

LUKE

SHELTER FROM THE STORM



Luke: Shelter From The Storm (May 16 to June 13)

Jesus told us, "In this world you will have trouble, but take heart, I have overcome the world." In other words, storms are inevitable. No matter how well you prepare, no matter what measures you take to prevent it, the storm is coming. The only question is, where will you seek shelter?

Group Discussion

Getting started: Have you ever felt judged by others? When are you the most judgmental of others?

Scripture: Luke 6:37-42

1. In our culture it's become popular to think, "There is no absolute truth, so everyone should live their own truth? Do you agree or disagree with this? Could this way of thinking be problematic?
2. Read Luke 6:37. Do you think Jesus means we should never judge others? If there is a time to judge others, what do you think is Jesus' heart behind this command?
3. Read Luke 6:41-42. What is the relationship between the two people in this story? Why is this significant? Does Jesus tell the person with the plank not to remove the speck from his friend's eye? What does removing his own plank first do for him?
4. In the sermon Darrel said, "Stay with scripture." What happens when we go beyond scripture, make our own interpretations, or get more restrictive than scripture? Have you experienced this?
5. In the sermon Darrel said, "Begin with yourself." Why is it important to examine yourself before anyone else?
6. In the sermon Darrel said, "Always err on the side of grace." How has Jesus modeled this for us? When have you received grace from someone when you didn't deserve it? How did that make you feel and respond?

Next Steps

Is God laying anyone on your heart? Someone you need to have a difficult conversation with or ask forgiveness of? Spend some time praying for each other as a group – for the ability to know who, when, why, and how we should judge and when we need to stay silent. Pray for hearts that overflow with the grace and love Jesus shows us.

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