

Healing Sick at Gennesaret (14:34-36)

back over on W side of lake
men recognize Jesus, bring sick, who are healed merely by
touching his garment
Lesson: healing like that of woman w/ hemorrhage

Tradition of the Elders (15:1-20)

another confrontation w/ scribes & Pharisees
they rebuke disciples (& Jesus?) for breaking tradition
Jesus rebukes them for breaking God's law to keep trad
e.g., Corban vs. 5th commandment
real defilement comes out from within, not vice versa
Lessons:
the truth will be offensive to some
be careful whom you choose as your guides
need to distinguish picture from reality

Canaanite Woman's Faith (15:21-28)

Jesus at first ignores her request
then says sent only to Israel
finally commends here faith for her quick and humble
response

Lesson:

Sometimes God doesn't seem very compassionate
God rewards humility, persistence

Healing Many (15:29-31)

another summary of Jesus' healing ministry
heals all sorts of diseases, God is glorified

Feeding of Four Thousand (15:32-39)

from Mark, this app also E of lake, and perhaps mainly
Gentiles

Demand for a Sign (16:1-4)

opponents want a sign from heaven
some manuscripts have him give "sign," others just refusal
sign from heaven is common weather-lore
ironic, humorous, prob original
otherwise, just 2nd reference to Jonah (see 12:39)
Lesson: we need to make good use of the evidence God
provides

Leaven of Pharisees & Sadducees (16:5-12)

disciples misread Jesus' figurative remark
after Jesus' prodding, realize he is speaking of danger
in teaching of Pharisees & Sadducees
Lesson: some teaching out there is quite dangerous

Preparing the Disciples (16:13-20:34)