

Studies in the Life of Christ

NT Survey Lesson 36--Luke 18

Introduction: In this chapter Jesus emphasizes the needed lessons of importunity in prayer, humility, and a lack of covetousness. Through yet another attesting miracle Jesus proves the claim, "I am the light of the world".

Lesson aim: To emphasize the attitudes essential to a right relationship with God.

A parable on prayer--Luke 18:1-8

1. Relate the parable of the widow.
2. What quality does she illustrate?
3. Must we treat God like the widow treated the judge to get Him to answer our prayers?
4. What characteristic do disciples need in order to pray to God for His blessings?

The Pharisee and the publican--Luke 18:9-14

1. To whom was this parable directed? Why?
2. What kind of attitude did the Pharisee manifest in his prayer to God?
3. What kind of attitude did the publican manifest in his prayer to God?
4. What principle toward God was Jesus emphasizing in this parable?

Jesus receives the little children--Luke 18:15-17

1. What were parents doing with their babies?
2. How did the disciples respond?
3. What did Jesus say about the children?
4. What does it mean to receive the kingdom like a little child?

The rich young ruler--Luke 18:18-30

1. What question did a certain ruler ask of Jesus? How did Jesus answer?
2. What additional thing did Jesus require of this man? Was this a requirement for all people to be saved? Why did Jesus require it of this ruler?
3. What was the ruler's reaction?
4. What observation did Jesus make about the wealthy?
5. When it comes to salvation, can God do the "impossible"?
6. What did Peter say he and the rest of the disciples had done?
7. What rewards did Jesus promise them and others?

Jesus foretells his death--Luke 18:31-34

1. What did Jesus indicate was about to happen?
2. How did the disciples react to this revelation? Why do you think so?

A blind man is healed--Luke 18:35-43

1. What did the blind beggar ask of Jesus?
2. What did the crowds do to him? How did the beggar respond?
3. What made the blind man well?
4. How did the beggar and the multitudes react to this miracle?