

## 2026-02-22 Scripture

### # Scripture References from the Sermon

#### ## Explicitly Referenced Scriptures:

1. **John 3:1-21** - The story of Nicodemus and being born again (extensively discussed)
  - John 3:2 - Nicodemus comes to Jesus at night
  - John 3:3 - "You must be born again"
  - John 3:5 - Born of water and the Spirit
  - John 3:7 - "Do not be surprised at my saying you must be born again"
  - John 3:14-15 - Son of Man lifted up like the serpent in the desert
  - John 3:16 - "For God so loved the world..."
  - John 3:17 - God did not send His Son to condemn the world
  - John 3:19-21 - Light came into the world, but men loved darkness
  
2. **Luke 8:4-15** - The Parable of the Sower
  - Luke 8:9-10 - Secrets of the kingdom of God
  - Luke 8:11-15 - Explanation of the parable (seed on path, rocky ground, thorns, good soil)
  
3. **Luke 7:36-50** - The Woman Who Anointed Jesus' Feet
  - Luke 7:36 - Pharisee invites Jesus to dinner
  - Luke 7:39 - Pharisee's thoughts about the sinful woman
  - Luke 7:41-43 - Parable of the two debtors
  - Luke 7:44-47 - Jesus addresses Simon about the woman's love
  - Luke 7:48 - "Your sins are forgiven"
  - Luke 7:50 - "Your faith has saved you; go in peace"
  
4. **Mark 14** - Mentioned as parallel account (Simon the leper)
  
5. **Matthew 25** - "Whatever you did for the least of these, you did for me"

#### ## Alluded to or Thematically Referenced:

6. \*\*John 15:1-8\*\* - Jesus as the vine, believers as branches (bearing fruit, being pruned/cut off)

7. \*\*Romans 10:17\*\* - "Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God"

8. \*\*James 2:14-26\*\* - Faith without works is dead

9. \*\*Matthew 6:33\*\* - "Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness"

10. \*\*Hebrews 2:3\*\* - "How shall we escape if we ignore such a great salvation?"

## Additional Relevant Verses for Sermon Themes:

11. \*\*2 Corinthians 5:17\*\* - "If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation"

12. \*\*Philippians 2:12-13\*\* - "Work out your salvation with fear and trembling"

13. \*\*1 John 2:3-6\*\* - "We know that we have come to know him if we keep his commands"

14. \*\*Matthew 7:16-20\*\* - "By their fruit you will recognize them"

15. \*\*Colossians 1:10\*\* - Growing in the knowledge of God and bearing fruit