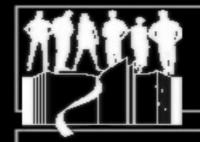


again, to such an extent that they could not even eat a meal. 21 When His own people heard of this, they went out to take custody of Him; for they were saying, "He has lost His senses."

The scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "He casts out the demons by the ruler of the demons." 23 And He called them to Himself and began speaking to

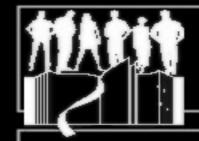


them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? 24 "If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.25 "If a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand.26 "If Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but he is finished!27 "But no one can enter the strong man's house and plunder his property unless he first binds the strong man, and then he will plunder his house.28 "Truly I say to you, all sins shall



be forgiven the sons of men, and whatever blasphemies they utter;29 but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—30 because they were saying, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then His mother and His brothers *arrived, and standing outside they sent *word* to Him and called Him.32 A crowd was sitting around Him, and they *said to Him, "Behold, Your mother and Your brothers



are outside looking for You."33 Answering them, He *said, "Who are My mother and My brothers?" 34 Looking about at those who were sitting around Him, He *said, "Behold My mother and My brothers! 35 "For whoever does the will of God, he is My brother and sister and mother."

"Sometimes, people try to expose what's wrong with you, because they can't handle what's right about you."

Jesus and Ministry

- Time in the Wilderness
- Choosing the 12
- All led by the Holy Spirit
- Should be a great outcome?
- Maybe not... challenges

Jesus and Needs

- His return comes with intensity
 - -"Hitting the ground running..."
 - -Ministry can seem overwhelming, intense
- * *came home...*gathered happening now!
- Even with the 12 helping

Jesus and Friends

- No time for meals...
 - -This can be both physical and spiritual!
 - -Never a good idea everyone suffers
 - "kinsmen"/friends want to take "custody"
 - -Lost His senses out of His mind?

Jesus and Scribes

- Jerusalem Theological Investigation
- Part of the Kingdom

 Freeing possessed
- Conclusion: He has the chief of demons!
- No understanding, in their "knowledge"
- His following threatened them...

Jesus and Truth

- Divided against yourself? No abiding, ended
- Satan is not destroying himself –
- * The STRONG MAN (JESUS)
 - -Bound and spoils Satan's realm/people
 - -Beware rejecting who I AM HS blasphemy

Jesus and Family

- Mom and the Family outside
- Ashamed and embarrassed call to Him
- People said* family is looking for you!
 - -Calling, looking from the outside
 - -Jesus had spent time with Father/Spirit

Jesus and God's will

- He said* Who are my mother, brothers?
- Not blood, history, traits...
- Obedience to God's Kingship and will!
 - -Rule and reign of God in our lives