

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE
JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

LUKE CHAPTER 5:12-26

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"IT'S TIME TO GET UP AND GO"

*THE HUMANITY AND DIVINITY OF JESUS CHRIST,
THE SON OF GOD, AND THE SON OF MAN*

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**I Love the fact That -
What Jesus has Taught Us and What He's Commanded
Us to Do as Christian - Always Makes The World a Better Place!**

John 13:35

By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 18:20

Jesus answered him, "I spoke openly to the world. I always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where the Jews always meet, and **in secret I have said nothing.**

Luke 5:12-26

And it happened when He was in a certain city, that behold, a man who was full of leprosy saw Jesus; and he fell on *his* face and implored Him, saying, "Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean." :13 Then He put out *His* hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." Immediately the leprosy left him. :14 And He charged him to tell no one, "But go and show yourself to the priest, and make an offering for your cleansing, as a testimony to them, just as Moses commanded." :15 However, the report went around concerning Him all the more; and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by Him of their infirmities. :16 So He Himself *often* withdrew into the wilderness and prayed. :17 Now it happened on a certain day, as He was teaching, that there were Pharisees and teachers of the law sitting by, who had come out of every town

of Galilee, Judea, and Jerusalem. And the power of the Lord was *present* to heal them. :18 Then behold, men brought on a bed a man who was paralyzed, whom they sought to bring in and lay before Him. :19 And when they could not find how they might bring him in, because of the crowd, they went up on the housetop and let him down with *his* bed through the tiling into the midst before Jesus. :20 When He saw their faith, He said to him, "Man, your sins are forgiven you." :21 (And) the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, "Who is this who speaks blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" :22 But when Jesus perceived their thoughts, He answered and said to them, "Why are you reasoning in your hearts? :23 Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Rise up and walk'? :24 But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins" — He said to the man who was paralyzed, "I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." :25 Immediately he rose up before them, took up what he had been lying on, and departed to his own house, glorifying God. :26 And they were all amazed, and they glorified God and were filled with fear, saying, "We have seen strange things today!"

IT'S TIME TO GET UP AND GO !

I.) <i>The Lord's has an appointment to keep</i>	v.12-16
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a.) <i>Why? - a man's in need of cleansing</i>	v.12
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"And it happened
when He was in a certain city, that behold, a man"
"an appointment to keep"

Verse 12

that behold, a man who was **full of leprosy** saw Jesus;
and he fell on his face and **implored** Him

"Full of Leprosy" - - Dr. Luke
uses medical terminology to define this man's condition.
full, complete, consumed, wrapped in leprosy !

Leprosy would attack the nerves in the extremities first and work its way up the arm or the legs, even the nose and ears would be attacked first.

an irreversible deadening, a numbing would take over the body.

Dr. Paul Brand M.D.

"it was because of this numbing that no pain could be felt in the hands and feet. the leper would accidently burn his hands or cut his feet on sharp rocks without knowing. infection would set in, this too, with the victim being aware of any injury. these self inflicted injuries were the major contributor to the lepers gross disfigurement of time."

this **"behold, a man"** in the original language is;

a shock, a terror, of a man
meaning one of two things, if not both.

#1

this man is extreme in his condition, and near death

#2

he suddenly appears on the scene, jumping out from behind something or step out into view.

Regardless, it's a Startling Moment for Everyone!

The Life of Leper

he was required to announce his coming 3 times with "unclean, unclean, unclean" removed from society and unable to associate with other people, the leper was condemned for life.

JOSEPHUS WRITES THAT;

"THE LEPER, AS IF HE WERE ALREADY DEAD, WAS AVOIDED AS MUCH AS ANY CORPSE.
- HIS BURIAL WAS ALL THAT REMAINED TO FINISH THE JOB."

Like a Dead Man Walking

a picture of sin and what sin does to the living...

Ephesians 2:1-2

And you *He made alive*, who were dead in trespasses and sins, :2 in which you once walked according to the course of this world,

THE RECORD IN MARK GIVES MORE LIGHT

Mark 1:40-42

Now a leper came to Him, imploring (asking again and again) Him, kneeling down to Him and saying to Him, "If You are willing, You can make me clean." :41 Then Jesus, moved with compassion, stretched out *His* hand and touched him, and said to him, "I am willing; be cleansed." :42 As soon as He had spoken, immediately the leprosy left him, and he was cleansed.

"imploring, (not going to give up, crying out, will not stop) him"

**3 times the chant, "Unclean"
3 times the Cry "If You are willing, You can make me clean."**

THIS MAN KNOWS HE'S IN TROUBLE AND NEEDS HELP

Matthew 5:3

"Blessed *are* the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

The Lord has an appointment to keep

b.) Why? - the Lord is desiring to help

v.13

Then Jesus put out *His* hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." Immediately the leprosy left him.

kaqari÷zw katharizo, kath-ar-id'-zo
to be purged, untainted, to become pure.
(impossible)

**you can be healed of diseases and sicknesses,
but you cannot be healed of leprosy, and that makes it
a "type" or "symbol" of sin.**

1 John 1:7

But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son **cleanses** us from all sin.

the Lord is desiring to help

Isaiah 1:18-19

“Come now, and let us reason together,” Says the LORD, “Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool. :19 If you are willing and obedient, You shall eat the good of the land;

The Lord is Willing to help you, are you willing to be helped?

ARE YOU TOO NUMB TO FEEL THAT'S TRUE?

The Lord has an appointment to keep

c.) Why? - others need to know the Lord

v.14-16

:14 And He charged him to tell no one, “But go and show yourself to the priest, and make an offering for your cleansing, as a testimony to them, just as Moses commanded.” :15 However, the report went around concerning Him all the more; and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by Him of their infirmities. :16 So He Himself *often* withdrew into the wilderness and prayed.

Verse 14

And He charged him to tell no one, “But go and show yourself to the priest, and make an offering for your cleansing, as a testimony to them, just as Moses commanded.”

Imagine With Me, This Man - Completely Whole!

he would have gone straight to the priest and announced his intentions.
Remember What Moses Said to Do Whenever a Leper was Healed?

"I Want to Do That"

Leviticus 14:1-4,7

Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, :2 “This shall be the law of the leper for the day of his cleansing: He shall be brought to the priest. :3 And the priest shall go out of the camp, and the priest shall examine *him*; and indeed, *if* the leprosy is healed in the leper, :4 then the priest shall command to take for him who is to be cleansed two living *and* clean birds, cedar wood, scarlet, and hyssop... 14:7 And he shall **sprinkle** it seven times on him who is to be cleansed from the leprosy, and shall pronounce him clean,

Jesus Had Anticipated His Kingdom's Power

Matthew 10:7-8

And as you go, preach, saying, "The kingdom of heaven is at hand."
:8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers,

Hebrews 10:22

let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts **sprinkled** from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

The Cleansing of Leprosy is a Picture of Our Cleansing of Sin.
we are never healed of sin, we must be cleansed from sin

1 Timothy 2:2-6

For this *is* good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, :4 who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. :5 For *there is* one God and one Mediator between God and men, *the* Man Christ Jesus, :6 who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time,

Verse 15

However, the report went around concerning Him all the more; and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by Him of their infirmities.

Verse 16

So He Himself *often* withdrew into the wilderness and prayed.

withdrew = **υποχωρεω** hupochoreo, hoop-okh-o-reh'-o
to vacate, or recreate, to break, to exit.

Church Note With Me Please:

"Jesus made sure that He was Renewed spiritually by connecting with His Father in Heaven"

Those Who Are Care-Givers Among Us,
you know how important it is that you take a break,
so that you can continue to press on.

You Never Want to See a Nurse or a Pastor on the Verge of Burn-Out

In Spiritual Things,
the same is true. you cannot bless others unless you have been blessed.
you cannot build others up, unless you first have been built up.

In Ministry, and as Being a Christian;
Our Energy Does Not Come from Our Friends, It Doesn't come from Our
Fellowship with One Another. It comes from the Lord and Being with Him.

Matthew 11:28

Come to Me, all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

If Every Christian was Just Like You

what condition would the church be in and what would get done for Jesus?

**spiritual success and victory over sin and this world is found
only one way;**

"He withdrew and He prayed"

we have no business worrying about anything if we would only;
"withdraw and pray"

we have no confidence in our decision making process until we;
"withdraw and pray"

we have no right to second guess our marriage, when we
"withdraw and pray"

CHRISTIAN,
HAVE YOU WITHDRAWN AND PRAYED
LIKE JESUS TAUGHT YOU TO DO?

1 Peter 5:6-7

Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in
due time, :7 casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

IT'S TIME TO GET UP AND GO !

II.) *The Lord's got a work to do*

v.17-20

a.) *It's done by His power*

v.17

:17 Now it happened on a certain day, as He was teaching, that there were Pharisees and teachers of the law sitting by, who had come out of every town of Galilee, Judea, and Jerusalem. And the power of the Lord was *present* to heal them (all).

Now it happened on a certain (appointed) day...

**"as He was teaching"
Jesus Always Taught with Salvation as the Goal.**

2 Corinthians 6:2

For He says: *"In an acceptable time I have heard you, And in the day of salvation I have helped you."* Behold, now *is* the accepted time;
behold, now *is* the day of salvation.

And the power of the Lord was *present* to heal them

power - du/namiß dunamis, doo'-nam-is;

ZION NATIONAL PARK

I will always remember being in Zion National Park in Utah during a Lightning Storm. before the storm hit, you could feel an uneasy sensation in the air and the smell of sulfur, just before the lightning hit, the hair on your arms stood up straight from the Static electricity in the atmosphere. - the power was present!

***The Lord's got a work to do,
and It's done by His power***

Isaiah 61:1

"The Spirit of the Lord GOD *is* upon Me, (power)
Because the LORD has anointed Me...

The Lord's got a work to do

b.) It's done for His glory

v.18-19

:18 Then behold, men brought on a bed a man who was paralyzed, whom they sought to bring in and lay before Him. :19 And when they could not find how they might bring him in, because of the crowd, they went up on the housetop and let him down with *his* bed through the tiling into the midst before Jesus

Verse 18

men brought on a bed a man who was paralyzed...

This is a Beautiful Moment

whom they sought to bring in and lay before Him. :19 And when they could not find how they might bring him in, because of the crowd, they went up on the housetop and let him down with *his* bed through the roof into the midst before Jesus

It's done for His glory

Jesus is Teaching, But There's a Noise and An Interruption

"The Friends of a Hurting Man"

The Scene Had to be Awesome
as dust and debris began to fall and light fell in...

...and they let him down with *his* bed through the roof
into the midst before Jesus

What Great Faith in God, What Love for a Friend

The Lord's got a work to do

c.) It's done through his purpose

v.20

When He saw their faith, He said to him,
"Man, your sins are forgiven you."

For the Gentile Listener, The Heart Rejoices at This News.
But For the Jewish Listener, **This is None Other than Blasphemy** in the First Degree,
and in Accordance with the Old Testament Law, Any Man or Woman claiming to be
God in the Flesh is to be Put to Death.

THE OFFENSE WAS LOUD AND CLEAR; *Jesus was Claiming to be God in Human Flesh*

Hebrews 7:25

Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

Why Did Jesus Have to Die?

(in one word = love)

It's God's love for us - that we cannot understand fully here and now.

Romans 5:5-8

Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us. :6 For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly :7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. :8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

IT'S TIME TO GET UP AND GO !

III.) *The Lord's got lives to change*

v.21-26

a.) *But will you hear it?*

v.21

(And) the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying,
"Who is this who speaks blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?"

reason = to debate it, to attack it, to wrestle with it

Isaiah 1:18

“Come now, and let us reason together,” Says the LORD, “Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool.

when you argue with your self, it's hard to tell who's going to win.
but when you argue with the Lord - I know where my bets going.

John 5:38-40

But you do not have His word abiding in you, because whom He sent, Him you do not believe. :39 You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me. :40 But you are not willing to come to Me that you may have life.

2 Peter 3:16

there are those who are untaught and unstable people who twist to their own destruction, reason, as they also do with the Scriptures.

But will you hear it?

Matthew 13:14-15

And in them the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled, which says: “Hearing you will hear and shall not understand, And seeing you will see and not perceive; :15 For the hearts of this people have grown dull. Their ears are hard of hearing, And their eyes they have closed, Lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, Lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, So that I should heal them.’

The Lord's got lives to change

b.) But will you believe it?

v.22-23

But when Jesus perceived their thoughts, He answered and said to them,
“Why are you reasoning in your hearts? :23 Which is easier, to say,
“Your sins are forgiven you,’ or to say, ‘Rise up and walk’?”

It is by far easier to say

Your Sins are Forgiven You

because you cannot qualify that statement, you can't test it - there's no proof.

"You're a Millionaire - Heck, You're a Billionaire"

When God Changes a Life, He Provides the Evidence to Prove It.

The Lord's got lives to change

c.) But will you see it?

v.24-26

But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins" — He said to the man who was paralyzed, "I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." :25 Immediately he rose up before them, took up what he had been lying on, and departed to his own house, glorifying God. :26 And they were all amazed, and they glorified God and were filled with fear, saying, "We have seen strange things today!"

"I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house,
....'Rise up and walk'

I Must Say, That This Has Happened to Me, In My Life !

***Looking at Me, You Would Never Know That
I was Once a..... (silence)***

But will you see it?

IT'S TIME TO GET UP AND GO !

he departed to his own house, glorifying God. :26 And they were all **amazed**, and they glorified God and were filled with **fear**, saying, "We have seen strange things today!"

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