To SEEK AND SAVE THE LOST Luke 12:1-12 New Life Fellowship – Pastor Joe Green Sunday, April 24, 2022

Matthew 10:17-19 (NIV2011) Jesus said... "Be on your guard; you will be handed over to the local councils and be flogged in the synagogues. ¹⁸ On My account you will be brought before governors and kings <u>as witnesses</u> to them and to the Gentiles. ¹⁹ But when they arrest you, do not worry about what to say or how to say it. <u>At that time you will be given what to say...</u>"

Matthew 10:26-27 (NIV2011) Jesus said... "Do not be afraid of them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. ²⁷ What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs."

1. Jesus Whispers In Your Ear...

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Luke 12:1 (NIV2011) "When a crowd of many thousands had gathered, so that they were trampling on one another, <u>Jesus began to speak first to His disciples</u>, saying: 'Be on your guard against the yeast of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy.'"

Luke 12:2 (NIV2011) Jesus continued... "There is <u>nothing concealed that will</u> <u>not be disclosed</u>, <u>or hidden that will not be made known</u>."

Luke 12:3 (NIV2011) Jesus continued... "What you have said in the dark will be heard in the daylight, and what you have whispered in the ear in the inner rooms will be proclaimed from the roofs."

Luke 12:4-5 (NIV2011) Jesus continued... "I tell you, My friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body and after that can do no more. ⁵ But I will show you whom you should fear: <u>Fear Him</u> who, <u>after your body has been killed</u>, <u>has authority to throw you into hell</u>. Yes, I tell you, fear Him."

Luke 12:6-7 (NIV2011) Jesus continued... "Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten by God. ⁷ Indeed, the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows."

2. Jesus Whispers In Your Ear...

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Luke 12:11-12 (NIV2011) Jesus continued... "When you are brought before synagogues, rulers and authorities, <u>do not worry about how you will defend yourselves or what</u> you will say, ¹² for the Holy Spirit will teach you at that time what you should say."

Acts 4:13 (NIV2011) "When [the Sanhedrin] saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus."

<u>Luke 12:8-9 (NIV2011)</u> Jesus continued... "I tell you, <u>whoever publicly acknowledges</u> <u>Me before others</u>, <u>the Son of Man will also acknowledge</u> before the angels of God."

⁹ But <u>whoever disowns Me before others will be disowned</u> before the angels of God."

Luke 12:10 (NIV2011) Jesus continued... "And <u>everyone who speaks</u> a word <u>against</u> the Son of Man will be forgiven, but <u>anyone who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit</u> will <u>not</u> be forgiven."

Acts 28:24-28 (NIV2011) "Some [of the Jewish leaders] were convinced by what [Paul] said, but others would not believe. 25 They disagreed among themselves and began to leave after Paul had made this final statement: 'The Holy Spirit spoke the truth to your ancestors when He said through Isaiah the prophet: 26 "Go to this people and say, 'You will be ever hearing but never understanding; you will be ever seeing but never perceiving.'" 27 For this people's heart has become calloused; they hardly hear with their ears, and they have closed their eyes. Otherwise they might see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their hearts and turn, and I would heal them.' 28 Therefore I want you to know that God's salvation has been sent to the Gentiles, and they will listen!"