

# GOD FIRST

*Radical Spirituality for a Suffering Society*

## Various scripture references from the Gospel of Luke

- 5:1ff (Call of Peter, Andrew, James and John)  
“...’Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.’ ...they left everything and followed him.”
- 6:5 “The Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath.”
- 6:20-26 (Sermon on the Plain)  
“...But woe to you who are...”
- 6:46-49 Two Foundations  
“Stop judging...stop condemning...forgive...  
give...do to others as you would have them do to  
you...”  
[cf Mt. 24]
- 8:1-3 “...women who provided out of their resources.”
- 8:9-10 (Purpose of Parables)  
“...that they may look but not see, and hear but  
not understand...”
- 8:19-21 “...mother and brothers are those who hear the  
word of God and act on it.”
- 8:37 The entire population of the Geresenes asked  
Jesus to leave them because they were seized  
with great fear.”
- 9:1-6 Mission of the Twelve)
- 9:23-27 (Condition of Discipleship)  
“...What profit is there for one to gain the whole  
world yet lose or forfeit himself...?  
[cf Mk 8:34-35]
- 9:46-48 (Greatest in the Kingdom)  
“An argument arose among the disciples about  
which of them was the greatest...For the one who is least  
among all of you is the one who is the greatest.”
- 9:57-62 (Would be followers of Jesus) [Mt 8:19-22]
- 10:1-12 (Mission of the 72)  
“...The harvest is abundant but the laborers are  
few...”
- 10:20ff “...do not rejoice because the spirits are  
subject to you, but rejoice because your names  
are written in heaven.”
- 10:23-24 “Blessed are your eyes that see what you see  
and hear what you hear...”
- 10:25-28 (The Greatest Commandments)
- 10:39-42 (Martha & Mary)  
“...Mary sat beside the Lord at his feet listening  
to him speak...Mary has chosen the better part  
and it is not to be taken from her.”
- 11:27-30 (True Blessedness)  
“...Rather, blessed are those who hear the word  
of God and observe it.”
- 11:37-54 (Denunciation of the Pharisees and Scholars  
of the Law)  
“...You impose on people burdens hard to carry,  
but you yourselves do not lift one finger to touch  
them...”
- 12:2-9  
“...I tell you, everyone who acknowledges me  
before others the Son of Man will acknowledge  
before the angels of God. But whoever denies  
me before others will be denied before the  
angels of God.
- 12:22-34  
“...Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your  
life and what you will eat, or about your body and  
what you will wear...”

12:35-48 (Vigilant and Faithful Servant)

“...Who then is the faithful and prudent steward whom the master will put in charge of his servants...”

13:22-30 (The Narrow Door; Salvation & Rejection)

Chapters 15-16 – Concerning Parables of the Kingdom

16:16:-17

“The law and the prophets lasted until John; but from then on the kingdom of God is proclaimed, and everyone who enters does so with violence. It is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for the smallest part of a letter of the law to become invalid.”

17:5-6

“And the apostles said to the Lord, ‘Increase our faith.’ The Lord replied, ‘If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the seas,’ and it would obey you.’”

18:18-23 (The Rich Official)

“...You know the commandments...All these I have observed from my youth...”