

*Welcome to Women's
Bible Study!*

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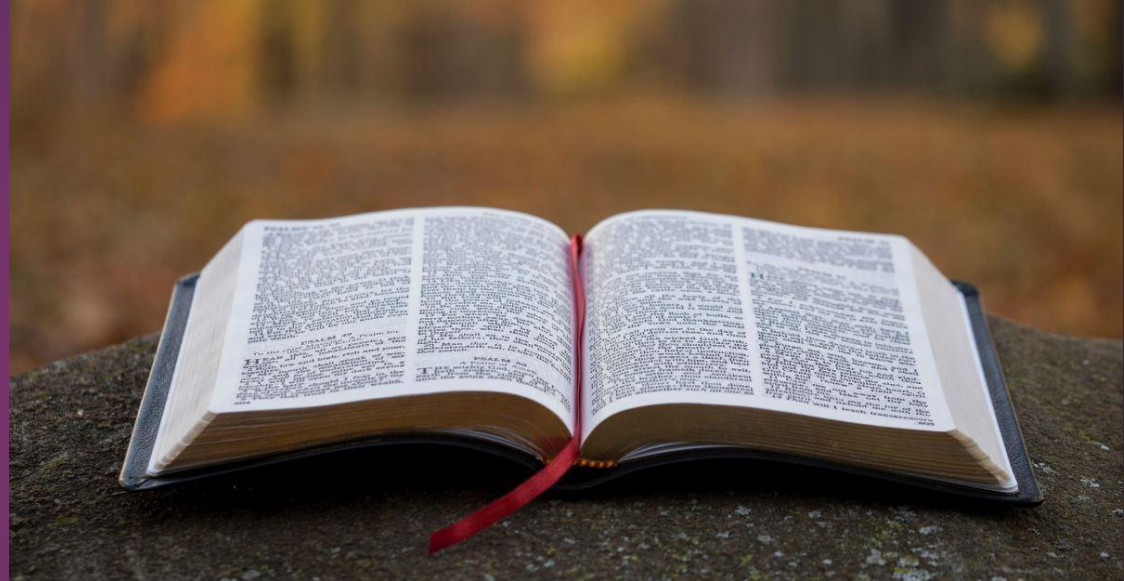
Jesus You Come

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Theme: *The
Gospel of Luke*



Purpose of Bible Study

- *We come together to realign to the King.*

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

Review

*Theme of the kingdom-Restoration through
the King (Luke 4:18-19)*

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the
captives and recovering of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.”*





Narrative/Background on Kingdom of God









23 Jesus, when he began his ministry, was about thirty years of age, being the son (as was supposed) of Joseph, the son of Heli, 24 the son of Matthat, the son of Levi, the son of Melchi, the son of Jannai, the son of Joseph, 25 the son of Mattathias, the son of Amos, the son of Nahum, the son of Esli, the son of Naggai, 26 the son of Maath, the son of Mattathias, the son of Semein, the son of Josech, the son of Joda, 27 the son of Joanan, the son of Rhesa, the son of Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel, the son of Neri, 28 the son of Melchi, the son of Addi, the son of Cosam, the son of Elmadam, the son of Er, 29 the son of Joshua, the son of Eliezer, the son of Jorim, the son of Matthat, the son of Levi, 30 the son of Simeon, the son of Judah, the son of Joseph, the son of Jonam, the son of Eliakim, 31 the son of Melea, the son of Menna, the son of Mattatha, the son of Nathan, the son of David, 32 the son of Jesse, the son of Obed, the son of Boaz, the son of Sala, the son of Nahshon, 33 the son of Amminadab, the son of Admin, the son of Arni, the son of Hezron, the son of Perez, the son of Judah, 34 the son of Jacob, the son of Isaac, the son of Abraham, the son of Terah, the son of Nahor, 35 the son of Serug, the son of Reu, the son of Peleg, the son of Eber, the son of Shelah, 36 the son of Cainan, the son of Arphaxad, the son of Shem, the son of Noah, the son of Lamech, 37 the son of Methuselah, the son of Enoch, the son of Jared, the son of Mahalaleel, the son of Cainan, 38 the son of Enos, the son of Seth, the son of Adam, the son of God.



The Victory of the King






The Mission of the King:

“but he said to them, “I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns as well; for I was sent for this purpose.” ~Luke 4:43



The Kingdom Community



*And Jesus answering
said unto them,
They that are whole
need not a physician;
but they that are sick.*

*I came not to call
the righteous,
but sinners to repentance.*

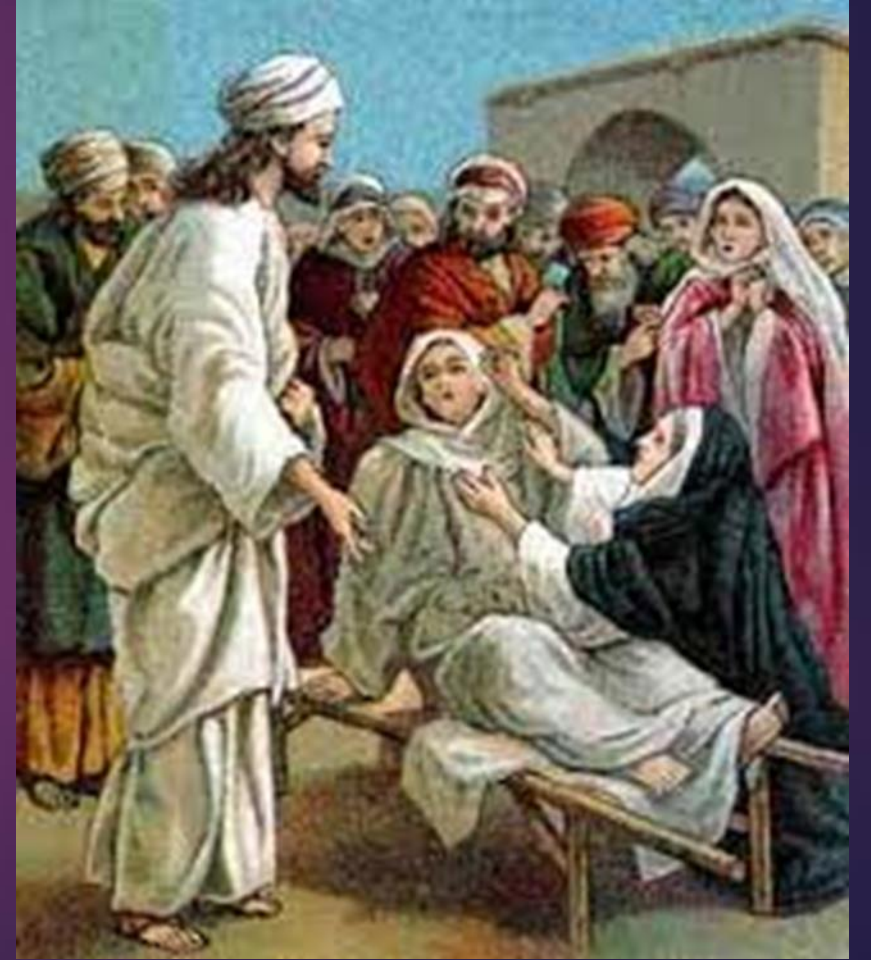
(Luke 5: 31-32 kfv)

Lord of the Sabbath











Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, the poor have good news preached to them.

23 And blessed is the one who is not offended by me.”

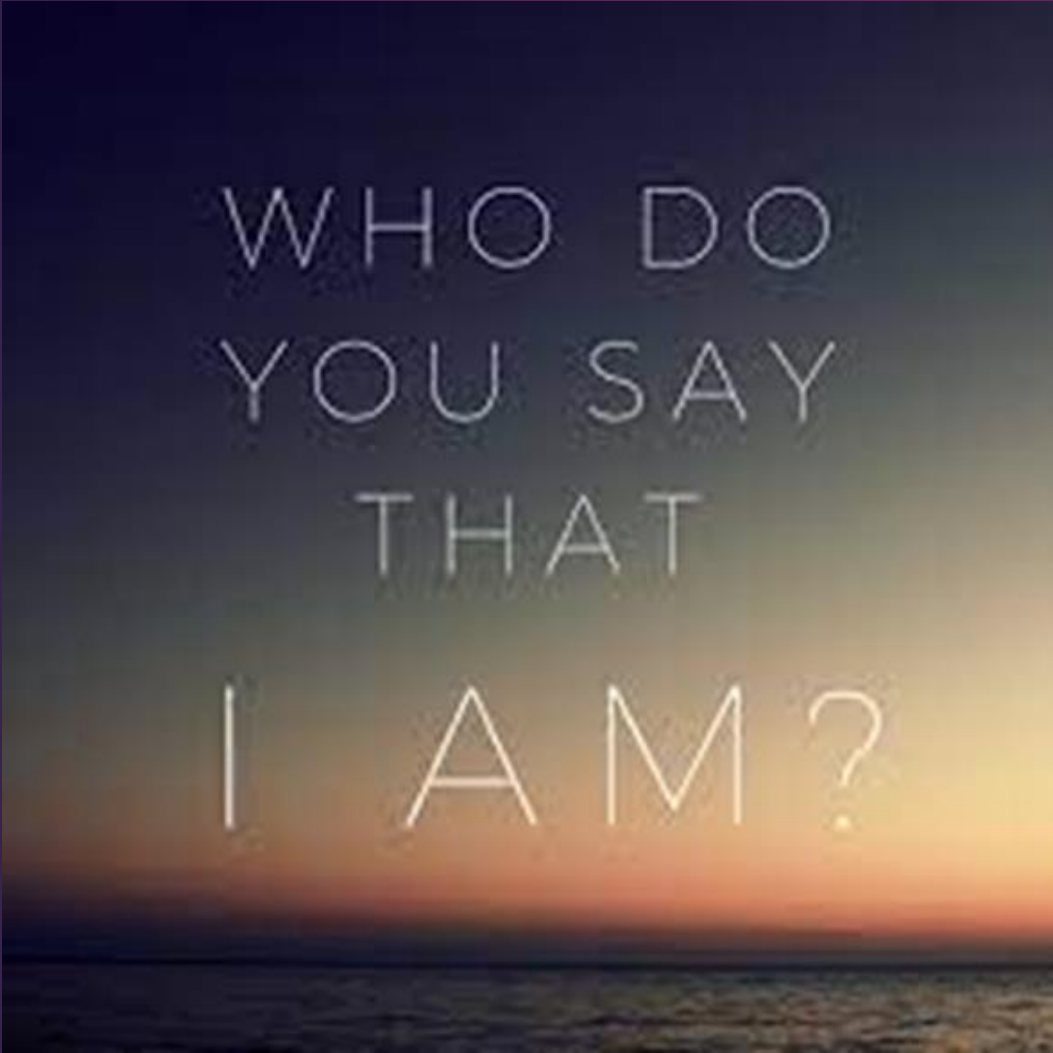


Travel/Teaching/Prophet



“He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”





WHO DO
YOU SAY
THAT
I AM?

The response to the King
Jesus begins His journey
to Jerusalem.

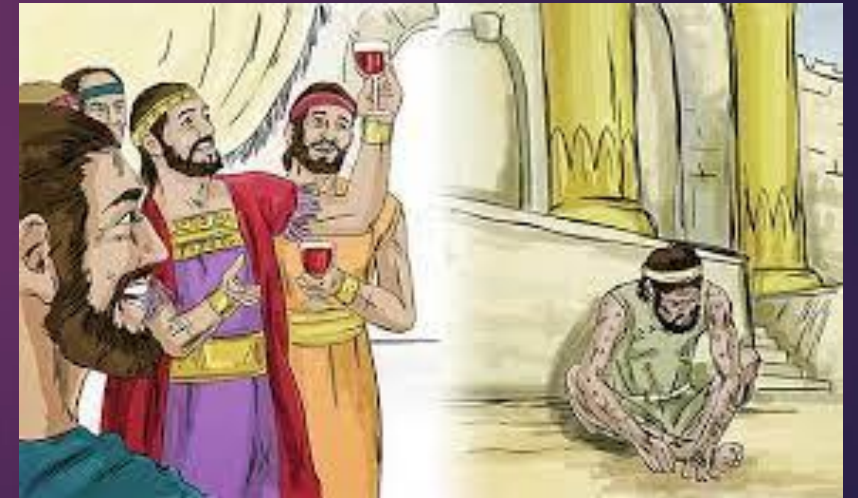
The Dividing Line



*Repent or Perish: The
Urgency of the Message*



The Heart of the Father



Summary of Luke 15

After Jesus warns His listeners to repent or perish (Luke 11-12), the Pharisees criticize Him for eating (table fellowship) with sinners. His response is to tell 3 parables that highlight the heart of the Father which show that rather than criticism, there is joy and celebration in repentance and restoration. We see the heart of the Father to forgive and to compel the self-righteous to join in the celebration of the restoration of the lost.

Summary of Luke 16:

Jesus tells a story of a shrewd manager to make a point that even the people of this age know to be forward thinking when faced with a crisis. He warns against loving money over serving God or seeking the praise of men over the praise of God. He then tells another story of a rich man who didn't use his wealth to help the poor and his heart is revealed after he dies. Jesus closes the story with a warning that if people don't hear Moses and the Prophets, they won't hear anything else.

Tonight:

Luke 17-18: When the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on earth?

Luke 17

Luke 17:1-10

- *What does Jesus say is sure to come? What are His warnings?*
- *What is to be our response if a brother sins?*
- *What do the disciples ask Jesus and what is His response?*
- *What should be the response of a servant after he has done his work?*

Luke 17:1-10

- *What does Jesus say is sure to come? What are His warnings?*

-Temptations are sure to come but woe to those through whom they come. Pay attention! Jesus warns that it's better to drown than to cause a little one to sin or refuse to restore one to fellowship who repents.



TEMPTATION

Luke 17:1-1-10

- *What is to be our response if a brother sins?*
 - Rebuke him, offer repeated forgiveness when he repents.*



Luke 17:1-1-10

- *What do the disciples ask Jesus and what is His response?*
-They ask Him to increase their faith. He says they don't need more faith. Faith is not a possession as much as it is a way of thinking. Jesus is going to define what true faith looks like.



Luke 17:1-1-10

- *What should be the response of a servant after he has done his work?*

-He is unworthy of honor-he was merely doing his duty. The master is not indebted to the servant for the work he has done.



FAITHFUL
servants

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Luke 17:1-1-10

→ Jesus is countering the mindset of the Pharisees that obedience is a means to gain honor or favor with God.

→ As Jesus is warning His disciples about temptation and sin, they ask Him to increase their faith. He tells them they don't need more faith, but rather faith is a disposition or frame of mind. Those who participate in the kingdom have faith to avoid sin and temptation, are quick to repent, and recognize they are merely doing their duty as servants of their master.

Luke 17:1-11-19

→ Jesus's travels continue on His way to Jerusalem, passing through Samaria and Galilee. Along the way, He has been teaching the disciples about faithfulness but again and again, they seem to miss God's purposes. Yet, there are examples of faithfulness which Jesus uses to continue to instruct His disciples.



Faithfulness

Luke 17:11-19

- *Who does Jesus meet along the way? What do they ask Him?*
- *What is Jesus's response? What happens?*
- *What does one recognize and what does he do?*

Luke 17:11-19

• *Who does Jesus meet along the way? What do they ask Him?*

-He meets 10 lepers. They ask for mercy.



Luke 17:11-19

- *What is Jesus's response? What happens?*
- He sends them to the priests to be inspected. Along the way, they are healed.*



Luke 17:11-19

- *What does one recognize and what does he do?*
- *He has been healed and his healing has come at the hand of Jesus. He returns to Jesus with gratitude and a recognition of His authority.*
- *Luke then challenges any who may have prejudice regarding who receives favor from God by pointing out this man was a Samaritan.*

Luke 17:11-19

→ What separates the nine from the one is their apparent lack of gratitude and failure to recognize their healing comes from Jesus.

→ All were healed so this one being “made well” goes beyond physical healing. He has faith and responds faithfully to God’s mercy to him.

→ Faithfulness responds in gratitude.



Luke 17:20-37

→ In contrast to the Samaritan who recognizes God's working through Jesus, the Pharisees don't have that awareness.



Luke 17:20-37

- *Who asks Jesus about the kingdom of God? How does Jesus respond to them?*
- *Who does Jesus then turn to and what does He say?*
- *The days of the Son of Man are like what other days?*
- *What does Jesus say must happen first?*

Luke 17:20-37

• *Who asks Jesus about the kingdom of God? How does Jesus respond to them?*

-The Pharisees ask Him when the kingdom will come. Jesus pronounces that the kingdom is already active, even where it is not recognized, including among them.



Luke 17:20-37

• *Who does Jesus then turn to and what does He say?*

-Jesus turns to His disciples to instruct them and shows what it will be like when the Son of Man is revealed. His teaching points to the need to be faithfully ready with a sense of urgency.



Luke 17:20-37

• *The days of the Son of Man are like what other days?*

-They are like the days of Noah, and the day of Sodom's destruction. In all cases, life is going on normally when judgment comes suddenly.



Luke 17:20-37

• *What does Jesus say must happen first?*

-First, He must suffer and be rejected. The cross is not a deviation from the kingdom but is an integral part of God's plan.



Luke 17:20-37

→ As the Pharisees are seeking a physical, earthly kingdom, they miss the person and work of Jesus. Yet, Jesus warns that the Son of Man will indeed be revealed and as such we ought to live with faithful urgency. He warns that like Lot's wife, our allegiance can't be in two places. In order to gain life, we have to lose our lives.

→ Faithfulness walks in expectation and doesn't hold to the things of this world.

Summary of Luke 17:

Jesus warns His followers that temptations will come but there is judgment for those who cause little ones to sin or who refuse to welcome those who repent. As the disciples ask Him to increase their faith, He shows them that faith is not a something they need to possess more of but rather, it is a mindset of faithfulness, as a servant who is merely doing his duty.

Summary of Luke 17:

Luke then points to an interaction with 10 lepers who are healed but faith is seen in the one who recognizes his healing comes from Jesus and who responds in gratitude. The kingdom of God is not coming as they expect and yet the revealing of the Son of Man will be unexpected and sudden like the judgment which came in the days of Noah and Lot. Remembering Lot's wife, our allegiance can't be divided, rather in order to gain our life, we must lose it.

Luke 18

Luke 18:1-8

- *What is the purpose of Jesus's parable? Give this section a title*
- *Why does the judge respond to the widow? How does Jesus compare this to God?*
- *What question does Jesus ask as He concludes?*

Luke 18:1-8

- *What is the purpose of Jesus's parable?*
- So that they would pray always and not lose heart*



Luke 18:1-8

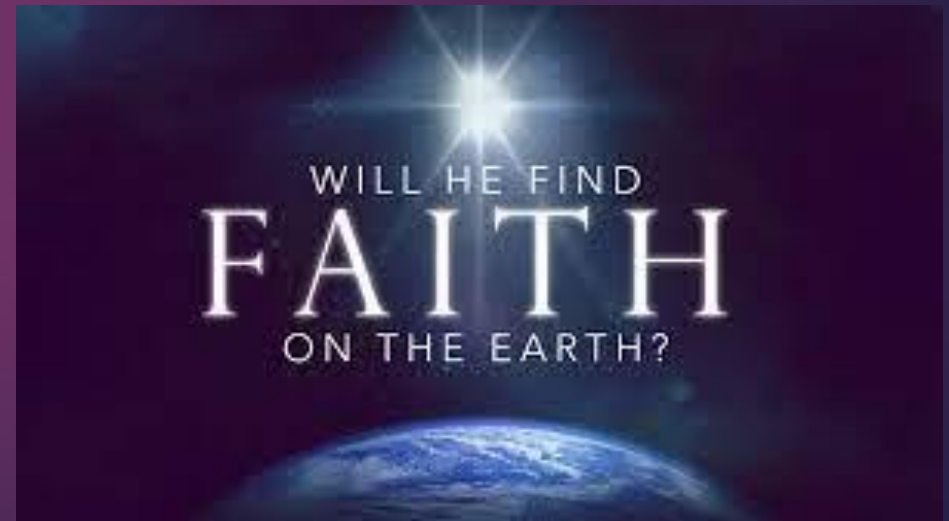
• *Why does the judge respond to the widow? How does Jesus compare this to God?*

-He responds because of her persistence. If an unrighteous judge will respond to persistence, will not God do the same?



Luke 18:1-8

- *What question does Jesus ask as He concludes?*
- *Will the Son of Man find faith (faithfulness) on the earth when He comes?*



Luke 18:1-8

→ In this larger section on faithfulness at the coming of the Son of Man, the climax is Jesus' teaching about persistent prayer and not losing heart. Faith is hopeful and tenacious in the midst of present, unjust circumstances.

→ Faith is certain of God's justice and is resolute in faithfulness because of that assurance. Given God's promised coming justice, how will people respond? Will faith be found?

Luke 18:9-17

→ *Tying these sections together is that dividing line—those who have faith/walk faithfully vs. those concerned with their own honor and position.*



Luke 18:9-17

- *What is the purpose of this parable and who does He tell it to?*
- *How does the Pharisee pray? How does the tax collector pray?*
- *What is “upside down” about this kingdom?*
- *What is the disciples’ response to infants being brought to Jesus? What is Jesus’s response to them?*

Luke 18:9-17

• *What is the purpose of this parable and who does He tell it to?*

-He tells it to those who treat others with contempt and who are self-righteous.

Self-righteous

Luke 18:9-17

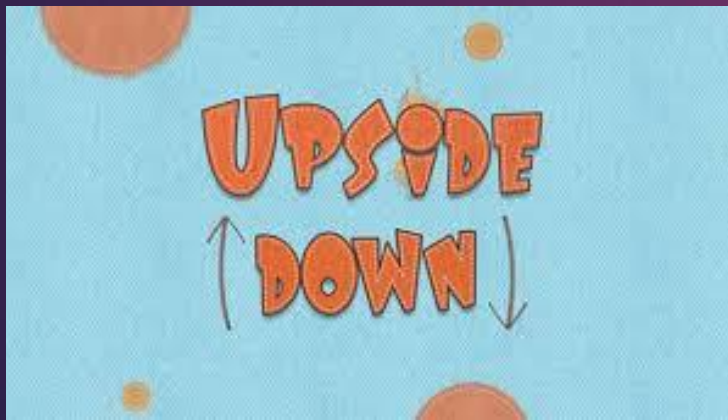
• *How does the Pharisee pray? How does the tax collector pray?*

-The Pharisee thanks God he is not a sinner. The tax collector recognizes his sin and desperate need for mercy.



Luke 18:9-17

- *What is “upside down” about this kingdom?*
- Those who exalt self will be humbled and the humble will be exalted*



Luke 18:9-17

• *What is the disciples' response to infants being brought to Jesus? What is Jesus's response to them?*

-They don't think Jesus's time should be taken up with such "unimportant" people.



Luke 18:9-17

→ Denying children access to Jesus means refusing to welcome those with great need. Jesus calls His followers to embrace a value system that welcomes all, including the often overlooked.

→ Faith recognizes one's need for mercy because of sin. Faithfulness to God includes extending hospitality and welcome to the least in society.

Luke 18:18-30

- *What does the ruler ask Jesus? How does He respond? Why?*
- *What does Jesus say that he lacks? What is the ruler's response?*
- *How does Peter respond?*

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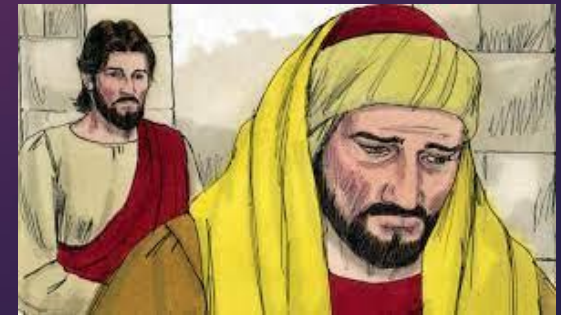
-He asks what he must “do” to inherit eternal life. He calls Jesus “Good Teacher” showing his preoccupation with status. Jesus doesn’t give commendation or call him “good” in return but points him to the commandments. The ruler responds that he’s kept those things.



Luke 18:18-30

• *What does Jesus say that he lacks? What is the ruler's response?*

-Jesus says he lacks "one thing" and calls him to sell all he has and give to the marginalized in society. He is calling him to reject seeking status, honor, or his own righteousness. The ruler, at the point of decision, responds with deep sadness. Even the crowd's response shows a persistent belief that God's blessing is tied to one's power, status, and material possessions.



Luke 18:18-30

• *How does Peter respond?*

-The disciples have consistently not grasped Jesus's mission but here we see their faithfulness to leave all and follow Jesus. He assures them this has eternal value.



Luke 18:18-30

→ Faithfulness includes forsaking all claims to status and power and following Jesus in humility.



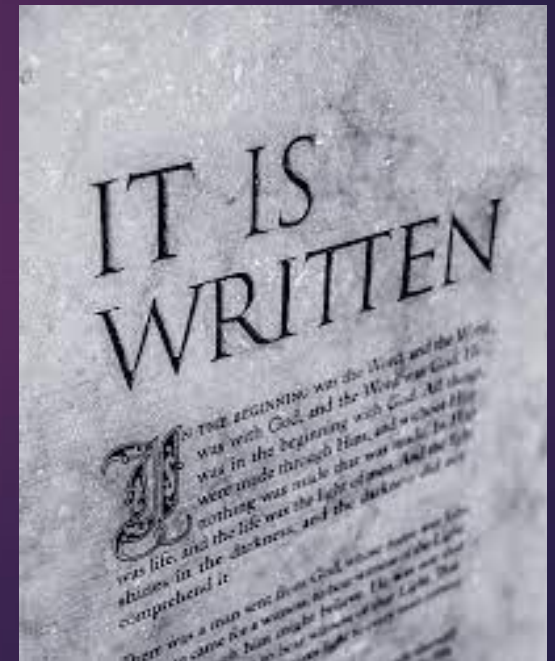
Luke 18:31-43

- *What does Jesus say to His disciples? What is their response?*
- *As they come near Jericho, who do they meet? What does he recognize about Jesus?*
- *What does Jesus do for him?*

Luke 18:31-43

• *What does Jesus say to His disciples? What is their response?*

-He clearly tells them that all that is written of Him will be fulfilled-His suffering, death and resurrection. They understand none of it.



Luke 18:31-43

· *As they come near Jericho, who do they meet? What does he recognize about Jesus?*

-*They meet a blind man who recognizes who Jesus is as the Son of David.*



Luke 18:31-43

· *What does Jesus do for him?*

- *He restores his sight.*



Luke 18:31-43

- Everything written about Jesus will be fulfilled. The Pharisees has access to this and yet they did not see Jesus for who He was. The blind man actually “saw” Jesus as the Son of David, looking with expectation for God to fulfill His promises.
- An outcast in society, his faith brings him into a relationship with a new community, made up of Jesus and His followers.
- Faith “sees” Jesus for who He is.



Summary of Luke 18:

Like the persistent widow seeking justice, faith looks to the coming justice of God. Faithfulness includes recognizing the need for mercy as a sinner and welcoming the least in society. Status and honor are not to be held onto, but faith includes forsaking all claims of status and following Jesus. The Pharisees and often the disciples are blinded to what was foretold about Jesus but in an ironic twist, a blind man "sees" who Jesus is, the promised Son of David.

Thoughts on Luke 17-18

- We often think we need more faith but Jesus points to faith as a way of thinking, or a *persistent faithfulness* to believe in who He is and what He has done.
- Faith includes restoring those who repent, faithfully doing our duty as servants, responding in gratitude, being ready for the Son of Man, persisting in prayer for God's justice, recognizing our desperate need for mercy, welcoming the weak and outcast, giving up all claims to status and following Jesus, *seeing Him for who He is*.

Thoughts on Luke 17-18

• In *losing our lives*, our lives are saved, and we will be rescued when the Son of Man comes. Justice will be given, the humble exalted, and we will receive the kingdom/eternal life.

Thoughts on Luke 13-14

· Will the Son of Man find faith (faithfulness) on the earth when He comes?

→ Ultimately, the Son of Man will find faith as we are in Christ, and we are united to Him and *His faithfulness.*

Application

- *How is this study relevant to our lives today? What can we take from it?*



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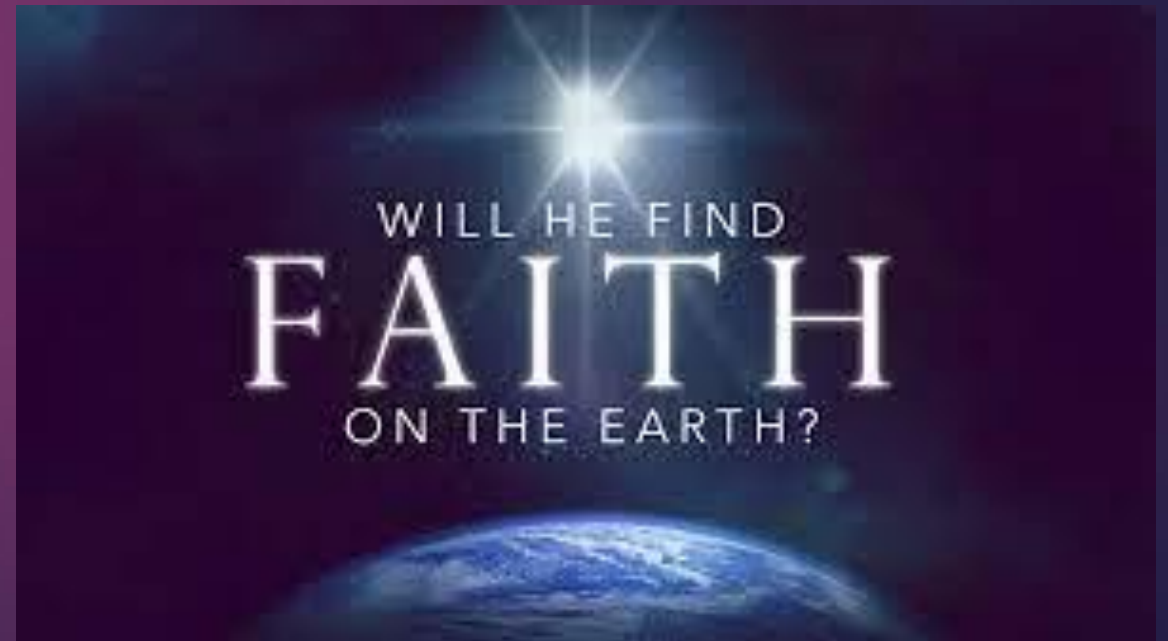


Discussion Questions

1. *Have you prayed and asked God to increase your faith? What is a better way to think about it?*
2. *What does faith/faithfulness look like? Where does our mindset need to be adjusted?*
3. *Do we believe that we must lose our lives? Why do we hold so tightly to our lives, our rights, our status, or position and how does that reflect our faith?*
4. *How does it encourage you that our faith rests in Christ's faithfulness even we lack faith?*

Scripture Memory: Luke 18:8b

“Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on earth?”



Closing Thought

→ Pray that we would be people who walk in faith/faithfulness to who Jesus is and that we would be willing to lose all for the sake of following Jesus. Yet may we rest that having faith/faithfulness is not a work we do, rather it is a transformed mind that sees Jesus for who He is, and rests in our union with Him and His ultimate faithfulness to save. He is faithful!



Closing

O Come,
All You
Unfaithful

Sovereign Grace Music

Homework:

- *Review your discussion question answers and reflect on what God is showing you.*
- *Read Luke 19-20*
- *Consider getting additional resources to help in your study time.*

Next Study: Tuesday, February 22 (4th Tuesday)

