

THE GOSPEL OF

LUKE

“The Mission and Mercy of Our Savior”

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Luke 13:31-35

Conversation Starter: Is there a band or celebrity that you would consider yourself a “fan”?

Outline:

- I. The message of Jesus has never been “Good News” to proud or powerful people
- II. The mission of Jesus has never been thwarted by anything in history
- III. The mercy of Jesus has always been constant in the face of rejection
- IV. His rejection will be shattered forever by his glorious return

Sermon Discussion:

1. What is it about pride and power that makes Jesus so distasteful?
2. Why can pride and self-righteousness be more difficult to deal with than obvious immorality?
3. How could you evaluate if you have prideful and self-righteous blind spots?
4. How were Jesus’ sermons designed to afflict the comfortable and comfort the afflicted?
5. How do you keep the Gospel “good news,” instead of “old news”?
6. What did Jesus mean by calling Herod a “fox”?
7. What can challenge your confidence that Jesus’ mission cannot be thwarted?
8. What can you be tempted to put your hope and confidence in besides Jesus?
9. Do you consistently see the mercy of God in your life, no matter the circumstances?
10. In the last ten years, how do you see our culture’s opinion of what is true being further and further away from what the Bible says?
11. What do you think your closest friends think about the return of Jesus?

Prayer Focus: Philippians 2:9-11

Therefore, God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.