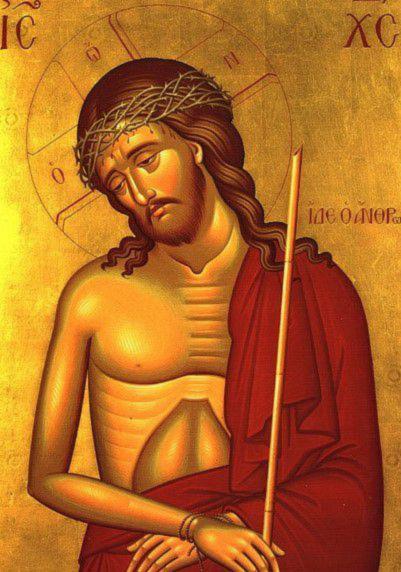


THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT









"Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on."

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Root: "Meridzo" (Gk) = "to divide, to separate into parts, cut into pieces, split into factions."

5 Questions:

- Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? (25)
- Are you not more valuable than they? (26)
- Which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? (27)
- Why are you anxious about clothing? (28)
- If God clothes the grass...will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? (30)

Genesis 22:

Verse 8: "Elohim Ra'a" - God will provide

Verse 14: "Jehovah Jireh" - The LORD my Provider

"For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your Heavenly Father knows that you need them all."

But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."

"The Lord is my Shepherd (Jehovah-Rohi), I shall not want." (Lit. "I lack nothing.")

- Ps 23:1

"And in the fourth watch of the night, he (Jesus) came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and says, 'It is a ghost!' and they cried out in fear."

- Matt. 14:25-26

"But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'Take heart; it is I (lit. "I AM"), Do not be afraid."

- Matt. 14:27

"Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.'"

- Matt. 14:28-29

"So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid..."

- Matt. 6:29-30

Jesus' challenge to faith is not a challenge to a blind faith or a dumb faith, it is a challenge to real faith where, in the moment, you choose to place your trust in a God who has told you he is able.

"But when he saw the wind (iskhooros), he was afraid..."

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- Matt. 6:30

"How can someone enter a (iskhooros = strong man's) house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the (iskhooros = strong man). Then indeed he may plunder his house."

- Matt. 12:29

"If God so clothes the grass of the field...will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?"
- Matt. 6:30

"Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, 'O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

- Matt. 14:31