

## How can I draw in the fisherman's net ?

The Gospels reveal the Methods of the Master, our Model to follow.

**First**, His life was exemplary, a testimony of the effect that God His Father had upon Him.

**Next**, He presents the interconnected truths about life, like a well sown fishing net.

**Finally**, He draw gently on the fishing net, asking open questions that require serious answers.

Remember, we cannot save anyone ; we only bring them to the Savior.

Here are 16 classifications of 304 questions Jesus asked.

Remember, when the same question is **repeated**, it must be important !

Study the context of each question ; avoid quoting it out of context.

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### 1) Questions about the person of the Lord Jesus :

Luke 2:49 Why did you have to look for me ?

Luke 2:49 Didn't you know that I would be in my Father's house ?

John 1:38 What do you want ?

John 1:50 Did you believe me just because I said that I saw you under the fig tree ?

Mark 8:27 What do people say about me ?

Luke 9:18 What do people say about me ?

Matthew 16:15 But who do you say I am ?

Mark 8:29 But who do you say I am ?

Luke 9:20 But who do you say I am ?

Matthew 19:17 Why do you ask me about what is good ? Only God is good.

Luke 18:19 Why do you call me good ? Only God is good.

Mark 10:18 Why do you call me good ? Only God is good.

John 9:35 Do you have faith in the Son of Man ?

Matthew 22:42 What do you think about the Messiah ?

Matthew 22:42 Whose family will he come from ?

Mark 12:35 How can the teachers of the Law of Moses say that the Messiah will come from the family of King David ?

Luke 20:41 Why do people say that the Messiah will be the son of King David ?

Mark 12:37 If David called the Messiah his Lord, how can the Messiah be his son ?

Luke 20:44 David spoke of the Messiah as his Lord, so how can the Messiah be his son ?

Matthew 22:43 How then could the Spirit lead David to call the Messiah his Lord ?

Matthew 22:45 If David called the Messiah his Lord, how can the Messiah be a son of King David ?

Luke 6:46 Why do you keep on saying that I am your Lord, when you refuse to do what I say ?

John 14:9 Don't you know who I am ?

John 14:9 If you have seen me, you have seen the Father. How can you ask me to show you the Father ?

John 14:10 Don't you believe that I am one with the Father and that the Father is one with me ?

Matthew 9:15 Jesus answered: The friends of a bridegroom don't go without eating while he is still with them?

Mark 2:19 The friends of a bridegroom don't go without eating while he is still with them ?

Luke 5:34 The friends of a bridegroom don't go without eating while he is still with them ?

Mark 2:9 Is it easier for me to tell this crippled man that his sins are forgiven or to tell him to get up and pick up his mat and go on home ?

Luke 24:41 Do you have something to eat ?

John 6:61 Does this bother you ?

John 6:62 What if you should see the Son of Man go up to heaven where he came from ?

## 2) Questions about John the Baptist :

Matthew 21:25 Who gave John the right to baptize ?  
Was it God in heaven or merely some human being ?

Mark 11:30 Who gave John the right to baptize ?  
Was it God in heaven or merely some human being ?

Luke 20:4 Who gave John the right to baptize ?  
Was it God in heaven or merely some human being ?

Matthew 21:25 Why then did you not believe him ? ESV

Mark 11:31 Why then did you not believe him ? ESV

Luke 20:5 Why did you not believe him ? ESV

Matthew 11:7 What sort of person did you go out into the desert to see ?

Matthew 11:7 Was he like tall grass blown about by the wind ?

Luke 7:24 What kind of person did you go out to the desert to see ?

Luke 7:24 Was he like tall grass blown about by the wind ?

Matthew 11:8 What kind of man did you go out to see ?

Matthew 11:8 Was he someone dressed in fine clothes ?

Luke 7:25 What kind of man did you really go out to see ?

Luke 7:25 Was he someone dressed in fine clothes ?

Matthew 11:9 What did you really go out to see ?

Matthew 11:9 Was he a prophet ?

Luke 7:26 What then did you go out to see ?

Luke 7:26 Was he a prophet ?

## 3) Questions about rejecting the Lord Jesus Christ :

Matthew 11:16 But to what shall I compare this generation ? NASB

Luke 7:31 What are you people like ?

Luke 7:31 What kind of people are you ?

Luke 9:41 How much longer must I be with you ?

Luke 9:41 Why do I have to put up with you ?

Matthew 17:17 How much longer must I be with you ?

Matthew 17:17 Why do I have to put up with you ?

John 5:44 How could you possibly believe ?

John 5:47 If you don't believe what Moses wrote, how can you believe what I say ?

Matthew 11:23 People of Capernaum, do you think you will be honored in heaven ?

John 10:36 So why do you accuse me of a terrible sin for saying that I am the Son of God ?

Luke 13:2 Do you think that these people were worse sinners than everyone else in Galilee just because of what happened to them ?

Luke 13:4 What about those eighteen people who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them ?

Luke 13:4 Do you think they were worse than everyone else in Jerusalem ?

Matthew 21:40 When the owner of that vineyard comes, what do you suppose he will do to those renters ?

Mark 12:9 What do you think the owner of the vineyard will do ?

Luke 20:15 What do you think the owner of the vineyard will do ?

Matthew 22:12 Friend, why didn't you wear proper clothes for the wedding ?

Luke 9:25 What will you gain, if you own the whole world but destroy yourself or waste your life ?

Matthew 16:26 What will you gain, if you own the whole world but destroy yourself?

Matthew 16:26 What would you give to get back your soul ?

Luke 12:49 I have come to send fire on the earth. And what will I do if it is already kindled ? MKJV

Luke 12:51 Do you think that I came to bring peace to earth ?

Luke 13:7 So he said to the gardener, "For three years I have come looking for figs on this tree, and I haven't found any yet. Chop it down ! Why should it take up space ?"

Luke 22:48 Are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss ?

Luke 23:31 If this can happen when the wood is green, what do you think will happen when it is dry ?

John 7:19 Didn't Moses give you the Law ? Yet none of you obey it !

John 7:19 So why do you want to kill me ?

John 10:32 I have shown you many good things that my Father sent me to do. Which one are you going to stone me for ?

#### **4) Question about the Cross :**

Matthew 21:42 Have you never read in the Scriptures : "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone ; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes ? ESV

Mark 12:10-11 Have you not read this Scripture : "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone ; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes ?"

Luke 20:17 What then is this that is written: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone ?"

Mark 12:15 Why put me to the test ?

Matthew 22:18 Why put me to the test, you hypocrites ?

John 8:46 Which one of you convicts me of sin ?

John 8:46 If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me ?

John 18:4 Whom do you seek ?

John 18:7 Whom do you seek ?

John 18:11 Shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me ?

John 18:21 Why do you ask me ?

John 18:23 If what I said is right, why do you strike me ?

Mark 9:12 How is it written of the Son of Man that he should suffer many things and be treated with contempt ?

Matthew 26:54 But how then should the Scriptures be fulfilled, that it must be so ?

John 12:27 Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say ?

John 12:27 Father, save me from this hour ?

Matthew 27:46 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me ?

Mark 15:34 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me ?

Luke 24:26 Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory ?

#### **5) Questions about having personal confidence in Jesus Christ :**

Marc 5:30 Who touched my garments ?

Marc 5:31 Who touched me ?

Luke 8:45 Who was it that touched me ?

Matthew 8:26 Why are you afraid, Oh you of little faith ?

Mark 4:40 Why are you so afraid ?

Mark 4:40 Have you still no faith ?

Luke 8:25 Where is your faith ?

## 7) Questions about ritual without a relationship with God :

Luke 24:38 Why are you troubled ?

Luke 24:38 Why do doubts arise in your hearts ?

Mark 9:19 O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you ?

Mark 9:19 How long am I to bear with you ?

John 6:5 Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat ?

John 6:67 Do you want to go away as well ?

John 11:40 Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God ?

### 6) Questions about the importance of the salvation of just one person :

Matthew 18:12 What do you think ?

Matthew 18:12 If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray ?

Luke 15:4 What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it ?

Luke 15:8 What woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it ?

John 8:10 Woman, where are they ?

John 8:10 Has no one condemned you ?

Mark 9:21 How long has this been happening to him ?

John 5:6 Do you want to be healed ?

Matthew 12:10 Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath ?

Mark 3:4 Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill ?

Luke 6:9 I ask you, is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to destroy it ?

Luke 14:3 Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not ?

Luke 13:15 You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it away to water it ?

Luke 13:16 Ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day ?

Luke 14:5 Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out ?

John 7:23 If on the Sabbath a man receives circumcision, so that the law of Moses may not be broken, are you angry with me because on the Sabbath I made a man's whole body well ?

Matthew 15:3 Why do you break the commandment of God for the sake of your tradition ?

Matthew 15:17 Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth passes into the stomach and is expelled ?

Matthew 23:17 Which is greater, the gold or the temple that has made the gold sacred ?

Matthew 23:19 Which is greater, the gift or the altar that makes the gift sacred ?

Matthew 12:3 Have you not read what David did when he was hungry, and those who were with him ?

Luke 6:3 Have you not read what David did when he was hungry, he and those who were with him ?

Mark 2:25 Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him ?

Mark 9:50 Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again ?

Matthew 21:16 Have you never read, "Out of the mouth of infants and nursing babies you have prepared praise" ?

John 7:19 Has not Moses given you the law ?

John 7:19 Why do you seek to kill me ?

John 3:10 Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things?

### **8) Questions about the spiritual confusion in our world :**

Matthew 12:26 If Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand ?

Mark 3:23 How can Satan cast out Satan ?

Luke 11:18 If Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand ?

Matthew 12:27 If I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your sons cast them out ?

Luke 11:19 If I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your sons cast them out?

Matthew 12:29 Or how can someone enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man ?

Matthew 12:34 How can you speak good, when you are evil ?

Matthew 23:33 You serpents, you brood of vipers, how are you to escape being sentenced to hell ?

Luke 12:57 Why do you not judge for yourselves what is right ?

Mark 8:12 Why does this generation seek a sign ?

Luke 11:40 Did not he who made the outside make the inside also ?

John 10:34 Is it not written in your Law, "I said, you are gods" ?

John 10:36 Do you say of him whom the Father consecrated and sent into the world, "You are blaspheming", because I said, "I am the Son of God" ?

John 18:34 Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me ?

Luke 10:26 What is written in the Law ?

Luke 10:26 How do you read it ?

Matthew 16:11 How is it that you fail to understand that I did not speak about bread?

### **9) Questions about the mother of Jesus :**

John 2:4 Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me ?"

Matthew 12:48 Who is my mother, and who are my brothers ?

Mark 3:33 Who are my mother and my brothers?

### **10) Questions about the teaching and parables of Jesus :**

Luke 13:18 What is the kingdom of God like ?

Luke 13:18 To what shall I compare it ?

Luke 13:20 To what shall I compare the kingdom of God ?

Mark 4:30 With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it ?

Luke 6:39 Can a blind man lead a blind man ?

Luke 6:39 Will they not both fall into a pit ?

John 8:43 Why do you not understand what I say ?

Mark 8:18 Having eyes do you not see, and having ears do you not hear ?

Mark 8:18 Do you not remember ?

Mark 8:21 Do you not yet understand ?

Luke 12:56 You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time ?

Matthew 24:2 You see all these, do you not ?

Mark 13:2 Do you see these great buildings ? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.

Mark 7:18 Then are you also without understanding ?

Mark 7:18 Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him ?

John 3:12 If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things ?

Matthew 16:8 O you of little faith, why are you discussing among yourselves the fact that you have no bread ?

Mark 8:17 Why are you discussing the fact that you have no bread ?

Mark 8:17 Do you not yet perceive or understand ?

Mark 8:17 Are your hearts hardened ?

Mark 4:13 Do you not understand this parable ?

Mark 4:13 How then will you understand all the parables ?

Mark 8:23 Do you see anything ?

Mark 9:16 What are you arguing about with them ?

Mark 10:3 What did Moses command you ?

Matthew 19:4 Have you not read that he who created them from the beginning made them male and female ?

Mark 11:17 Is it not written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations ?

Mark 14:14 Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples ?

Luke 22:11 Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples ?

John 13:12 Do you understand what I have done to you ?

### 11) Questions about possessions in this world :

Mark 10:23 How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God ?

Mark 10:24 Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God ?

Matthew 6:28 Why are you anxious about clothing ?

Luke 12:26 If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest ?

Matthew 6:27 Which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life ?

Luke 12:25 Which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life ?

Matthew 6:30 If God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith ?

Luke 12:28 If God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith ?

Luke 12:20 This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be ?

Mark 8:36 What does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul ?

Mark 8:37 For what can a man give in return for his soul ?

Luke 12:14 Who made me a judge or arbitrator over you ?

Mark 12:16 Whose likeness and inscription is this ?

John 21:5 Children, do you have any fish ?

### 12) Questions about condemnation of others :

Matthew 9:4 Why do you think evil in your hearts ?

Mark 2:8 Why do you question these things in your hearts ?

John 11:9 Are there not twelve hours in the day ?

Matthew 7:3 Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye ?

Matthew 21:28 What do you think ?

Matthew 21:31 Which of the two did the will of his father ?

Luke 6:41 Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye ?

John 4:35 Do you not say, "There are yet four months, then comes the harvest" ?

Matthew 7:4 How can you say to your brother, "Let me take the speck out of your eye," when there is the log in your own eye ?

Luke 22:46 Why are you sleeping ?

Luke 6:42 How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the speck that is in your eye," when you yourself do not see the log that is in your own eye ?

Matthew 26:40 So, could you not watch with me one hour ?

Mark 14:37 Simon, are you asleep ?

Mark 14:37 Could you not watch one hour ?

Matthew 26:10 Why do you trouble the woman ?

John 6:70 Did I not choose you, the Twelve ? And yet one of you is a devil.

Mark 14:6 Why do you trouble her ?

### 13) Questions about governments in this world :

Matthew 17:25 What do you think, Simon ?

Matthew 5:46 For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have ?

Matthew 17:25 From whom do kings of the earth take toll or tax ?

Matthew 5:46 Do not even the tax collectors do the same ?

Matthew 17:25 From their sons or from others ?

Luke 6:32 "If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you ?

Matthew 22:20-21 Whose likeness and inscription is this ? ...render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.

Luke 6:33 If you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you ?

Luke 20:24 Whose likeness and inscription does it have ?

Luke 6:34 If you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you ?

Mark 12:16 Whose likeness and inscription is this ?

Luke 10:36 Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers ?

### 14) Questions about commitment to God :

Luke 7:42 Now which of them will love him more ?

Mark 9:33 What were you discussing on the way ?

Luke 7:44 Do you see this woman ?

Luke 22:27 For who is the greater, one who reclines at table or one who serves ?

Luke 22:27 Is it not the one who reclines at table ?

Mark 4:21 Is a lamp brought in to be put under a basket, or under a bed, and not on a stand ?

Luke 14:28 For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it ?

Matthew 20:6 Why do you stand here idle all day ?

Luke 14:31 Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand ?

Luke 16:11 If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches ?

Luke 16:12 And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own ?

Luke 17:7 Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, "Come at once and recline at table"?

Luke 17:8 Will he not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink" ?

Luke 17:9 Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded ?

Matthew 20:22 Are you able to drink the cup that I am to drink ?

Mark 10:38 Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized ?

Luke 12:42 Who then is the faithful and wise manager, whom his master will set over his household, to give them their portion of food at the proper time ?

Luke 17:17 Were not ten cleansed ?

Luke 17:17 Where are the nine ?

Luke 17:18 Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner ?

Luke 18:8 When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth ?

Luke 19:23 Why then did you not put my money in the bank, and at my coming I might have collected it with interest ?

John 13:38 Will you lay down your life for me ?

John 21:15 Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these ?

John 21:16 Simon, son of John, do you love me ?

John 21:17 Simon, son of John, do you love me ?

John 21:17 Do you love me ?

### 15) Questions about death and the resurrection :

Mark 5:39 Why are you making a commotion and weeping ?

Luke 24:5 Why do you seek the living among the dead ?

Luke 24:17 What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk ?

Luke 24:19 What things ?

John 20:15 Woman, why are you weeping ?

John 20:15 Whom are you seeking ?

Mark 12:24 Is this not the reason you are wrong, because you know neither the Scriptures nor the power of God ?

Matthew 22:31 As for the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was said to you by God ?

Mark 12:26 And as for the dead being raised, have you not read in the book of Moses, in the passage about the bush, how God spoke to him, saying, "I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob" ?

John 11:26 Everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this ?

John 11:34 Where have you laid him ?

John 21:22 If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you ?



**16) Questions about prayer and the power of God :**

**( ! ) Other questions you have found that Jesus asked :**

Matthew 20:21 What do you want ?

Matthew 20:32 What do you want me to do for you ?

Mark 10:36 What do you want me to do for you ?

Luke 18:41 What do you want me to do for you ?

Matthew 26:53 Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels ?

Luke 11:11 What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent ?

Luke 11:12 If he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion ?

Luke 11:13 If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him ?

Matthew 15:34 How many loaves do you have ?

Mark 6:38 How many loaves do you have ?

Mark 8:5 How many loaves do you have ?

Mark 8:19 When I broke the five loaves for the five thousand, how many baskets full of broken pieces did you take up ?

Mark 8:20 "And the seven for the four thousand, how many baskets full of broken pieces did you take up ?

Matthew 16:9 Do you not yet perceive ?

Matthew 16:9 Do you not remember the five loaves for the five thousand, and how many baskets you gathered ?

Luke 22:35 When I sent you out with no moneybag or knapsack or sandals, did you lack anything ?

Luke 18:7 Will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night ?

Luke 18:7 Will he delay long over them ?