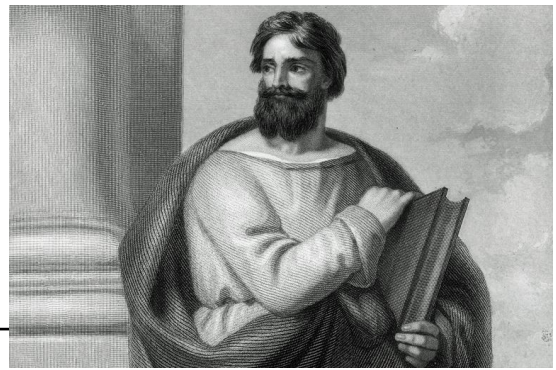


THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO

LUKE



LUKE 11:37-54

WOES ON THE PHARISEES (VV. 37-44)

- What was the precipitating event for Jesus' rebuke?
- Why would the Pharisees be surprised that Jesus had not washed His hands?
 - Was this about hygiene or something else?
 - Was there a law about washing hands?
 - What were the Pharisees afraid of?
 - What does Jesus tell these men who were so concerned with cleanliness?
 - What does it mean that they had cleaned the outside of the cup and platter?
 - What does it mean that the inside was full of robbery and wickedness?
 - What is Jesus trying to tell them, when He asks them if they knew that the One who created the outside also created the inside?
 - Is this possible for people to struggle with today?

- What is Jesus' solution for cleansing their (our) insides?
- What does "woe" mean?
- What is a tithe? (How would you give this properly?)
- How much work would it be to tithe mint and rue?
- What they disregarding, while they were tithing mint and rue?
- Should it be a matter of doing one or the others?



Rue

- What are the chief seats?
- Why would people want these?
- What kind of respectful greetings are we talking about?
- What's wrong with wanting chief seats and respectful greetings?
- How does this apply to today's world?
- What is Jesus trying to say about concealed tombs, which people walk over without knowing it?
- What applications are there to us today?

WOES ON LAWYERS (VV. 45-52)

- Who became insulted at Jesus' rebuke of the Pharisees?
- Why?
- What kind of burdens were the lawyers weighing the people down with?
- What did Jesus mean, when He said that the lawyers wouldn't touch the burden with one of their fingers?
- Why were lawyers building up the tombs of the prophets?
- Why were they doing this?
- What irony did Jesus see in their building the tombs?
- If the lawyers were trying to honor the prophets, why was Jesus upset with them?
- What terrible guilt was awaiting them?
- What terrible thing had they done, besides condemning themselves?
- Application to today?



THE TOMB OF SAMSON

FALLOUT (VV. 53 - 54)

- Why were the Pharisees and lawyers so upset?

- What were they planning on doing?