

Pastor Roy's Study Questions on Luke 13:1-17 (March 15, 2026)

— *Below are questions to help further our understanding of Wednesday's Sermon.* —

1. How does Jesus's response to the Galileans killed by Pilate challenge our tendency to judge the severity of others' sins compared to our own?
2. In what ways might we be living without true repentance, making excuses like 'I can't' when we really mean 'I won't'?
3. What does it mean for a Christian to bear fruit, and how can we honestly assess whether our lives are producing the fruit Jesus expects?
4. How does the vinedresser's patience with the barren fig tree reflect God's patience with us, and at what point does that patience reach its limit?
5. Why do you think the religious leaders were more concerned with Sabbath regulations than with celebrating the miraculous healing of a suffering woman?
6. In what areas of our lives might we be prioritizing religious rules and traditions over genuine compassion and the work of God?
7. How does Jesus's comparison of healing the woman to watering an ox on the Sabbath expose the hypocrisy of valuing animals over people?
8. What modern-day 'rattlesnakes' might God allow in our lives to bring us back to genuine faith and repentance?
9. How can we distinguish between godly grief that leads to repentance and worldly grief that produces only regret without real change?
10. What does it reveal about our hearts when we witness God's glorious works yet remain indignant or unmoved like the religious leaders?