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***JESUS  
Acording To  
THOMAS & MARY  
Handbook***

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## **INTRODUCTION:**

**Elsewhere in my writings,  
I have offered personal interpretation  
to the verses  
found in this little pocket book  
containing verses of the  
*GOSPELS OF THOMAS & MARY*;  
but this handbook will feature  
only verses - lacking any interpretation.  
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Briefly, The  
**GOSPELS OF  
THOMAS and MARY MAGDALENE**  
were banned by church & government  
in the 4<sup>th</sup> Century -  
following Emperor Constantine's  
making of Christianity the state religion.  
Subsequent to their being banned,  
some Egyptian language (Coptic) copies  
have been discovered in places  
where these gospels were hidden -  
probably to avoid being burned.  
**THE GOSPEL OF THOMAS**  
was found by accident in 1945  
in a cave off the Nile River,  
near a town called Nag Hammadi.  
I am not sure where  
**THE GOSPEL OF MARY MAGDALENE**  
was found, but it showed  
as early as the late 19<sup>th</sup> Century  
in a Berlin Gnostic Codex.  
For more,  
please research on your own.

**In any case,  
verses found in these banned gospels  
suggest, I think,  
a very different Jesus  
than the one handed down  
by the church that banned them.  
I will leave you to  
ponder the following verses  
of these gospels as you wish;  
but, at the very least,  
I hope you consider them  
interesting speculation.  
It is good to keep in mind,  
that translating an aged document  
from one language to another  
might result in some degree  
of "off" because of  
aged source material  
or incompatibility between languages.**

In my opinion, however,  
***THE GOSPEL OF THOMAS***  
may well have been the  
first gospel written -  
representing notes taken by Thomas  
during the life of Jesus.  
All other gospels may have  
used verses of Thomas  
and scripted another agenda -  
perhaps actually contradicting  
the actual agenda of Jesus.  
If ***THE GOSPEL OF THOMAS***  
represents notes take by Thomas,  
however, it would explain  
why Jesus never wrote anything himself.



Verses from  
***THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO THOMAS***  
(114 verses)

featuring a translation offered  
by a team headed by  
A. Guillaumont -  
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Special characters found in  
actual translation retained  
as best as I could copy them  
from the original work -  
though Microsoft Word -  
which I used -  
did not allow me to copy  
everything verbatim;  
but this offering  
should be very close  
to the original.

end of front end titles.

**Beginning:**

**These are the secret words which the Living Jesus spoke and Didymos Judas Thomas wrote.**

**Verse 1:**

**And He said: Whoever finds the explanation of these words will not taste death.**

**Verse 2:**

**Jesus said: Let him who seeks, not cease seeking until he finds, and when he finds, he will be troubled, and when he has been troubled, he will marvel and he will reign over the All.**

**Verse 3:**

**Jesus said: If those who lead you say to you: "See, the Kingdom is in heaven", then the birds of the heaven will precede you. If they say to you: "It is in the sea," then the fish will precede you. But the Kingdom is within you and it is without you. If you (will) know yourselves, then you will be known and you will know that you are the sons of the Living Father. But if you do not know yourselves, then you are in poverty and you are poverty.**

**Verse 4:**

**Jesus said: The man old in days will not hesitate to ask a little child of seven days about the place of Life, and he will live. For many who are first shall become last and they shall become a single one.**

**Verse 5:**

**Jesus said: Know what is in thy sight, and what is hidden from thee will be revealed to thee. For there is nothing hidden that will not be manifest.**

**Verse 6:**

**His disciples asked Him, they said to Him: Wouldst thou that we fast, and how should we pray, (and) should we give alms, and what diet should we observe: Jesus said: Do not lie and do not do what you hate, for all things are manifest before Heaven. For there is nothing hidden that shall not be revealed and there is nothing covered that shall remain without being uncovered.**

**Verse 7:**

**Jesus said: Blessed is the lion which the man eats and the lion will become man; and cursed is the man whom the lion eats and the lion will become man.**

**Verse 8:**

**And He said: The Man is like a wise fisherman who cast his net into the sea, he drew it up from the sea, full of small fish, that wise fisherman, he threw all the small fish down into the sea, he chose the large fish without regret. Whoever has ears to hear, let him hear.**

**Verse 9:**

**Jesus said: See, the sower went out, he filled his hand, he threw. Some (seeds) fell on the road; the birds came, they gathered them. Others fell on the rock and did not strike root in the earth and did not produce ears. And others fell on the thorns; they choked the seed and the worm ate them. And others fell on the good earth; and it brought forth good fruit; it bore sixty per measure and one hundred twenty per measure.**

**Verse 10:**

**Jesus said: I have cast fire upon the world, and see, I guard it until it (the world) is afire.**

**Verse 11:**

**Jesus said: This heaven shall pass away, and the one above it shall pass away, and the dead are not alive and the living shall not die. In the days that you devoured the dead, you made it alive; when you come into the light, what will you do? On the day when you were one, you became two. But when you have become two, what will you do?**

**Verse 12:**

**The disciples said to Jesus: We know that thou wilt go away from us. Who is it who shall be great over us? Jesus said to them: Wherever you have come, you will go to James the righteous for whose sake heaven and earth came into being.**

**Verse 13:**

**Jesus said to His disciples: Make a comparison to me and tell me whom I am like. Simon Peter said to Him: Thou art like a righteous angel. Matthew said to Him: Thou art like a wise man of understanding. Thomas said to Him: Master, my mouth will not at all be capable of saying whom Thou art like. Jesus said: I am not thy Master because thou has drunk, thou has become drunk from the bubbling spring which I have measured out. And He took him, he withdrew, he spoke three words to him. Now when Thomas came to his companions, they asked him: What did Jesus say to thee? Thomas said to them: If I tell you one of the words which He said to me, you will take up stones and throw at me; and the fire will come from the stones and burn you up.**

**Verse 14:**

**Jesus said to them: If you fast, you will beget sin  
for yourselves, and if you pray, you will be  
condemned, and if you give alms, you will do evil  
to your spirits. And if you go into any land and  
wander in the regions, if they receive you, eat what  
they set before you, heal the sick among them.  
For what goes into your mouth will not defile you,  
but what comes out of your mouth,  
that is what will defile you.**

**Verse 15:**

**Jesus said: When you see Him who was not born  
of woman, prostrate yourselves upon your face  
and adore Him: He is your Father.**

**Verse 16:**

**Jesus said: Men possibly think that I have come  
to throw peace upon the world and they do not  
know that I have come to throw divisions upon  
the earth, fire, sword, war. For there shall be  
five in a house: three shall be against two and  
two against three, the father against the son,  
and the son against the father,  
and they will stand as solitaries.**

**Verse 17:**

**Jesus said: I will give you what eye has not seen  
and what ear has not heard and what hand has  
not touched and (what) has not arisen in the  
heart of man.**

**Verse 18:**

**The disciples said to Jesus: Tell us how our end will be. Jesus said: Have you then discovered the beginning so that you inquire about the end? Blessed is he who shall stand at the beginning, and he shall know the end and he shall not taste death.**

**Verse 19:**

**Jesus said: Blessed is he who was before he came into being. If you become disciples to me and hear my words, these stones will minister to you. For you have five trees in Paradise, which are unmoved in summer (or) in winter and their leaves do not fall. Whoever knows them will not taste death.**

**Verse 20:**

**The disciples said to Jesus: Tell us what the Kingdom of Heaven is like. He said to them: It is like a mustard-seed, smaller than all seeds. But when it falls on the tilled earth, it produces a large branch and becomes shelter for <the> birds of heaven.**

**Verse 21:**

**Mary said to Jesus: Whom are thy disciples like?**

**He said: They are like little children who have installed themselves in a field which is not theirs.**

**When the owners of the field come, they will say:**

**“Release to us our field”. They take off their clothes before them to release it (the field) to them and to give back their field to them.**

**Therefore I say: If the lord of the house knows that the thief is coming, he will stay awake before he comes and will not let him dig through into his house of his kingdom to carry away his goods. You then must watch for the world, gird up your loins with great strength lest the brigands find a way to come to you, because they will find the advantage which you expect. Let there be among you a man of understanding; when the fruit ripened, he came quickly with his sickle in his hand, he reaped it.**

**Whoever has ears to hear, let him hear.**



**Verse 22:**

**Jesus saw children who were being suckled. He said to his disciples: These children who are being suckled are like those who enter the Kingdom. They said to Him: Shall we then, being children, enter the Kingdom? Jesus said to them: When you make the two one, and when you make the inner as the outer, and the outer as the inner, and the above as the below, and when you make the male and the female into a single one, so that the male will not be male and the female (not) be female, when you make eyes in the place of an eye, and the hand in the place of a hand, and a foot in the place of a foot, (and) an image in the place of an image, then shall you enter the Kingdom.**

**Verse 23:**

**Jesus said: I shall choose you, one out of a thousand, or two out of ten thousand, and they shall stand as a single one.**

**Verse 24:**

**His disciples said: Show us the place where Thou art, for it is necessary for us to seek it. He said to them: Whoever has ears, let him hear. Within a man of light, there is light and he lights the whole world. When he does not shine, there is darkness.**

**Verse 25:**

**Jesus said: Love thy brother as thy soul,  
guard him as the apple of thine eye.**

**Verse 26:**

**Jesus said: The mote that is in thy brother's eye  
thou seest, but the beam that is in thine eye,  
thou seest not. When thou castest the beam out  
of thine eye, then thou wilt see clearly to cast the  
mote out of thy brother's eye.**

**Verse 27:**

**<Jesus said:> If you fast not from the world, you  
will not find the Kingdom; if you keep not the  
Sabbath as Sabbath, you will not see the Father.**

**Verse 28:**

**Jesus said: I took my stand in the midst of  
the world and in flesh I appeared to them; I  
found them all drunk, I found none among them  
athirst. And my soul was afflicted for the sons  
of men because they are blind in their heart  
and do not see that empty they have come into  
the world (and that) empty they seek to go out  
of the world again. But now they are drunk.  
When they have shaken off their wine,  
then will they repent.**

**Verse 29:**

**Jesus said: If the flesh has come into existence because of <the> spirit, it is a marvel; but if <the> spirit (has come into existence) because of [the body, it is a marvel of marvels. But I marvel at how this great wealth has made its home in this poverty.**

**Verse 30:**

**Jesus said: Where there are three gods, they are gods; where there are two or one, I am with him.**

**Verse 31:**

**Jesus said: No prophet is acceptable in his village, no physician heals those who know him.**

**Verse 32:**

**Jesus said: A city being built on a high mountain (and) fortified can not fall nor can it (ever) be hidden.**

**Verse 33:**

**Jesus said: What thou shalt hear in thine ear (and) in the other ear, that preach from your housetops; for no one lights a lamp and puts it under a bushel, nor does he put it in a hidden place, but he sets it on the lampstand, so that all that come in and go out may see its light.**

**Verse 34:**

**Jesus said: If a blind man leads a blind man,  
both of them fall into a pit.**

**Verse 35:**

**Jesus said: It is not possible for one to enter  
the house of the strong (man) and take  
him (or: it) by force unless he bind his hands;  
then will he ransack his house.**

**Verse 36:**

**Jesus said: Take no thought from morning  
until evening and from evening until morning  
what you shall put on.**

**Verse 37:**

**His disciples said: When wilt Thou be revealed  
to us and when will we see Thee? Jesus said:  
When you take off your clothing without being  
ashamed, and take your clothes and put them  
under your feet as the little children and  
tread on them, then [shall you behold] the  
Son of the Living (One) and you shall not fear.**

**Verse 38:**

**Jesus said: Many times have you desired to  
hear these words which I say to you, and  
you have no other from whom to hear them.  
There will be days when you will seek Me  
(and) you will not find me.**

**Verse 39:**

**Jesus said: The Pharisees and the Scribes have received the keys of Knowledge, they have hidden them. They did not [enter, and they did not let those (enter) who wished. But, you become wise as serpents and innocent as doves.**

**Verse 40:**

**Jesus said: A vine has been planted without the Father and, as it is not established, it will be pulled up by its roots and be destroyed.**

**Verse 41:**

**Jesus said: Whoever has in his hand, to him shall be given; and whoever does not have, from him shall be taken even the little which he has.**

**Verse 42:**

**Jesus said: Become passers-by.**

**Verse 43:**

**His disciples said to Him: Who are Thou that Thou should say these things to us? <Jesus said to them>: From what I say to you, you do not know who I am, but you have become as the Jews, for they love the tree, they hate its fruit, and they love the fruit, they hate the tree.**

**Verse 44:**

**Jesus said: Whoever blasphemes against the Father, it shall be forgiven him, and whoever blasphemes against the Son, it shall be forgiven him; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, either on earth or in heaven.**

**Verse 45:**

**Jesus said: They do not harvest grapes from thorns, nor do they gather figs from thistles; [for] they give no fruit. [A] good man brings forth good out of his treasure, an evil man brings forth evil things out of his evil treasure, which is in his heart, and speaks evil things. For out of the abundance of the heart, he brings forth evil things.**

**Verse 46:**

**Jesus said: From Adam until John the Baptist, there is among those born of women none higher than John the Baptist, so that his eyes will not be broken. But I have said that whoever among you becomes as a child shall know the Kingdom, and he shall become higher than John.**

**Verse 47:**

**Jesus said: It is impossible for a man to mount two horses and to stretch two bows, and it is impossible for a servant to serve two masters, otherwise, he will honour the one and offend the other. No man drinks old wine and immediately desires to drink new wine; and they do not put (wine into old wineskins), lest they burst, and they do not put old wine into a new wineskin, lest it spoil it. They do not sew an old patch on a new garment, because there would come a rent.**

**Verse 48:**

**Jesus said: If two make peace with each other in this one house, they shall say to the mountain: "Be moved", and it shall be moved.**

**Verse 49:**

**Jesus said: Blessed are the solitary and elect, for you shall find the Kingdom; because you come from it, (and) you shall go there again.**

**Verse 50:**

**Jesus said: If they say to you: "From where have you originated?", say to them: We have come from the Light, where the Light has originated through itself. It [stood] and it revealed itself in their image." If they say to you, "(Who) are you?", say: "We are His sons and we are the elect of the Living Father". If they ask you: "What is the sign of your Father in you?", say to them: "It is a movement and a rest".**

**Verse 51:**

**His disciples said to Him: When will the repose of the dead come about and when will the new world come? He said to them: What you expect has come, but you know it not.**

**Verse 52:**

**His disciples said to Him: Twenty-four prophets spoke in Israel and they all spoke about (lit:in) Thee. He said to them: You have dismissed the Living (One) who is before you and you have spoken about the dead.**

**Verse 53:**

**His disciples said to Him: Is circumcision profitable or not? He said to them: If it were profitable, their father would beget them circumcised from their mother. But the true circumcision in Spirit has become profitable in every way.**



**Verse 54:**

**Jesus said: Blessed [are the poor,  
for yours is the Kingdom of Heaven.**

**Verse 55:**

**Jesus said: Whoever does not hate his  
father and his mother will not be able to be  
a disciple to Me, and (whoever does not)  
hate his brethren and his sisters and  
(does not) take up his cross in My way  
will not be worthy of Me.**

**Verse 56:**

**Whoever has known the world has found  
a corpse, and whoever has found a corpse,  
of him the world is not worthy.**

**Verse 57:**

**Jesus said: The Kingdom of the Father is like  
a man who had [good] seed. His enemy  
came by night, he sowed a weed among the  
good seed. The man did not permit them  
(the workers) to pull up the weed. He said to  
them: Lest perhaps you go to pull up the  
weed and pull up the wheat with it. For on  
the day of harvest the weeds will appear,  
they (will) pull them and burn them.**

**Verse 58:**

**Jesus said: Blessed is the man who has  
suffered, he has found the Life.**

**Verse 59:**

**Jesus said: Look upon the Living (One)  
as long as you live, lest you die and seek to  
see Him and be unable to see.**

**Verse 60:**

**<They saw> a Samaritan carrying a lamb on  
his way to Judea. He said to his disciples:  
(Why does) this man (carry) the lamb with him?  
They said to Him: In order that he may kill it  
and eat it. He said to them: As long as it is  
alive, he will not eat it, but (only) if he has killed  
it and it has become a corpse. They said:  
Otherwise he will not be able to do it. He said  
to them: You yourselves, seek a place for  
yourselves in Repose,  
lest you become a corpse and be eaten.**

**Verse 61:**

**Jesus said: Two will rest on a bed: the one will  
die, the one will live. Salome said: Who art thou,  
man, and whose (son)? Thou didst take thy place  
upon my bench and eat from my table. Jesus said  
to her: I am He who is from the Same, to me was  
given the things of my Father. <Salome said>: I  
am Thy disciple. <Jesus said to her>: Therefore I  
say, if he is the Same, he will be filled with light,  
but if he is divided, he will be filled with darkness.**

**Verse 62:**

**Jesus said: I tell My mysteries to those [who are worthy of my] mysteries. What thy right (hand) will do, let not thy left (hand) know what it does.**

**Verse 63:**

**Jesus said: There was a rich man who had much money. He said: I will use my money that I may sow and reap and plant and fill my storehouses with fruit, so that I lack nothing. This is what he thought in his heart. And that night he died.**

**Whoever has ears, let him hear.**

**Verse 64:**

**Jesus said: A man had guest-friends, and when he had prepared the dinner, he sent the servant to invite the guest-friends. He went to the first, he said to him: "My master invites thee". He said: "I have some claims against some merchants; they will come to me in the evening; I will go and give them my orders. I pray to be excused from the dinner". He went to another, he said to him: "My master has invited thee". He said to him: "I have bought a house and they request me for a day. I will have no time". He came to another, he said to him: "My master invites thee". He said to him: "My friend is to be married and I am to arrange a dinner; I shall not be able to come. I pray to be excused from the dinner". He went to another, he said to him: "My master invites thee". He said to him: "I have bought a farm, I go to collect the rent. I shall not be able to come. I pray to be excused". The servant came, he said to his master: "Those whom thou hast invited to the dinner have excused themselves". The master said to his servant: "Go out to the roads, bring those whom thou shalt find, so that they may dine. Tradesmen and merchants [shall] not [enter] the places of my Father".**

**Verse 65:**

**He said: A good man had a vineyard. He gave it to husbandmen so that they would work it and that he would receive its fruit from them. He sent his servant so that the husbandmen would give the fruit of the vineyard. They seized his servant, they beat him; a little longer and they would have killed him. The servant came, he told it to his master. His master said: "Perhaps he did not know them". He sent another servant; the husbandmen beat him as well. Then the owner sent his son. He said: "Perhaps they will respect my son". Since those husbandmen knew that he was the heir of the vineyard, they seized him, they killed him. Whoever has ears, let him hear.**

**Verse 66:**

**Jesus said: Show me the stone which the builders have rejected. It is the corner-stone.**

**Verse 67:**

**Jesus said: Whoever knows the All but fails (to know) himself lacks everything.**

**Verse 68:**

**Jesus said: Blessed are you when you are hated and persecuted; and no place will be found there where you have been persecuted.**

**Verse 69a:**

**Jesus said: Blessed are those who have been persecuted in their heart; these are they who have known the Father in truth.**

**Verse 69b:**

**Blessed are the hungry, for the belly of him who desires will be filled.**

**Verse 70:**

**Jesus said: If you bring forth that within yourselves, that which you have will save you. If you do not have that within yourselves, that which you do not have within you will kill you.**

**Verse 71:**

**Jesus said: I shall destroy this] house and no one will be able to build it [again].**

**Verse 72:**

**[A man said] to Him: Tell my brethren to divide my father's possessions with me. He said to him: O man, who made me (a) divider? He turned to his disciples, he said to them: I am not a divider, am I?**

**Verse 73:**

**Jesus said: The harvest is indeed great, but the labourers are few; but beg the lord to send labourers into the harvest.**

**Verse 74:**

**He said: Lord, there are many around the cistern, but nobody in the cistern.**

**Verse 75:**

**Jesus said: Many are standing at the door, but the solitary are the ones who will [enter the bridal chamber.**

**Verse 76:**

**Jesus said: The Kingdom of the Father is like a man, a merchant, who possessed merchandise (and) found a pearl. That merchant was prudent. He sold the merchandise, he bought the one pearl for himself. Do you also seek for the treasure which fails not, which endures, there where no moth comes near to devour and (where) no worm destroys.**

**Verse 77:**

**Jesus said: I am the Light that is above them all, I am the All, the All came forth from me, and the All attained to me. Cleave a (piece of) wood, I am there; lift up the stone and you will find me there.**

**Verse 78:**

**Jesus said: Why did you come out into the desert? To see a reed shaken by the wind? And to see a man clothed in soft garments? [See, your] kings and your great ones are those who are clothed in soft [garments] and they [shall] not be able to know the truth.**

**Verse 79:**

**A woman from the multitude said to Him: Blessed is the womb that bore Thee and the breasts which nourished Thee. He said to [her]: Blessed are those who have heard the word of the Father (and) have kept it in truth. For there will be days when you will say: Blessed is the womb that has not conceived and the breasts which have not suckled.**

**Verse 80:**

**Jesus said: Whoever has known the world has found the body, and whoever has [found the body, of him the world is not worthy.**

**Verse 81:**

**Jesus said: Let him who has become rich become king, and let him who has power renounce (it).**

**Verse 82:**

**Jesus said: Whoever is near to me is near to the fire, and whoever is far from me is far from the Kingdom.**

**Verse 83:**

**Jesus said: The images are manifest to man and the Light which is within them is hidden in the Image of the Light of the Father. He will manifest himself and His Image is concealed by His Light.**



**Verse 84:**

**Jesus said: When you see your likeness, you rejoice. But when you see your images which came into existence before you, (which) neither die nor are manifested, how much will you bear?**

**Verse 85:**

**Jesus said: Adam came into existence from a great power and a great wealth, and yet he did not become worthy of you. For if he had been worthy, [he would] not [have tasted] death.**

**Verse 86:**

**Jesus said: [The foxes] [have] the[ir holes] and the birds have their nest, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head and rest.**

**Verse 87:**

**Jesus said: Wretched is the body which depends upon a body and wretched is the soul which depends upon these two.**

**Verse 88:**

**Jesus said: The angels and the prophets will come to you and they will give you what is yours. And you, too, give to them what is in your hands, and say to yourselves: "On which day will they come and receive what is theirs?"**

**Verse 89:**

**Jesus said: Why do you wash the outside of the cup? Do you not understand that he who made the inside is also he who made the outside?**

**Verse 90:**

**Jesus said: Come to Me, for easy is My yoke and My lordship is gentle, and you shall find repose for yourselves.**

**Verse 91:**

**They said to Him: Tell us who Thou art so that we may believe in Thee. He said to them: You test the face of the sky and of the earth, and him who is before your face you have not known, and you do not know to test this moment.**

**Verse 92:**

**Jesus said: Seek and you will find, but those things which you asked me in those days, I did not tell you then; now I desire to tell them, but you do not inquire after them.**

**Verse 93:**

**<Jesus said:> Give not what is holy to the dogs, lest they cast it on the dung-heap. Throw not the pearls to the swine, lest they make it [ ].**

**Verse 94:**

**Jesus [said]: Whoever seeks will find [and whoever knocks], it will be opened to him.**

**Verse 95:**

**[Jesus said]: If you have money, do not lend it at interest, but give [them] to him from whom you will not receive them (back).**

**Verse 96:**

**Jesus [said]: The Kingdom of the Father is like [a] woman, (who) has taken a little leaven [(and has hidden ) it in dough (and) has made large loaves of it.  
Whoever has ears, let him hear.**

**Verse 97:**

**Jesus said: The Kingdom of the [Father] is like a woman who was carrying a jar full of meal. While she was walking [on a] distant road, the handle of the jar broke. The meal streamed out behind her on the road. She did not know (it), she noticed no accident. After she came into her house, she put the jar down. She found it empty.**

**Verse 98:**

**Jesus said: The Kingdom of the Father is like a man who wishes to kill a powerful man. He drew the sword in his house, he stuck it into the wall, in order to know whether his hand could carry through; then he slew the powerful (man).**

**Verse 99:**

**The disciples said to Him: Thy brethren and Thy mother are standing outside. He said to them: Those here who do the will of My Father, they are My brethren and My mother; these are they who shall enter the Kingdom of My Father.**

**Verse 100:**

**They showed Jesus a gold (coin) and said to Him: Caesar's men ask taxes from us. He said to them: Give the things of Caesar to Caesar, give the things of God to God and give Me what is Mine.**

**Verse 101:**

**<Jesus said>: Whoever does not hate his father and his mother in My way will not be able to be a [disciple] to me, for My mother [ ] but [My] true [Mother] gave me life.**

**Verse 102:**

**Jesus said: Woe to them, the Pharisees, for they are like a dog sleeping in the manger of oxen, for neither does he eat, nor does he allow the oxen to eat.**

**Verse 103:**

**Jesus said: Blessed is the man who knows  
I[n which] part (of the night) the robbers will  
come in, so that he will rise and collect  
his [ ] and gird up his loins  
before they come in.**

**Verse 104:**

**They said [to Him]: Come and let us pray today  
and let us fast. Jesus said: Which then is the sin  
that I have committed, or in what have I been  
vanquished? But when the bridegroom comes  
out of the bridal chamber,  
then let them fast and let them pray.**

**Verse 105:**

**Jesus said: Whoever knows father and mother  
shall be called the son of a harlot.**

**Verse 106:**

**Jesus said: When you make the two one, you shall  
become sons of Man, and when you say:  
“Mountain, be moved”, it will be moved.**

**Verse 107:**

**Jesus said: The Kingdom is like a shepherd who  
had a hundred sheep. One of them went astray,  
which was the largest. He left behind ninety-nine,  
he sought for the one until he found it. Having  
tired himself out, he said to the sheep:  
I love thee more than ninety-nine.**

**Verse 108:**

**Jesus said: Whoever drinks from My mouth shall become as I am and I myself will become he, and the hidden things shall be revealed to him.**

**Verse 109:**

**Jesus said: The Kingdom is like a man who had a treasure [hidden] in his field, without knowing it. And [after] he died, he left it to his [son. The] son did not know (about it), he accepted that field, he sold [it]. And he who bought it, he went, while he was plowing [he found] the treasure. He began to lend money to whomever he wished.**

**Verse 110:**

**Jesus said: Whoever has found the world and become rich, let him deny the world.**

**Verse 111:**

**Jesus said: The heavens will be rolled up and the earth in your presence, and he who lives on the Living (One) shall see neither death nor <fear>, because Jesus says:  
Whoever finds himself,  
of him the world is not worthy.**

**Verse 112:**

**Jesus said: Woe to the flesh which depends upon the soul; woe to the soul which depends upon the flesh.**

**Verse 113:**

**His disciples said to Him: When will the Kingdom come? <Jesus said>: It will not come by expectation; they will not say: "See, here", or "See, there".  
But the Kingdom of the Father is spread upon the earth and men do not see it.**

**Verse 114:**

**Simon Peter said to them:  
Let Mary go out from among us,  
because women are not worthy of the Life.  
Jesus said:  
See, I shall lead her,  
so that I will make her male,  
that she too may become a living spirit,  
resembling you males.  
For every woman  
who makes herself male  
will enter the Kingdom of Heaven.**

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TO THOMAS*



***THE GOSPEL OF MARY MAGDALENE***  
**(5 verses)**  
featuring a translation offered  
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For unknown reasons,  
Gospel is missing several pages  
in the front  
and several pages  
in the middle.  
Personally,  
I find only the 1<sup>st</sup> verse presented  
of much interest  
because it reflects Jesus during life.  
The others are from  
after Jesus "left them".

## **1. THE DISCIPLES DIALOGUE WITH THE SAVIOR**

**“Will matter be destroyed or not?”**

**The savior replied, “All natures, all formed things, all creatures exist in and with each other, and they will dissolve into their own root. The nature of matter is dissolved into the root of its nature. Whoever has ears to hear should hear.”**

**Peter said to him, “You have explained everything to us. Tell us also, what is the sin of the world?” The savior replied, “There is no such thing as sin, but you create sin when you mingle as in adultery, and this is called sin. For this reason the good came among you, to those of every nature, in order to restore nature to its root.”**

**He continued, “That is why you become sick and die, for [you love] what [deceives you]. Whoever has a mind should understand.**

**“Matter gave birth to passion that is without form, because it comes from what is contrary to nature, and then confusion arose in the whole body. That is why I told you, be of good courage. And if you are discouraged, be encouraged in the presence of the diversity of forms in nature. Whoever has ears to hear should hear.”**

**When the blessed one said this, he greeted all of them and said, “Peace be with you. Receive my peace. Be careful that no one leads you astray by saying, ‘Look here’ or ‘Look there.’ The child of humanity is within you. Follow that. Those who seek it will find it. Go and preach the good news of the kingdom. Do not lay down any rules other than what I have given you, and do not establish law, as the lawgiver did, or you will be bound by it.”**  
**When he said this, he left them.**

## **2. MARY CONSOLES THE DISCIPLES AND PETER CHALLENGES MARY**

The disciples were grieved. They wept profoundly and said, "How can we go to the gentiles and preach the good news of the kingdom of the child of humanity? If they did not spare him, how will we be spared?"

Mary stood up and greeted them all, and said to her brothers, "Do not weep or grieve or be in doubt, for his grace will be with you all and will protect you. Rather, let us praise his greatness, for he has prepared us and made us truly human."

When Mary said this, she turned their hearts to the good, and they began to discuss the words of the [savior].

Peter said to Mary, "Sister, we know the savior loved you more than any other woman. Tell us the words of the savior that you remember, which you know but we do not, because we have not heard them."

Mary answered and said,  
"What is hidden from you  
I shall reveal to you."

**She began to speak these words to them.**

**She said, "I saw the master in a vision  
and I said to him, 'Master, I saw you today  
in a vision.'**

**"He answered and said to me, 'Blessings  
on you, since you did not waver when you  
saw me. For where the mind is, the treasure is.'**

**"I said to him, 'Master, how does a person  
see a vision, with the soul or with the spirit?'**

**"The savior answered and said, 'A person  
sees neither with the soul nor with the spirit.**

**The mind, which is between the two,  
sees the vision....'"**

### **3. MARY RECOUNTS HER VISION OF THE SOUL'S ASCENT**

**“Desire said, ‘I did not see you descending, but now I see you ascending. Why are you lying, since you belong to me?’**

**“The soul answered and said, ‘I saw you, but you did not see me or know me. To you, I was only a garment, and you did not recognize me.’**

**“After the soul said this, she left, rejoicing greatly.**

**“The soul approached the third power, called ignorance. The power questioned the soul, saying, ‘Where are you going? You are bound by wickedness, you are bound, so do not pass judgment.’**

**“The soul said, ‘Why do you pass judgment on me, though I have not passed judgment? I was bound, but I have not bound. I was not recognized, but I have recognized that all is to be dissolved, both what is earthly and what is heavenly.’**

**“When the soul overcame the third power,  
she ascended and saw the fourth power.  
It took seven forms:**

***The first form is darkness,  
the second, desire,  
the third, ignorance,  
the fourth, death wish,  
the fifth, fleshly kingdom,  
the sixth, foolish fleshly wisdom,  
the seventh, angry person’s wisdom.***

**“These are the seven powers of wrath.  
“The powers asked the soul, ‘Where are you  
coming from, slayer of humans, and where are  
you going, destroyer of realms?’  
“The soul answered and said, ‘What binds me  
is slain, what surrounds me is destroyed, my  
desire is gone, ignorance is dead. In a world  
I was freed through another world, and in an  
image I was freed through a heavenly image.  
The fetter of forgetfulness is temporary.  
From now on I shall rest, through the course  
of the time of the age, in silence.’”**

**4. PETER AND ANDREW  
DOUBT MARY'S WORD**

When Mary said this, she became silent,  
since the savior had spoken this much to her.  
Andrew answered and said to the brothers,  
“Say what you think about what she said,  
but I do not believe the savior said this.  
These teachings certainly are strange ideas.”  
Peter voiced similar concerns. He asked  
the others about the savior: “Did he really speak  
with a woman in private, without our knowledge?  
Should we all turn and listen to her?  
Did he prefer her to us?”

**5. LEVI SPEAKS ON BEHALF OF MARY**

Then Mary wept and said to Peter,  
“My brother, Peter, what do you think? Do you  
think I made this up by myself or that I am lying  
about the savior?”  
Levi answered and said to Peter, “Peter,  
you always are angry. Now I see you arguing  
against this woman like an adversary. If the  
savior made her worthy, who are you to  
reject her?  
Surely the savior knows her well.  
That is why he has loved her more than us.



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