

Inspirational words (Luke 11)

The Man-Savior's ministry from Galilee to Jerusalem (Continued)

week of 04.28.24

Teaching concerning prayer (vv 1-13)

- Father first (v 2)
 - Then, His name (v 2)
 - And, His kingdom (v 2)
- Our daily bread, forgiveness, and not temptation (vv 3-4)
- Ask, it shall be given to you; seek, and you shall find (v 9)
- "... how much more will the Father who is from heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!" (v 13)

Rejected by the evil generation (vv 14-32)

- People rejected the Man-Savior by saying He cast out demons by Beelzebul. (v 15)
- But He said to them,
 - Every kingdom divided against itself becomes desolate, and a house divided against a house falls. (v 17)
 - He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters. (v 23)
 - This generation is an evil generation; it seeks a sign, and a sign shall not be given to it except the sign of Jonah. (v 29)

Warning not to remain in darkness (vv 33-36)

- No one, after lighting a lamp, puts it in the cellar or under the bushel, but on the lampstand. (v 33)
- Watch out therefore that the light which is in you is not darkness. (v 35)

Rebuking the Pharisees and lawyers (vv 37-54)

- Pharisees cleanse the outside, but the inside is full of extortion and wickedness. (v 39)
- Pharisees give a tenth and pass by justice and love for God (v 42); you love the chief seat in the synagogues (v 43); you are like the unseen tombs. (v 44)
- Lawyers burden men with burdens hard to bear, yet they themselves do not touch the burdens with one of their fingers. (v 46)
- You build up the tombs of the prophets. (v 47)

- You are witnesses then and fully approve of the works of your fathers. (v 48)
- You have taken away the key of knowledge; you yourselves did not enter, and those who were entering, you hindered. (v 52)

* The leaven of the Pharisees is hypocrisy.

**** The ministry of the Man-Savior – from Galilee to Jerusalem**

- In Galilee, the Lord journeyed from city to city and from village to village, to reach out to people.
- From Galilee to Jerusalem, He sent out His disciples to follow His way to visit people.
- In visiting people, He not only met their needs but also started to teach them.
- First, concerning prayer.
In addition to the need to **love God** and **love people**, we also need **to pray**, pray for the Lord to accomplish His desire.
 - We need to recognize that the **Father is the source** of everything.
 - We care for **His name** and **His kingdom**.
 - Let Him care for our needs last.
- He also taught people to:
 - Know the rejection by the evil generation
 - Warn them not to remain in darkness
 - Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees
- The gospel is not only for people to receive the eternal life and be saved. The gospel also includes the **good pleasure of God being fulfilled**.
 - This requires us to follow the Lord's calling, "**Follow Me!**"
 - The way is **the way of the cross**, the denial of ourselves, and the experience of death and resurrection.
 - Christ in us, the hope of glory.
- **Pharisees and lawyers: they hinder the spread of the gospel.**
- **When your eye is single** (to love God and to love your neighbor), **your whole body also is full of light.** (v 34)
- **We shall not remain in darkness, but light the lamp and be put on the lampstand.**