

JESUS SAID...

THE RED LETTERS

The Parable of the Sower

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A Lamp on a Stand

17 For there is nothing hidden that will not be disclosed, and nothing covered that will not be known or open. 18 Therefore consider carefully what you listen. Whoever has will be given more, and whoever does not have, even what he thinks

Joe Schaefer: God don't make no junk

Good News: God's Greatness is your greatness

What does it mean to be great?

Greek: μείζων meízōn, mide'-zone; larger:—elder, greater(-est), more.

Translated 4 different ways greater (34x),
greatest (9x), elder (1x), more (1x).

Desire to be great?

Mat 18:4 (Page 695)

Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as
this little child, the same is greatest in the
kingdom of heaven.

Luke 7:18-23 *Evidence of the Messiah*

Isaiah 29:18 (Page 504)

In that day the deaf will hear the words of the scroll, and out of gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind will see.

Luke 7:24-25 *Outward vs inward greatness*

Malachi 3:1-4 (Page 676)

“I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come,” says the Lord Almighty.

² But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner's fire or a launderer's soap. ³ He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; he will purify the Levites and refine them like gold and silver. Then the Lord will have men who will bring offerings in righteousness, ⁴ and the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem will be acceptable to the Lord, as in days gone by, as in former years.

Luke 7:26-28 *Being in the Kingdom is the Greatest*

John 14:12-14 (Page 764)

Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

Luke 7:29-30 *Baptism a mark of greatness*

Matthew 28:18-20

Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Luke 7:31-35 *Ignorance falls short of greatness*

1 Corinthians 1:18-25 (Page 807)

¹⁸ For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹ For it is written: “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate.”^[a]

²⁰ Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹ For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe. ²² Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom,

²³ but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴ but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵ For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

1. Has the Messiah demonstrated His evidence to you? Or through you?
2. Do you care more about your appearance or what God can see on the inside?
3. Do you believe that You are great and can do great things?
4. Do you have the mark of greatness? Are you baptised with water and the Spirit?

5. Choosing the wisdom of the world which is ignorant to God? Or you choosing the greatness of knowing God which looks foolish to the world?

The Greatness of God the Father, Son, Holy Spirit.

2 Corinthians 3:18 (Page 818)

And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

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