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Plucking Grain on the Sabbath

How does the story of the disciples plucking the grain on the Sabbath compare to King David and his companions? (Note 12:3)

How do the priests profane the Sabbath and are guiltless? (Note 12:5)

What is meant by the saying "I desire mercy, and not sacrifice?" (Note 12:7)

Jesus and Beelzebul

What similar abilities did Jesus and King Solomon share? (Note 12:23)

What is the relationship between the destruction of Satan's power by the Crucifixion and the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple in 70 A.D.? (Note 12:25-26)

Jesus and the Old Testament

What is typology? How is typology manifested in Moses, David, the Temple, Israel, Solomon and Jonah?

The True Kindred of Jesus

What is the position of the Church on Mary's perpetual virginity? (Note 12:46)

Word Study--Parables

What is a parable and what is its purpose? Why does Jesus use parables? When does Jesus switch from straight forward teaching to teaching using parables?

Chapter 13

The Purpose of the Parables

What is the meaning of the following; "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given." (Note 13:11)

Does Jesus use parables to proclaim God's judgment on the faithless? What prophet does he cite? (Note 13:14-15)

Three Parables about the Kingdom

What is the point of the parable of the Hidden Treasure and the Pearl of Great Value? (Note 13:44-46)

Chapter 14

Feeding the Five Thousand

The multiplication of the loaves appears in all four Gospels. What four verbs appear here and at the last supper? (Note 14:13-21)

How does Jesus feed the crowds? (Note 14:19)

Chapter 15

The Tradition of the Elders

How do the Oral Traditions of the Pharisees relate to the revealed Law of God? (Note 15:1-20)

Feeding of the Four Thousand

What four verbs are present in this narrative? (Note 15:32-39)

Chapter 16

Peter's Declaration that Jesus is the Christ

What is Peter's relationship to the other apostles? What five points of doctrine does the Church teach with regard to the primacy of Peter? (Note 16:13-20)

How does the blessing of Peter relate to Abraham? (Note 16:17)

What is the relationship between Jesus and Solomon as it relates to the Temple? (Note 16:18)

What is the meaning of the giving of the keys to Peter as illustrated in the Old Testament? (Note 16:19)