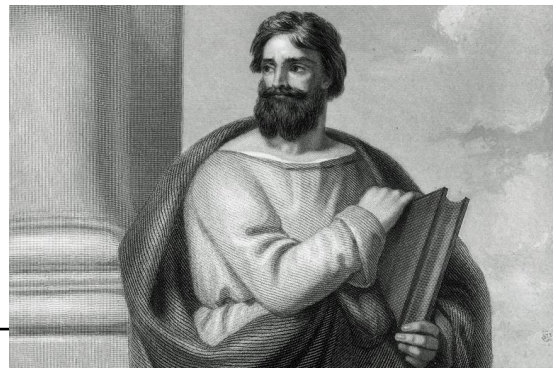


THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO

LUKE



LUKE 11:14-36

AN EXAMPLE OF BLASPHEMY (VV.14-26)

- What was Jesus doing that caused the Pharisees to make accusations?
 - What was the proof that the demon had been cast out?
 - What response did the crowds have at this miracle?
 - Why do you suppose that the Pharisees made their accusation against Jesus?
 - Are people today motivated this way?
 - Who did the Pharisees say was casting out the demon?
- On the other hand, what were others asking Jesus to do?
 - Imagine the predicament that Jesus was placed in...
 - “Do a miracle, but if you do we won’t believe it was God who did it!”
- What so Jesus’ responses mean?
 - “Any kingdom divided against itself is laid waste; and a house divided against itself fall.”
 - “And if I by Beelzebul cast out demons, by whom do your sons cast them out? So they will be your judges.”

- “When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own house, his possessions are undisturbed. But the someone stronger than he attacks him and overpowers him, he takes away from him all his armor on which he had relied and distributes his plunder.”
- He who is not with Me is against Me; and he who does not gather with Me, scatters.
- How does this fit with what Jesus told His disciples earlier: “John answered and said, ‘Master, we saw someone casting out demons in Your name; and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow along with us.’ But Jesus said to him, ‘Do not hinder him; for he who is not against you is for you.’” (Luke 9:49,50)
- What sort of connection (if any) does this parable of the unclean spirit have with the Pharisees’ accusation?
 - Can real Christianity ever be built on negatives —what you can’t do?
 - What is Jesus’ point in this parable?

WHO IS REALLY BLESSED? (VV.27,28)

- What was the meaning of what the woman in the crowd shouted out?
 - Jesus’ blessing is upon those who do both...
 - _____
 - _____

THE SIGN OF JONAH (VV.29-32)

- Is there any connection between v.29 and the earlier verses?

- What is the great sign that Jesus' contemporary generation would be given?
 - What more does Matt. 12:39-42 tell us about the sign of Jonah?
- Who is the "Queen of the South" that Jesus refers to here? (1 Kings 10:1-10)
 - What did she come to see?
 - What was her response?
 - Why will this condemn Jesus' generation?
- Why would the men of Nineveh condemn Jesus' generation?
 - As far as we know, did Jonah do any miracles for Nineveh?
 - What did the people of Nineveh do with Jonah's preaching?
 - Did Jesus do miracles? What were His generation's responses?

THE LAMP (VV. 33 - 36)

- "The lamp" metaphor is used in other places in Scripture to encourage us all to let our light shine, but who/what is the light in this use of "the lamp"?
- What is Jesus saying about the eye being the lamp of the body?



- What is he talking about as He speaks of the eye...
 - ...Being clear and full of light
 - ...Or being bad, being full of darkness?
- So, what is the warning that we should watch out the the light in us is not darkness?
- Does this teaching apply to the Pharisees who accused Jesus of doing miracles by Satan, while at the same time asking Him to do more miracles to prove that He was the Son of God?
- Is there a lesson for modern generations?
 - Us?
 - What?