Disciples Trained for Service

Lesson V - Luke 9:1-10:37

Review:

Jesus Comforts the Bereaved (Luke 7:11–17)

The Messengers from John (Luke 7:18–23)

Jesus' Testimony about John (Luke 7:24–35)

In the House of Simon the Pharisee (Luke 7:36–50)

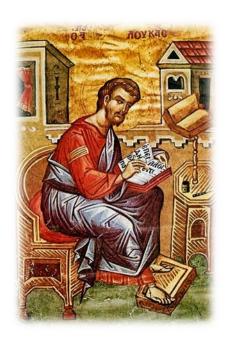
The Parable of the Sower (Luke 8:1–15)

The Parable of the Candle (Luke 8:16–21)

The Storm on the Lake (Luke 8:22–25)

The Demon-Possessed Man (Luke 8:26–39)

Faith Purified by Tribulations (Luke 8:40–56)



Theme Verse:

Then He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" And Peter answered, "The Christ of God." **Luke 9:20**

Bible Study:

The Mission of the Twelve

Read Luke 9:1–9

- 1. What do you think about people who claim to have the power to work miracles? On what does the Church rely for the ultimate miracle (see Romans 10:17; James 5:14-16)?
- 2. What further instructions were given concerning those who preach the Gospel (see Luke 10:7; 1 Corinthians 9:14; Galatians 6:6)? What provision should be made for their support?

The Feeding of the Five Thousand Read Luke 9:10–17

- 1. Why should we not worry or despair when the supplies for our daily needs seem scant (see Psalm 37:5, 7, 16, 29)?
- 2. Why do Christians pray before and after meals (v. 16)?

The Transfiguration

Read Luke 9:18–36

- 1. Peter, James, and John seemed to recognize Moses and Elijah. What does this suggest about believers in heaven (see 1 Corinthians 13:12)?
- 2. How does God's command to "listen to Him!" (v. 35) apply to our daily lives?

Humility and Greatness

Read Luke 9:37-50

- 1. Why did Jesus often refer to His Passion? Why should we daily think of His suffering on the cross (see 1 Corinthians 2:2)?
- 2. Why can no one be neutral before Jesus and the Gospel (v. 50)?

The Right Attitude of Disciples

Read Luke 9:51-62

- 1. Why was it a good thing that Jesus did not punish the in-hospitable Samaritans (see Acts 8:4–8)? What lesson can we learn from this?
- 2. Why must all believers be willing to practice self-denial and bring sacrifices for Jesus' sake?

The Seventy Missionaries

Read Luke 10:1-16

- 1. How does Jesus describe the world's mission fields (Matthew 9:36–38; John 4:35–38)? Apply this to our mission opportunities today.
- 2. What will our prayers for missions accomplish? In which petition of the Lord's Prayer do we pray for the ingathering of souls?

The Missionaries' Report

Read Luke 10:17-24

- 1. Why should the fact that our names are recorded in heaven be the chief reason for our happiness (see Philippians 4:3–4)? How does this affect our daily lives (see Revelation 3:5; 20:12; Isaiah 43:1–3)?
- 2. Why do many people of the world refuse to believe the Gospel (v. 21; see also 1 Corinthians 1:18–29; 2:14)? What is said of the "infants" in 1 Peter 2:2? Explain.

The Good Samaritan Read Luke 10:25–37

- 1. When does the Church act as a Good Samaritan? Mention institutions of mercy your congregation supports. How can you help in this work?
- 2. How did the Good Samaritan help the injured man? What lesson can we learn from this in regard to helping the needy?

Closing

Some activities this week to grow your faith:

- Support your pastor(s) and other church workers through prayer, affirmation, and financial giving;
- Initiate or support your parish's involvement in providing food and other forms of assistance to the community's needy;
- Read 10:38–12:48 to prepare for the next lesson

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