

Luke Chapter 12:57-59

Make Peace With Your Adversary

Okay, so we end Luke 12 today and in record time according to our pace in Luke. Why? After all, Jesus' teachings are all equally important. Why skip some or move past?

Last week we really skimmed over a lot to reach a conclusion - we have been given much. So, we will start with a repeat of last week's questions. Briefly.

Luke 12:29-31

1. How does seeking the kingdom first get rid of anxieties?

2. How do you seek the kingdom first or do you?

It all begins and ends with mental attitude.

D.V.P. - Divine View Point versus H.V.P. - Human View Point.

Luke chapters 11 and 12 talk a lot about hypocrisy. Really, it is all about challenging a believer's mental attitude. What is your viewpoint? Through what lens do you see yourself - other people - world view, other religions, demonology, media saturation, grace, forgiveness and on and on.....?

I didn't spend four lessons challenging you which was what Jesus was doing - challenging the believer. Why are these words documented?

For the believer to avoid hypocrisy - to avoid a negative H.V.P.

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3. What does this mean to you?

This is a difficult passage, so in order to understand it, we need a D.V.P.

Zechariah 4:1-5 and 4:1-7, Job 1:6-11, Revelations 12:10-11

4. Who is the adversary and what does he do? What does Jesus do?

Hebrews talks all about Jesus being our mediator. Chapters 8 - 10.

Luke 12:58

'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. '

5. What does it mean "settle with him"?

James 3:13-18

One of my all time favorites. My Holy Spirit "shock collar".

I Corinthians 3:1-6

Mental Attitude

Let's turn to our handout from the Grace Notes. We will begin this week and go to a good stopping point. This handout will be used for several weeks.

Next week - part 2