

# The Gospel of Luke: We are Living on Borrowed Time; part I

## The Danger of Hypocrisy (Luke 12:1-9)

### 1. Reason 1: God Will \_\_\_\_\_ what is Covered Up (vs.1-3)

#### A. Beware of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Pharisees - hypocrisy

1. Leaven: put in dough, then permeates the entire thing
2. Hypocrisy: Gk. orig an actor playing a role on stage; then used in NT in a religious way  
\*these look good on outside and know the right words, but inside full of sin  
\**Luke 11:39-40,44; Matt 23:15; Mark 7:6-7*

#### B. God \_\_\_\_\_ uncover/unmask what has been covered up – it will be revealed, shouted from rooftops

1. Inner rooms (vs.3); thieves would dig thru wall to get inside/steal; innermost room – secure
2. What are you really like on inside? Thoughts, motives, internal reactions, things done in secret  
\*Do you truly love God and people? Then will love righteousness/holiness/truth \**1Jn 5:3*
3. How does God reveal and uncover these things? \_\_\_\_\_  
\*How we respond reveals if we are truly hypocrites/lost, or just struggling – *do we* continue to try to cover up, or do we go to God in confession and repentance?! *EX: King David...*  
\*Do we embrace God's Word, humble ourselves and obey it, or attack it, run from it (*Ja 1:19*)

### 2. Reason 2: God Will Throw All Hypocrites in \_\_\_\_\_ (vs.4-5)

#### A. Jesus' Warning: fear the One who can kill you and throw you into \_\_\_\_\_!

1. Warning of love – "My friends", this is God's compassion; don't fear death alone \**Jesus says – fear God!*
2. Many are ok w/ a hell for Hitler, Stalin, Mao Tse Tung, child traffickers, "evil" people; those will be in hell; but the majority of hell will be filled w/ \_\_\_\_\_ people! \**Matt 7:13,14,21-23*  
\**Jesus in Luke 16:23-24, 27-28*

#### B. Jesus Warning: fear \_\_\_\_\_!

1. Is it reasonable; is it true that a loving God would cast people into hell??? \**Ex 33:19! Is 6:3-5!*
2. Is God good enough to send Hitler and rapists and child rapists to hell? \_\_\_\_\_  
\*He is so good, it is also all liars and thieves, adulterers and immoral! \**1Cor 6:9-10; 1Tim 1:8-11*
3. Go thru 10 commands – these on outside and inside are criminals = hell is God's prison

### 3. Reason 3: God \_\_\_\_\_ Everything (vs.6-9)

#### A. He knows even the smallest \_\_\_\_\_

1. sparrow falling; hairs of your head; who is His and not; and who confesses Him, and not
2. He knows the most intimate details of your life, nothing is hidden, of your entire life

#### B. How do we respond to Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ of love on hypocrisy?

1. Fear the Lord and depart from evil/hypocrisy, there is a literal hell (*Prov 1:7; Job 28:28*)
2. This means, humbling yourself, owning up to your sin and turning from it (*Ja 4:6; Prov 28:13*)
3. Turning from sin to God's grace, love and mercy in Jesus Christ – the Cross!!! (*Gal 3:13*)