



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS // Luke 8:17-21

1. Was there anything about today's message that you found particularly helpful or interesting? Anything you'd like to discuss further?
2. Today's passage follows the parable of the sower. What relationship do these two passages have with one another? Why do you think Luke places this passage right after Jesus' parable of the sower?
3. What application can we make from Jesus' statement in Luke 8:16? How do we "cover the light" in our day and age? What things should we be aware of to keep ourselves from engaging in that kind of foolishness?
4. In Luke 8:17 Jesus talks about how the light exposes the things that try to stay concealed. What things might he be talking about? How does the light Jesus is talking about expose those things? What application can we draw for today?
5. In Luke 8:18 Jesus gives a principle. At first, it sounds a bit unfair. What does Jesus mean by this proverb and promise? If this proverb is true, how would it influence our approach to hearing and applying God's Word? What about when it comes to sharing God's Word with others?
6. Some commentators apply this passage specifically to the area of evangelism (sharing the Gospel with others who are not believers). If that's what Jesus has in mind, then what implications would there be on our approach to evangelism?
7. Think about Jesus statement about "his family" in Luke 8:19-21. What point is he trying to get across? How does his response inform our approach to Christian discipleship in our day? What warning does it give us?
8. What specific "next step" is God calling you to take in your discipleship journey? What keeps you from taking that next step? How can we pray for you so that God's will is done in your life?