

Series "Knowing The Exact Truth"
"Your Kingdom Come"
Luke 17:20-37
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Luke 17, Luke 21 Contain two prophetic accounts of the future.

Luke 17:20 when the kingdom of God was coming,

The Kingdom of God is used over a **100 times** in the gospels and it is used **27 times** Luke's gospel.

Luke 17 Discipleship Attitude Towards God And Others:

Thought Of Our Passage: "God's Kingdom Consists Of God's People, In God's Place, And Under God's Rule"

- 1. Verses 20-25 Impending Deception**
- 2. Verses 26-30 Impending Destruction**
- 3. Verses 31-37 Impending Judgment**

1. Verses 20-25 Impending Deception:

Luke 17:20 Now Context - Luke 9:51-19:27 Jesus is journeying to Jerusalem for His goal of the cross. Luke 17:11-19 Jesus has just cleaned 10 leprous men.

having been questioned by the Pharisees Context – now Jesus is interrupted by some **Pharisees** "*separate ones, or to separate*" separate from sinners

Verses 20-21 The Kingdom Is Here: (Question) as to when the kingdom of God was coming, Jesus was doing, healing, and raising the dead. Jesus has just cleansed 10 lepers. Jesus said, the Kingdom had come **10:9,11;11:2,20**

Jesus was the King of the Kingdom, in His presence.
Isaiah 29:18-19; 35:4-6

kingdom of God – speaks of "*God's rule and reign on the earth*" "**God's people, in God's place, under God's rule**" **John 3:3**

was coming, Religious were focusing on the future, Jesus calls them to the present!

Present Kingdom Of God Is Spiritual Not Physical: "The kingdom of God is not coming with signs to be observed;

signs to be observed; Medical term "*describing a doctor examining the symptoms of a patient*"

Prepared Hearts Not Prepared Charts:

Luke 17:21 The Kingdom Is Not Localized: nor will they say, 'Look, here it is!' or, 'There it is!' As if the kingdom is localized.

Focus Should Be On The Inside: For behold, the kingdom of God is in your midst."

(KJV) The kingdom of God is within you This has been misinterpreted by the cults.

Jesus Is God's Presence: in your midst." (Among you) "*within your grasp, within your reach*" that if the Pharisees humbled themselves, they could enter.

Colossians 1:13

Verses 22-37 The Kingdom Is Future: Luke 17:22 And He said to the disciples, He has just answered the Pharisees, now Jesus addresses His followers.

Difficult Days Are Ahead: you will long to see one of the days of the Son of Man, and you will not see it. They would not see His Second coming. **2 Timothy 4:18**

Luke 17:23 Satan Will Attempt To Lead Believers Astray From God's Plan: Look here!' Do not go away, and do not run after them.

Matthew 24:36 Stay devoted to Him and not diverted to side issues.

Luke 17:24 (Like lightning you will not miss Him)

Matthew 24:27; Revelation 1:7

Luke 17:25 "But first He must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation. Luke 5:35; 9:22, 43-45; 12:50;13:32-33, Jesus' delay spoken further, **Luke 19:11-27**

2. Verses 26-30 Impending Destruction:

Verses 26-27 The Days Of Noah: "And just as it happened in the days of Noah, That Jesus believed in the Biblical account of Noah.

Genesis 6-8

History Repeats Itself:

Luke 17:27 eating, they were drinking, they were marrying, they were being given in marriage, placed before God and His kingdom, they are then clearly wrong. **Genesis 6:1-11**

It was **not the sin that Jesus focused upon but their indifference to Him. (Failed to notice Noah)** Their judgment could have been avoided!

until the day that Noah entered the ark, The suddenness and unexpectedness!

the flood (Deluge) came and destroyed them all. Notice there was no second chance. That when the judgment came that was the end of opportunity.

1 Peter 3:20; 2 Peter 2:5

2 Peter 3:3-4 Note Their Logic: The Church has been saying Jesus Is Coming for two thousand years. He has not returned, so that means He will not return!

Remember: The Eight Persons (Noah's Family) were right and the entire world was wrong!

Verses 28-29 The Days Of Lot: Luke 17:28 "It was the same as happened in the days of Lot: Jesus believed the Biblical account of Sodom Genesis 19:1-11

they were eating, they were drinking, nothing wrong with eating and drinking to live.

they were buying, Business as usual was taking place. **they were selling, they were planting,** agriculture was going on as they were preparing for a fruitful harvest

they were building

Luke 17:29 but on the day like any other day but it proved to be different.

that Lot went out from Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all. Not some but all of them died in judgment! **2 Peter 2:6**

Luke 17:30 "It will be just the same on the day that the Son of Man is revealed. Second coming. **Jesus' return will be quick and certain:**

That life will go on as it has today. **People condemned for being Self-centered not God-centered!**

3. Verses 31-37 Impending Judgment:

Luke 17:31 destruction of Jerusalem **Matthew 24:15-22** & The Second Coming

Priorities: "On that day, the one who is on the housetop and whose goods are in the house must not go down to take them out; 70 AD destruction of Jerusalem/ future 2nd Coming when the world is coming to an end **Revelation 18:15**

the one who is in the field must not turn back. Warning against the desire for material possessions!

Luke 17:32 "Remember Lot's wife. Literally "*Keep on remembering Lot's wife, learn a lesson from Lot's wife!*" **Jesus is addressing disciples. Genesis 19:26**

Lot's wife got so close to deliverance without achieving it! Got out of the city then looked back!

Luke 17:33 Jesus repeats what He previously said this in **Luke 9:24**

"Whoever seeks to keep his life will lose it, those that would live for this life and would strive to save this world and the things in it, will lose. (Let go of this world)

and whoever loses his life will preserve it. Giving your life away. **Mark 10:29-30**

Verses 34-36 The Great Division:

Matthew 24-25, Mark 13, Luke 21 Olivet Discourse Jewish and it is dealing with the Second Coming not the rapture. The rapture **Thessalonians, 1 Corinthians 15**

taken – is speaking of judgment. Noah and the flood, who was taken away? It was the wicked in judgment. Time of Lot, the wicked were taken away.

left – are going into the kingdom age.

Luke 17:37 "Where, Lord?" Lord is this Jerusalem, is it in the valley of Megiddo?

Men decay spiritually and judgment follows: Can be translated eagles or vultures. **Revelation 19** Battle of Armageddon. That when death is emanate and then the carcass will begin to rot you know that the vultures will follow! **2 Peter 3:11-12**

Application:

1. The Disciple Lives In The Present, In Light Of The Future. Not The Exact Date And Time But Is He My King Right Now?
2. God's Kingdom Consists Of God's People, In God's Place, And Under God's Rule.
3. Destruction/Judgment Will Come For Being Self-Centered And Not God-Centered.