

## David as Messiah's "son" in synoptic comparison

**BOLD** = element unique to each evangelist; **strikethrough** = element in Mk/Mt but not Luke

### MARK 12.35-37

**While Jesus was teaching in the temple**, he said, "How can the **scribes** say that the Messiah is the son of David? David himself, ~~by the Holy Spirit~~, declared, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies ~~under your feet~~.'" David himself calls him Lord; so how can he be his son?" **And the large crowd was listening to him with delight.**

### MATTHEW 22.41-46

**Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David."** He said to them, "How is it then that David ~~by the Spirit~~ calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies ~~under your feet~~"'? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" **No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.**

### LUKE 20.41-44

Then he said to **them**, "How can **they** say that the Messiah is David's son? For David himself says **in the book of Psalms**, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your **footstool**.'" David thus calls him Lord; so how can he be his son?"