

# “Jesus, Man of Action”

Mark 9:30-50

*And taking a child, He set him before them,  
and taking him in His arms, He said to them,  
“Whoever receives one child like this in My name receives Me;  
and whoever receives Me does not receive Me,  
but Him who sent Me.”*

Mark 9:36-37, NAS

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## The Words

**Delivered up** - παραδίδοται - from a basic meaning: *give over from one’s hand to someone or something*; (1) of authoritative commitment of something to someone: *entrust, commit, give or hand over, deliver* (Matthew 11:27; 25:20); (2) of a self-sacrificial love: *give up, yield up, risk* (one’s life) (Acts 15:26); (3) as a legal technical term for passing someone along in the judicial process: *hand over, turn over, deliver up* (Mark 15:1); of an unjustified act of handing someone over to judicial

authorities: *betray* (Matthew 10:4); of God’s judicial act of handing someone over to suffer the consequences of his wrongdoing: *deliver up, hand over, give up (to)* (Romans 1:24).

**Servant** - διάκονος - (1) generally of a person who renders helpful service: *servant, helper* (Matthew 20:26); (2) as an official in the church; masculine: *deacon* (1 Timothy 3:8); feminine: *deaconess* (Romans 16:1); (3) as a government official: *minister, agent* (Romans 13:4); (4) as service to a high official: *attendant, servant* (Matthew 22:13).

**Cause to stumble** - σκανδαλίση - cause to stumble; figuratively in the NT (1) occasioning a transgression: *cause to do something wrong or sin* (Matthew 5:29); passively: *be led into sin, be caused to do wrong* (2 Corinthians 11:29); in an absolute sense: *fall away, give up believing* (Matthew 13:21); (2) passively as taking offense at Jesus or refusing to believe in him: *be offended* (Matthew 11:6); (3) as furnishing an occasion for someone to be shocked or angered: *give offense to, offend* (Matthew 17:27).

**Hell** - γέενναν - Gehenna; literally: *the Valley of the Sons of Hinnom*, a ravine south of Jerusalem where constant fires were kept burning to consume the dead bodies of animals, criminals, and refuse; figuratively in the Gospels for *hell*, a fiery place of eternal punishment for the ungodly dead (Matthew 5:22); Example: “...fear rather him who has the authority to throw (you) into hell after killing you...” Luke 12:5.

## The Quotation

“For just as the new heavens and the new earth  
Which I make will endure before Me,” declares the LORD,  
“So your offspring and your name will endure.  
And it shall be from new moon to new moon  
And from sabbath to sabbath,  
All mankind will come to bow down before Me,” says the LORD.  
“Then they shall go forth and look  
On the corpses of the men  
Who have transgressed against Me.  
For their worm shall not die,  
And their fire shall not be quenched;  
And they shall be an abhorrence to all mankind.”

- NAS Isaiah 66:22