

Luke Chapter 13:1-9

Luke - Mental Attitude Part II

Okay then - mental attitude!

If we just go back three lessons, forget the rest - just the last three...

"Make peace with your adversary"... Luke 12:57-59

"To whom much is given"... Luke 12:13-34

"The light within you"... Luke 11:33-54

They all, as all of Jesus' teaching, are dealing with our mental attitude.

Faith itself is a mental attitude.

1. Describe faith as a mental attitude.

The only way we can change our mental attitude about anything is to recognize the need.

Listen to the teaching of God...

Isaiah 28:23-29

²³ Give ear and hear my voice, Listen and hear my speech.

²⁴ Does the plowman keep plowing all day to sow? Does he keep turning his soil and breaking the clods?

²⁵ When he has leveled its surface, Does he not sow the black cummin, And scatter the cummin, Plant the wheat in rows, The barley in the appointed place, And the spelt in its place?

²⁶ For He instructs him in right judgment, His God teaches him.

²⁷ For the black cummin is not threshed with a threshing sledge, Nor is a cartwheel rolled over the cummin; But the black cummin is beaten out with a stick, And the cummin with a rod.

²⁸ Bread flour must be ground; Therefore he does not thresh it forever, Break it with his cartwheel, Or crush it with his horsemen.

²⁹ This also comes from the Lord of hosts, Who is wonderful in counsel and excellent in guidance.

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2. What is this about?

We absolutely need a changed mental attitude. Let's start on the Mental Attitude Handout from Grace Notes.

3. How is your life supernatural?

Mental Attitude sins.

Matthew 5:21-30

Jesus teaches that the mental attitude leads to the overt sin. Therefore, the mental attitude is the root --- and He also teaches --- you have to destroy the root to get rid of the fruit!

Matthew 3:7-12 ⁷ *But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "Brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?"* ⁸ *Therefore bear fruits worthy of repentance,* ⁹ *and do not think to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.'* *For I say to you that God is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones.* ¹⁰ *And even now the ax is laid to the root of the trees. Therefore every tree which does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.* ¹¹ *I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.* ¹² *His winnowing fan is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather His wheat into the barn; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire."*

Let's "lay the ax to the root".

4. Name one incorrect mental attitude you may have.

5. Name a positive mental attitude that you have.

Next week: "Characteristics of a Believer's mental attitude.