

Luke 17:1-19:27

Ch 17

Theme – The Lord takes it serious when people sin against someone else; Lord commands us to rebuke the one who sins & forgive the one who repents; apostles (not disciples?) ask the Lord to increase their faith; not the size of your faith that's important, but where your faith is "planted" (Ps 1:3); don't brag when we do what the Lord asked us to do, merely say "We are unprofitable servants/ unworthy slaves" (Lk 17:10); ten lepers are cleansed, but only one (a Samaritan) returns to give the Lord glory & praise; stop looking for signs of the coming Kingdom, the Kingdom is here!; Son of Man's 1st & 2nd coming w/ emphasis on coming judgment; 1st coming will not end until the Son of Man suffers & is rejected; days of Noah/ Lot will be like days of the Son of Man (people will not expect judgment when it comes); do not try to hold onto this fallen world (Remember Lot's wife- Gen 19:26); Day of the Lord (Rapture/ judgment of 2nd coming) will greatly affect people on world at that time;

Ch 18

Theme – Parable of the Persistent Widow: pray at all times (1Thes 5:17- pray w/o ceasing); don't justify yourself (Parable of the Pharisee & the Publican/ tax collector); allow the children to draw close to the Lord (remember the lesson of the P. of the Pharisee & Publican); Rich Young Ruler (Luke tells us he's a ruler); hard for people who have much to let it go and enter the Kingdom of God; what is impossible with people is possible w/ God (v27); Peter points out what they left to follow the Lord & Jesus assures them that they will be rewarded; Lord describes the suffering He will endure (contrast to the claim of Peter of what the disciples left behind); the declaration of His coming death is always accompanied by the foretelling of the Resurrection; Blind Bartimaeus! (last time we see him)

Ch 19

Theme – Zacchaeus; Parable of the Minas (occupy/ do business till I come); End of trip to Jerusalem (from Lk 9:51); preparing for Triumphal Entry; “the Stones will cry out!” (v40); Lord weeps over Jerusalem; Lord cleanses out the Temple