

"The Importance of Fearing God"

Luke 12:1-12

I. The Ministry of Jesus Christ

- A. Jesus the Good Shepherd
- B. Jesus Ministering in Judea

I. The Context (Luke 12:1-3)

A. There is an _____ amount of people gathered to _____ Jesus

B. The Jesus addresses His _____ with a _____

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* What does Jesus mean by the term leaven? Why use it?

C. Jesus is using the term "leaven" _____ to describe the _____ of the Pharisees

* Religious hypocrisy lead to self _____

* Principle to remember:

II. The 1st Reality: Hypocrisy will one day be _____ (Luke 12:2-3)

A. Jesus issues a sobering promise: _____ that hypocrisy tries to hide and cover up shall be _____ with absolute certainty.

B. Jesus calls them _____

C. Jesus challenges them to recognize that true righteousness arises from a _____ that is changed and made _____.

* What does Jesus' statement not mean?

III. The 2nd Reality: The Fear of God Produces _____ (Luke 12:4-7)

A. Fearing God alleviates the fear of _____

B. Fear of God leads to resting in His _____ for your life

IV. The 3rd Reality: The Fear of God leads to _____ of Christ (Luke 12:8-12)

A. Confession of Jesus means _____ with Him about who He is and declaring that He is your only hope for eternal life

B. Jesus is going to _____ every saint before His father and this applies to _____ saint.

* Who does verse 9 refer to?

* Now does this mean that we as believers do not deny Christ?

C. Verse 10 is a _____ to the hypocritical unbeliever

D. Verses 11-12 promise that fear of God leads to the _____ and _____ to answer in the face of _____

* What does this mean to you?