

“ BREAKING THE CHAINS OF DOUBT”

MATTHEW 11:2

2 Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples,

MATTHEW 11:3

3 And said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?

MATTHEW 11:4

4 Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see:

MATTHEW 11:5

5 The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.

MATTHEW 11:6

6 And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me.

MATTHEW 11:7

7 And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind?

MATTHEW 11:8

8 But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses.

MATTHEW 11:9

9 But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet.

MATTHEW 11:10

10 For this is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

MATTHEW 11:11

11 Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist:

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And then we find there that John, down in this little old, musty, dirty jail, with some dirty bread they'd probably throw in to him once in a while. He'd probably gotten thin and no way to read his Bible. And "His eagle eye got filmed over."**

E-12 You know the prophets are likened unto eagles. And God calls His prophets eagles. Is because an eagle is a most powerful of all the birds. And the eagle can go higher, soar higher than any other bird. And he's got a better eye than any other bird.

E-13 Because they had taken him out of his habitation from the wilderness, and had put him down into an old dirty, musty jail. And this great man who could be an eagle to soar up in the air. Now, higher you get, further away you can see. But we find that this eagle eye had got filmed over, John become weary.

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John was kindly filmed over. He had the spirit of Elijah. And Elijah had a breakdown when he was under the juniper tree. John had a breakdown in the prison.
And he was a high pitched prophet. Them nerves on edge.**

MATTHEW 11:2

2 Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ.

LUKE 7:12

12 Now when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow: and much people of the city was with her.

LUKE 7:13

13 And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep not.

LUKE 7:14

14 And he came and touched the bier: and they that bare him stood still. And he said, Young man, I say unto thee, Arise.

LUKE 7:15

15 And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother.

LUKE 7:17

17 And this rumour of him went forth throughout all Judaea, and throughout all the region round about.

LUKE 7:19

19 And John calling unto him two of his disciples sent them to Jesus, saying, Art thou he that should come? or look we for another?

MATTHEW 3:11

11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I,

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**John, in the prison his eagle eye had filmed over.
His prophetic eye couldn't see like it once seen.**

LUKE 12:28

**8 If then God so clothe the grass, which is to day
in the field, and to morrow is cast into the oven;
how much more will he clothe you, O ye of little
faith?**

LUKE 12:29

**29 And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye
shall drink, neither be ye of *Doubtful* mind.**

**DOUBTFUL : To be suspended in air, to cause one to
waver or fluctuate in the mind.**

**A metaphor taken from ships that are tossed about
on the deep by winds and waves,**

MATTHEW 28:16

**16 Then the eleven disciples went away into
Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed
them.**

MATTHEW 28:17

**17 And when they saw him, they worshipped him:
but some doubted.**

I TIMOTHY 2:8

8 I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.

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E-20 And if you notice, it's when you are discouraged that's when the devil can really pour it on you. That's when He gets you.

LUKE 7:20

20 When the men were come unto him, they said, John Baptist hath sent us unto thee, saying, Art thou he that should come? or look we for another?

LUKE 7:21

21 And in that same hour he cured many of their infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; and unto many that were blind he gave sight.

LUKE 7:22

22 Then Jesus answering said unto them, Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached.

LUKE 7:23

23 And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be *Offended* in me.

OFFENDED:

To stumble, to have an impediment in the way, to fall in a trap, one who stumbles or whose foot gets entangled

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Tell John not to be scared, not think anything different; I'm right on schedule. Everything's running right. Everything's all right. I'm right on schedule.

Go, tell him there's a healing service going on. The poor's got the Gospel preached, the power of God is moving among them. I'm right on schedule. Don't pay any attention to nothing else. I'm right on schedule."

Why, He said, "Blessed is he who's not offended in Me. Don't be offended in Me. No matter what takes place, Everything's working right on schedule. So you just go ahead and believe it; that's all. Everything's all right. Just go ahead and believe it."

You know, there Jesus didn't rebuke John for that. He didn't say, "Well, I'm ashamed of My apostle. I'm ashamed of My prophet." No, He never said that.

He didn't say, "What's the world going to say about this when you've come preaching, oh, such a great Messiah, and such a great Messiah, and then you send out to ask if I'm the Messiah." He never rebuked him.

But when John said the worst thing that he could say to Jesus, Jesus said the best thing that John ever had said about him.

IT. WASN'T. SO. FROM. THE. BEGINNING

E-21 But then, there's something happened, disappointment. That's what happens to all of us. In your healings and things you'll find out looks like something didn't work just right.

Remember, that's the enemy, and God's permitting it to give you a trial of it, see what you're going to do.

But Jesus understands our weaknesses. He turned around and paid the greatest compliment that He could pay to any man, to John.