

Series "Knowing The Exact Truth"
"Reason To Rejoice"
Luke 10:17-24
Study-43

Luke 10:17 The seventy returned with joy,
Luke 10:20 but rejoice that your names are recorded in heaven."

True joy comes by submitting our lives to God, as a subject to a king, knowing that he controls the affairs of our lives.

Luke 10:1-16 Sending Of The Seventy
Luke 10:17-24 The Seventy's Praise Report

Luke 9:51-19:27 The Rejection Of The Son Of Man

Thought Of Our Passage: "Serving The Lord Results In Joy With Increasing Knowledge And Fellowship With Divine Satisfaction"

1. Verses 17-20 Rejoice In This
2. Verses 21-24 Divine Satisfaction

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Luke 10:17 **The seventy returned Context** – Jesus had sent out seventy disciples on a short-term mission trip. **Luke 10:1**

Verses 1-12 Sent Out: The disciples were not to take provisions, but their dependence was to be upon God.

Verses 13-16 God's Warning: God judged Gentile cities for their sin and rejection. God would judge the Jewish cities with even greater judgments.
Luke 10:24

Verse 17 Joyful Return: The seventy returned (Came back to Jesus) returned with joy, It is awesome to see God's servants return from their ministry time and to be joyful about their ministry.

Reporting Success: saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name." Their joy is over the fact that the disciples had authority over the demons. The Seventy were only told to heal the sick **(10:9)**

Luke 10:18 **And He said to them,** Jesus responds to the joyful success by making 3 statements:

#1 Verse 18 - "I was watching Satan fall from heaven like lightning: (Satan's Overthrow) Satan – slanderer, devil (Not imaginary or metaphor)

Jesus Saw The Defeat Of Satan Through The Ministry Of The Seventy: "I was watching Satan fall from heaven like lightning. Lightning - *"depicts a power of dazzling brilliance that is suddenly snuffed out"* Jesus saw Satan snuffed out by the seventy disciples. **Ephesians 6:12**

Jesus Saw The Defeat Of Satan In The Beginning: "I was watching Satan notice that it does not say, **"it is written"** but **"I was watching"** This teaches that Jesus was before the creation of Man. That He is eternal. The Bible records the fall of Satan. **Isaiah 14:12; Ezekiel 28**

"The Pre-Existence, The Eternality Of The Son Of God."

Satan Future Fall In The Middle Of The Tribulation: Revelation 12:7-12

Satan's Final Fall: Revelation 20:10

#2 Verse 19 - Success Was Through His Power: Luke 10:19
"Behold, I have given you authority this authority *"the right to exercise power rather than simply power."* This is to the believer in his own personal life.

to tread on serpents and scorpions, That Jesus would bruise, destroy Satan's head, through the cross. **Genesis 3:15; Psalm 91:13**

and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will injure you. (Child Of God Is Protected By The Power Of Jesus Christ, Nothing Can Touch Us!)

#3 Verse 20 - Joy of Salvation: "Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you,

Success can lead to Pride: When there is success in our ministry, it is His work, not ours. 1 Timothy 3:6

**Success can appear to be genuine grace:
Success can bring a false sense of superiority:
Success is not necessarily lasting:**

Root Of Our Joy Is Found In A Living Relationship With God: but rejoice that your names are recorded in heaven." *"There was an Old Testament practice of registering citizens who belonged to a particular city,*

citizens possessing full privileges” Later it was applied to the righteous in heaven. **Exodus 32:32; Psalm 69:28; Revelation 3:5**

but rejoice that your names are recorded in heaven.” The focus is not our accomplishments, but that God has saved us, we are eternally secure not our temporal accomplishments.

2. Verses 21-24 Divine Satisfaction

Verse 21 Jesus Rejoiced Over God’s Revelation: At that very time He rejoiced greatly “thrilled with joy” in the Holy Spirit, Context - Luke 10:20 but rejoice that your names are recorded in heaven.”

Verses 21-22 The Prayer Of Thanksgiving: and said, “I praise You, O Father, The revelation of lost souls being saved, placed a smile on the face of Jesus. This is a prayer that Jesus prays in the hearing of the seventy. **Luke 10:23**

Lord of heaven and earth, Genesis the book of beginnings teaches that God is eternal that He always existed, that He is the creator.

that You have hidden these things What Jesus just spoke **Luke 10:17-20** Saw Satan’s Fall, Disciples Success Was Through His Power, rejoicing that our names are recorded in heaven.

from the wise “The religious knew everything, and consequently learned nothing” The religious community, the theologians, wise in self.

and intelligent those with insight, knowledge in exercise. (Mental power may be great and yet meet with moral failure)

Jesus Praises His Father For Revealing His Truth To Infants: and have revealed them to infants. (Disciples) Babes, those with child spirit which manifests itself in humility, wonder, reverence, trust. Have not been destroyed or unspoiled.

Acts 4:13; 1 Corinthians 1:26-29; John 14:6

Secular Delusion: “I’m not perfect, but I’m certainly better than....” Luke 18:10-12

“Salvation By Association” has any great people followed Jesus?

“Superior knowledge gives spiritual advantage”

Yes, Father, for this way was well-pleasing in Your sight. This is God’s way! Jesus was rejoicing that God revealed the truth to His disciples.

Verse 22 Jesus’ Witness: “All things (Inclusive) have been handed over to Me by My Father, this is a clear declaration of Jesus being the Son Of God (Deity)

Jesus’ Relationship To The Father Was Exclusive: (“Son” 3 times in this verse) Philippians 2:6

Jesus Is The Source Of Revelation: and anyone to whom the Son wills to reveal Him.” John 14:6 (Wrong About Jesus Is Wrong About God)

John 5:22-24

Verses 23-24 Jesus’ Blessing: Luke 10:23 Turning to the disciples, He said privately, Jesus pronounced a blessing upon His (12 disciples)

“Blessed are the eyes which see the things you see, these disciples were the most privileged of people. To be in the presence of the Son of God/Son of Man.

Luke 10:24 for I say to you, that many prophets and kings wished to see the things which you see, patriarchs, prophets major and minor, the kings of Israel.

1 Peter 1:10-12

and did not see them, and to hear the things which you hear, and did not hear them.” Jesus is encouraging the disciples by informing them that they had understanding of things that for a long time were concealed.

Application:

1. We Should Be Grateful And Joyful That God Can And Does Use Us. The Greatest Joy Results From The Realization That God Has Given Us Salvation. Our Names Are Written On Heaven’s Role.
2. God’s Ways Are Not Mans Ways. God Is Available To The Child, But Can’t Be Found By The Intellectual. God Is Revealed To Those With Child Like Spirit Which Is Displayed In Humility, Wonder, Reverence, And Trust.