

Matthew 25:31-46

v31 – Son of Man	(title)	a title Jesus used to refer to himself
v31 – glory	(noun)	beauty, greatness, awesomeness
v31 – throne	(noun)	a decorative chair used by a king or queen on important official occasions
v32 – shepherd	(noun)	a man whose job is to look after sheep
v32 – sheep	(noun)	
		v32 – goats (noun)



v34 – blessed	(adjective)	favoured
v34 – inheritance	(noun)	money or property received from someone after they die
v40 – ‘the least’		the lowliest person
v41 – depart	(verb)	go away; leave
v41 – cursed	(adjective)	opposite of blessed; under God’s anger and displeasure
v41 – eternal	(adjective)	never-ending; lasts forever
v41 – devil	(noun)	the enemy of God and his people; also called Satan
v41 – angels	(noun)	messengers
v46 – righteous	(noun)	people who are right with God

Matthew 25:31-46 (New International Reader’s Version)

³¹“The Son of Man will come in all his glory. All the angels will come with him. Then he will sit in glory on his throne. ³²All the nations will be gathered in front of him. He will separate the people into two groups. He will be like a shepherd who separates the sheep from the goats. ³³He will put the sheep to his right and the goats to his left.

³⁴“Then the King will speak to those on his right. He will say, ‘My Father has blessed you. Come and take what is yours. It is the kingdom prepared for you since the world was created. ³⁵I was hungry. And you gave me something to eat. I was thirsty. And you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger. And you invited me in. ³⁶I needed clothes. And you gave them to me. I was sick. And you took care of me. I was in prison. And you came to visit me.’

³⁷“Then the people who have done what is right will answer him. ‘Lord,’ they will ask, ‘when did we see you hungry and feed you? When did we see you thirsty and give you something to drink? ³⁸When did we see you as a stranger and invite you in? When did we see you needing clothes and give them to you? ³⁹When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’

⁴⁰“The King will reply, ‘What I’m about to tell you is true. Anything you did for one of the least important of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

⁴¹“Then he will say to those on his left, ‘You are cursed! Go away from me into the fire that burns forever. It has been prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴²I was hungry. But you gave me nothing to eat. I was thirsty. But you gave me nothing to drink. ⁴³I was a stranger. But you did not invite me in. I needed clothes. But you did not give me any. I was sick and in prison. But you did not take care of me.’

⁴⁴“They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty and not help you? When did we see you as a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison and not help you?’

⁴⁵“He will reply, ‘What I’m about to tell you is true. Anything you didn’t do for one of the least important of these, you didn’t do for me.’

⁴⁶“Then they will go away to be punished forever. But those who have done what is right will receive eternal life.”