus	But <u>each</u> one made <u>excuses</u>	18
Guest 1	<u>Yeh, please excuse me!</u> <u>I've just bought a field</u> that I've <u>gotta go see</u>	
Guest 2	And <u>I've</u> bought twelve <u>bulls</u> you see I've <u>got</u> to be <u>excused</u> I'm <u>en-route</u> to check 'em <u>out</u> , invitation's <u>refused</u>	19
Guest 3	And I <u>won't</u> be there to <u>make</u> it cos I <u>just got wed</u> It just <u>wouldn't</u> be <u>right</u> to leave the <u>marital bed</u>	20
Jesus	When the <u>servant</u> <u>returned</u> to <u>report</u> to his <u>boss</u> The <u>master</u> of the <u>house</u> began to get <u>cross</u>	21
Host	<u>Quickly go to town</u> , to the <u>gutters</u> and <u>streets</u> Bring in the <u>crippled</u> and the <u>poor</u> , <u>blind</u> , <u>lame</u> and <u>weak</u>	
Servant	<u>Sir, let me tell you</u> , that you're <u>order's</u> <u>complete</u> But there's <u>available space</u> and too <u>much</u> to <u>eat</u>	22
Host	Then <u>go out</u> to the <u>country</u> to the <u>lanes</u> and <u>tracks</u> <u>Compel the people</u> to <u>follow</u> that my <u>home</u> will be <u>packed</u>	23
	And let me <u>make it clear</u> that none of <u>those</u> on the <u>list</u> Will get to <u>relish</u> the <u>taste</u> of my <u>banqueting feast</u>	24
<i>Being a disciple</i>		
Luke	Now <u>Jesus</u> was <u>surrounded</u> as he <u>travelled around</u> And <u>wheeling round</u> to the <u>crowd</u> he <u>began</u> to <u>expound</u>	25
Jesus	If you <u>make your way</u> to <u>me</u> not <u>hating</u> your <u>mother</u> Or your <u>dad</u> or your <u>partner</u> or your <u>sister</u> or <u>brother</u>	26

If you don't hate your husband and you don't hate your wife
 You're not my disciple if you don't hate your life

Is a disciple of mine what you want to be? 27
 Then grab your own cross and follow me

Suppose one of you wants to build a block of flats 28
 Don't you sit and figure out if you have enough cash?

For if you lay the foundation and make a start 29
 And the funds run dry you'll get ripped apart

They'll say, 'Check this girl who messed up, couldn't finish the block 30
 Of banging flats, she's wack and a laughing stock'

Or what if a head of state's about to wage war 31
 With a king and do battle to settle up the score

Before he goes to combat with his troops on the ground
 Doesn't he sit down and count if he can take the crown

With ten thousand men would it be unwise
 To take on an army that is twice the size

For if he can't win doesn't he commission a mission 32
 To make a submission with a peace petition

For in the same way you wanna be a contender 33
 You can't be discipled if you don't surrender

Salt tangs good but if it loses its taste 34
 How can it be replaced? It's fated food waste 34-35

It's no good for soil or the recycling bin
 You got ears to hear? Listen up and tune in

Chapter 15

Lost

Parts: **Luke**, **Pharisees**, **Jesus**, **Shepherd**, **Chorus**, **Woman**, **Prodigal**, **Father**, **Servant**, **Brother**

The lost sheep

Luke	Now the <u>income tax rakers</u> and the <u>real</u> wrong <u>trackers</u> <u>Face-to-faced J</u> to become <u>Godly</u> life <u>hackers</u>	1
	But the <u>backers</u> of the <u>holy</u> law, <u>scribes</u> and <u>pharisees</u> Were <u>displeased</u> , ill at <u>ease</u> , they were <u>spitting</u> their <u>cheese</u>	2
Pharisees	He's not <u>dotting</u> i's and <u>t's</u> , hanging <u>out</u> with <u>these</u> Sleaze <u>bags</u> and chowing <u>down</u> with under <u>class</u> wannabees	
Luke	So Jesus <u>related</u> and <u>narrated</u> , <u>power</u> <u>parablated</u> about a <u>shepherd</u> and a <u>sheep</u> that got <u>separated</u>	3
Jesus	Suppose you got a <u>hundred</u> odd <u>sheep</u> in your <u>care</u> And <u>one</u> goes <u>missing</u> to <u>who</u> knows <u>where</u>	4
	Don't you <u>dump</u> the <u>ninety</u> <u>nine</u> in the <u>wilderness</u> And don't <u>rest</u> in your <u>search</u> till you <u>complete</u> your <u>quest</u> ?	
	And <u>when</u> your sheep is <u>found</u> and the <u>air</u> horn's <u>blown</u> Don't you <u>throw</u> it on your <u>shoulders</u> and you <u>carry</u> it <u>home</u> ?	5
	And when you <u>arrive</u> at your <u>pad</u> don't you <u>get</u> your friends <u>round</u> Saying	6
Shepherd	Party with <u>me</u> cos my <u>sheep</u> has been <u>found</u> !	
Jesus	So listen <u>up</u> , <u>likewise</u> , there's a <u>party</u> in <u>heaven</u> Over <u>one</u> single <u>sinner</u> whose <u>heart</u> is <u>repenting</u>	7
	Than <u>ninety-nine</u> <u>peeps</u> that don't <u>need</u> to <u>backpedal</u>	

Cos they're on the right path staying true and level

The lost coin

Jesus Or suppose a lass has ten coins, each worth a ton 8
 Chorus in Greek they're called a Drachma
 Jesus and she loses one

Won't she flick the light switch and do a house search
 Persevering till the merch is back in her purse?

And when the coin is located, she calls round her mates 9
 Saying,
 Woman I found my lost coin, it's time to celebrate!

Jesus In the same way, likewise, there is angel delight 10
 Over one sorry sinner that now sees the light

The lost son

Luke To drive home the vital point that J was teaching 11
 He regaled with a tale so they'd catch the meaning

Jesus There was a guy with two sons and the younger one fessed 11-12
 And pressed a request to be blessed with a bequest

Prodigal Dad, I claim my inheritance before you go and snuff it
 Time to credit my account before you finally kick the bucket

Jesus So with parental assent the father's wealth was allocated
 Segregated, separated, bank balances updated
 But a few days later the younger brother made his exit 13
 Jumped ship, split the joint and he took a road trip

And losing track of reality in a distant locality
 He blew all his cash on decadent depravity

Then with a famine in the nation and his pocket deprivation
This degraded prodigal son was in grave danger of starvation 14

So he hired himself out to a hog stock breeder
And was field assigned as a pig swine feeder 15

Looking down at the grub he longed to have his fill
To taste a drop of the slop and stuff his face with swill 16

But no-one gave food to this hungry human wreck
When the prodigal finally crashed with a reality check 17

Prodigal

My thoughts are consumed by my dad's recruits
How many have a profusion of food unused

And here I am in this position having major malnutrition
A condition of attrition heading for the mortician

I'm on a mission of contrition; yes I've made a decision
To head back to dad and submit my admission 18

"Against you and heaven I've made my transgression
Listen up to my confession cos I've learned my lesson

Please give me a job and do what needs to be done
Cos let's face it I'm not worthy to be called your son" 19

Jesus

So the Prodigal arose and trekked back to dad's place
While he was still a long way from touching home base 20

His dad saw him coming and was filled with compassion
He raced to his son and embraced and kissed him

Prodigal

Dad, against you and heaven I've made my transgression
listen up to my confession cos I've learned my lesson 21

Please make me a servant and do what needs to be done
Cos let's face it I'm not worthy to be called your son

Jesus But to his son's surprise and with a sparkle in his eyes
Dad issued an order for his servants to comply 22

Father The best threads in the spread and get him dressed with speed
Get a ring for his finger and some kicks for his feet

And get down on the farm cos tonight we're having beef 23
It's time to start the party and live it up with a feast

This dead son of mine has risen outta the ground 24
In a word - he was lost but now he's found

Jesus Now back at the ranch the party raged on
While out in the fields was the eldest son 25

And as he neared home he could hear the wheels of steel
So he called one of the staff and asked what's the big deal? 26

Servant Your brother's come home and your dad's gone to town 27
Throwing a bash, he's got him back, on track, he's safe and sound

Jesus The older brother amped and refused to go inside 28
So dad went out to plead but in anger he replied

Brother Hey! For all these years I've been a slave for you 29
There's never been a job that I've refused to do

In all that time I pined, designed to hang out with my mates
But you never gave me mutton so that I could celebrate

Let me underline, remind you that this so-called son of yours 30
Has blown his whole inheritance on hookers and on whores*

And now he comes back and makes a sadass entry
And you prepare a roast and throw the party of the century

Father

My dear, dear son, you're mine and all I have is yours
But we had to celebrate and be happy because

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32

This dead brother of yours has risen outta the ground
In a word - he was lost but now he's found

* V.30 'hookers and whores' may be replaced with 'deplorable tours'!

Chapter 16

Money, Money, Money

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Boss**, **Manager**, **1st Debtor**, **2nd Debtor**, **Rich Man**, **Abraham**

The crooked manager

Luke	Then J <u>said</u> to his <u>crew</u>	1
Jesus	A boss <u>had</u> a Number <u>Two</u> Who was <u>accused</u> of wasting <u>cash</u> and the <u>charges</u> were <u>true</u>	
Boss	So the <u>boss</u> dragged him <u>in</u> What's <u>this</u> that's <u>transpired</u> ? Show me <u>ledgers</u> and <u>accounts</u> , cos you're <u>gonna</u> be <u>fired</u> !	2
Jesus	<u>Hired</u> now <u>retired</u> , the <u>guy's</u> <u>plan</u> had <u>backfired</u> He <u>said</u> to himself	3
Manager	Now I <u>wonder</u> what's <u>required</u> ? Since I've <u>been</u> <u>pink-slipped</u> , I've <u>made</u> this <u>deduction</u> I'm too <u>proud</u> to <u>beg</u> and I'm <u>not</u> cut out for <u>construction</u>	
	Now I've <u>got</u> it, bulb <u>lit</u> , yes a <u>mission</u> and <u>ambition</u> So my <u>buddies</u> will <u>embrace</u> me when I'm <u>sacked</u> from my <u>position</u>	4
Jesus	Then <u>inviting</u> all the <u>peeps</u> that had to <u>pay</u> a debt of <u>dough</u> <u>One</u> by <u>one</u> he <u>asked</u> them	5
Manager	So how <u>much</u> do you <u>owe</u> ?	
1st Debtor	A <u>hundred</u> jugs of <u>olive</u> oil	6
Manager	Well <u>sit</u> yourself down <u>quickly</u> Take your <u>bill</u> , I'm <u>halving</u> it, and <u>making</u> it now <u>fifty</u>	
Jesus	Swiftly <u>moving</u> to the <u>next</u> he <u>asked</u>	7
Manager	Now, <u>what's</u> your debt like <u>lately</u> ?	
2nd Debtor	A <u>hundred</u> tonnes of <u>wheat</u>	
Manager	My friend, take <u>this</u> , four fifths is <u>eighty</u>	

And as they listened to J, they started to tease

Luke But J responded with a heartfelt, ready reply 15

Jesus Though God knows your hearts, still you justify

Jesus Your words and your actions before your squad
But what's honoured by humans is an A-bomb to God

You see the law and the prophets were in effect till John came 16
And since then the good news of God's kingdom's been proclaimed

And people present to the new nerve center
Repent and consent, they're encouraged to enter

But it's easier for earth and for heaven to be popped 17
Than for a line in a letter of the law to be dropped

Like hitching a Barbie who's split from her Ken 18
Or divorcing your bride and bewedding again

Either way there's no grey, yes you gotta obey
To stray from the law's considered playing away

A rich dude and Lazarus

Jesus There was a fat cat guy who was loaded to the nines 19
Fine threads, he was fed the best food and wine

While outside his back gate lay thin broke Lazarus 20
His skin was lathered in filth and grime and pus

Man halved, and starved, if just a crumb could be found 21
Falling from the fat cat's table to the ground

Deplored, ignored, when it rained it poured
Even stray dogs picked and licked his sores

Then the poor guy pegged it and was angel led 22
Ahead, to Abe's side, he was grateful dead

While ditto fat cat travelled six feet under
Pained in Hades he began to wonder 23

Looking up he saw Abe with Laz by his side
 So he decided to call out and began to cry

Rich Man Yo! Yo! Father Abe you gotta hear my plea
 Please send your buddy Laz and have mercy on me

These flames are burning, I'm the worst kinda cursed
 Please get him wet his finger, let him quench my thirst

Jesus But Abraham replied 25
 Abraham Child, play what was recorded
 Don't you remember your life and how you were rewarded

And likewise how Laz received sheets of beats
 Now you're picking up the pain while he rests in peace

And besides there's a chasm that is far and wide 26
 A fixed distance so great, an impassable divide

So we can't take a ride from here to there
 Or vice versa, no hearse, no there's no air fare

Rich Man Then I beg of you father send him to my dad's pad 27
 To my five other bros that need him bad 28

Abraham To inform and warn so they won't end up here
 They have Moses and the Prophets who have made it clear 29

Rich Man Let them hear
 You don't get it, if you send someone that's died 30

They will surely lament, repent and abide

Abraham

If they won't hear what old Mo and the prophets have said
How will they be swayed if someone rises from the dead?

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Chapter 17

Questions

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Apostles**, **Boss**, **Lepers**, **Survivor**, **Pharisees**, **Crew**

Forgiveness

- Luke **J related to his crew, on one occasion** 1
- Jesus When it comes to sin there will always be temptation
- But woe to the one that's doing the abusing
Leading others astray with their wooing and seducing
- You'd be better off noosed to a concrete block 2
Time to sleep with the fishes and be tossed off a dock
- Than cause one precious person to slip and trip 3
So watch out for yourself, now you'd better get a grip
- If another brother sins, then you gotta let 'em know
But if the bro laments, repents, then you gotta let it go
- And even if they dis you like seven times a day 4
If they turn and ask forgiveness then you must play and obey

Faith

- Luke **The apostles collaring J posed a simple demand** 5
Apostles Please give us a demo how our faith can expand
- Jesus With a mustard seed faith you could say to this tree 6
Mr Mulberry, uproot and plant yourself in the sea
- And guess what would happen? It would have to obey!
With an itty-bitty faith it would do what you say
- When coming in from tilling fields or herding the sheep 7
Does the boss ask the worker

Boss	Come and <u>eat</u> with <u>me</u> ?	
	<u>No way!</u>	8
Jesus	<u>He will say</u>	
Boss	Hustle, <u>rustle</u> up my <u>meat</u> <u>Pinny</u> down your <u>backside</u> and <u>serve</u> me while I <u>eat</u> And when I've <u>had</u> my <u>fill</u> and I <u>recline</u> , <u>adjourn</u> <u>Fix</u> yourself some <u>grub</u> and make and <u>take</u> your <u>turn</u>	
Jesus	And does the <u>boss</u> thank the <u>worker</u> for getting <u>paid</u> her <u>wage</u> ? Er, <u>no</u> , I don't think <u>so</u> , therefore <u>in</u> the same <u>way</u>	9 9-10
	When you <u>obey</u> my <u>commands</u> then make this <u>proclamation</u> We're <u>undeserving</u> , happy <u>servin</u> , and we've <u>met</u> our <u>obligation</u>	

Ten guys healed of leprosy

Luke	<u>Now as J</u> foot <u>floored</u> towards <u>Jerusalem</u> <u>He connected</u> , <u>intersected</u> with <u>ten</u> infected <u>men</u> <u>When at a village</u> on the <u>sill</u> between <u>Samaria</u> and <u>Galilee</u> <u>They stood</u> , social <u>distancing</u> , <u>blacklisted</u> with a <u>leprosy</u> <u>Crying out</u>	11-12 13
Lepers	Master <u>J</u> have <u>mercy</u> on <u>us</u> !	
Luke	<u>J looked</u> them in the <u>eye</u>	
Jesus	Mates <u>take</u> the next <u>bus</u> <u>Hustle butts</u> to the <u>priests</u> and <u>present</u> your <u>appeal</u>	14
Luke	And being <u>sent</u> , as they <u>went</u> , they were <u>cleansed</u> and <u>healed</u> <u>Then one</u> of the <u>guys</u> , when he <u>saw</u> that he was <u>cured</u> <u>Made his way</u> back to <u>J</u> shouting <u>Praise to the Lord!</u>	15
Survivor		
Luke	<u>This samaritan</u> guy fell <u>down</u> at <u>J's</u> <u>feet</u>	16

With an attitude of gratitude for his healing receipt

J said to the man

Jesus

I thought I treated ten in the line

Then, if you don't mind me asking, pray where's the other nine?

Has no-one else turned up to glory God but you a foreigner?

18

In that case get on up, your faith has saved and healed ya!

19

The coming of The Kingdom

Luke

One time the Pharisees paid a visit to J

20

Pharisees

Tell us, when will the Kingdom of God have its day?

Jesus

Hey you really wanna know when the K.O.G.'s expected?

It's not a rat to be dissected and can't be metal detected

Reject your suspect speculations and wild declarations

Taking aims and making claims about precise locations

Saying, "Here it is" or "It's over there"

21

For the K.O.G.'s within you - it's an internal affair

Luke

Then to his crew he turned

22

Jesus

One day you'll yearn to learn

Desperate to hear about the Son of Man's return

And discern and get word but you won't be eye-balling

Don't fall for the fraud when the crowds come calling

23

Bawling, "Yo! There he is!" or "Here's the Son of Man!"

Don't chase the scam clan cos they're feeding you Spam

For when the S.O.M. comes in a blink filled eye

24

Like lightning striking, lighting up the sky

But first the Son of Man must be skewered and burned

25

- Peer used and abused, overturned and spurned
- But when the Son of Man returns it'll be game over 26
 Like in the days of Noah, we're talking supernova
- You see way back then the people were lascivious 27
Partying and hitching, frivolous, oblivious
- Right up to the moment when the waters inundated
Noah boat vacated while the rest were devastated
- Or remember the world in the time of Lot 28
 They were busy in the city and the people forgot
- They were agrifying, cultifying, full-on fortifying
 They were gratifying, satisfying, buying and supplying
- Until the morning when Lot left that city called Sodom 29
 When sulphur burning fire hammered down from heaven
- To annihilate, obliterate, decimate, eradicate
 The city of Sodom met a terrible fate
- Yep it'll be business as usual right up to the day 30
 When the Son of Man's unveiled and his splendour's displayed
- And when it happens if you happen to be on the top deck 31
 Don't go down to pack or take a rain check
- And if you're out and about don't head back to your house
 Read the story, kinda gory of Lot's salt pillar spouse 32
- If you hold tight to your life then it's gonna get waived 33
 If you surrender your life then it's gonna get saved
- On that night a snug couple will be sleeping in bed 34

Bam! One will stay put while the other one's led

And two girls at the bakery working the grains

35

Sifting flour till one's claimed while the other one remains

Two bros will be hoeing, mowing, raking the hay

36

One will be taken while the other one stays

Crew

Lord, where will this happen?

37

Luke

The disciples cried

J replied

Jesus

Wanna know when a carcass is nearby?

Then look for the vultures where they gather and appear

For these indicating signs depict the end will be near

Chapter 18

Interactions

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Widow**, **Judge**, **Pharisee**, **Tax Guy**, **Ruler**, **Crowds**, **Peter**, **Beggar**

The determined widow

Luke	Then J regaled with a tale about their need to always pray About never losing heart or grave caving on the way	1
	Saying	2
Jesus	Down in a town was a judge, a crown council Who ejected Big G and disrespected the people	
	But in that city was a widow who was keeping it real She was bugging the judge and lyric spitting her appeal	3
Widow	Hey you, listen up, are you gonna hear my plea? I want justice from this dude who's been hating on me	
Jesus	But each time she presented justice was prevented The judge refused to listen but then he finally relented	4
Judge (to himself)	Even though I don't fear God and I couldn't give a crap* She's getting on my nerves and giving me a face slap	5
	Yapping on about her case and my ass* is busted I'm gonna get rid of this woman and grant this widow her justice	
Jesus	Now listen up and listen good to this malignant magistrate Won't God, who is good, help those who remonstrate	6 7
	And state their case, day and night when his chosen ones are praying Granting justice to his crew, being quick with no delaying	8
	But here's the thing, tail sting. Will faith on earth be found When the Son of Man comes and plants his feet firm on the ground?	

* V.4 'crap' may be replaced with 'nap' and V.5 'ass' may be replaced with 'bum'

The pharisee and tax collector

Luke	<p><u>Now to some peeps who were looking out for Number One</u> <u>Smug in their own greatness, looking down upon</u></p> <p><u>And squashing others, pushing down, and treading on their heads</u> <u>J shared with them this parable, he spoke to them and said</u></p>	9
Jesus	<p><u>One day, two praying guys climbed to the temple to plea</u> <u>One a tax collector and one a pharisee</u></p>	10
Pharisee	<p><u>The latter stood alone and was interceding like this</u> <u>Thank God I'm not obscene, and it's not a near miss</u></p> <p><u>Cos I'm not like other people, I ain't a cheat adulterator</u> <u>Or an S.O.B. dog or like this wanton tax collector</u></p>	11
Jesus	<p><u>You see I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all my income</u> <u>But the tax guy at a distance wouldn't dare look up to heaven</u></p>	12 13
Tax Guy	<p><u>He was kicking himself and was beating his chest</u> <u>Saying</u> <u>Holy God have mercy, I confess my life is messed</u></p>	
Jesus	<p><u>Now listen up, this guy went home and he was sanctified</u> <u>Whereas the Pharisee missed as his pitch had gone wide</u></p> <p><u>For if you big yourself up then you'll be demoted</u> <u>But if you humble yourself then you'll be promoted</u></p>	14
Kids		
Luke	<p><u>Now people brought their kids for a touch from holy J</u> <u>But when his crew observed, they sternly turned the kids away</u></p>	15

But J called them over and gave a royal decree 16

Saying

Jesus Let the little children come to me

You see, making a date should never be outlawed

For these mini peeps belong to the Kingdom of God

And let me tell you a truth about the K.O.G. thing 17

If you don't receive it like a child then you will never get in

The rich ruler

Luke A certain ruler asked J 18

Ruler Eternal life's my aim

Good Teach, how to gain, yes you gotta explain?

Luke Jesus said to the guy 19

Jesus Why do you call me good?

Cos no one is good, only God, understood?

Let's get under your hood before we go for a drive

About the ten commandments, do you know these five? 20

Don't lie, rob, or kill, that's the first three down

And respect your folks and don't screw* around

Luke The guy replied 21

Ruler Since I left my mother's side

I've kept all these laws just as you have described

Luke And as he testified, J said 22

Jesus You're lacking in one thing

Come and follow me, but first you gotta hear the sting

Sell up all you own, every single possession

Give the proceeds to the poor to store your treasure in heaven

Luke	But when the guy heard <u>this</u> he <u>moaned</u> and <u>groaned</u> For he was <u>loaded</u> to the <u>gills</u> with all the <u>stuff</u> that he <u>owned</u>	23
Jesus	And then J <u>looked</u> him in the <u>eye</u> Yep, you're <u>right</u> , it's kinda <u>tough</u> To get <u>in</u> the K.O.G. when you're <u>flush</u> with prime <u>stuff</u>	24
	For it's <u>simpler</u> for a <u>camel</u> to go <u>through</u> a needle's <u>eye</u> Than to <u>get</u> in God's <u>Kingdom</u> for a <u>super rich</u> <u>guy</u>	25
Crowds	<u>Then who can be saved?</u>	26
Luke	Asked the <u>groupie</u> gathered <u>squad</u>	
Jesus	What's <u>impossible</u> for <u>humans</u> is <u>possible</u> with <u>God</u>	27
Luke	Then <u>Peter</u> took the <u>floor</u>	28
Peter	Hey J <u>give</u> us our <u>due</u> We <u>left</u> our homes <u>behind</u> , assigned to <u>come</u> and follow <u>you</u>	
Luke	Then <u>turning</u> to his <u>crew</u> J said	29
Jesus	No <u>matter</u> what you <u>left</u> Let me <u>tell</u> you the <u>truth</u> , no you <u>won't</u> be long <u>bereft</u>	
	Whether <u>houses</u> or <u>spouses</u> , folks, <u>kids</u> , sis or <u>bros</u> If you <u>left</u> them for God's <u>Kingdom</u> sake then <u>this</u> is how it <u>goes</u>	
	We're talking <u>life</u> in all its <u>fullness</u> , both in <u>this</u> age and the <u>next</u> You'll get the <u>bonus</u> of a <u>lifetime</u> , the <u>ultimate</u> <u>paycheck</u>	30

* V.20 'screw' may be replaced with 'sleep', 'play', or 'fool'.

Seeing Jesus

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Beggar**

A prediction about Jesus

Luke	Summoning the dozen for a seminar he said to them	31
Jesus	You gotta know guys, we're heading for Jerusalem	
	When everything penned about the Son of Man	
	By the prophets will happen according to the plan	
	For he'll be delivered and dispatched to the Gentile mob	32
	Who will lambast and blast, they will spit and gob	
	Before he's lashed and thrashed, killed and slain	33
	But on day three, yes he'll rise again	
Luke	But the crew remained clueless, the hidden truth missed	34
	Bemused and confused, no they didn't get the gist	

A blind beggar

Luke	As J and his crew approached Jericho	35
	A blind begger begged begging by the edge of the road	
	And hearing the parade that was passing on through	36
	He asked	
Beggar	What's going down, what's all the to do?	
Luke	So concerning the commotion they told him why	37
Crowds	Yo dude! J of Nazareth is passing on by	
Luke	And so the guy found his voice and he yelled and shouted	38
Beggar	Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David!	
Luke	Those blocking the view told the guy to wind it in	39

But the beggar cranked it up and made a terrible din

Beggar

Yo! Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me!

Luke

Then J stopped in his tracks when he heard the man's plea

40

He demanded and commanded for the man to be brought

And then he set about asking what it was the man sought

Jesus

Tell me how can I help, what can I do for you?

Beggar

May I regain my sight, Lord take the long view

41

Jesus

Your faith has saved you, receive your sight

Luke

Straight away, no delay, with his vision made right

42

The guy venerated God and followed J with restoration

And all who surveyed praised and gave God their adoration

43

Chapter 19

Seeing Jesus (continued)

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Crowd**, **Zacchaeus (Zach)**, **Chorus**, **King**, **Subjects**, **Employee 1**, **Employee 2**, **Employee 3**

Zach

Luke	J <u>entered Jericho</u> and was <u>passing through the place</u>	1
	Where a <u>chap, Zach, lived</u> , he was a <u>total disgrace</u>	2
	<u>Base, despised, pint-sized</u> in the <u>region</u> and the <u>sector</u>	
	He was the <u>lowest of the low</u> , we're talking <u>loaded tax collector</u>	
	<u>In effect, neck stretched</u> , Zach was <u>trying to capture</u>	3
	A <u>glimpse of J passing</u> but was <u>short of stature</u>	
	<u>Scratch that</u> , the crowds <u>towered</u> , and <u>unable to see</u>	
	Zach <u>full ahead sped</u> and climbed a <u>sycamore tree</u>	4
	At a <u>place J would pass</u> as he <u>forged ahead</u>	
	And when J <u>got to the spot</u> he looked <u>up and said</u>	5
Jesus	<u>Zach, buddy, what?</u> You up there <u>making a nest?</u>	6
	Get your <u>butt down quick</u> cos I'm gonna be your <u>guest</u>	
Luke	<u>Excited</u> , Zach <u>alighted</u> at the <u>speed of light</u>	
	He was <u>hyped</u> and <u>invited</u> J to <u>stay for the night</u>	
	<u>But the onogglers griped about</u> this <u>gathering for dinner</u>	7
Crowd	<u>J's gone to be the lodger of a spinner and a sinner</u>	
Luke	But Zach <u>stood</u> before the <u>Lord</u>	8
Zacchaeus	Yeah, I <u>get</u> it, I've been <u>greedy</u>	
	So I'm <u>splitting</u> half of <u>all</u> I own to <u>bless</u> the poor and <u>needy</u>	
	<u>And if I've tricked</u> and <u>nicked</u> and <u>claimed</u> and <u>made a false account</u>	

Then I'll recompense and pay them back, four times the first amount

Jesus Wow! Today, right now, God's salvation has come 9
Cos this brother's also demoed that he's Abraham's son

Chorus Like Abe he had a faith and he counted the cost
Jesus For the Son of Man came to seek and save the wayward lost 10

The three servants

Luke The crowds stood around and were listening to J 11
Debating postulating as they figured, tried to weigh

Play the odds of God's Kingdom coming fully in one go
Straight away, no delay, and besides, J was close

To the city of Jerus'lem, his final destination
So he countered with a parable, a fitting illustration

Jesus Now a noble man travelled to a distant domain 12
To have himself kinged, on return the king would reign

But before heading off he summoned ten of his work guys 13
Delegated, designated, money business enterprise

King He gave them each a lump of gold, a mission which to earn
Invest it, make it work for me, you accrue till I return

Jesus But his hating subjects envoy sent, the message they were stating 14
Subjects We don't want this dude to be our king, no way he's legislating!

Jesus Then when the boss returned, now appointed as the king 15
He summoned those employees to see what they would bring

The asset gain they'd gone and made, a golden profit weigh-in
The first stepped up, came forth, reported, sorted, speaking, saying 16

Employee 1 King	<u>Check it Boss, I took your gold, ten times is what I made</u> <u>Nice work! Great job! My trusty, loyal aide</u>	17
	<u>Cos you've gone and done good with insignificant realities</u> <u>You're gonna take charge and govern ten municipalities</u>	
Jesus Employee 2	<u>Then the second staff member, stepped up and took the floor</u> <u>Hey Boss, I took your gold and made it five times more</u>	18
Jesus King	<u>The boss replied</u> <u>Likewise, over five towns you will reign</u>	19
Jesus Employee 3	<u>Then the last came, explained</u> <u>Um, I thought I would retain</u>	20
	<u>Your original gold, Lord, it's here, safe and sound</u> <u>I wrapped it in a cloth and kept it buried in the ground</u>	
	<u>T.B.F. I was afraid cos you're a hard ass* peep</u> <u>You don't credit but but withdraw, don't sow but sure do reap</u>	21
King	<u>You piece of (beep)! By your own words you'll be tried and truly damned</u> <u>For you knew I was a tough guy and a hard ass* man</u>	22
	<u>Withdrawing what I didn't save, the balance in the bank</u> <u>Harvesting the produce grown from someone else's plants</u>	
	<u>Why din't you stuff it in the bank, get some interest on account</u> <u>Then when I got back here, could've cashed the whole amount</u>	23
Jesus	<u>Then he turned to the crowd, the bystanders standing by</u> <u>Saying</u>	
King	<u>Take the lump of gold from this stupid, useless guy</u> <u>And give it to the first one, the one who made the ton</u>	24
Subjects	<u>But boss, he's got already, tenfold more than anyone!</u>	25

King	Listen <u>up</u> , to those who <u>have</u> , even <u>more</u> will be <u>donated</u> But for <u>those</u> that show for <u>nothing</u> , what they <u>have</u> will be <u>abated</u>	26
	And as for haters, lowlife traitors who didn't want me king Bring them here for execution for the axe is gonna swing	27

* V.21 and V.22 'ass' may be replaced with 'hard'

ACT 3: JERUSALEM

The Arrival in Jerusalem

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Owners**, **Crew**, **Crowd**, **Pharisees**, **Isaiah**, **Jeremiah**

Jesus enters Jerusalem

Luke	When <u>J</u> had finished <u>speaking</u> he began his stratagem Intention bent on <u>heading</u> for <u>Jerusalem</u>	28
	Drawing <u>near</u> to the <u>towns</u> of <u>Bethany</u> , <u>Bethphage</u> By the <u>Mount</u> of <u>Olives</u> <u>hill</u> he was <u>ready</u> to <u>engage</u>	29
Jesus	Sending <u>two</u> of his <u>crew</u> as a <u>forward</u> <u>delegation</u> In the <u>village</u> up <u>ahead</u> , there's a <u>donkey</u> metro <u>station</u>	30
	And as you <u>enter</u> the <u>town</u> you'll see a <u>young</u> <u>colt</u> <u>tied</u> Never <u>ridden</u> , let it <u>loose</u> and bring it <u>here</u> to my <u>side</u>	
	And if <u>questions</u> <u>arise</u> why you're <u>freeing</u> the <u>cord</u> I <u>authorize</u> , "This <u>neddy</u> is <u>needed</u> by the <u>Lord</u> "	31
Luke	So the <u>crew</u> went <u>ahead</u> and found it <u>just</u> as <u>J</u> had <u>told</u> And as they <u>untied</u> the <u>colt</u> its <u>owners</u> <u>asked</u> and <u>polled</u>	32 33
Owners	Hey <u>fellas</u> , mind <u>explaining</u> why you're <u>taking</u> it <u>away</u> ?	
Crew	The <u>Lord</u> <u>needs</u> this little <u>donkey</u> , there's <u>nothing</u> else to <u>say</u>	34
Luke	Then <u>returning</u> to <u>J</u> , they threw their <u>coats</u> on its <u>back</u> And <u>Jesus</u> climbed <u>aboard</u> and headed <u>down</u> the <u>track</u>	35
	And as the <u>donkey</u> journeyed <u>on</u> with its <u>precious</u> <u>payload</u> People <u>stripped</u> their outer <u>coats</u> and <u>spread</u> them <u>down</u> on the <u>road</u>	36
	And as he <u>hacked</u> down the <u>track</u> leading <u>down</u> the <u>Olive</u> <u>Mount</u> The <u>multitude</u> and <u>masses</u> , gathered <u>crowd</u> began to <u>shout</u>	37

Praising God for the miracle works that they'd seen
Singing out with joy, their voices setting the scene

Crowd 38
Heavenly peace and prize glory is what we proclaim
Yo! Blessèd is the King coming in the Lord's name!

Luke 39
Pharisees But some pharisees jeered, calling J from the crowd
Hey! Turn your crew down, for their music's way too loud!

Jesus 40
They're allowed to vocalise, sing praises, and shout
For if I put them on mute these stone walls will cry out

Jesus weeps over Jerusalem

Luke 41
As J approached the city he cried, began to weep
To Jerus'lem spread before him it was time for him to speak

Jesus 42
How I wish you'd only clocked all the things that bring you peace
But now you cannot see them, vision hidden, sight will cease

To be sure the days are looming when your enemies will attack
They'll scale your city walls, surround you front and back

They'll hem you in from every side with choking busting trouble
Then pulverise you to the ground and crush you into rubble 44

Your buildings and your children will be ruined, ravaged, wrecked
Not a single stone within your walls will stand, be left erect

And you really wanna know what'll cause your final fall?
Cos you didn't diagnose, discern when God came, paid a call

Jesus clears the temple

Luke 45
J entered temple courts to where merchant sellers sitting
Then evicted, drove them out saying

Jesus 46
Listen, it is written

(Isaiah)	My <u>house</u> , my <u>home</u> , will be a <u>sanctuary</u> of <u>prayer</u>	
(Jeremiah)	But you've <u>twisted</u> , tilt and <u>turned</u> it to a <u>thieving</u> villains' <u>lair</u>	
Chorus	J was <u>quoting</u> from <u>Isaiah</u> fifty- <u>six</u> verse <u>seven</u> And the <u>prophet</u> <u>Jeremiah</u> chapter <u>seven</u> verse <u>eleven</u>	
Luke	And from <u>then</u> and every <u>day</u> , J was <u>in</u> the temple <u>teaching</u> But the <u>chief</u> priest, <u>scribes</u> , leaders <u>didn't</u> stop <u>seeking</u>	47
	A <u>way</u> to kill J, but all <u>actions</u> were <u>deferred</u> For the <u>mainline</u> <u>masses</u> were hanging <u>on</u> to every <u>word</u>	48

Chapter 20

Arguing with Authorities

Parts: **Luke**, **Boffs**, **Jesus**, **Owner**, **Farmers**, **Crowd**, **Psalmist**, **Spies**, **Sadducees**, **Scribes**, **David**

A challenge to authority

Luke	One <u>day</u> , in the <u>Temple</u> , as <u>Jesus</u> was <u>teaching</u> <u>Spie</u> ling the <u>Good News</u> to the <u>people</u> and <u>preaching</u>	1
	He was <u>badgered</u> by a <u>bunch</u> of <u>demanding boffs</u> The <u>chief</u> priests, core <u>elders</u> , and <u>religious law</u> <u>profs</u>	2
Boffs	Tell us, <u>who</u> gave <u>you</u> the full <u>weight</u> of <u>seniority</u> ? <u>You're</u> <u>doing</u> these <u>things</u> by <u>exactly</u> what <u>authority</u> ?	
Jesus	<u>Okay</u> , fair <u>play</u> , let's put a <u>question</u> to <u>you</u> About <u>John</u> and his <u>baptism</u> , who <u>gave</u> him his <u>due</u> ?	3 4
	Was his <u>license</u> <u>divine</u> or <u>was</u> it from <u>humanity</u> ? An <u>origin</u> from <u>earth</u> or a <u>heaven</u> sent <u>reality</u> ?	
Luke	<u>Frustrated</u> , they <u>debated</u> , heads <u>together</u> , <u>contemplated</u> <u>Weighing</u> 'a' or 'b', each <u>choice</u> <u>evaluated</u>	5
Boffs	Well, <u>if</u> we say 'from <u>heaven</u> ' then he's <u>gonna</u> ask <u>why</u> We <u>didn't</u> <u>tune in</u> and <u>believe</u> the <u>prophet</u> <u>guy</u>	
	And <u>if</u> we say <u>human</u> then we're <u>gonna</u> get <u>stoned</u> Cos the <u>people</u> have <u>John</u> as a <u>prophet</u> <u>enthroned</u>	6
Luke	So the <u>boffs</u> finally <u>answered</u> that they <u>didn't</u> have a <u>clue</u>	7
Jesus	If you <u>won't</u> tell <u>me</u> then I <u>won't</u> tell <u>you</u> !	8
<i>The evil farmers</i>		
Luke	J <u>began</u> to <u>relate</u> and <u>narrate</u> a <u>farming</u> <u>parable</u>	9

Jesus	A <u>guy</u> sowed a <u>vineyard</u> on <u>land</u> which was <u>arable</u>	
	<u>Renting out</u> to tenant <u>farmers</u> to <u>tend</u> and <u>cultivate</u>	
	<u>While the owner</u> went <u>abroad</u> till a <u>far off</u> future <u>date</u>	
	And when the <u>harvest</u> time <u>arrived</u> , it was <u>time</u> to get <u>cashing</u>	10
	Collect his <u>portion</u> of the <u>crop</u> , his fair <u>share</u> and <u>ration</u>	
	So he sent a <u>servant</u> to the <u>tenants</u> but <u>punches</u> were <u>landed</u>	
	He came to <u>harm</u> on the <u>farm</u> and went <u>away</u> empty <u>handed</u>	
	So he <u>sent</u> another <u>servant</u> who was <u>brutally assaulted</u>	11
	<u>Kicked out</u> , <u>unrewarded</u> after <u>being insulted</u>	
	<u>Undeterred</u> he sent a <u>third</u> time <u>lucky</u> to the <u>fray</u>	12
	They <u>oppressed</u> and messed him <u>up</u> , sent him <u>packing</u> on his <u>way</u>	
Owner	Then the <u>owner</u> of the <u>yard</u> said	13
	<u>What will cause effect?</u>	
	If I <u>send</u> my precious <u>son</u> , p'haps they'll <u>show</u> him some <u>respect?</u>	
Jesus	But when the <u>tenants</u> saw the <u>son</u> , they <u>talked</u> it over <u>saying</u>	14
Farmers	<u>Isn't he the heir?</u> We've got a <u>better</u> plan than <u>paying</u>	
	If we <u>slay</u> him, bump him <u>off</u> , his <u>inheritance</u> we'll <u>get</u>	
Jesus	So they <u>threw</u> him out the <u>vineyard</u> and <u>carried</u> out their <u>threat</u>	15
	Now <u>how</u> d'ya suppose the <u>owner</u> of the <u>vineyard's</u> gonna <u>act</u>	
	When he <u>hears</u> about the <u>son</u> and how the <u>farmers</u> had him <u>whacked?</u>	
	<u>Fact check</u> he'll come and <u>send</u> those farmers to a sticky <u>end</u>	16
	And <u>hand</u> the vineyard <u>over</u> to some <u>others</u> to <u>attend</u>	
Luke	When the <u>peeps</u> perceived the <u>parable</u> that <u>Jesus</u> finished <u>rapping</u>	
	<u>They said</u>	
Crowd	<u>Heaven</u> above <u>forbid</u> that such a <u>thing</u> would ever <u>happen!</u>	

Luke	But J <u>looked</u> them in the <u>eye</u>	17
Jesus	Psalm a <u>hundred</u> and <u>eighteen</u> Tell me, <u>what</u> does this <u>bit</u> from verse <u>twenty-two</u> <u>mean</u> ?	
(Psalmist)	The <u>stone</u> the builders <u>spurned</u> is now the <u>cornerstone</u> Trip <u>over</u> it you'll <u>shatter</u> , boulder <u>crushing</u> target <u>zone</u>	18
Luke	When the <u>teachers</u> of the <u>law</u> and the <u>chief</u> priests <u>clocked</u> That the <u>parable</u> was <u>pointed</u> , it was <u>them</u> being <u>knocked</u> They planned to <u>reign</u> and chain J but the <u>odds</u> were <u>stacked</u> Backing <u>down</u> cos they <u>dreaded</u> how the <u>people</u> would <u>react</u>	19
Taxes for Caesar		
Luke	To <u>keep</u> a close <u>eye</u> , the chief <u>leaders</u> sent <u>spies</u> Posing as legitimised blessings in <u>disguise</u> Trying to <u>slip</u> , trip J with a <u>slick</u> trick <u>question</u> So he'd <u>violate</u> the <u>law</u> with a <u>legal</u> <u>contravention</u> A <u>dissension</u> like <u>this</u> would <u>come</u> to the <u>attention</u> Of the <u>governor's</u> <u>tyranny</u> and <u>lead</u> to a <u>detention</u>	20
Spies	Yo! <u>Teacher</u> we <u>know</u> that you <u>preach</u> and <u>teach</u> <u>Only</u> what's <u>right</u> and that you <u>don't</u> <u>impeach</u> Or <u>defer</u> to <u>anyone</u> , you're glued to <u>God's</u> true <u>way</u> So the <u>empire</u> <u>tax</u> - should we <u>pay</u> and <u>obey</u> ?	21
Luke	But J saw straight <u>through</u> their <u>devious</u> <u>deception</u> <u>Right</u> back at them, he <u>posed</u> this <u>question</u>	22
Luke	But J saw straight <u>through</u> their <u>devious</u> <u>deception</u> <u>Right</u> back at them, he <u>posed</u> this <u>question</u>	23
Jesus	Show me a <u>denarius</u> , <u>Roman</u> silver <u>minted</u> Whose <u>head</u> is in the <u>centre</u> , round the <u>edge</u> whose name is <u>printed</u> ?	24

Spies	Caesar Augustus, the emperor, top dog's	
Jesus	Then give to Caesar what's Caesar's, and to God what's God's	25
Luke	Blown away by J's reply, the spies were silent, tongue-tied They couldn't trip him up in public, however hard they tried	26

A discussion about resurrection

Luke	Some religious leader types called Sadducees Were ill-at-ease, saying nobody's Gonna rise from the dead, no it just ain't true So they came to J with a sly trick Q	27
Sadducees	Teacher, Moses wrote down in one of his skirts That if a guy pops his clogs and leaves his wife and no kids Then his bro takes his place and has a claim to stake Getting hitched and raising kids for his brother's name's sake Now suppose there's seven bro's and the eldest's on the case But he croaks with no kids so the second takes his place Then a third, and so it goes, until all seven drop dead No kids, story ends with the widow's death bed Since she had seven hubbies, please answer our plea On the resurrection day, whose wife will she be?	28 29 29-30 31 31-32 33
Jesus	Those who live in the here and now Get hitched, wed together with a marital vow But those considered worthy of the coming age Who get dead-resurrected, roll on the next stage No they won't get hitched nor wed to one another Cos they won't need to marry, be a father or a mother	34 35

They'll be like angels and will no longer die 36
 Being resurrection kids, kin of the Big Guy

But as you mention Moses did you know that he showed 37
 That the dead are raised - Burning Bush episode

In Exodus three verse six he claim makes
 That the Lord's still the God of Abe, Isaac, and Jake

They're all alive to God, just as Moses said 38
 God's the God of the living and not of the dead

Luke Some law teachers said 39
 Scribes Teach, we like what you say!

Luke And then no-one dared ask him more questions that day 40

Whose son is the Messiah?

Jesus How can it be said that Christ is David's son? 41
 For Dave himself says in Psalm one-ten verse one 42

David The Lord said to mine, "Sit at my right hand
until I make your enemies your firm foot stand" 43

Jesus So how can he be his son if Dave calls him Lord? 44
 Luke Then he said to his crew in front of the horde 45

Jesus Beware of the Scribes who parade in long robes 46
Loving attention they get when they strike a pose

The respect they get being greeted in the streets
In the synagogue meetings, banquing honorific seats

They devour widow's houses, recite showy long prayers 47
They'll get a greater condemnation for their putting on their airs

Chapter 21

Jesus in the Temple

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **People**

The widow's offering

Luke	As <u>J</u> looked <u>up</u> he saw the <u>rich</u> making <u>offerings</u> To the temple <u>treasury</u> ringing <u>up</u> the cash cha <u>chings</u>	1
	He <u>also</u> saw a <u>widow</u> , she was <u>poor</u> but heeding <u>rites</u> Flipping <u>in</u> two little <u>coins</u> , called <u>leptons</u> , tiny <u>mites</u>	2
Jesus	Yo! <u>Check</u> out this poor <u>widow</u> and <u>see</u> what she has <u>done</u> <u>Truly</u> she has <u>offered</u> , given <u>more</u> than <u>anyone</u>	3
	The <u>rich</u> gave from their <u>wealth</u> , from <u>abundance</u> they were <u>giving</u> Yet she <u>gave</u> from her <u>poverty</u> <u>all</u> she had for <u>living</u>	4

Jesus speaks about the future

Luke	Some were <u>talking</u> about the <u>temple</u> and <u>giving</u> it the <u>nod</u> how it was <u>decked</u> with stunning <u>stones</u> and <u>gifts</u> to honour <u>God</u>	5
Jesus	Yes, this <u>edifice</u> you're <u>looking</u> at, its <u>days</u> are more than <u>numbered</u> Not a <u>single</u> stone <u>left</u> intact - <u>flattened</u> , <u>nuked</u> , and <u>plundered</u>	6
People	<u>Teacher</u> , <u>when</u> will this go <u>down</u> , the <u>forecast</u> be <u>fulfilled</u> <u>And</u> <u>will</u> we get a <u>warning</u> that the <u>trigger</u> will be <u>pulled</u> ?	7
Jesus	Watch <u>out</u> ! Don't be <u>duped</u> by countless <u>coming</u> in my <u>name</u> Claiming, " <u>Look</u> it's me! The <u>time</u> is now!" Don't <u>play</u> their bogus <u>game</u>	8
	Same, <u>when</u> you hear of <u>wars</u> and <u>insurrections</u> do not <u>fear</u> Cos <u>first</u> these things must <u>happen</u> fore end <u>credits</u> will <u>appear</u>	9
	For <u>kingdom</u> will bust <u>kingdom</u> , and <u>nations</u> start to <u>fight</u>	10
	<u>Fanning</u> the flames of <u>conflict</u> there'll be <u>famines</u> , <u>plagues</u> , and <u>plight</u>	11

Right, <u>monster</u> quakes will <u>ravage</u> as the <u>ground</u> beneath us <u>stirs</u>	11
There'll be <u>dread</u> events, great <u>heaven</u> signs, but <u>before</u> all this <u>occurs</u>	11-12
They'll <u>trap</u> you and <u>rack</u> you, <u>bringing</u> down the <u>hammer</u>	12
Hand you <u>over</u> to the <u>synagogues</u> and <u>put</u> you in the <u>slammer</u>	
Haul your <u>ass*</u> before the <u>courts</u> and <u>all</u> because of <u>me</u>	
Before <u>governors</u> and <u>kings</u> you'll <u>get</u> to make my <u>plea</u>	12-13
And <u>when</u> you're in the <u>witness</u> stand don't <u>stress</u> about <u>defence</u>	14
For I'll give you <u>wisdom</u> and the <u>words</u> as <u>soon</u> as you <u>commence</u>	15
With a <u>sense</u> of <u>inspiration</u> that's <u>divine</u> and <u>heaven</u> <u>picked</u>	
Your <u>foes</u> will fail to <u>argue</u> , <u>inept</u> to <u>contradict</u>	
Kicked and <u>backstabbed</u> by <u>parents</u> , <u>brothers</u> , <u>rellies</u> , <u>mates</u>	16
<u>Betrayed</u> , parking your <u>backsides</u> outside the <u>pearly</u> <u>gates</u>	
Mass <u>haters</u> gonna <u>hate</u> cos you <u>carry</u> my <u>name</u>	17
But not a <u>hair</u> on your <u>head</u> will <u>burn</u> up in the <u>flame</u>	18
Through <u>pursuing</u> your <u>goals</u> , staying <u>at</u> the <u>controls</u>	19
You're <u>gonna</u> win <u>life</u> and you're gonna <u>gain</u> your <u>souls</u>	
Then <u>finally</u> , when you <u>see</u> and hear from <u>eye</u> witness <u>sources</u>	20
<u>Jerusalem</u> <u>surrounded</u> by <u>hard</u> , armed, violent <u>forces</u>	
Of course you'll <u>know</u> the time of <u>crisis</u> , final <u>hour</u> has <u>come</u>	
To <u>escape</u> the <u>desolation</u> you <u>gotta</u> turn and <u>run</u>	21
For your <u>lives</u> to the <u>hills</u> if you're <u>living</u> in <u>Judea</u>	
And if you're <u>living</u> in the <u>city</u> get the <u>hell</u> out of <u>there</u>	
And if you're <u>living</u> in the <u>burbs</u> don't <u>head</u> for the <u>town</u>	
For these <u>punishment</u> <u>days</u> play <u>scripts</u> written <u>down</u>	22

	No <u>words</u> can <u>convey</u> or <u>profess</u> or <u>express</u> For <u>expecting</u> , <u>nursing mums</u> the <u>level of distress</u>	23
	For the <u>land</u> will be <u>afflicted</u> and God's <u>wrath</u> will be <u>inflicted</u> <u>Reprimanding</u> , <u>retribution</u> as this <u>people</u> are <u>convicted</u>	
	They'll be <u>floored</u> by the <u>sword</u> , <u>slaughtered</u> , <u>wasted</u> , and <u>slain</u> <u>Exiled</u> to the <u>nations</u> , taken <u>captive</u> , put in <u>chains</u>	24
	Until their <u>appointed</u> time is <u>up</u> there'll <u>be</u> an <u>occupation</u> The <u>foreigners</u> , the <u>Gentiles</u> , will <u>trample</u> this <u>location</u>	
	Yes the <u>city</u> will be <u>ransacked</u> , <u>Jerus'lem</u> <u>overrun</u> There'll be <u>signs</u> in <u>sky</u> and <u>heaven</u> , in the <u>stars</u> , and <u>moon</u> , and <u>sun</u>	25
	And on the <u>earth</u> there will be <u>turmoil</u> tween the <u>differing</u> <u>nations</u> The <u>seas</u> will <u>churn</u> , the <u>waves</u> will <u>crash</u> with <u>cruel</u> <u>reverberations</u>	
	Shaking <u>powers</u> of the <u>heavens</u> , <u>some</u> on <u>earth</u> will <u>faint</u> From <u>foreboding</u> fear of <u>what's</u> to <u>come</u> , the <u>world's</u> <u>forbidding</u> <u>fate</u>	26
	Then they'll <u>see</u> the the Son of <u>Man</u> arriving, <u>coming</u> in a <u>cloud</u> With <u>power</u> and <u>great glory</u> , time to <u>stand</u> out from the <u>crowd</u>	27 27-28
	So lift your <u>heads</u> , buckle <u>up</u> , it's time to <u>start</u> the <u>engine</u> When you <u>see</u> all this, get <u>into</u> gear, your <u>redemption's</u> gonna <u>happen</u>	
Luke	Then <u>J</u> rapped a <u>parable</u> , a <u>lyric</u> about <u>trees</u>	29
Jesus	Take the <u>fig</u> , for <u>example</u> , when a <u>tree</u> sprouts <u>leaves</u>	29-30
	You can <u>see</u> for <u>yourselves</u> that <u>summer</u> will <u>appear</u> <u>Likewise</u> , <u>surmise</u> that God's <u>kingdom</u> is <u>near</u>	31
	Listen <u>up</u> to the <u>truth</u> , this <u>gen</u> won't <u>expire</u> Until <u>all</u> these things have <u>happened</u> right <u>down</u> to the <u>wire</u>	32

	Higher <u>Heaven</u> and lower <u>earth</u> may <u>eventually</u> pass <u>away</u> But my <u>words</u> will never <u>perish</u> , no they're <u>here</u> for good to <u>stay</u>	33
	So give <u>regard</u> , be on <u>guard</u> that your <u>hearts</u> are not <u>oppressed</u> With life's <u>worries</u> , getting <u>drunk</u> , giving, <u>living</u> to <u>excess</u>	34
	So that <u>day</u> doesn't <u>sneak</u> up and <u>catch</u> you by <u>surprise</u> Like a <u>trap</u> , snapping <u>down</u> on <u>everyone</u> <u>alive</u>	35
	Stay <u>alert</u> the whole <u>time</u> and pray you <u>hack</u> and <u>tolerate</u> Having the <u>strength</u> to <u>resist</u> and <u>make</u> your great <u>escape</u>	36
	From <u>all</u> that will <u>transpire</u> , <u>prevail</u> , and <u>land</u> That <u>before</u> the Son of <u>Man</u> you're giving props and <u>stand</u>	
Luke	Now, <u>during</u> every <u>day</u> J was <u>in</u> the temple <u>preaching</u> <u>Spending</u> <u>nights</u> on <u>Olive</u> <u>Mount</u> , <u>heading</u> there each <u>evening</u>	37
	And <u>all</u> the peeps would <u>get</u> up, <u>early</u> morning <u>leaving</u> <u>Heading</u> for the <u>temple</u> to <u>listen</u> to him <u>teaching</u>	

* V.12 'ass' may be replaced with 'self'

Chapter 22

The Last Supper

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Pete**, **Jon**, **Crew**, **Chorus**, **Isaiah**

Judas

Luke **Passover was approaching with unleavened bread, no yeast** 1
 Chorus **A reminder of the Exodus from Egypt, party feast**

Luke **The chief priests and teachers of the law were ascertaining** 2
Whether J could be slain with impolitical campaigning

Arranging to exterminate, eradicate this faction
Afraid attack with action, cause a public bad reaction

Then Satan jumped in Judas, skewed, deluded crew informer 3
Colluded and concluded to betray the good reformer

His name was Iscariot, one twelfth of J's band
With temple guard commanders and chief priests Judas planned 4

To take down and hand over the Lord Jesus to be killed
They were thrilled and willed that Judas' pockets would be filled 5

With immunity, impunity, agreed to seek an opportunity 6
To then surrender J surreptitious of community

Preparations

Luke **The day of Unleavened Bread arrived** 7
And the Passover lamb had to be supplied

So J relayed a couple on a mutton meat mission 8
 Jesus **You gotta prep the Pesah so now go and make provision**

Pete **Where do you intend to send your assembling committee?** 9
 Jon **Where do you intend to send your assembling committee?**

Jesus	<u>See</u> , you'll a <u>guy</u> , when you <u>go</u> into the <u>city</u>	10
	He <u>clasps</u> an ice <u>bag</u> and it's <u>him</u> you gotta <u>tag</u> And back <u>track</u> to a <u>house</u> , to the <u>owner</u> wave a <u>flag</u>	11
	Say, "The <u>Rabbi</u> has a <u>Q</u> he'd like to <u>put</u> to <u>you</u> <u>Where's</u> the guest <u>suite</u> to eat the <u>Pesah</u> with his <u>crew</u> ?"	
	He'll <u>lead</u> you <u>upstairs</u> to a <u>decked</u> and ready <u>room</u> And <u>that's</u> the place you'll <u>prep</u> the eats we're <u>gonna</u> <u>consume</u>	12
Luke	So the <u>couple</u> came <u>across</u> the pad <u>exactly</u> as he <u>said</u> And they <u>prepped</u> the Pesah <u>dinner</u> , lamb, <u>sides</u> , and wine and <u>bread</u>	13
Bread and Wine		
	Now at <u>Passover</u> <u>time</u> , J and his <u>crew</u> <u>reclined</u>	14
Jesus	I've been <u>keen</u> to <u>feed</u> on this <u>food</u> and <u>dine</u>	
	<u>Before</u> I have to <u>suffer</u> , a last <u>Pesah</u> with my <u>squad</u>	15
	<u>Stilled</u> till it's <u>fulfilled</u> in the <u>Kingdom</u> of <u>God</u>	16
Luke	And post <u>giving</u> <u>God</u> <u>thanks</u> he took the <u>fine</u> wine <u>cup</u>	17
Jesus	Please <u>share</u> it all <u>out</u> , dole and <u>divvy</u> all <u>up</u>	
	Note, from <u>this</u> <u>point</u> <u>on</u> I won't <u>drink</u> from the <u>vine</u> Until the <u>K.O.G</u> <u>comes</u> and I've <u>crossed</u> the <u>finish</u> <u>line</u>	18
Luke	Then he <u>reached</u> across the <u>table</u> and <u>took</u> a loaf of <u>bread</u> Thanking <u>God</u> the bloke <u>broke</u> it into <u>pieces</u> to be <u>fed</u>	
Jesus	I'm <u>giving</u> you my <u>body</u> and <u>this</u> is from <u>me</u> Copy <u>this</u> when you <u>gather</u> in my <u>fond</u> <u>memory</u>	19
Luke	<u>Likewise</u> , after <u>supper</u> , he held the <u>cup</u> in <u>view</u>	20
Jesus	This <u>cup's</u> the new <u>deal</u> , it's my <u>blood</u> that's shed for <u>you</u>	

But note, my back-stabber, yep, the one who will disable 21
Is sat right here and his hand is on the table

For the Son of Man'll rise as scripture has conveyed 22
But woe, going down, is one who has betrayed

Luke Then the crew began to ask themselves, to blame, defame, assign 23
Which one of them would dare commit this shameful heinous crime

Who's the greatest?

Luke Then the crew began debating about who'd be the greatest 24
But J stated on what basis they be rated as straightest

Jesus You see, presidents and kings want you under their thumb 25
Lording over peeps with vain titles home-spun

But don't follow that road, if you want your props increased 26
Then you've got to be subordinate, the lowest and the least

So, the diner or the server, which of them's the greater? 27
It's the client of course, but I came to you as waiter

You're the crew who stood by me through thick and thin 28
All smiles in my trials, no you didn't give in

So a kingdom I confer to you, a holy dominion 29
Just as my Dad passed me the keys to the kingdom

So you can eat and drink with me, in my kingdom, sit on thrones 30
Judging, ruling over Israel's dozen tribal zones

A prediction about Peter

Jesus Simon, Simon, listen! Satan's demanded and obtained
 To sieve and sift you all like a sifter sifting grain 31

But Si I've prayed like crazy that your faith won't fail you 32
 And when you're back on track, gotta reinforce the crew

Pete Lord you know I'm die-hard, dedicated, and driven 33
 I'll follow you to prison if death penalty is given

Jesus I'm telling you, Pete, fore the cock crows today 34
 You'll have disowned me three times, a denial triple play

Purses and Bags

Jesus Now when I sent you out without a wallet, bag, or shoes 35
 Did you want for anything or have anything to lose?

Crew No! 36
 But if you've got a bag or wallet, time to put it into service
 And if you're swordless, sell your coat, get the cash and purchase

Listen up! For what is writ'll be fulfilled in me 37
 And J began to quote from Isaiah fifty three

(Isaiah) They considered his kind to be a criminal mind
 See what's being defined is what the prophet outlined

Crew Hey, J, check it out, we have two swords 38

Jesus It's enough, it'll do

Luke This is the word of the Lord

Jesus is Arrested

Parts: **Luke**, **Jesus**, **Girl**, **Pete**, **Bystander 1**, **Bystander 2**, **Guards**, **Council**, **Crew**

Jesus prays

Luke	<u>J went</u> , as his <u>wont</u> , up to the <u>Olive Mount</u> And his <u>crew</u> followed <u>on</u> with a <u>full head count</u>	39
Jesus	Then they <u>reached</u> the final <u>target</u> and his <u>destination</u> Time to <u>pray</u> that you <u>don't slip trip</u> into temptation	40
Luke	Then <u>J</u> decamped, <u>withdrew</u> about a <u>stone's throw away</u> And <u>getting</u> on his <u>knees</u> he knelt <u>down to pray</u>	41
Jesus	Father if you're <u>willing</u> take this <u>burden</u> and this <u>ton</u> So <u>heavy</u> , not <u>mine</u> but your <u>will</u> it must be <u>done</u>	42
Luke	<u>Then</u> did a <u>heavenly angel</u> <u>come</u> to his <u>aid</u> ? The more <u>tormented</u> he <u>got</u> , the <u>harder</u> he <u>prayed</u>	43 44
	And <u>did</u> his sweat <u>trickle</u> down like <u>great drops of blood</u> <u>Falling</u> on the <u>floor</u> and <u>drilling down</u> in the <u>mud</u> ?	
	<u>When</u> he rose from <u>praying</u> he found his <u>crew</u> fast <u>asleep</u> They were <u>spent</u> , <u>shot</u> , and <u>weary</u> , bone <u>tired</u> with <u>grief</u>	45
Jesus	<u>Hey</u> , why you <u>sleeping</u> ? Gotta <u>get up</u> and <u>pray</u> That the <u>heavy</u> times of <u>trial</u> won't <u>come</u> and bar your <u>way</u>	46

Betrayed and Arrested

Luke	<u>While</u> he was still <u>speaking</u> crashed an <u>armed flash mob</u> Led by <u>Judas</u> , crew <u>imposter</u> , who <u>scored</u> an <u>inside job</u>	47
Jesus	As a <u>pointer</u> to the <u>posse</u> he went to <u>J</u> with a <u>kiss</u> <u>Judas</u> , you <u>betraying</u> the Son of <u>Man</u> like <u>this</u> ?	48

Luke	When his <u>crew</u> saw them <u>coming</u> , they asked the <u>Lord</u> about the <u>hordes</u>	49
Crew	Should we <u>fight</u> 'n strike'm <u>down</u> with our <u>weapons</u> and our <u>swords</u> ?	
Luke	Then a <u>crew</u> drew a <u>blade</u> and slashed the <u>high</u> priest's <u>slave</u> <u>Slicing, dicing, barbing</u> with a <u>right</u> ear <u>shave</u>	50
Jesus	Cut it <u>out</u> , back <u>down</u> , pack it <u>in</u> , a disgrace!	51
Luke	And he <u>took</u> the servant's <u>ear</u> and spliced it <u>back</u> in <u>place</u>	
	Then <u>J</u> addressed the <u>posse</u> of <u>bosses</u> and chief <u>priests</u> The <u>gang</u> who'd come to <u>grab</u> him with the <u>temple</u> police	52
Jesus	Have you <u>come</u> in riot <u>gear</u> as if I were a <u>bandit</u> Even <u>though</u> we met each <u>day</u> , I'm trying to <u>understand</u> it?	53
	You didn't <u>bust</u> me in the <u>temple</u> but <u>this</u> is your <u>hour</u> As the <u>nighttime</u> shadows <u>shroud</u> the darkness <u>wielding</u> its <u>power</u>	
<i>Peter denies Jesus</i>		
Luke	Then <u>grabbing</u> , <u>nabbing</u> <u>J</u> they <u>led</u> him <u>away</u> <u>Hoiked</u> him to the <u>house</u> of the <u>high</u> padre	54
	Pete <u>tail</u> chased the <u>gang</u> and the <u>hard</u> armed <u>guard</u> To <u>where</u> they kindled <u>fire</u> in the <u>centre</u> of his <u>yard</u>	55
	And as they <u>sat</u> themselves <u>around</u> Pete <u>grabbed</u> himself a <u>seat</u> When he <u>heard</u> a staring <u>servant</u> girl in the <u>firelight</u> <u>bleat</u>	56
Girl	Hey! This <u>guy</u> sitting <u>here</u> is <u>one</u> of J's <u>crew</u> !	
Luke	But Pete <u>denied</u> it	57
Pete	Woman, <u>know</u> him? What? I <u>haven't</u> got a <u>clue</u> !	
Luke	A little <u>later</u> on <u>another</u> guy was <u>heard</u> to <u>say</u>	58
Bystander 1	You're <u>defo</u> J's <u>crew</u> !	
Pete	Man! I'm <u>telling</u> you no <u>way</u> !	

Luke	Then <u>about</u> an hour <u>later</u> yet <u>another</u> <u>insisted</u>	59
Bystander 2	This <u>guy's</u> a <u>Galilean</u> , so he's <u>surely</u> <u>enlisted</u> ?	
Luke	<u>Blacklisted</u> , <u>persisted</u> , <u>Peter</u> <u>resisted</u>	
Pete	It's a <u>bucket</u> load of <u>bull</u> , what you're <u>saying</u> , it's <u>twisted</u> !	60
Luke	But he <u>choked</u> as he <u>spoke</u> when he <u>heard</u> a cock <u>crow</u> The <u>Lord</u> caught his <u>gaze</u> and Pete's <u>shame</u> began to <u>grow</u>	61
	<u>Remembering</u> J's <u>lyric</u> and his <u>visionary</u> <u>rhymes</u> "Before the cock <u>crow</u> s you'll <u>disown</u> me three <u>times</u> "	
	<u>Peter</u> was <u>distraught</u> , his <u>heart</u> an <u>implosion</u> He <u>staggered</u> <u>outside</u> , <u>overcome</u> with <u>emotion</u>	62
Jesus before the Council		
Luke	Now J's <u>guards</u> began to <u>goad</u> and <u>rough</u> him up <u>good</u> <u>Pounding</u> him with <u>questions</u> , head <u>covered</u> in a <u>hood</u>	63 64
Guards	<u>Go</u> ahead prophet <u>prophecy</u> ! Which <u>one</u> of us is <u>hitting</u> ?	
Luke	<u>Unremitting</u> , lip <u>splitting</u> , with <u>vicious</u> insults <u>spitting</u>	65
	Then at <u>dawn</u> and first <u>light</u> J was <u>led</u> before the <u>leaders</u> <u>Public</u> <u>council</u> , both <u>chief</u> <u>priests</u> , <u>elders</u> and the <u>law</u> <u>teachers</u>	66
Council	If you're the <u>Messiah</u> just <u>tell</u> us!	67
Jesus	No, you <u>won't</u> believe it's <u>true</u> And you <u>wouldn't</u> answer <u>me</u> if I <u>asked</u> the Q to <u>you</u>	68
	But from <u>now</u> the Son of <u>Man</u> will be <u>seated</u> to the <u>right</u> Of <u>God</u> the Lord <u>almighty</u> , of all <u>power</u> and all <u>might</u>	69
Council	Are <u>you</u> , then, the <u>Son</u> of God?	70
Jesus	You <u>say</u> that I am <u>he</u>	
Council	We've <u>heard</u> it from his <u>lips</u> , what further <u>intel</u> do we <u>need</u> ?	71

Chapter 23

The Death of Jesus

Parts: **Luke**, **Accusers**, **Pilate**, **Jesus**, **Crowd**, **Leaders**, **Soldiers**, **Criminal 1**, **Criminal 2**, **Centurion**

The accusations

Luke	Then the <u>full</u> assembly <u>stood</u> and led <u>J</u> to Pontious <u>Pilate</u>	1
	Where they <u>abused</u> and <u>accused</u> , began to <u>slam</u> and <u>freestyle</u> it	2
Accusers	This <u>guy's</u> been <u>subverting</u> and <u>perverting</u> our <u>nation</u> <u>Aiming</u> for <u>cessation</u> of your <u>Roman taxation</u>	
	He <u>calls</u> himself <u>Messiah</u> , an <u>anointed king</u>	
Pilate	Are you the <u>king</u> of the <u>Jews</u> ?	3
Jesus	You're spitting <u>that's</u> my <u>thing</u>	
Luke	Then <u>Pilate</u> lip-proclaimed to the <u>chief</u> priests and <u>masses</u>	4
Pilate	There's no <u>basis</u> to your <u>claims</u> to make <u>final judgment passes</u>	
Luke	They were <u>screeching</u>	5
Accusers	But he's been <u>teaching</u> over <u>all</u> <u>Judea</u> <u>Lighting fires</u> and stirring <u>peeps</u> from <u>Galilee</u> right up to <u>here!</u>	

Jesus before Herod

Luke	When <u>Pilate</u> tuned his <u>dial</u> to <u>what</u> they were <u>decreeing</u> He <u>asked</u> them if the <u>guy</u> was a <u>full-blown Galilean</u>	6
	And when <u>detected</u> J was <u>subject</u> under <u>Herod's crown</u> He <u>passed</u> the buck to <u>Antipas</u> who <u>happ'd</u> to be in <u>town</u>	7
	Now <u>H</u> was down with <u>meeting</u> J and <u>pulled</u> an inward <u>smile</u> Sweet to <u>meet</u> and greet the <u>guy</u> , he'd been <u>waiting</u> for a <u>while</u>	8
	The <u>headlines</u> he'd been <u>heeding</u> r.e. J had made him <u>pine</u> And he <u>hoped</u> to see him <u>pull</u> a perfect <u>miracle</u> , a <u>sign</u>	

While the scribes and priestly leaders stood blazing, griping by
Herod put the screws on J who dried up, gave no reply 9

Then Herod with his soldiers slammed, slated and berated
Aggravated they had J dressed up and decorated 11

In a first rate robe J was packed, returned to sender
Reconciling Pilate, Herod, proper bromance mender 12

Jesus is sentenced

Pilate Then Pilate had the chief priests, leaders, peeps gathered 13
You accuse this rabbi rebel of being a biohazard 14

I've analysed the guy before your very eyes
And found no grounds for you to chastise

And neither did Herod who had him extradited 15
Back to us, so no excuse for execution to be cited

Luke So I've decided to have him flogged and let him go 16
You see he was obliged to provide a fest clemency show 17

Crowd The crowd began to shout, to cuss and to fuss
Take Jesus away and release Barabbas to us! 18

Luke Now Barabbas was in detention in the house of correction 19
Indicted for murder and for inciting insurrection

But Pilate wanted J to have a sentence suspension 20

So he repeated his appeal, but they yelled their dissention 21

Crowd Crucify! Crucify! Crucify and die!
Luke For the third time Pilate asked the people 22
Pilate Why?

What crime has he committed? There's no proof for execution
Therefore I'll have him flogged and freed, the fitting, right solution

Luke	But the <u>crowd</u> persisted <u>shouting</u> he be <u>crucified</u> And J's <u>appeal</u> was <u>denied</u> as their <u>tempest</u> turned the <u>tide</u>	23
	So <u>Pilate</u> voiced his <u>verdict</u> that their <u>writ</u> should be <u>granted</u>	24
	He showed <u>favour</u> , signed a <u>waiver</u> , for the <u>name</u> they had <u>chanted</u>	25
	And <u>Barabbas</u> rebel <u>killer</u> took a <u>deep</u> , long <u>breath</u> As <u>J</u> was handed <u>over</u> and <u>condemned</u> to certain <u>death</u>	

Jesus is crucified

Luke	As <u>J</u> was led <u>away</u> , they seized <u>Simon</u> of <u>Cyrene</u> * On a <u>visit</u> from the <u>country</u> and <u>arriving</u> on the <u>scene</u> he	26
	Was <u>bagged</u> to tag <u>J</u> and <u>carry</u> his <u>cross</u> While the <u>crowds</u> followed <u>on</u> <u>distraught</u> at the <u>loss</u>	27
	While <u>trailing</u> and <u>wailing</u> the <u>girls</u> were <u>breast-beating</u> <u>Meeting</u> their <u>eyes</u> <u>J</u> started <u>entreating</u>	28
Jesus	<u>Daughters</u> of <u>Jerus'lem</u> , don't <u>cry</u> for <u>me</u> but <u>weep</u> for <u>yourselves</u> and the <u>kid</u> on your <u>knee</u>	
	See the <u>days</u> are surely <u>coming</u> when your <u>hearts</u> will <u>pour</u> ' <u>Blessèd</u> are the <u>barren</u> and the <u>wombs</u> that never <u>bore</u>	29
Chorus	And <u>blessed</u> are the <u>breasts</u> that <u>never</u> <u>nursed</u> ' Then from <u>Hosea</u> ten, <u>eight</u> <u>J</u> <u>quoted</u> this <u>verse</u>	
Jesus	'They're <u>shouting</u> to the <u>mountains</u> , "Now <u>fall</u> on our <u>head</u> " And <u>hurling</u> to the <u>hills</u> , "Kill and <u>bury</u> us <u>dead</u> "	30
	For <u>if</u> they do these <u>deeds</u> when the <u>tree</u> is fed and <u>watered</u> What d'ya <u>think</u> 'll <u>happen</u> when the <u>tree</u> is scorched and <u>tortured</u>	31

Luke	Now, <u>two</u> convicted <u>crims</u> were ditto <u>led</u> in chains <u>away</u> To be <u>muted</u> , <u>executed</u> , nailed <u>alongside</u> <u>J</u>	32
	When they <u>pulled</u> up to the <u>place</u> called Golgotha or The <u>Skull</u> With the <u>crims</u> hung each <u>side</u> it was a <u>three</u> way <u>cull</u>	33
Jesus	And as <u>J</u> was <u>crucified</u> , he <u>prayed</u> , <u>crying</u> out and <u>spewing</u> <u>Father</u> , <u>forgive</u> them, for they <u>know</u> not what they're <u>doing</u>	34
Luke	And they cast <u>dice</u> for his <u>clothing</u> to be <u>spliced</u> and <u>divided</u> And as the <u>multitude</u> <u>viewed</u> the chief <u>leaders</u> <u>derided</u>	35
Leaders	He saved <u>others</u> , let this <u>brother</u> save <u>himself</u> and be <u>done</u> If he's <u>truly</u> Christ, <u>Messiah</u> and God's <u>Holy</u> Chosen <u>One</u> !	
Luke	Then the <u>soldiers</u> also <u>mocked</u> and offered <u>J</u> some sour <u>wine</u>	36
Soldiers	Hey, if you're <u>truly</u> the Jewish <u>King</u> throw yourself a life <u>line</u>	37
Luke	For a <u>sign</u> aligned <u>above</u> him spread the <u>headline</u> <u>news</u> The <u>guy</u> hanging <u>here</u> is the <u>King</u> of the <u>Jews</u>	38
Criminal 1	<u>Bemused</u> a trussed <u>crim</u> began to <u>troll</u> and <u>cuss</u> If you're the <u>Cat</u> A <u>Christ</u> then <u>save</u> yourself and <u>us</u> !	39
Luke	But the <u>other</u> blasted <u>back</u>	40
Criminal 2	So you <u>don't</u> fear <u>God</u> Since you <u>ditto</u> found <u>guilty</u> and <u>face</u> the firing <u>squad</u> ?	
	For we're <u>getting</u> our <u>dues</u> and now we're <u>taking</u> the <u>heat</u> But this <u>guy</u> right <u>here</u> has a <u>clean</u> rap <u>sheet</u>	41
Jesus	When you <u>come</u> to your <u>kingdom</u> , <u>J</u> , remember my <u>plea</u> Hey, <u>today</u> you'll truly <u>be</u> in <u>Paradise</u> with <u>me</u>	42

* V.26 'Cyrene' is pronounced 'sy-ree-nee'

Jesus dies

- Luke Jesus hung on the cross like a wicked common criminal
Populace subliminal, wrecking the original
- From noon to three the light was suspended 44
Obscurity of territory, the darkness descended
- And when the light was doused, living under a cloud 45
There was a rip top to bottom of the temple shroud
- Chorus You see, in the inner sanctum a certain curtain divided
The holy place of God and where the Jewish priest presided
- And as Jesus was indicted, human wrong had been righted
The cleft curtain was a symbol God and humans reunited
- Luke And in that second he submitted, with a cry he emitted 46
Shouting
- Jesus Father, into your hands my spirit is committed!
- Luke Reciting the writing from Psalm thirty-one verse five
Crucified, denied a life, with exhalation Jesus died
- The Roman sentry soldier witnessing the situation 47
This execution super-v gave God his adoration
- And from an officer's position, he made the bold admission
Saying
- Centurion Surely this man was above the law's suspicion?
- Luke Then the crowds came together to scope the crucifixion 48
Beating breasts, they confessed their distress and their conviction
- Before heading back home broken-hearted, devastated
The only ones remaining were Jesus' friends and those related 49

These included all the women who had traced from Galilee
 Now they observed at a distance, abandoned and bereaved

Jesus is buried

Now a sweet bro named Jo who didn't go with the flow 50
 Part of the Jewish high commission who were running the show

He came from the neighbourhood of Arimathea 51
 And was waiting for the Kingdom of God to appear

In Judea it was clear that he didn't consent
 With the bent of the religious establishment

He made an appointment with Pilate, Roman military police 52
 Now the prisoner was deceased to secure the body for release

And Joseph took the body from the cross to the grave 53
 He wrapped it in linen and he laid it in a cave

It was an unused plot, a new womb of a room
 This hole in carved rock became Jesus Christ's tomb

It was the Day of Preparation late on a Friday 54
 The Sabbath, day of rest, was only hours away

And when his body was removed the Godly girls gave chase 55
 Yes these Galilean women Google-mapped his resting place

With a plan to anoint the body, no mortuary or ice 56
 To suffice the girls went home to prepare the perfumed spice

But when they'd finally finished Saturday had now begun 57
 So they rested, law requested till the Sabbath day was done

Chapter 24

Briefing the apostles, among the other women 10
Was Joanna, Mary, Jimmy's mum, and Mary Magdalene

But the story they related was unsubstantiated 11
The apostles didn't buy it, sounded iffy, fabricated

But Peter jumped up and ran full speed to the cave
Headed for the tomb and stooped, looking in the grave

He saw the fabric wrappings, flapping, lying on their own 12
Blown away at what had happened, shaking, headed for his home

A couple on the road to Emmaus

Luke Two of J's crew were on the road the same day 13
They were tripping to Emmaus, seven miles away

Six zero stadia in the late p.m.
An 11K hike from Jerusalem

Immersed, they conversed, and traversed to the town 14
Hammering and yammering about the things that went down

And as they walked and talked, Jesus drew alongside 15
God decided to hide, the guys' eyes didn't recognise 16

Disguised, J plied with a Q to the two 17
Jesus You're talking deep as you walk, why don't you give me a clue?

Luke They stopped in their tracks with their faces downcast
Then at last, the bro whose tag was Cleopas asked 18

Cleopas You're clearly not a fandom, are you the only random
Stranger in the land who missed the memorandum?

Jesus 'Bout the things that went down these past few days?
What things? 19

Luke	Jesus posed to the highway strays	
Cleopas	About Jesus of Naz, he was a prophet and a preacher An A1 weapon-grade works and word teacher	
	Reaching the peeps, God's honour conveyed Our chief leaders and priests back-stabbed and betrayed	20
	A sham trial, a charade, his appeal denied J was sentenced to death, he was crucified	
	No word of a lie, it was our hearts' desire Every prior hope was pinned on him being the Messiah	21
	We required the so-called 'One' to bring us total liberation To redeem and rescue Israel, to deliver our salvation	
	But since it all took place, it's now been three days But listen up and appraise how our sisters amazed	22
	With a paramount account which left us totally phased They trail-blazed to the tomb at the first light rays	
	But J's body wasn't there, it was absent without leave So they returned with a tale we find hard to believe	23
	They had a vision from an angel and the message she was giving Was a message that was simple, it was Jesus is living	
	Our buddies ran to the tomb where the women had been Yep, the body was gone but J was nowhere to be seen	24
Jesus	How thick-brained you are and super slow of heart Not believing all the memos that the prophets did impart!	25
	Is it not predicted in the scripture and the story	26

	That the <u>Messiah</u> would <u>expire</u> before <u>arriving</u> at his <u>glory</u> ?	
Luke	Then <u>beginning</u> with <u>Moses</u> and the <u>prophets</u> he <u>related</u> Indicated how the <u>scripture</u> to <u>himself</u> it <u>correlated</u>	27
	Then <u>approaching</u> near the <u>village</u> and their <u>final</u> <u>destination</u> J <u>made</u> a <u>move</u> to <u>press</u> ahead, a <u>trip</u> <u>continuation</u>	28
Cleopas	But they <u>begged</u> and bid him <u>stay</u> Why don't you <u>crash</u> at ours <u>tonight</u> For the <u>sun</u> is all for <u>setting</u> and you're <u>almost</u> out of <u>light</u> ?	29
Luke	We're <u>running</u> out of <u>hours</u> , and the <u>day</u> is almost <u>done</u> So <u>Jesus</u> took the <u>offer</u> and he <u>headed</u> to their <u>home</u>	
	Now, <u>sitting</u> at the <u>table</u> and looking <u>forward</u> to be <u>fed</u> Jesus <u>blessed</u> , gave thanks, <u>broke</u> , and <u>began</u> to share the <u>bread</u>	30
	And with a <u>mega</u> lightbulb <u>moment</u> , the <u>couple</u> saw the <u>light</u> They <u>clocked</u> who was <u>before</u> them then J <u>vanished</u> from their <u>sight</u>	31
Couple	They <u>said</u> to each <u>other</u> Our <u>hearts</u> within us <u>burned</u> While we <u>conversed</u> on the <u>road</u> and had the <u>holy</u> word <u>confirmed</u>	32
Luke	Straight <u>away</u> they up and <u>legged</u> it, headed <u>back</u> into the <u>town</u> And in <u>Jerus'</u> lem they found their <u>buddies</u> bolted <u>in</u> and <u>hunkered</u> <u>down</u>	33
Crew	The <u>disciples</u> , they were <u>saying</u> Listen <u>up</u> , you know it's <u>true</u> ! The <u>Lord</u> has really <u>risen</u> , appeared to <u>Simon</u> Peter <u>too</u> !	34
Luke	Then the <u>couple</u> from <u>Emmaus</u> told the <u>gang</u> how it played <u>out</u> How <u>Jesus</u> had <u>appeared</u> to them and <u>left</u> them in no <u>doubt</u> They <u>told</u> them how he <u>journeyed</u> and <u>all</u> the things he <u>said</u>	35

And how they knew that it was him when he broke and shared the bread

Jesus appears to his crew

Luke	While the <u>crew</u> were still <u>chewing</u> , right from <u>out</u> of the <u>blue</u> Jesus <u>stood</u> among them <u>saying</u>	36
Jesus	Hey, <u>peace</u> be with <u>you</u>	
Luke	They were <u>startled</u> , <u>terrified</u> , thought they were <u>seeing</u> a <u>ghost</u>	37
Jesus	Why <u>frightened</u> , doubts <u>rising</u> , did you <u>think</u> I was <u>toast</u> ?	38
	Check my <u>hands</u> and my <u>feet</u> , you can <u>touch</u> me, see it's <u>me</u> Ghosts <u>don't</u> have flesh and <u>bones</u> , an <u>elbow</u> or a <u>knee</u> !	39
Luke	And <u>when</u> he'd finished <u>speaking</u> he <u>showed</u> his hands and <u>feet</u>	40
	While they <u>O.M.Gd</u> and <u>disbelieved</u>	41
Jesus	There <u>something</u> here to <u>eat</u> ?	
Luke	So they <u>passed</u> a piece of <u>fish</u> to J and <u>spied</u> him while they <u>waited</u>	42
	And <u>then</u> when 'pleted <u>eating</u> J <u>turned</u> to them and <u>stated</u>	43
Jesus	Remember what I <u>said</u> was gonna <u>happen</u> , get the <u>picture</u> ? <u>Moses</u> , prophets, <u>psalms</u> - the stuff <u>about</u> me writ in <u>scripture</u>	44
	How it <u>had</u> to go <u>down</u> , what was <u>written</u> went as <u>planned</u>	
Luke	Then J <u>opened</u> up their <u>minds</u> to help them <u>understand</u>	45
Jesus	It was <u>penned</u> that Christ would <u>suffer</u> , duffed up, <u>roughed</u> up, tears <u>shed</u> Then <u>boom</u> ! The third <u>day</u> he would <u>rise</u> up from the <u>dead</u>	46
	And that <u>starting</u> with <u>Jerus'lem</u> to every <u>nation</u> this <u>proclaim</u> There's <u>repentance</u> and <u>forgiveness</u> of all <u>sin</u> in Jesus' <u>name</u>	47
	Now I'm <u>sending</u> what my <u>Father</u> pledged, you'll <u>see</u> and <u>testify</u>	48-49
	Stay <u>city</u> put, till <u>pimped</u> with power <u>coming</u> from on <u>high</u>	49

Jesus ascends to heaven

Luke	Then J <u>led</u> his crew to <u>Bethany</u> and <u>raising</u> hands he <u>blessed</u> them	50
	And as he <u>blessed</u> , he backed <u>away</u> , transmogrified to <u>heaven</u>	51
	Praising <u>J</u> , they double- <u>backed</u> to <u>Jerusalem</u> and <u>then</u>	52
	<u>Elated</u> , non-stop <u>temple</u> hung, <u>blessing</u> God. <u>Amen!</u>	52-53