

An Outline of Luke 12:49-59

A The Fire of Purification and of Judgment

i 49"I came to send fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled!

ii ⁵⁰ But I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how distressed I am till it is accomplished!

i' ⁵¹ Do *you* suppose that I came to give peace on earth? I tell you, not at all, but rather division. ⁵² For from now on five in one house will be divided: three against two, and two against three. ⁵³ Father will be divided against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law."

B Be Sure You Know What the Lord is Doing

⁵⁴ Then He also said to the multitudes, "Whenever *you see* a cloud rising out of the west, immediately you say, 'A shower is coming'; and so it is. ⁵⁵ And when you see the south wind blow, you say, 'There will be hot weather'; and there is. ⁵⁶ Hypocrites! You can discern the face of the sky and of the earth, but how *is it* you do not discern this time?

A' Settle Your Accounts with the Lord Before it's too Late

⁵⁷ "Yes, and why, even of yourselves, do you not judge what is right? ⁵⁸ When you go with your adversary to the magistrate, make every effort along the way to settle with him, lest he drag you to the judge, the judge deliver you to the officer, and the officer throw you into prison. ⁵⁹ I tell you, you shall not depart from there till you have paid the very last mite."

A: Purifying Fire, Judgment of Fire.

B: Recognize what the Lord is Doing.

A': Settle your Accounts with the Lord before it's too late.