Chapter 19

Mt. 18, 12.

In Iericho he lodgeth in the houfe of Zachæus a Publicane, and against the murmuring lewes openeth the reafons of his fo doing. 11. He sheweth, that the laft day should not be yet, 15. and what then in the iudgement he wil doe both to vs of his Church as wel good as bad, 27. and alfo to the reprobate Iewes. 29. Being now come to the place of his Pafsion, he entreth (weeping and foretelling the deftruction of blind Hierufalem): with triumph as their Chrift. 45. He sheweth his zeale for the houfe of God, and teacheth therein every day. 47. The rulers would deftroy him, but for feare of the people.

nd entring in, he walked through Iericho.² And behold a man named Zachæus: and this was a Prince of the Publicans, and he rich. ³ And he fought to fee IESVS what he was, and he could not for the multitude, becaufe he was litle of ftature. ⁴ And running before, he went vp into a fycomore tree that he might fee him: becaufe he was to paffe by it. ⁵ And when he was come to the place, IESVS looking vp, faw him, and faid to him: Zachæus, come downe in haft: becaufe this day I muft abide in thy houfe. ⁶ And he in haft came downe, and received him reiovcing. ⁷ And when al faw it, they murmured faying, that he turned in, to a man that was a finner. ⁸ But Zachæus ftanding faid to our Lord: Behold the halfe of my goods, Lord, I give to the poore: and if I have defrauded any man of any thing, ¹I reftore fourefold. ⁹ IESVS faid to him: That this day faluation is made to this houfe: becaufe that he alfo is the fonne of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Sonne of man is come to feeke and to faue that which was loft.

¹¹ They hearing thefe things, he added and fpake a parable, for that he was nigh to Hierufalem, and becaufe they thought that forthwith the Kingdom of God Mt. 25, 14. should be manifefted. ¹² He faid therfore: A certaine noble man went into a farre countrie to take to him felf a Kingdom, and to returne. ¹³ And calling his ten

feruants, he gaue them ten poundes, and faid to them: Occupie til I come. ¹⁴ And his citizens hated him: and they fent a legacie after him, faying: We wil not have this man reigne ouer vs. ¹⁵ And it came to paffe after he returned, having received his Kingdom: and he commanded his feruants to be called, to whom he gaue the money; that he might know how much every man had gained by occupying. ¹⁶ And the first came, faving: Lord thy pound hath gotten ten poundes. ¹⁷ And he faid to him: Wel fare thee good feruant, becaufe thou haft been faithful in a litle, thou fhalt have power ouer ^a)ten cities. ¹⁸ And the fecond came faying: Lord, thy pound hath made fiue poundes. ¹⁹ And he faid to him: And be thou ouer fiue cities. ²⁰ And an other came, faying: Lord, loe here thy pound, which I have had laid vp in a napkin.²¹ For I feared thee, becaufe thou art an auftere man: thou takeft vp that thou didft not fet downe, and thou reapeft that which thou didft not fow. ²² He faith to him: By thine owne mouth I judge thee, naughtie feruant. Thou didft know that I am an auftere man, taking vp that I fet not downe, and reaping that which I fowed not: ²³ and why didft thou not give my money to the banke, and I comming might certes with vfurie haue exacted it? ^{24 b}And he faid to them that ftood by: Take the pound away from him, and give to him that hath the ten poundes. ²⁵ And they faid to him: Lord, he hath ten poundes. ²⁶ But I fay to you, that to euery one that hath fhal be given: and from him that hath not, that also which he hath fhal be taken from him.

²⁷ But as for those mine enemies that would not have me reigne ouer them, bring them hither; and kil them before me.

^a Marke here againft the aduerfaries, that the rewards of thefe two good feruants be divers & vnequal, according to the diverfitie or inequalitie of their gaines, that is, their merites: & yet one receiveth the peny (*Mt. 20, 9.*) as wel as the other, that is, Heaven or life everlafting.

^b See annotations Mat. 25, 29. &c.

28And having faid thefe things, he went before afcending to Hierufalem. ²⁹ And it came to paffe when Mt. 21, 1. Mr. 11, 1. he was come nigh to Bethphage and Bethania vnto the Io. 12, 15. mount called Oliuet, he fent two of his Difciples, ³⁰ faying: Goe into the towne which is ouer against, into the which as you enter, you fhal find the colt of an affe tied, on which no man euer hath fitten: loofe him, and bring him. ³¹ And if any man aske you: Why loofe you him? You fhal fay thus to him: Becaufe our Lord needeth his feruice. ³² And they that were fent, went their waies, and found as he faid to them, the colt ftanding. ³³ And when they loofed the colt, the owners thereof faid to them: Why loofe you the colt? ³⁴ But they faid: Becaufe our Lord hath need of him. ³⁵ And they brought him to IESVS. And cafting their garments vpon the colt, they fet IESVS thereupon. ³⁶ And as he went, they fpred their garments vnderneath in the way. ³⁷ And when he approched now to the defcent of mount-Oliuet, al the his Difciples, multitudes of 'them that defcended,' began with ioy to praife God with a loud voice, for all the miracles that they had feen, ³⁸ faying: Bleffed is he that commeth King in the name of our Lord, peace in Heauen, and glorie on high. ³⁹ And certaine Pharifees of the multitudes faid to him: Maifter, rebuke thy Difciples. ⁴⁰ To whom he faid: I fay to you, that if thefe hold their peace, the ftones fhal crie. ⁴¹ And as he drew neere, feeing the citie, he wept vpon it, faying, ⁴² Becaufe if thou alfo hadft knowen, and that in this thy day, the things that pertaine to thy peace: but now they are hid from thine eyes. ⁴³ For ^a)the daies fhal come vpon thee: and thy enemies fhal compafie thee with a trench, and inclose thee about, and ftraiten thee on euery fide, ⁴⁴ and beate thee flat to the ground, and thy children that are in thee: and

The fifth part of this Ghofpel. Of the Holy weeke of his Paffion in Hierufalem. PALME funday.

^a This was fulfilled 40. yeares after the death of Chrift by Titus and Vefpafianus, when befides incredibile miferies of famine and other diftreffes, there perished eleuẽ hundred thoufand, and were taken captiues 97000, the fiege beginning in the very fame feaft & greateft folemnitie of Eafter when they put Chrift to death. *Eufeb. li. 3. hift. c. 6, 7, 8. Iofeph. li. 7. c. 17.*

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they fhal not leaue in thee a ftone vpon a ftone, becaufe thou haft not knowen the time of thy vifitation.

Mt. 21, 12.45And entring into the Temple, he began to caftMwMr. 11, 15.out the fellers therein and the buyers, 46 faying to them:

Es. 56, 7. It is written, That my house is the house of praier. But

Ier. 7, 11. you have made it a denne of theeues. ⁴⁷ And he was teaching daily in the Temple. And the cheefe Priefts and the Scribes and the Princes of the people fought to deftroy him: ⁴⁸ and they found not what to doe to him. For al the people was fufpenfe, hearing him.

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nothing fo grateful.

4 Went vp) Not only inward deuotion of faith and charitie towards Chrift, but external offices of feeing, following, touching, receiving, harbouring him, are recommended to vs in this example: euen fo our manifold exteriour deuotion towards his Sacraments, Saints, and feruants, be grateful: fpecially the endeauour of good people not only to be prefent at Maffe or in the Church, but to be neere the B. Sacrament, and to fee it with al reverence and deuotion according to the order of the Church, much more to receive it into the houfe of their body.

8 I reftore fourefold) That which we give of our owne, is almes and fatisfaction for our finnes: but that which we reftore of il gotten goods by Extortion, Vfurie, Simonie, Bribrie, Theft, or otherwife, that is called here Reftoring. And it is of duty and not of free almes, and muft be rendred not to who we lift, but to the parties annoyed if it be poffible; otherwife it muft be beftowed vpon the Poore, or other good vfes, according to the aduife of our fuperiour & fuch as have charge of our foules. But that he yealded foure-fold, that was more then he was bound, but very fatisfactorie for his former finnes alfo. And herewith we may note, that it is not the giuing of a peny, grote, or crowne of a rich mans fuperfluitie, that is fo much recommended to finners for redeeming their faultes: but this large beftowing vpon Chrift, to fel al and giue it in almes, to giue the moytie of our goodes, to render foure times fo much for that which is wrongfully gotten, that extinguisheth finnes. The poore widowes braffe peny was very grateful, becaufe it was all or much of that she had: but the rich mans pound of his fuperfluitie, though it be good, yet is

External deuotion.

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