

Studies in the Life of Christ

NT Survey Lesson 35--Luke 17

Introduction: In this chapter Luke continues his description of the later ministry of Christ in Judea. In this section Jesus continues to emphasize the principles of discipleship and give clearer teaching on His plans for the future.

Lesson aim: To emphasize the need for gratitude in the reception of all of God's gifts to us.

Instructions on discipleship--Luke 17:1-10

1. What warning did Jesus issue to His disciples? How did He describe the fate of those who caused others to stumble spiritually?
2. How should we act toward erring brethren?
3. What did Jesus first suggest we recognize when we want to increase our faith?
4. What should our attitude be in all our acts of faith? How did Jesus illustrate this point?

Jesus cleanses ten lepers--Luke 17:11-19

1. Who did Jesus encounter on the way to Jerusalem? What did they ask of Him?
2. What did Jesus command them to do? Why?
3. How did the one react to his healing? Is it significant that he was a Samaritan?
4. What comment did Jesus make when he saw only one return to give thanks?

Questions about the kingdom and the future--Luke 17:22-37

1. How did Jesus the kingdom would not come? What did Jesus say about the nature of the kingdom?
2. Do verses 22-37 describe the second coming of Christ or the destruction of Jerusalem, or both? Explain your answer.

3. What warning did Jesus issue to the disciples?
4. In what way would Jesus be like lightning?
5. What did Jesus say must happen before his "day(s)" came?
6. What do verse 26-29 teach about the state of affairs among men when Jesus is revealed?
7. What did Jesus urge the disciples not to do? Would this be possible at the second coming?
8. Why remember Lot's wife?
9. Does verse 34-36 describe the "rapture" of the saved while the wicked are left on earth?
10. What did Jesus mean, "Where the body is, there also will the vultures be gathered"?