

## Philosophy of Jesus

The philosophy of Jesus is in the four gospels of the King James Bible.

### Jesus on Forgiveness, Mercy, Punishment, Helping, and Love

#### **Matthew 5:38-42**

"Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth:

But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.

And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have thy cloak also.

And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain.

Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away."

#### **Luke 6:29-30**

"And unto him that smiteth thee on the one cheek offer also the other; and him that taketh away thy cloak forbid not to take thy coat also.

Give to every man that asketh of thee; and of him that taketh away thy goods ask them not again."

#### **Matthew 5:43-44**

"Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy.

But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, ..."

#### **Luke 6:27-28**

"But I say unto you which hear, Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you,

Bless them that curse you, ..."

#### **Luke 6:32-36**

"For if ye love them which love you, what thank have ye? ...

And if ye do good to them which do good to you, what thank have ye? ...

And if ye lend to them of whom ye hope to receive, what thank have ye? ...

But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, ...

Be ye therefore merciful, ..."

#### **Matthew 6:14**

"... forgive men their trespasses ..."

#### **Matthew 18:21-22**

"Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times?

Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven."

#### **John 8:7**

"... He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone ..."

### Jesus on Wealth and Helping

#### **Matthew 6:19**

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon Earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal"

**Matthew 19:21**

"... If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor ..."

**Mark 10:21**

"... go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor ..."

**Luke 18:22**

"... sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, ..."

**Jesus on Judging, Criticism, Forgiveness, and Giving**

**Matthew 7:1-2**

"Judge not, that ye be not judged.

For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again."

**Luke 6:37-38**

"Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven:

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again."

**Matthew 7:3-5**

"And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?

Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye?

Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye."

**Luke 6:41-42**

"And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye?

Either how canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, cast out first the beam out of thine own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to pull out the mote that is in thy brother's eye."

**Jesus and the Golden Rule**

**Matthew 7:12**

"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them ..."

**Luke 6:31**

"And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise."

**Jesus on Human Personality and Behavior**

**Matthew 7:17-20**

"Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.

A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them."

**Luke 6:43-44**

"For a good tree bringeth not forth corrupt fruit; neither doth a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

For every tree is known by his own fruit. For of thorns men do not gather figs, nor of a bramble bush gather they grapes."

**Matthew 12:35**

"A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things."

**Luke 6:45**

"A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh."

### **Jesus on Moral Commandments: Murder, Adultery, Theft, Lying, Fraud, and Parental Disrespect**

**Matthew 19:18-19**

"... Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness,

Honour thy father and thy mother: ..."

**Mark 10:19**

"... Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother."

**Luke 18:20**

"... Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother."

### **Jesus on Community and Helping**

**Matthew 19:19**

"... Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."

**Matthew 22:39**

"... Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."

**Mark 12:31**

"... Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. ..."

**Luke 10:29-37**

"... And who is my neighbour?"

And Jesus answering said, A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead.

And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side.

But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him,

And went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.

Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves?

And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise."

#### **John 13:34**

"A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; ..."

#### **John 15:12-13**

"This is my commandment, That ye love one another, ...

Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

#### **Matthew 20:26-27**

"... whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister;  
And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant"

#### **Mark 10:43-44**

"... whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister:  
And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all."

### **Jesus on Origins**

#### **John 1:1**

"In the beginning was the Word ..."

### **Jesus on Knowledge and Freedom**

#### **John 8:32**

"And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

### **Ethics of Jesus**

Jesus developed a new ethical theory, based on the golden rule.

Jesus only discussed adult ethics.

Jesus discussed time in relation to ethics.

Jesus' ethics follows generally accepted ethical goods and values.

### **Epistemology of Jesus**

Jesus did not discuss epistemology, except to value truth and freedom.

### **Metaphysics of Jesus**

Jesus did not discuss metaphysics, except to say that the word of God was the beginning and cause of all things.

**Philosophy of Mind of Jesus**

Jesus did not discuss mind.

**Politics of Jesus**

Jesus did not discuss politics, except to say to render unto Caesar that which belongs to Caesar.

**Aesthetics of Jesus**

Jesus did not discuss aesthetics.

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