

“The Narrow Door”

Practical Consideration Of The Extent Of God’s Kingdom

Luke 13:22-30

In our day to stand for absolute truth is sometimes to be considered arrogant and “narrow-minded.” Yet, biblical Christians ought to stand on the same ground as their Savior. And today we discover that Jesus had stern warnings about who and who would not finally enter into the eternal joys of Heaven. Consider the heart and life change Jesus anticipates in those “who are saved” (v 23). And behold how “people will come from the east and west, and from the north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God” (v 29)!

I. How Jesus _____ ... or _____ answer ... hard _____ (v 22-24)

1. The ministry of Jesus _____ meditation about the _____ of reality.
2. These _____ people are concerned about the _____ of salvation.
3. Jesus alters a _____ question, making it deeply _____.

II. The _____ referent in this “_____” parable (v 25-26)

1. The _____ of the _____ is Jesus: behold the effects of his _____.
2. Israel had the ultimate, _____ under their nose and _____ him.
3. Friends, do not _____ the sober sound of his _____.

III. Sober news and the _____ of _____ rejection (v 27-28)

1. Jesus answers the question: there will be people DAMNED to HELL.
2. Consider the _____ of God’s judgment and understand the _____ of _____!
3. The _____ of Jesus’ day had twisted the faith of the _____ horribly.

IV. The Kingdom’s _____, _____, and _____ (v 29-30)

1. Embrace the _____ and _____ of God’s mercy.
2. Be sure of your union with Christ _____, and _____ in fellowship with God.
3. This world’s arrangement will be _____ in God’s kingdom (1 Cor. 7:29-31).