

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE // PART 11 (Ch. 12-13)Rajendra Pillai | Damascus Road Community ChurchFeb. 15-16, 2020

SERMON NOTES:

If you are new, catch up with us this week:

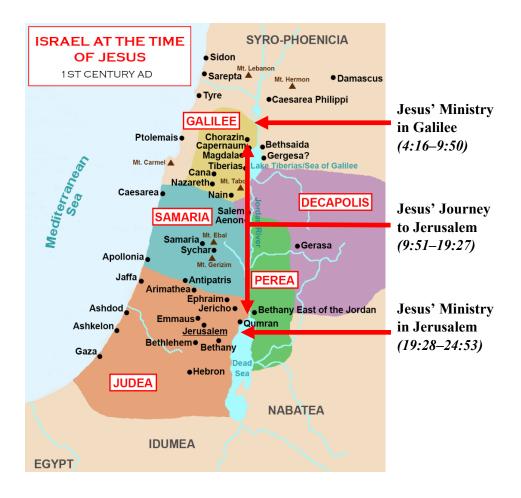
- 1. Sunday Luke 1-2 (15 minutes)
- 2. Monday Luke 3-5 (15 minutes)
- 3. Tuesday Luke 6-7 (14 minutes)
- 4. Wednesday Luke 8-9 (16 minutes)
- 5. Thursday Luke 10-11 (14 minutes)
- 6. Friday Luke 12-13 (13 minutes)
- 7. Saturday Luke 14 (5 minutes)

Then Jesus went through the towns and villages, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, "Lord, are only a few people going to be saved?" He said to them,

"Make every effort to enter through **the narrow door**, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to. Once the owner of the house gets up and closes the door, you will stand outside knocking and pleading, 'Sir, open the door for us.' "But he will answer, 'I don't know you or where you come from.""

~ Luke 13:22-25 (NIV)

Notes:



1. The two doors: There is a narrow door, and there is a broad door. There is no third door.

They ask him how many will be saved. Jesus' response is unavoidably personal. His response, in essence, is - What about **you**?

2. Jesus is the Door!

"**I am the door**. If **anyone** enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture."

~ John 10:9 (NKJV)

"I am the way, and the **truth**, and the **life**. No one comes to the Father **except through Me**."

~ John 14:6 (NIV)

Jesus is saying, He is the door. And He is the only door.

The claim of Christ is exclusive.

Notes:

The claim of Christ is also unbelievably inclusive! **Notes:**

People will come from **east** and **west** and **north** and **south**, and will take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

~ Luke 13:29 (NIV)

The truth about this narrow door is that it is exclusive, but the narrow door is unbelievably inclusive. We want everyone to know that anyone can come in. They can be part of God's community where all are welcome, no one is perfect, and anything is possible.

Notes:

Live in a sensible, righteous, and godly way in the present age, while we wait for the blessed hope and appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ.

~ Titus 2:12-13 (CSB)

Live in such a way that if you knew Jesus was coming this week, you wouldn't need to change anything.

Notes:

SMALL GROUP RESOURCE PAGE

Each small group is different. Feel free to adjust and use what best fits your group.

WARM UP:

- What is the most memorable door you have ever walked through?
- Was it at a palace, castle, or fort? Why was it memorable?

ENGAGE:

- What was most impactful to you from this weekend's service?
- Read through Luke 13:22-30.

APPLY:

- When did you walk through the narrow door? Was it a singular event or a gradual recognition of who Jesus is? If you haven't walked through the narrow door (i.e., made a full commitment to Christ as your Lord), what is stopping you from walking through?
- What did you think of the exclusive/inclusive claim of Christ?

PRAY:

• Spend some time individually before the Lord, seeking to hear what God is saying about what we are studying these days. Close with Luke 12:35-38 as a benediction on being ready for the Master.

GOING DEEPER:

- Suggested resource Luke for Everyone by N.T. Wright
- If you are not in a Small Group, there's at least one that needs you! Get started at damascus.com/groups
- Still have questions about Jesus and what it means to be a Christ follower? Join Alpha on Monday evenings. Info at damascus.com/alpha

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