

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

LUKE CHAPTER 6:37-42

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

"THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS" – PART 2

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

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

Attitude, Love, Forgiveness, Judging, Humility

Let's Turn in Our Bible To Luke 6:37-42

HAVE YOU NOTICED THAT A CHILD
will Automatically Follow You Around?

THERE IS SOMETHING IN A CHILD

That Causes Them to Follow You from Room to Room, and to Ask Questions and to Mimic, or Copy You?

Listen to What Jesus Christ Said...

Matthew 18:1-4

At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" :2 Then Jesus called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, :3 and said, "***Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. :4 Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.***"

Living in the Times of Jesus Christ,

Remembering The Humble Place of the Apprentice

! The Journeyman's Teaching of the Apprentice !

Matthew 5:2

Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:

Matthew 6:28

“So why do you worry?

Consider (*parabolic teaching style*) the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil (*suffer fatigue*) nor spin; (*labor in circles*)

Luke 6:37-38

“**Judge** not, and you shall not be **judged**. **Condemn** not, and you shall not be **condemned**. **Forgive**, and you will be **forgiven**. :38 **Give**, and it will be **given** to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you.”

THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS

1.) Have now been liberated

v.37-38

1a.) Liberated from being Critical

v. 37a

“**Judge** not, (stop it now) and you shall not be **judged**.
Condemn not, (stop it now) and you shall not be **condemned**.”

1b.) Liberated from being Bitter

v.37b

Forgive, (now) and you will be **forgiven**

1c.) Liberated from being Selfish

v.38

Give, and it will be **given** to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you.”

THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS THEY CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW

Luke 6:39-42

:39 And He spoke a **parable** to them: “Can the blind lead the blind? Will they not both fall into the ditch? :40 A **disciple** is not above his teacher, but everyone who is **perfectly trained** will be like his **teacher**. :41 And why do you look at the **speck** in your brother’s eye, but do not perceive the **plank** in your own eye? :42 Or how can you say to your brother, “Brother, let me remove the speck that *is* in your eye,” when you yourself do not see the plank that *is* in your own eye? **Hypocrite!** First remove the plank from your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck that is in your brother’s eye.

THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS

2.) *Can see clearly now*

v.39

And He spoke a **parable** to them:

"Can the blind lead the blind? Will they not both fall into the **ditch**?"

2a.) *They can clearly see the way*

v.39

And He spoke a **parable** to them:

a Parable is a Form of Teaching That Unlocks a Truth, and presents it before the hearers...

Para-bles = parabolics = reveal the mind of the one who's listening.

Think of a Parable "as a Key"

**that Goes from Lock to Lock, The Parable is Designed
to Unlock Doors - that Can Be Opened !**

THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW

2b.) *They can clearly see where not to go*

v.39

"Can the blind lead the blind?"

Yes they Can, But.... it happens every day.

Matthew 23:15

"Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you travel land and sea to win one proselyte, and when he is won, you make him twice as much a son of hell as yourselves

O'Yes, The Blind do Lead The Blind

Away from The Truth and Into Their Religious Thing.

"The Blind are Arriving Everyday"

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1 John 4:1

Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

2 Timothy 3:13

But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse,
deceiving and being deceived.

**THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS
CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW**

2c.) *They can clearly see where they are going*

v.39

Will they not both fall into the ditch?

And Yes Again

They Move Along In Full Assurance, Confident, and Bold
a **self-based** assurance, a **self-based** confidence, a **manmade** boldness

Matthew 15:14

Jesus said; "Let them alone."

They are blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind leads the blind, both will fall into a ditch."

Do You Remember Dionne Warwick,

She Sang That Song

"Do You Know The Way to San Jose"

She was the Creator of The Psychic Hotline Network,
She said that **she could see into the future.**

But **It Went Bankrupt** after about a year, Why Didn't Her Psychic Powers tell her that it
was Going to Go Bankrupt?

And **Why Would I Listen** to Someone Who Says She has Special Psychic Insight to the
Future, but Can't Even Find Her way to San Jose?

Matthew 7:13-16

"Enter by the narrow gate; for wide *is* the gate and broad *is* the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. :14 Because narrow *is* the gate and difficult *is* the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it. :15 "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves. :16 You will know them by their fruits.

who / what - are you following, really?
do they know the way to heaven? are they taking others with them to heaven?

What's Your Sign Pastor Jack?
what's your horoscope telling you?

if the horoscope is true,
then why doesn't it agree with scripture?

God has condemned It
and says it's satanic!

who really has the final say in your life?

is it some popular preacher, some religious leader?
is it a denominational group or banner? - talk show host?

Will "**they**" not both fall

True or False?

Matthew 24:11

Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many.

True or False?

Matthew 24:24

For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great miracles
and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the very elect.

True or False?

Acts 20:30-31

Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things
(**not a dirty joke**) , to draw away the disciples after themselves. :31 Therefore watch, and remember
that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears.

THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS

3.) Are becoming more like Jesus

v.40

A **disciple** is not above his teacher,
but everyone who is **perfectly trained will be like** his teacher.

This is a Biblical Truth, A Spiritual Law.

you will become like the one who is leading you
(may you and I make sure that it is Christ who is leading us)

A Buddhist will become like Buddha, - watch and see
A Muslim will become like Mohammad, - watch and see A Hindu become
like a ?????, - watch and see

I have a simple question:

"what have these gods done for the people who worship them?"

A Christian will become like Christ, - watch and see

THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS ARE BECOMING MORE LIKE JESUS

3a.) When we're listening to what He says v.40a

A disciple is **not above** his teacher,

not above

not level with, not eye to eye, not equal to, but beneath.

There are Two Points That Jesus is Making.

#1 - serving others

John 13:13-17

Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am. :14 If I then, *your* Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. :15 For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you. :16 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him. :17 If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

#2 - being rejected

John 15:18-19

"If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before *it hated* you. :19 If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.

You Can Only Judge Me So Far, Until I Must Agree With You.
I Need My Master to Make Me More Like Him.

The Apprentice Has No Status of His Own

THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS ARE BECOMING MORE LIKE JESUS

3b.) When we're doing what we're told

v.40b

but everyone who is **perfectly trained will be like his teacher.**

"perfectly trained"

"perfectly trained"

it's a fisherman's term meaning;

to mend the net, to be repaired, to become useful again.

to take on the character, to act the same, to be molded into the same shape.

Growing Up, It's The Way it Is

we mimic those who respect and honor

Playing Football, Offense,

I Had to Be Roger Staubach #12

Baseball, I Had to be #44 Reggie Jackson

but my all-time favorite was pretending to be

Mario Andretti

Philippians 4:9

The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me,

- - these do, and the God of peace will be with you.

John 13:12-17

So when He had washed their feet, taken His garments, and sat down again, He said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? **:13** You call Me Teacher and Lord, and you say well, for so I am.

:14 If I then, *your* Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. **:15** For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you. **:16** Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him. **:17** If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.

THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS ARE BECOMING MORE LIKE JESUS

3c.) When we're living out what we know v.40c

will be like his teacher.

be (become) like (by exercise)

to live in the same direction, to be going the same way, united

THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS

4.) Are Discovering who they really are v.41-42

:41 And why do you look at the **speck** in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the **plank** in your own eye? :42 Or **how can you say** to your brother, "Brother, let me remove the speck that *is* in your eye," when you yourself do not see the plank that *is* in your own eye? **Hypocrite!** First remove the plank from your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck that is in your brother's eye.

4a.) When we take a proper look at ourselves v.41

And **why** do you look at the **speck** in your brother's eye,
but do not perceive the **plank** in your own eye

self-righteousness is a very mean thing.

it will overlook great personal failures and sins
and be so quick to point out a little thing in the life of its victim.

The "Sin Sniffing", and "Fault Finding"

no one will find help from this kind of self-proclaimed perfectionist

why are you looking at someone else at all?
it's not for us to be looking, That's the Holy Spirit's ministry

who in the world walks around with a plank in their eye?
the Christian who has forgotten that

This is Comically Sad

but you do not **perceive** (discovered) the **plank** (beam) in your own eye

Romans 2:1

Therefore you are inexcusable, O man, whoever you are who judge,
for in whatever you judge another you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things.

What's Jesus Teaching Here?

A Life That is to be Personally - Holy - Before The Lord,
>>>>> Remembering The Fear of the Lord <<<<<

2 Peter 3:11

Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner *of persons* ought you to be - in holy conduct and godliness,

There Will Be No Finger Pointing Before God

**THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS
DISCOVER WHO THEY REALLY ARE**

4b.) When we are humble in our own eyes v.42a

:42 Or ***how can you say*** to your brother, "Brother, let me remove the speck that *is* in your eye,' when you yourself do not see (blind to) the plank that *is* in your own eye?

Again - This is Comically Sad

Romans 14:4

Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. Indeed, he will be made to stand, for God is able to make him stand.

Philippians 2:3-5

Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. :4 Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. :5 Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus,

THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS DISCOVER WHO THEY REALLY ARE

4c.) When we're right before God

v.42b

Hypocrite! First remove the plank from your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck that is in your brother's eye.

Without Using the Word, The Parabolic Truth is Given Here

Decide Now To Change the Way You Think - "Repent"
and start today to head in a new direction toward
God until you arrive in His presence in heaven.

Psalm 139:23-24

Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties; :24 And see if *there is any*
wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting.

**Come Forward for Prayer
or to Receive Jesus Christ**

End of Study