




Secrets
Of The
Kingdom




Isaiah 53:3

He was despised and rejected by men,
a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief;



Matthew 13:53

And when Jesus had finished these parables,
he went away from there, and coming to his hometown

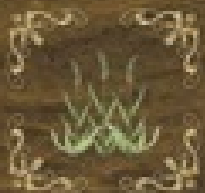


Matthew 13:53–54

And when Jesus had finished these parables,
he went away from there, and coming to his hometown
he taught them in their synagogue,
so that they were astonished...

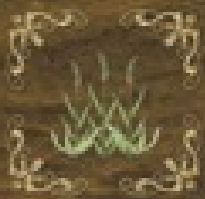
Matthew 13:57

And they took offense at him.



Matthew 13:58

And he did not do many mighty works there,
because of their **unbelief**.





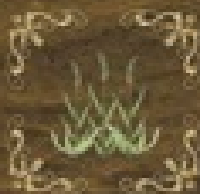
About a year earlier...



Luke 4:28–29


When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were
filled with wrath. And they rose up and drove him out
of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on
which their town was built, so that they could
throw him down the cliff.

Hardened in Unbelief



Refusal of Unbelief



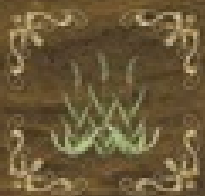


Matthew 13:54

they were astonished, and said, “Where did this man get this wisdom and these mighty works?”

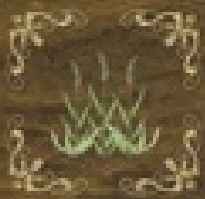
John 12:37


Though he had done so many signs before them,
they still did not believe in him,



Luke 16:31


He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”





Romans 1:18–19


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For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them.



Romans 1:20

For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made.

So they are without excuse.

Refusal of Unbelief




Rationalisation of Unbelief





Luke 4:23

And he said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, “Physician, heal yourself.”
What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well.””




Luke 4:24

And he said, "Truly, I say to you,
no prophet is acceptable in his hometown."




Luke 4:23

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Matthew 12:39

But he answered them, “An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah.



Matthew 13:54–56

“Where did this man get this wisdom and these mighty works? Is not this the carpenter's son? Is not his mother called Mary? And are not his brothers James and Joseph and Simon and Judas? And are not all his sisters with us? Where then did this man get all these things?”

Matthew 13:57

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Rationalisation of Unbelief

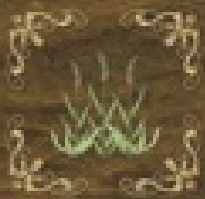



Reason for Unbelief



John 3:19

And this is the judgment:
the light has come into the world,
and people **loved the darkness** rather than the light
because their works were evil.



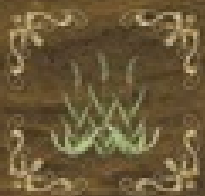


Romans 1:18–19

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John 3:20

For everyone who **does wicked things hates the light**
and does not come to the light,
lest his works should be exposed.

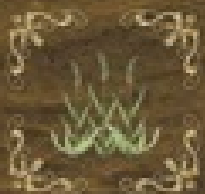


Remedy for Unbelief



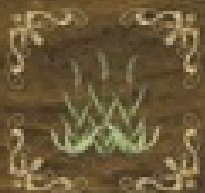
Ephesians 2:8

For by grace you have been saved through **faith**.
And this is not your own doing; it is **the gift of God**,



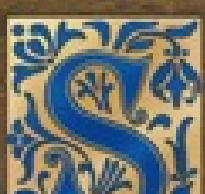
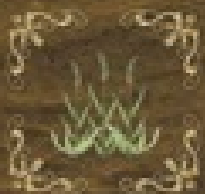
Philippians 1:29

For it has been **granted to you** that for the sake of Christ
you should not only **believe in him**
but also suffer for his sake,



John 6:44


No one can come to me
unless the Father who sent me draws him.





2 Corinthians 4:6

For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,”
has **shone in our hearts** to give
the light of the knowledge of the glory of God
in the face of Jesus Christ.



2 Timothy 2:25

God may perhaps **grant them repentance**
leading to a knowledge of the truth,








Romans 10:17

So faith comes from hearing,
and **hearing** through the word of Christ.






Matthew 12:41

The men of Nineveh will rise up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they **repented** at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, something greater than Jonah is here.

Acts 17:30

The times of ignorance God overlooked,
but now he **commands all people everywhere to repent**



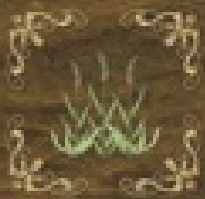



John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son,
that whoever **believes** in him
should not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:17


For God did not send his Son into the world
to condemn the world, but in order that
the world might be saved through him.






John 3:18

Whoever believes in him is not condemned,
but whoever does not believe is **condemned already,**
because he has not believed
in the name of the only Son of God.




Matthew 11:20–22

Then he began to denounce the cities where
most of his mighty works had been done,
because they did not repent.



Matthew 11:20–22

“Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida!
For if the mighty works done in you had been done in
Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in
sackcloth and ashes.



Matthew 11:20–22

But I tell you, it will be more bearable
on the day of judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you.