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JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

LUKE CHAPTER 10:17-24

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"CHECKING IN?"

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

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In Our Last Study, We Heard Jesus Say In Essence That “**TIME WAS UP**”
the ministry was to be expanding!

Jesus said to pray, and you prayed!

Luke 10:2

Then He said to them, “The harvest truly *is* great, but the laborers *are* few; therefore **pray** the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.

Jesus said to go, and you went!

Luke 10:3

Go your way; behold, I **send you out...**

Jesus said to announce, and you announced!

Luke 10:11

...know this, that the kingdom of God has come **near** you.’

Luke 10:17-20

Then the seventy returned with **joy**, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name.” :18 And He said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. :19 Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. :20 Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven.”

Luke 10:21-22

“In that hour” Jesus **rejoiced** in the Spirit and said, “I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from *the wise and prudent* and revealed them to *babes*. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight. :22 All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, and who the Father is except the Son, and *the one* to whom the Son wills to reveal *Him*.”

Luke 10:23-24

Then He turned to *His* disciples and said privately, “Blessed *are* the eyes which see the things you see; :24 for I tell you that many prophets and kings have desired to see what you see, and have not seen *it*, and to hear what you hear, and have not heard *it*.”

CHECKING IN

1.) To a new life in Christ

v.17-20

1a.) In Christ means - we've surrendered to Jesus v.17

Then the seventy returned with **joy**, saying, “Lord, even the **demons** are **subject** to us in Your name.”

what a great scene this must have been.

“With **joy** they come back to Jesus”

joy

cara_z chara, khar-ah' a deep cheerfulness of the soul, a calm delight.

70 joyful disciples speaking all at once about the power of God through Jesus Christ -- Jesus was Smiling here like never before!

“Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name

everything we did was a success **in your name**,
but listen Jesus, even the demons had to yield to us **in your name**.

But Why Was This True?

because they had been given all that they needed.

Luke 10:2-3

:2 Then He said to them, “The harvest truly *is* great, but the laborers *are* few; therefore **pray** the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.
:3 Go your way, I send you out as lambs among wolves.

The 70 became victorious by Surrendering to Jesus!

1 Thessalonians 5:24

He who calls you *is* faithful, who will also do *it*.

There is no greater freedom

than to be freed from the demands and attention of our “self-life”

“Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name.”

Application: “how to” surrender to Jesus

Philippians 4:13
I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

If demons are subject to us in His name.”
then what about everything else in our lives in His name?

A NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

1b.) In Christ means - we've received from Jesus v.18b-19

:18 “I saw Satan **fall** like lightning from heaven. :19 Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

This **Authority** and **Power** Is Seen When It's Needed.

When You Go Out on The Edge for Jesus,
It's There You'll See a Bigger Jesus

Verse 18b

:18b “I saw Satan **fall** like lightning from heaven.

for 2,000 years Scholars have agreed
that this is one of the most difficult verses in all of the Bible to properly interpret.

But why? it's not because it's **confusing**. it's not because it's **vague**. it's not because there is a **lack of** biblical support for it.

it's because it's so “global” in its meaning.

Its application is so big and vast that it can mean (1) a specific moment in time or (2) it can mean a vast series of successive campaigns.

#1 regarding the past;
There was Satan's Original Fall before the Garden

#2 regarding the present;
Here Satan was hit hard by the gospel ministry of the 70.

#3 regarding the future;
Then Satan got hit hard again at the resurrection.

All of the Above are True, One is Specific to our Text...

The fact is, 70 had given Satan a blackeye by Ministering in Jesus name.

How Could This Have Happened?

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. :4 For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down **strongholds**, :5 casting down **arguments** and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every **thought** into captivity to the obedience of Christ,

Ephesians 6:12-18

For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but **against** principalities, **against** powers, **against** the rulers of the darkness of this age, **against** spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. :13 Therefore **take up** the whole armor of God, that you may be able to **withstand** in the evil day, and having done all, to **stand**. :14 Stand therefore, having **girded** your waist with truth, having **put on** the breastplate of righteousness, :15 and having **shod your feet** with the preparation of the gospel of peace; :16 above all, **taking** the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. :17 And **take** the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God; :18 **praying** always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints—

every time we **obey** Jesus, **pray**, **read** the word, **worship**, **participate** in this thing called church, Satan is hit again, & again

Satan is Wounded More and More
by Us when we....

“wanna know why the demons were defeated?”
because their boss got shot

Romans 1:16

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ,
for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes...

Verse 19

Why Would The Spiritual Realm be Affected by The Gospel?

- because the gospel **attacks satanic powers.**
- because the gospel **awakens a man's mind to think.**
- because the gospel **revives a man's heart to life.**

what an amazing battle assessment by Jesus.

the realm of Satan had been severely damaged by those who
“followed” Jesus Christ.

this had never happened before.

sure there were the prophets of old, but now the kingdom of God was on the march and leading the way was a band of ordinary, common people.

but what made these believers different?

1. they had been **commissioned** by Jesus.
2. **empowered** by the Holy Spirit
3. **ordained** by the Father.
- 4.

You and I are to be doing damage to the kingdom of hell and darkness!
do the powers of darkness fear you and I?
they do if we **know** what we believe.
they do if we **live** out what we believe
and they do if we **pray** believing.

Romans 8:37-39

Yet in all these things we are **more than conquerors** through Him who loved us. :38 For I am persuaded that neither **death** nor **life**, nor **angels** nor **principalities** nor **powers**, nor things **present** nor things to **come**, :39 nor **height** nor depth, nor any other **created thing**, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

A NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

1c.) In Christ means – we've arrived in Jesus

v.20

Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather **rejoice** because **your names are written in heaven.**"

Jesus Lets Us in On a Monumental Theological Truth.

That God Wants You To Rejoice, Be Glad and be Happy
in the fact that heaven is your home

Illustration: your name is there – so act like it!

have you ever been invited to something great.

you might buy a shirt or tie, you might shop for a new dress.
you get ready for the event because you're going to an event.
you have reservations, your name is there, you're arriving....

Heaven is an Event

that you and I are arriving to every day and you're expected.

but rather **rejoice** "because"
your names are written in heaven."

knowing that their names were recorded in heaven;
was cause enough for maximum joy.

what an awesome thing this is;

CHECKING IN

2.) To a new relationship with Christ

v.21-22

2a.) With Christ comes – understanding v.21

"In that hour" Jesus **rejoiced** in the Spirit and said, "I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have **hidden** these things from *the wise and prudent* and **revealed** them to **babes**. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight

Jesus Rejoices in the Holy Spirit

“In That Hour”

(those 3 little words are packed with movement)

Here Jesus **rejoiced** in the Spirit

as they were reporting all that had happened,
that's when Jesus “Agaleeaho”

rejoiced

ajgallia^gw agalliao, *ag-al-lee-ah'-o*

to be filled with glee, to revel, to be exceedingly glad,
to jump for joy to spin about.

Zephaniah 3:17

The LORD your God in your midst, The Mighty One, will save; He will **rejoice** over you with gladness,
He will quiet *you* with His love, He will **rejoice** over you with singing.”

Verse 21

“you have revealed them to babes.

UNDERSTANDING

“revealing them to **babes**”

Deuteronomy 29:29

The secret things belong unto the LORD our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us
and to our children forever,

this is a very powerful and unusual scene before us.
the word Jesus uses here for **babe** is not a loud whining little kid.
it's a picture of a very content, happy little infant whose very quiet and observant -
blessed

why is this important?

Because we too often miss this.
the meaning escapes us by our own choosing.

- because we **refuse to be content** with Jesus,
- and because **we refuse to be happy** with Jesus,
- and because **we refuse to be quiet** with Jesus,
- and because **we refuse to be observant** with Jesus

we're rarely happy because
we can hardly see because we barely think
about the deep things of God.

"I wonder if this didn't get Satan's attention" The Kingdom is going to the Kids?

that's got to be like salt in his eyes

70 innocent, unskilled, little kids are loose with the kingdom
and Satan will not be able to stop them.

"The Nursery Gone Wild"

John 16:13-14

when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own *authority*, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. :14 He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare *it* to you. – *understanding!*

3 John 4

I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.

it's not what you know, - - it's who you know.

Matthew 7:21-23

"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. :22 Many will say to Me in that day, "Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?" :23 And then I will declare to them, "I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!"

A NEW RELATIONSHIP WITH CHRIST

2b.) With Christ comes – access

v.22

All things have been delivered to Me by My Father,
and no one knows who the Son is except the Father,
and who the Father is except the Son
and **the one to whom** the Son wills to reveal Him."

there is in this a typological lesson
being lived out in the passage.

the followers of Jesus Christ have returned from their work.
they are now standing before the Lord and their work is being evaluated by Jesus himself.

2 Corinthians 5:9-11

Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to God. :10 **For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ**, that each one may receive the things *done* in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad. :11 Knowing, therefore, the terror of the Lord, we persuade men;

This Judgement Seat is the Greek word "Bema", or Awards Platform
(There in Corinth, Greece)

why is Jesus smiling?

these people were willing to step up. // these people were willing to step out.
these people were obedient to the command.
these people invested what they had.
these people exercised faith in Jesus' name

A NEW RELATIONSHIP WITH CHRIST

2c.) With Christ comes – privilege

v.22

and **the one to whom** the Son wills to reveal Him."

The Father Gives the Believer to Jesus.
Jesus Then Reveals the Father to the Believer.

John 17:9-10

"I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours. :10 And all Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine, and I am glorified in them.

John 10:27-30

My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. :28 And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. :29 My Father, who has given *them* to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch *them* out of My Father's hand. :30 I and My Father are one."

Note: - - The Unveiling of Salvation

The Amplified Bible John 6:44

No one is able to come to Me unless the Father Who sent Me attracts him *and* draws him *and* gives him the desire to come to Me, and [then] I will raise him up [from the dead].

John 14:9-10

Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'? :10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own *authority*; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works.

CHECKING IN

3.) To a new happiness through Christ v.23-24

3a.) Through Christ means - happiness is available v.23

Then He turned to *His* disciples (12) and said privately,
"Blessed are the eyes which see the things you see;

Illustration: what do you expect?

if you and I were to do something or to go somewhere,
I have a daily habit of asking the Lord to "**show us something awesome**"

This is what I do, It's what I want, so I ask.
not once ever has He ever not shown me something special.

But Wait – Did He do something wonderful because I asked, or did He simply open my eyes to see that which was already there?

Blessed

above all others, extremely favored, special, limited, rare.

everybody wants happiness.

the thing is, do we even know what happiness is?
do we know the definition of the word happiness?

- we want **money** that will make us happy.
- we want **people** that will make us happy.
- we want **things** that will make us happy.
- we want a **man** that will make us happy.
- we want a **woman** that will make us happy.

a temporary happiness is available through every one
of those things I just mentioned. – *for a season.*

THE BE ATTITUDES OR THE BLESSED ATTITUDES

Romans 4:7

“**Blessed** are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven,
And whose sins are covered;

A NEW HAPPINESS THROUGH CHRIST

3b.) *Through Christ means - happiness is fulfilled* v.24

for I tell you that many prophets and kings
have desired to see what you see, and have not seen it,

3c.) *Through Christ means - happiness is complete* v.24

and to hear what you hear, and have not heard it.”

...and what have you heard?

It's Time To Ask The Question

What's In It For Me?

End of Study