

# Jesus Teaches His Disciples

## Lesson #1 - How to Keep Hypocrisy Out of Your Life

### Luke 12:1-12

“In the \_\_\_\_\_” (v. 1) seems to indicate that while Jesus was speaking at the Pharisee’s dinner, a very great multitude gathered. Some believe that this was the \_\_\_\_\_ group assembled at one time during His ministry! But instead of addressing the whole audience, Jesus first spoke to those who were his “disciples.” This begins a long \_\_\_\_\_ passage (Luke 12-13:1-21) of teaching to His faithful followers and a gentle, pleading \_\_\_\_\_ to those who were still undecided concerning the person of Jesus.”

#### I. Hypocrisy – Understand What it is

“In the meantime, when there were gathered together an innumerable multitude of people, insomuch that they trod (Lit. - \_\_\_\_\_) one upon another, he began to say unto his disciples \_\_\_\_\_ of all, Beware ye of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is \_\_\_\_\_.”

**Luke 12:1**

“In the meantime, when there were gathered together an innumerable multitude of people” –

“Beware ye of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy” –

“leaven” –

“hypocrisy” –

## II. Hypocrisy – Realize it’s Foolish and Futile

“For there is nothing \_\_\_\_\_, that shall not be revealed; neither \_\_\_\_\_, that shall not be known. <sup>3</sup>Therefore whatsoever ye have spoken in \_\_\_\_\_ shall be heard in the light; and that which ye have spoken in the ear in \_\_\_\_\_ shall be proclaimed upon the housetops.”  
Luke 12:2-3

“For there is nothing covered,...neither hid” → “that shall not be revealed;...that shall not be known.”

“whatsoever ye have spoken in darkness....that which ye have spoken in the ear in closets” → “heard in the light;...be proclaimed upon the housetops”

## III. Hypocrisy – Understand What Causes it

“And I say unto you my \_\_\_\_\_, Be not \_\_\_\_\_ of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do. <sup>5</sup>But I will forewarn you whom ye shall \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_ him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, \_\_\_\_\_ him. <sup>6</sup>Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God? <sup>7</sup>But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. \_\_\_\_\_ not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows.” Luke 12:4-7

### FEAR

“Be not afraid of them that kill the body” –

### HEALTHY FEAR

“Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell” –

## **FAITH**

Illustrations:

- Sparrows –
  
- Hair -

## **FEAR→FAITH**

“Fear not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows” –

## **IV. Instead of Hypocrisy – Confess Christ Openly**

“Also I say unto you, Whosoever shall \_\_\_\_\_ me before men, him shall the Son of man also \_\_\_\_\_ before the angels of God: <sup>9</sup>But he that \_\_\_\_\_ me before men shall be \_\_\_\_\_ before the angels of God. <sup>10</sup>And whosoever shall speak a word \_\_\_\_\_ the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but unto him that blasphemeth \_\_\_\_\_ the Holy Ghost it shall not be forgiven.” Luke 12:8-10

“confess me before men” → “him shall the Son of man also confess before the angels of God” –

“denieth me before men” → “shall be denied before the angels of God” –

“whosoever shall speak a word against the Son of man” → “it shall be forgiven him” –

“blasphemeth against the Holy Ghost” → “it shall not be forgiven” –

## V. Instead of Hypocrisy – Depend on the Holy Spirit

**“And when they bring you unto the synagogues, and unto magistrates, and powers, take ye no thought how or what thing ye shall answer, or what ye shall say: <sup>12</sup>For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say.” Luke 12:11-12**

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### **Believers’ Application:**

Fear of opposition or ridicule can weaken our witness for Christ. We deny Him and our relationship with Him! In hypocrisy, we often cling to peace and comfort, even at the cost of our walk with God and testimony before others. Jesus tells us to fear God, not man or temporal consequences.

We deny Jesus and our relationship with Him when....

1. We hope no one will think we are a \_\_\_\_\_.
2. We decide not to speak up for what is \_\_\_\_\_.
3. We are \_\_\_\_\_ about our relationship with Jesus.
4. We \_\_\_\_\_ quietly into society.
5. We \_\_\_\_\_ our non-Christian culture without resistance.

We confess Jesus and our relationship with Him when....

1. We \_\_\_\_\_ morally and upright before others.
2. We \_\_\_\_\_ for opportunities to share our faith with others.
3. We \_\_\_\_\_ others in need.
4. We \_\_\_\_\_ for justice in our society.
5. We \_\_\_\_\_ others.
6. We \_\_\_\_\_ our loyalty to God.
7. We \_\_\_\_\_ our lives and resources to carry out God’s desires.

# Ladies Studying Jesus

## Homework – Vol. 6 #28

Read Luke 12:1-34.

1. In Luke 12:1-34, it is recorded that Jesus is teaching His followers by beginning His subject matter twice by saying, “Beware.” Find the two, give the verse, and what subject Jesus is speaking about.

2. In Luke 12:13-15, there was a man with a request of Jesus concerning his inheritance. What seems to be the underlying issue and desire of the man?

3. Let’s compare two very similar passages. These teachings of Jesus are very much the same, but are given about two years apart and have slightly different applications. Read them both through, taking note of the differences and their separate application.

Differences:

Matthew 6:25-34

Luke 12:22-34

Application:

Matthew 6:25-34

Luke 12:22-34

4. Jesus said, “For where you treasure is, there will your heart be also.” Luke 12:34 What are some “treasures” that can steal away our focus on heavenly things?