

THE LIFE OF JESUS

## I.

PRELIMINARY EVENTS

1. His Divinity--He existed as the WORD of GOD, from all eternity, and by Him all things were made (John 1:1-5)
2. His Parentage--(1). Mary, His mother, a virgin of Nazareth, is espoused to Joseph, a carpenter (Matt. 1:18; Luke 1:27). (2). The angel Gabriel announces to Mary the birth of Jesus at Nazareth (Lk. 1:26-38) (3). Mary visits Elizabeth, the mother of John the Baptist, at Hebron (Luke 1:39-55) (4). An angel appears to Joseph, at Nazareth, and tells him of the early event of the child, and what his name shall be (Matt. 1:20-25).

## II.

HIS INFANCY

1. His Birth-- Jesus is born in Bethlehem in the days of Herod the king (Luke 2:1-7).
2. The Adoration of the Shepherds--The angels tell the shepherds of His birth, and they go and worship him (Luke 2:8-16).
3. His Name--He is circumcised at the age of eight days, and named Jesus, at Bethlehem (Matt. 1:25; Luke 2:21).
4. His Presentation--He is taken to the Temple, in Jerusalem, and presented to the Lord, where Simeon takes Him in his arms and blesses Him, and Anna, the prophetess, speaks of him as the Redeemer (Luke 2:22-38).
5. The Visit of the Wise Men--The wise men from the East visit Him at Bethlehem, led by a star (Matthew 2:1-12).
6. The Flight Into Egypt--- He is taken to Egypt to avoid the executioners sent by Herod to slay the young children, at Bethlehem (Matthew 2:13-18).
7. The Return-- After the death of Herod he is taken to Nazareth, the home of His parents (Mt. 2:19-23).

## III.

HIS CHILDHOOD

1. His Growth--- He grows in body, and wisdom, and the favor of God is with Him (Luke 2:40).
2. In The Temple---At the age of twelve years He is taken by His parents to Jerusalem, where He disputes with the doctors in the Temple, and confounds them by His wisdom (Luke 2:46-50).
3. An Obedient Child--- He returns with His parents to Nazareth, where His childhood and early manhood are passed in filial obedience (Luke 2:51-52).

IV.

HIS INTRODUCTION

1. His Baptism--- Jesus comes from Galilee to Bethabara, and is baptized by John in the Jordan, when the Holy Spirit descends upon Him, in the form of a dove, and God acknowledges Him to be His Son(Matt.3:13-17;Mark 1:9-11; Luke 3:21-22).
2. His Temptation--- Jesus is led by the Spirit into the wilderness of Judea, where He is tempted by the devil(Matt.4:1-11; Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-13).
3. John's Testimony--- At Bethabara, John the Baptist points to Jesus as the Lamb of God(Jno.1:19,30)
4. His First Followers--- James and Andrew, hearing the testimony of John the Baptist, follow Jesus, and are soon joined by Peter, Philip and Nathanael (John 1:37-51).

V.

HIS FIRST PUBLIC WORK

1. His First Miracle--- Jesus and His disciples attend a marriage at Cana of Galilee, where He performs His first miracle, turning water into wine, after which he goes to Capernaum(John 2:1-12).
2. Cleansing of the Temple--- He goes with His disciples to the Feast of the Passover, at Jerusalem, and drives out of the Temple those who are desecrating it(John 2:13-23).
3. The New Birth--- He talks with Nicodemus, at Jerusalem, and explains to him the nature of the new birth(John 3:1-23).
4. John's Testimony--- John the Baptist, hearing, at Aenon that Jesus and His disciples are preaching and baptizing beyond Jordan, bears testimony to His Divine character(John 3:25-36).
5. The Visit to Samaria--- Jesus passes through Samaria, and preaches to the woman at Jacob's well, and afterwards in the city of Sychar(John 4:1-42).
6. The Return to Galilee--- He again goes to Cana of Galilee, and while there heals a nobleman's son who is sick at Capernaum(John 4:43-54).

VI.

HIS FIRST PUBLIC PREACHING

1. The Beginning--- After hearing of the imprisonment of John the Baptist at Machaerus, Jesus preaches at Nazareth and Capernaum.(Matt.4:12,13;Mark 1:14; 6:1-6; Luke 4:15-31)....
2. Calling Disciples--- He calls Andrew, Peter, James and John to be His attendants, at Capernaum, on the Sea of Galilee(Matthew 4:18-22;Mark 1:16).

3. Miracles--- He casts out devils and heals many sick, at Capernaum(Mark 1:23-32; Luke 4:33-40).

VII.

FIRST GENERAL CIRCUIT

1. Preparatory Prayer--- Jesus engages in prayer to His Father in heaven(Mk.1:35; Lk.4:42).
2. Public Ministry--- He makes a circuit through Galilee, preaching in the synagogues, and curing all manner of diseases among the people(Mk.4:23-25; Lk.4:44)
3. The Sermon On The Mount--- He delivers the celebrated "Sermon" from a hill-top near Capernaum(Matthew 5,6,7).
4. Miraculous Draught of Fish--- He teaches the people from a boat at the shore of the sea of Galilee, and directs the disciples where to cast their nets(Luke 5:1-11).
5. Healings---He heals a man of the leprosy at some city in Galilee, and cures a case of the palsy at Capernaum(Luke 5:12-17)
6. The Call Of Matthew--- He calls Matthew, the Publican, at Capernaum, to be a disciples, who invites Jesus to a feast at his house(Matt.9:9-13; Luke 5:27-32).
7. Miracle at Bethesda--- He goes to Jerusalem to attend the Feast of the Passover, and cures the infirm man at the Pool of Bethesda(John 5:1-47).
8. The Sabbath--- (1). He returns to Galilee, and the disciples pluck corn on the Sabbath, which leads to a discussion with the Pharisees(Matthew 12:1-8; Mark 2:23-28).(2). In Capernaum he restores a withered hand, on the Sabbath, and has another dispute with the Pharisees(Matthew 12:9-13; Mark 3:1-5; Luke 6:6-11).
9. The Herodians--- He also provokes the Herodians, who join the Pharisees in an attempt to kill Him, and He retires to a mountain for prayer(Matt.12:14; Mark 3:6; Luke 6:12).
10. The Twelve Chosen--- At Capernaum he selects Twelve Disciples to preach the Gospel and perform miracles(Matt. 10)
11. Teaching And Healing---On the sea shore near Capernaum He teaches the multitude, and heals many(Matthew 8:5-13; Luke 6:17-7:10).
12. The Widow's Son Raised--- At Nain He raises from the dead the only son of a widow(Lk.7:11)
13. John's Inquiry--- John the Baptist sends to Jesus at Capernaum to know if He be the Christ(Matt. 11:2,3; Luke 7:19-20).
14. Jesus' Answer And Testimony--- He answers John's inquiry by referring to His works, and bears testimony to John's high character(Matt.11:4-15).
15. Warnings---At Capernaum He warns the cities on the Sea of Galilee, where many of His miracles had been performed, of their impending fate(Matthew 11:20-24).

16. Invitation---He invites the weary to come to Him and find rest(Matthew 11:28-30).
17. His Feet Washed--- In the house of a Pharisee, perhaps at Capernaum, His feet are washed and anointed by a "woman who is a sinner"(Luke 7:36-50).

VIII  
SECOND GENERAL CIRCUIT

1. Teaching and Healing--- Jesus makes another circuit through Galilee, teaching and healing (Luke 8:1-3).
2. The Demoniac---At Capernaum he heals a demoniac and rebukes the Pharisees(Matthew 12:22-37;Mark 3:22-30).
3. Teaching in Parables--- By the Sea of Galilee he speaks the parables of the Sower,Tares, Mustard Seed, Leaven,Candle,Treasures, Pearl,and Net(Matt. 13:1-52; Mark 4:1-34; Luke 8:4-18).
4. Stilling the Storm--- He stills a storm on the Sea of Galilee(Matt.8:23-27;Mark 4:35-41)..
5. The Devils and the Swine--- At Gadara He casts devils out of two men and suffers them to enter into a herd of swine(Matt.8:28-34;Mark 5:1-20)
6. The New and the Old--- He talks with the disciples of John about fasting, and about putting new wine in old bottles, and new cloth on old garments (Matthew 9:14-17).
7. Miracles--- At Capernaum he heals an afflicted woman, raises the ruler's daughter, restores sight to two blind men and speech to one that is dumb(Mt.9:18-33)

IX  
THIRD GENERAL CIRCUIT

1. The Mission of the Twelve--- The twelve disciples are sent forth to their work of preaching and healing(Matthew 10;Mark 6:7-13;Luke 9:1-6).
2. Feeding the Five Thousand--- At Bethsaida, on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, Jesus feeds five thousand on five loaves and two fishes(Matthew 14:13-21;Mark 6:31-44;Luke 9:10-17)(John 6:1-14).
3. Walking on the Sea--- He goes to the disciples at night, on the Sea of Galilee, in the midst of a storm, walking on the water(Matt.14:22-33;Mark 6:45-52)
4. Teaching and Healing--- He teaches the multitude on the sea-shore and in Capernaum, and heals many(Matthew 14:34-36; John 6:22-65).
5. Discourse on Pollution--- He discourses to the scribe and Pharisees on pollution, and rebukes their hypocrisy(Matthew 15:1-20;Mark 7:1-23).
6. The Syrophoenician Woman--- In the region of Tyre and Sidon he cures the child of a Syrophoenician woman(Matthew 15:21-28;Mark 7:24-30)

7. Miracles--- (1). He heals a deaf and dumb man, and many sick, in Decapolis(Matt.15:29-31;Mark 7:31-37). (2). He feeds four thousand, on the shore of the Sea of Galilee(Matthew 15:32-38; Mark 8:1-9).
8. The Leaven of the Pharisees--- He warns the disciples against the leaven, or doctrine of the Pharisees(Matt.16:6-12;Mark 8:14-21).
9. The Curing of the Blind Man--- At Bethsaida He restores sight to a blind man(Mark 8:22-26)..
10. The Good Confession--- Peter confesses his faith in Jesus as the Christ, the Son of God, in the coasts of Caesarea Philippi(Matt.16:13-20;Mark 8:27-30)
11. The Transfiguration--- He is transfigured on a mountain (perhaps Hermon)in the presence of Peter, James and John, and Moses and Elijah(Matt.17:1-8; Mark 9:2-8; Luke 9:28-36).
12. The Demoniac Child---He heals a demoniac child at the foot of the mount of transfiguration(Matt. 17:14-21;Mark 9:14-29; Luke 9:37-42).
13. Foretelling His Death--- He tells His disciples of His approaching death, as they journey through Galilee(Matthew 17:22-23;Mark 9:30-32;Lk.9:43-45).
14. Paying Taxes--- At Capernaum he directs Peter to pay taxes for both himself and the Lord (Matt.17:24-27).
15. Various Lessons---At Capernaum He teaches various lessons (Matt.9:33-50;Luke 9:46-50).
16. At The Feast of Tabernacles---(1). He attends the Feast of Tabernacles at Jerusalem, where He delivers various important discourses, for which His enemies seek to kill Him(John 7 and 8)(2). He restores sight to a blind man, which again brings Him into conflict with the Jewish rulers(John 9)(3). He declares Himself to be the DOOR, and the Good Shepherd(John 10:1-21)...
17. At The Feast of Dedication---(1). He attends the Feast of Dedication at Jerusalem(John 10:22).(2). The Jews ask Him concerning the Messiahship, and He answers them(John 10:23-29)(3). He declares Himself to be one with the Father(John 10:30-38).
18. His Retreat--- He crosses the Jordan into Peraea, where many people come to Him(John 10:39-42).
19. Raising Lazarus--- He goes to Bethany, and raises Lazarus from the dead(John 11:1-46).
20. Second Retreat--- To avoid for a time His enemies among the Jews, He retreats to Ephraim with the disciples(John 11:54).
21. His Repulse---The Samaritans of a certain city refuse to receive Him, as He is again on His way to Jerusalem(Luke 9:51-56).
22. Mission of the Seventy--- From some place in Galilee He sends forth seventy disciples to preach and heal(Luke 10:1-17).
23. The Good Samaritan--- At Jerusalem He speaks the parable of the good Samaritan(Luke 10:25-37).

24. Visit To Mary And Martha--- He visits Mary and Martha at Bethany, and teaches an important truth(Luke 10:38-42).
25. The Model Prayer--- At the Mount of Olives He teaches His disciples to pray, and gives them the Model Prayer(Matt.6:5-13; Luke 11:1-4).
26. Teaching and Healing--- At Jerusalem He teaches many important lessons, and performs miracles (Luke 11-14:6).
27. Parables--- At Jerusalem He speaks the parables of the Great Supper; the Lost Sheep and piece of Silver; the Prodigal Son; Unjust Steward, and the Rich Man and Lazarus(Luke 14:12-16).
28. The Ten Lepers--- He heals ten lepers in Samaria(Lk.17:11-19)
29. Parables--- At Jerusalem He speaks the parables of the Importunate Widow, and the Pharisee and Publican (Luke 18:1-14).
30. The Way of Life--- A rich young man comes to Him, at Jerusalem, desiring to know what to do to obtain eternal life(Matthew 19:16-22; Mark 10:17-22)
31. Parables--- At Jerusalem He speaks the parable of the Laborers in the Vineyard(Matt. 20:1-16) and of the Pounds(Luke 19:12-27).
32. Blind Bartimaeus--- At Jericho He restores sight to Bartimaeus and another blind man(Matt.20:29-34; Mark 10:46-52).

#### X THE LAST PASSOVER

1. The Feast--- At the house of Simon, in Bethany, they make Jesus a feast, and Mary anoints Him with ointment(Matt.26:6-13; Mark 14: 3-9; John 12:1-3).
2. Triumphal March--- He enters Jerusalem in Triumph, and is received with honor(Matt.21:1-16; Mark 11:1-11; Luke 19:29-40; John 12:12-19).
3. The Barren Fig Tree--- On His way from Bethany to Jerusalem he pronounces a curse upon a barren fig tree, and it withers(Matt.21:17-22; Mark 11:19-23).
4. Discourse in the Temple--- In the Temple at Jerusalem He speaks various parables; reasons with the Sadducees; tells of the great commandment; observes the widow's mite; pronounces various woes, and foretells the destruction of Jerusalem and the end of the world(Matt. 21:23-24; Mark 12,13; Luke 20,21).
5. Parables --- At the Mount of Olives He speaks the parables of the Ten Virgins and the Talents, and pictures the last judgement(Matthew 25).
6. Warning--- At Bethany He foretells His betrayal by one of the Twelve(Matthew 26:1,2).
7. The Sanhedrin--- The Chief Council of the Jews, at Jerusalem, lay plans to have Him put to death(Matt.26:3-5; Mark 14:1-2; Luke 22:1-6).

8. The Treachery of Judas---Judas agrees to deliver Jesus into the hands of the Jews for thirty pieces of silver(Matt.26:14-16;Mark 14:10,11;Luke 22:3-6).
9. The Last Supper--- (1). Preparation is made for the Pass-over at Jerusalem(Matt.26:17-19;Mark 14:12-16;Luke 22:7-13)(2). He washes the disciples' feet(John 13:1-17)(3). He breaks the bread(Matt.26:26; Mark 14:22;Lk. 22:19).(4). He foretells the betrayal(Luke 22:21;John 13:18)(5). The disciples asks who the traitor is(Matt.26:22-25; Mark 14:19) (6). He points out Judas who goes out(John 13:26,27) (7). He warns Peter (Matt.26:31-35;Mark 14:27-31; Luke 22:31-34; John 13:36-38).(8). He gives the cup to the disciples(Matt.26:27,28;Mark 14:24) (9). After the Supper He delivers His farwell address to the disciples(John 14-16)(10). He prays for the disciples(John 17). (11).They sing a closing hymn and go out to the Mount of Olives(Matt.26:30 Mark 14:26)....

## XI THE BETRAYAL AND TRIAL

1. In Gethsemane---(1). His agony(Matt.26:36-38;Mark 14:32-34; Luke 22:39,40; John 18:1) (2). His prayer(Mt. 26:39-44; Mark 14:36-39;Luke 22:42-44) (3). The sleep of the disciples(Matt.26:40-45;Mark 14:37-41) (4). The Betrayal and arrest(Matt.26:47-50;Mark 14:43-44; Luke 22:47;Jno. 18:2-4) (5). Peter assaults Malchus (Matt.26:51;Mark 14:47; Luke22:50;John 18:10) (6). Jesus restores the ear of Malchus(Luke 22:51). (7). The disciples flee(Matt.26:56; Mark 14:50).
2. Before Annas---He is taken before Annas(John 18:12).
3. Before Caiaphas--- (1). He is taken before Caiaphas(Matt. 26:57;Mark 14:53;Luke 22:54;John 18:15). (2). Peter follows afar off(Matt. 26:58;Mark 14:54;Luke 22:55;John 18:15). (3). The high priest's adjuration(Matt.26:63;Mark 14: 61) (4). He is condemned, buffeted and mocked (Matt.26:66,67;Mark 14:64,65;Luke 22:63-65; John 18:17-27) (5). Peter denies Him(Matt.26:69;Mark 14:66;Luke 22:55-59; John 18:28).
4. Before Pilate---(1). He is taken before Pilate to have the sentence of death confirmed(Matt.27:1;Mark 15:1;Luke 23:1) (2). Repentance of Judas(Matt.28:3) (3). Pilate's inquiry(John 18:28) (4). Jesus scourged(Matt.28:26 Mark 15:15;John 19:1) (5). Crowned with thorns(Matt.27:29; Mark 15:17;John 19:5) (6). Exhibited to the people(Matt.27:11;Mark 15:2;Luke 23:2) (7). Sent by Pilate to Herod, mocked and arrayed in purple(Luke 23:6-11). (8). Pilate desires to release Him(Matt.27:15;Mark 15:6;Luke 23:17) (9). Pilate receives a message from his wife concerning Jesus(Matt.27:19) (10). Pilate washes his hands(Matt 27:24). (11). Barabbas is released(Matt. 27:26); (12). Jesus is delivered to be crucified(Mark 15:15; Luke 23:25; John 19:16)..

XII.  
HIS DEATH AND BURIAL

1. On The Way To The Cross--- (1). Simon of Cyrene, carries the cross to Golgotha (Matt. 27: 32; Mark 15: 21; Luke 23: 26). (2). Many people follow Him, the women weep, but He tells them to weep for themselves (Luke 23: 27-33).
2. Vinegar and Gall--- They give Him vinegar and gall (Matt. 27: 34; Mark 15: 23; Luke 23: 36).
3. On the Cross--- They nail Him to the cross (Matt. 27: 35; Luke 23: 33; John 19: 18).
4. Over the Cross--- Over the cross Pilate causes to be placed a superscription, designating the charge upon which he is crucified (Matt. 27: 37; Mark 15: 26; Luke 23: 38; John 19: 19).
5. His Garments--- His garments are divided among the soldiers (Matt 27: 35; Mark 15: 24; Luke 23: 34; John 19: 23).
6. Mocked and Reviled--- Passers-by mock him, and the thieves revile him (Matt. 27: 39-44; Mark 15: 29-32; Luke 23: 35)...
7. The Penitent Thief--One of the thieves cries to Him for mercy (Luke 23: 40)
8. His Seven Sayings--- (1). Father, forgive them (Lk. 23: 34) (2). To-day shalt thou be with me in paradise (Luke 23: 43) (3). Women, behold thy son (John 19: 26-27) (4). My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken me? (Mt. 27: 46; Mark 15: 34) (5). I thirst (John 19: 28) (6). It is finished (John 19: 30) (7). Father, into Thy hands I commend My Spirit (Luke 23: 46).
9. Rending of the Veil---The veil of the Temple in Jerusalem is rent (Matt. 27: 51; Mark 15: 38; Luke 23: 45).
10. Testimony of the Centurion--- The Centurion by the cross testifies that He must be the Son of God (Matt. 27: 54; Mark 15: 39; Luke 23: 47).
11. Piercing of His Side--- A soldier pierces His side with a spear (John 19: 30).
12. His Burial--- He is taken down from the cross and buried in a new tomb in a garden (Matt. 27: 57-60; Mark 15: 46; Luke 23: 53; John 19: 38).
13. The Seal and Guard--- The tomb is sealed, and a guard placed about (Matt. 27: 65-66; John 19: 39-42)

XIII  
AFTER THE RESURRECTION

1. The Sepulchre Opened--- The angel of the Lord rolls the stone from the door of the sepulchre, and Jesus arises (Matthew 28: 2)
2. The Women's visit--- Certain visit the tomb, bringing spices and find it empty (Mt. 28: 1; Mark 16: 2).
3. The Announcement--- The women announce the resurrection in Jerusalem (Mt. 28: 8; John 20: 1-2).
4. The Visit of Peter and John--- (Luke 24: 12; John 20: 3).



5. Report of the Guards--- The guards report the resurrection in Jerusalem(Matt.28:11-15).
6. His Appearances After the Resurrection--- (1).To Mary Magdalene in the garden(Mark 16:9-10;John 20:14)(2). To the women returning home(Matt.9)(3). To the two disciples going to Emmaus(Mark 16:12; Luke 24:13)(4). To Peter(Lk. 24:34)(5). To the ten in an upper room in Jerusalem(Luke 24:36; John 20:19)(6). To the eleven in the same place (Mark 16:14;John 20:26)(7). To seven of the disciples at the Sea of Galilee(John 21:1-24)(8). To the eleven disciples on a mountain in Galilee(Matt.28:16);(9). To five hundred brethren at once in Galilee or at Bethany(ICor. 15:6)(10). To James (ICor. 15:7)(11). To the apostles at the time of the ascension ,at Bethany (Mark 16:19;Luke 24:50,51).
7. His Ascension--- From Bethany He ascends to heaven, in the presence of the disciples(Mark 16:19; Luke 24:50,51) after which He is seen by Paul at Damascus (ICor. 15:8) and by John in a vision on the island of Patmos(Rev. 1:13).....