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Sunday

Christ teaches Be Humble and Care for the Poor

Bible Reading: Luke 14v7-14

Jesus was in the home of a chief Pharisee (v1).

1. Who did Jesus speak this parable to? (v7)
2. What were they NOT to choose for themselves? (v8)
3. What way could they be made to feel? (v9)
4. What place were they to choose? (v10)
5. Then what might happen? (v10)

This does NOT mean bow down before and worship. It means to praise.

6. What sort of attitude does Christ want us to have? (v11)
7. Who lifts up the humble? (1 Peter 5v6)
8. What will God do to the proud? (Luke 14v11)
9. Then, who did Christ speak to? (v12)
10. What sort of people did Jesus say to invite to a feast? (v12-13)
11. Why? (v12+14)
12. Where will you get your reward? (v14)

Jesus wants us to care for all sorts of people.... not just those we like. He's not saying that we can't have a party for family and friends.

MEANINGS:

Parable = earthly story with a heavenly meaning;

Bidden, bade = invited;

Marked = noted;

Kinsman = relative;

Recompense = repay;

Sit at meat = eat a meal;

Maimed = crippled;

Halt = lame



Ever heard someone say "You'll get your reward in heaven?" It's true... but just for true Christians. So, work for your heavenly reward... not fame and money here.



What should you do?

You're having a birthday party. You're inviting all your friends. BUT there's one girl who is disabled. She can't do all the activities. What should you do?

a) Don't bother inviting her

b) Invite her but leave her alone

c) Help her enjoy everything she can do

Answers

1) Those that were invited; 2) Chief rooms; 3) Ashamed; 4) Lowest; 5) They might be brought up to a better place; 6) Humble; 7) God; 8) Abase or humble them; 9) Him that invited Jesus; 10) Poor, maimed, lame, blind; 11) They can't repay you; 12) At the resurrection of the just

Help her enjoy everything she can do

"For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted." (Luke 14v11)

Monday

Parable of the great supper

Bible Reading: Luke 14v15-24

1. Who is blessed? (v15)
2. What were many people invited to? (v16)
3. Who has invited us to a great feast in heaven?
4. Who did he send to get the guests? (v17)
5. What did the servant say? (v17)
6. How has God made ready for us to go to His feast in heaven?
   a) Got lots of food and drink prepared
   b) Given the church lots of money
   c) Sent Christ to die for our sins
   d) Sent preachers to tell us
7. What was the 1st man's excuse? (v18)
8. What was the 2nd man's excuse? (v19)
9. What was the 3rd man's excuse? (v20)

All these were really bad excuses. A good farmer wouldn't buy land without seeing it. And he knows good cattle. He would have made sure they would be good for ploughing. Would a man not be proud of his new wife?

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10. How did the lord feel? (v21)

"Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled." (Luke 14v23)





We can't force people to become Christians. But we must do our very best to get them to come to Christ to be saved.



People make excuses today. These are just some of them.

Fill in answers to them:

	Excuse	**Answer**	**Scripture**
A.	I'm too young to get saved...I want fun first		Proverbs 27v1
B.	I'm too good...God will let me into heaven ok		Romans 3v10+23
C.	I couldn't keep it		1 Peter 1v5
D.	I don't want to give up sin		Luke 13v3

God says all have sinned and there is none good.
It is God who keeps you.
You must repent or go to hell.
You don't know how long you've got to live.

Answers

1) He that shall eat bread in the kingdom of heaven; 2) A great wedding supper; 3) God; 4) His servant; 5) Come for all things are now ready; 6) Sent Christ to die for our sins; 7) He'd bought a piece of ground and had to go to see it; 8) He'd bought cattle and had to go and test them out; 9) He'd married a wife; 10) Angry

A. You don't know how long you've got to live; B. God says all have sinned and there is none good; C. It is God who keeps you; D. You must repent or go to hell

Tuesday

Lost sheep and lost coin

Bible Reading: Luke 15v1-10

1. Who came to Jesus? (v1)
2. Who spoke against Jesus? (v2)
3. What did they say? (v2)

The scribes and Pharisees were religious leaders. They thought they were so good. They looked down on these people who did sinful things. They didn't like to eat with them. Or be friends with them.

Jesus loves to save sinners from their sin. But they must be sorry for their sin ... and turn away from it.

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4. What did the shepherd loose? (v4)

Every evening the shepherd led his sheep to a sheepfold. They would be safe in it for the night. As they went into the sheepfold the shepherd counted them. He gently tapped each one with his rod as he counted them. This was called passing under the rod. If any of them were injured he took them aside to help them.

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5. What did the woman loose? (v8)

Married women often wore a string of 10 silver coins. They were very special to her. What would her husband think if she lost one? Was she careless? So, she searched and searched until she found it.

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6. What did the shepherd and the woman do? (v4+8)
7. Who is the Good Shepherd who finds the sheep? (John 10v11)
8. Why did the shepherd and the woman call their neighbours? (Luke 15v6+9)
9. How did the shepherd bring the sheep home safely? (v5)

It was dark. The sheep was probably cold, injured and scared. Maybe it was trapped but it couldn't find its way home. It was heavy and maybe a long way from the sheepfold. But the shepherd put it on his big strong shoulders and carried it home. He loved and cared for all his sheep.

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10. Why is there rejoicing in heaven? (v7+10)



"Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth." (Luke 15v10)



How do the lost sheep and the lost coin picture us?

a) We are all born lost in sin

b) We want to get money

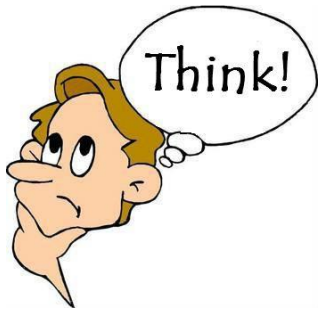
c) We run away from home

d) We're not much good

Answers

1) Tax collectors and sinners; 2) Pharisees and scribes; 3) This man receives sinners and eats with them; 4) A sheep; 5) A silver coin; 6) Searched for them; 7) The Lord Jesus; 8) To rejoice with them; 9) On his shoulders; 10) Over sinners that repent

The lost sheep and the lost coin picture us because we are all born lost in sin.



The Good Shepherd loves His sheep. Each one matters to Him. Are you one of His sheep?

Wednesday

Parable of the Prodigal son

Bible Reading: Luke 15v11-32

1. What did the youngest son want? (v12)

The oldest son would have got twice as much as the youngest son (Deuteronomy 21v17).

2. What did he do? (v13)

Just imagine what he thought. I'm going far away from my father. He'll not be able to tell me what to do. I'm going to have a great time.

Just imagine him going to the best clubs of that day. He'd lots of friends because he'd plenty of money.

3. What did he do when his money was done? (v14-16)

His friends left him for he'd no money. Feeding pigs was one of the lowest jobs a Jew could do. He was hungry. He would have gladly eaten pig food. The husks were the outer shells or pods of fruit or nuts. They may have been carob pods.

4. How did the prodigal son feel as he returned to his father? (v21)

If you want forgiveness you must be truly sorry for your sin.

5. How did his father feel when he saw him? (v20)

His father still loved him. Perhaps he watched for his son every day. He was still the father's son.

When you get saved, you become a child of God. Then, you will always be His child.... even when you do wrong. Always be willing to turn from your sin.

6. Who did the son sin against? (v21)
7. What did the father do for him? (v22-23)
8. Who is the loving Father who wants to forgive our sins?
9. How did the older brother feel? (v28)
10. What did the father say about the prodigal? (v24+32)





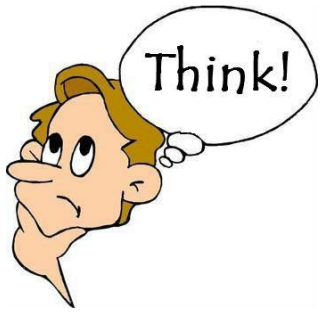
Which of these things can bring true lasting happiness?

a) Money	b) Drink	c) Drugs
d) Christ	e) Clubs	f) Fame
g) Friends	h) Priest	i) Church
j) Education	k) Possessions	

Answers

1) His portion of the goods; 2) Went to far away country and wasted it on sinful living; 3) He fed pigs; 4) Not worthy to be called a son; 5) Had compassion on him; 6) Heaven and his father; 7) Gave him robe, ring, and shoes, and killed fat calf for a feast; 8) God; 9) Angry; 10) He was dead and is alive again, he was lost and is found

Only Christ can bring true lasting happiness



Rejoice when people turn from sinful living. And they come back to God their loving Father. Don't be angry or jealous like the older brother.

"For thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee." (Psalm 86v5)

Thursday

Parable of the unjust steward

Bible Reading: Luke 16v1-15

1. Who was Jesus speaking to? (v1)
2. What had the steward done? (v1)
3. Who did he have to give account to? (v2)

Give account of his stewardship = to tell how he'd taken care of things.

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4. What would happen to him? (v2-3)
5. Who did he call? (v5)
6. What did he help these men to pay off? (v6-7)
7. Who was pleased? (v8)
8. What are we to be faithful in? (v10)

If you're honest in little things, people will trust you to do big things.

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9. What can we NOT serve? (v13)
10. What did the Pharisees do? (v14)

The Pharisees were religious leaders. They wanted people to think they were so good. But God saw their hearts. He knew they coveted what others had. The 10th commandment is 'Thou shalt not covet' (Exodus 20v17)

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11. Who knows your heart? (v15)

We cannot buy salvation. But God expects us to use money wisely.

MEANINGS:

Steward = man who looked after his lord's goods;

Resolved = decided;

Fourscore = 80;

Mammon = wealth;

Derided = laughed at, mocked;

Justify = make good;

Abomination = really, really hated



What does God want us to do?

a) Covet what others have

b) Make ourselves look good to others

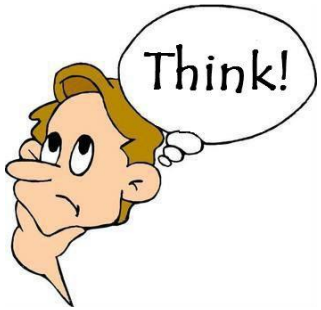
c) Waste and gamble money

d) Always be honest

Answers

1) His disciples; 2) Wasted the rich man's goods; 3) The rich man, his lord; 4) He lost his job, he was no longer steward; 5) His lord's debtors; 6) What they owed; 7) His lord; 8) That which is least; 9) Two masters; 10) They derided (mocked) Jesus; 11) God

God wants us to be honest always



We're to be good stewards of God's money. Don't waste it. And don't keep it for ourselves.

"He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much." (Luke 16v10)

Friday

Rich man and Lazarus

Bible Reading: Luke 16v19-31

1. How did the rich man live? (v19)
2. Who was the beggar? (v20)
3. What was life like for him? (v20-21)

Lazarus means 'God is my help.' The rich man didn't help him. He probably looked down on him. But Lazarus trusted God to help him.

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4. Where did the beggar go when he died? (v22)
5. Where did the rich man go when he died? (v22-23)

Lazarus went to live where Abraham was after death. This reminds us of heaven. Hell is the terrible place of suffering after death. It is forever. Everyone who rejects God's Word and Christ as Saviour will go there.

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6. What did the rich man ask for? (v24)
7. How did he suffer in hell? (v23+25)
8. What was he told to do? (v25)

Hell is a place of burning fire and torments. You can feel the pain of suffering. You can remember what you did wrong. There is weeping, and wailing, and gnashing of teeth (Matthew 13v50).

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9. Why could no one go to help him? (v26)
10. Then, what did he ask for? (v27-28)
11. What could his brothers hear? (v29)

Moses and the prophets is God's Word. 'Moses' is the first 5 books of the Bible. They only had the Old Testament then.

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12. If they wouldn't believe God's Word, would they repent if someone rose from the dead? (v30-31)





What happens after death?

a) You are reincarnated

b) You go to heaven or hell

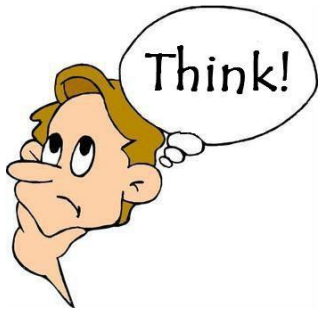
c) You go to purgatory for a time

d) Your soul sleeps in the grave

Answers

1) He wore purple and fine linen, and lived in luxury every day; 2) Lazarus; 3) He was full of sores that dogs licked, and begged crumbs from rich man's table; 4) Abraham's bosom; 5) Hell; 6) Send Lazarus to cool his tongue with a drop of water; 7) He was tormented; 8) Remember how he'd lived; 9) Great gulf between them and no one could pass over it; 10) Send Lazarus to warn his brothers not to come to hell; 12) Moses and the prophets; 13) No

You go to either heaven or hell when you die



There's no fire escape out of hell. So make sure you don't go there. Christ took all the punishment for sin on the cross. Trust Him as your ONLY Saviour.

"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?" (Hebrews 2v3)

Saturday

The 10 lepers

Bible Reading: Luke 17v11-19

(See also Leviticus 13 v44-46)

1. Where was Jesus going? (v11) *Find it on a map*
2. Where did He pass through? (v11) *Find them on a map*
3. Who met Him at a village? (v12)
4. Where did they stand? (v12)

There was no cure for leprosy then. They would die from this horrible disease. Read Leviticus 13v44-46

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5. What was life like for lepers then? (Leviticus 13v44-46)
   a) They wore [torn / nice] clothes
   b) They lived [away outside the village / with their families]
   c) They [styled their hair / shaved their heads]
   d) They wore [lipstick / a rag over their upper lip]
   e) They shouted [unclean, unclean / hello, hello]

They were unclean, so they couldn't go to the temple to worship.

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6. What did they ask Jesus for? (v13)

Mercy is not getting what you deserve.

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7. Who did Jesus tell them to show themselves to? (v14)

It wasn't the doctor they went to. In those days, it was the priest who could say they were cured.

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8. What happened as they went? (v14-15)
9. What did the Samaritan man do? (v15-16)
10. What does this Samaritan teach us to do? (v16)
11. What did he have? (v19)
12. Who is the Only One who can heal us from sin?



"Thy faith hath made thee whole." (Luke 17v19)



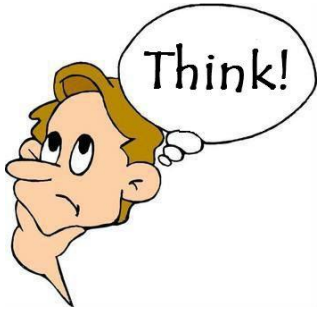
What is leprosy a picture of in us?

a) Sickness

b) Sadness

c) Being lonely

d) Sin



Jesus expects us to thank Him. What did you thank Him for today?



Answers

1) Jerusalem; 2) Samaria and Galilee; 3) 10 lepers; 4) Afar off; 5) They wore torn clothes, they lived away outside the village, they shaved their heads, they wore a rag over their upper lip, and they shouted unclean, unclean; 6) To have mercy on them; 7) The priests; 8) They were healed; 9) Glorified God, fell down before Jesus and said thanks; 10) We should never forget to say thank you; 11) Faith; 12) Jesus

Leprosy is a picture of sin in us

Old English words

Afar	Far away
Ass	Donkey
Aught	Anything at all
Befallen	Happened to
Dealt	Done
Dost, Doest	Do
Draw nigh	Come near
Fetch	Go and get
Gat	Get, got
Hence	From this place
Hereby	By this
Heretofore	Before now
Hindmost	Last
Hither	Here
Hitherto	Up until now
Howbeit	However, nevertheless
Inasmuch	Since
Midst	Middle
Mixt	Mixed
Nigh	Near
Notwithstanding	Nevertheless, in spite of this
Peradventure	Perhaps
Plow	Plough
Straightway	Immediately
Selfsame	That same
Shew	Show
Thereon	On that
Therewith	With that
Thither	To there
Thou	You *(singular)*
Thou art	You are
Thrust out	Cast out
Uttermost	Farthest
Whence	From where
Wherefore	Why
Wherewith	With which
Whilst	While
Whither	To where
Whomsoever	Whoever
Wilt	Will
Wit, wot, wist	Know
Withholden	Held back
Wont to do	In the habit of doing
Wrought	Done, made

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