

The Gospel According To LUKE

Chapter 9:37-62

“Jesus, Our Teacher!”

> Lesson #1 - FAITH (v37-43)

The Mt. Of Transfiguration was a place of peace and glory, but in the valley we find a place of confusion, compromise, complacency and corruption. No Jesus, no peace! Know Jesus, know peace! Jesus takes control of the situation; let's get the detailed report from Mark 9:14-29.

- **Lesson to be learned – (1)- Faith confronts fear! 1 John 4:18 - *There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment.* (2) - **Faith calls upon a powerful friend, JESUS! - 1 John 4:4-5 - *You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.*** (3) - **Faith commands deliverance, through prayer & fasting! - Heb 11:6 - *But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.*****

> Lesson #2 - LISTEN (v44-45)

In verse 35 God our Father said, “This is My beloved Son. Hear Him!” God’s Word is reflective & revelatory.

- **Reflective: Ps 41:9- *Even my own familiar friend in whom I trusted, Who ate my bread, Has lifted up his heel against me.* Zech 11:12-13- *Then I said to them, "If it is agreeable to you, give me my wages; and if not, refrain." So they weighed out for my wages thirty pieces of silver. And the LORD said to me, "Throw it to the potter"--that princely price they set on me. So I took the thirty pieces of silver and threw them into the house of the LORD for the potter.* Ps 22:16- *For dogs have surrounded Me; the congregation of the wicked has enclosed Me. They pierced My hands and My feet.***

- **Revelatory: Jesus after His resurrection meets with His disciples- Luke 24:44-49 - *Then He said to them, "These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me." And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures. Then He said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And you are witnesses of these things. Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high."***

> Lesson #3 - HUMILITY (v46-48)

A child is simple, trusting, & dependent. God wants us to be the same in life and with Him.

Paul the apostle encourages us to Rom 12:16 - *Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion.*

Peter exhorts us in 1 Peter 5:5-7 - *Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble." Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.*

> Lesson #4 - UNITY (v49-50)

What determines who is on the side of Jesus Christ? Every Christian denomination must adhere to the “basic tenants of the faith” (see back of bulletin for details). We are unified according to truth, not according to aimless love for one another.

2 Thess 2:9-10 - *The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved.*

> **Lesson #5 - SALVATION (v51-56)**

(v54) History lesson on Elijah, the prophet of fire - 2 Kings Ch. 1.

(v56) Christ purpose - *“For the Son of Man did not come to destroy men’s lives but to save them.”*

Seven Facts Regarding Salvation:

#1- It is a fact that God **loves** you - John 3:16

#2- It is a fact that you are a **sinner** - Romans 3:23

#3- It is a fact that you are **dead** in sin - Romans 6:23

#4- It is a fact that **Christ** died for you - Romans 5:6-8

#5- It is a fact that you can be **saved** by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ - Acts 16:30-31

#6- It is a fact that you can be saved and **know** it - 1 John 5:10-13

#7- It is a fact that that you are now a child of God and you are to **obey** Him - Acts 5:29

> **Lesson #6 - DISCIPLESHIP (v57-62)**

*Observe the three lame excuses for not following Christ: (1) (v57-58) Concerned for fleshly **comforts**, not the cares of Christ! (2) (v59-60) A lack of **priority**, Jesus is Lord of all! (3) (v61-62) Friend of the **world**, not a friend of Christ!*

Paul the apostle understood this commitment to Christ when he said, Phil 3:8-15- Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith; that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death, if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.