

<sup>12</sup> When Jesus was in one of the cities, there was a man full of a repulsive-skin-condition. Seeing Jesus, he fell upon his face, begging him,

“Lord, if you want to, you are able to purify me!”

<sup>13</sup> Extending his hand, Jesus held him, saying,

“I want to. Be purified.”

Immediately, the repulsive-skin-condition departed from him. <sup>14</sup> Jesus directed him to tell no one, but rather,

“After departing, show yourself to the temple-caretaker and bring for your purification what Moses prescribed, as a testimony against them!”

<sup>15</sup> The word about Jesus began being spread even more and many crowds gathered to listen and to be cared for because of their weaknesses. <sup>16</sup> But Jesus began going back to the wilderness and was praying.

<sup>17</sup> On one of the days Jesus was teaching, the Pharisees and teachers of the Torah, who began coming from all the villages of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem, were sitting there and the power of the Lord to heal was in Jesus. <sup>18</sup> Some men were bringing a paralyzed person upon a bed and they were seeking to bring him in and lay him in the sight of Jesus. <sup>19</sup> Not finding a way to bring him in through the crowd, they went up upon the roof to let him down with his bed, through the tiles, into the middle in front of Jesus. <sup>20</sup> Seeing their trust, Jesus said,

“Man, your rebellions have been set free for you.”

<sup>21</sup> The writers and Pharisees began to consider, saying,

“Who is this who is speaking slander? Who is able to give freedom from rebellions except the Creator alone?”

<sup>22</sup> When Jesus recognized their considerations, he answered them,

“What are you considering in your hearts? <sup>23</sup> What is easier to say? ‘Your rebellions have been set free for you’ or ‘Rise! Walk!’ <sup>24</sup> But so you may see that the Child of Humanity has authority over the earth to give freedom from rebellions...”

Jesus then said to the paralytic,

“Rise! Take up your bed and go to your home!”

<sup>25</sup> Immediately, he stood up in their sight, took what he had been reclining upon, and departed to his home while declaring the triumph of the Creator. <sup>26</sup> They were all beside themselves and they began declaring the triumph of the Creator and were filled with fear, saying,

“We saw contrary things today!”

<sup>27</sup> After these things, Jesus went out and saw a tax-collector named Levi sitting at the tax-office and said to him, “Follow me.”

<sup>28</sup> Leaving everything behind and standing up, he began following Jesus. <sup>29</sup> Levi made a great feast for Jesus in his house and there was a crowd of many tax-collectors and others who began reclining with them. <sup>30</sup> The Pharisees and their writers began complaining to his apprentices, saying,

“Why are you eating and drinking with tax-collectors and rebels?”

<sup>31</sup> But answering, Jesus said to them,

“Those who are healthy do not have need for a healer, but only those having harmful things. <sup>32</sup> I have not come to call those living-justly to transformation, but rebels.”

<sup>33</sup> But they said to him,

“The apprentices of John go without consuming frequently and also beg, and likewise those of the Pharisees, but yours eat and drink.”

<sup>34</sup> But Jesus said to them,

“You are not able to make the guests of the wedding go without consuming when the groom is with them. <sup>35</sup> But the days will come when the groom is taken away from them and then they will go without consuming in those days.”

<sup>36</sup> Jesus also began speaking an analogy to them,

“No one after splitting a piece from a new garment sews it upon an old garment. But if he does, then surely the new will split and the piece from the new will not agree with the old. <sup>37</sup> And no one puts

young wine into old wineskins. But if he does, then surely the young wine will tear through the old wineskins, it will be poured out, and the wineskins will be destroyed. <sup>38</sup> Young wine must be put into new wineskins. <sup>39</sup> But no one after drinking old wants young, for he says, ‘The old is comfortable.’”

<sup>6.1</sup> On a Sabbath, Jesus was passing through grainfields and his apprentices were picking and eating heads of grain, rubbing them with their hands. <sup>2</sup> Some of the Pharisees said,

“Why are you doing what is not appropriate on the Sabbaths?”

<sup>3</sup> Answering, Jesus said to them,

“Have you not read what David did when he and those with him were hungry? <sup>4</sup> He entered into the house of the Creator and, taking the Bread of Purpose, which is not appropriate for anyone to eat except for the temple-caretakers, he ate it and gave it to those with him.”

<sup>5</sup> He began saying to them,

“The Child of Humanity is Lord of the Sabbath!”

<sup>6</sup> On another Sabbath, Jesus came into the synagogue to teach. There was a person there with a withered right hand. <sup>7</sup> The writers and the Pharisees were keeping close to Jesus to see if he was caring for others on the Sabbath, so they could find out how to work against him. <sup>8</sup> But Jesus perceived their considerations and said to the man having the withered hand,

“Rise and stand in the middle.”

He stood up. <sup>9</sup> Jesus said to them,

“I ask you, is it appropriate to do good or to do harm on the Sabbath, to rescue life or to destroy?”

<sup>10</sup> After looking around at all of them, Jesus said to the man,

“Extend your hand!”

He did and his hand was restored. <sup>11</sup> They were filled with mindlessness and began discussing among themselves what they could do to Jesus.