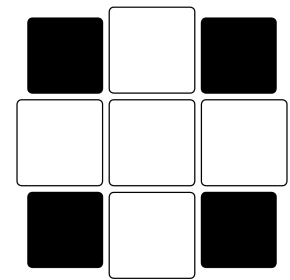


Jesus' Ministry to the Crowds

Scripture: **Luke 6:17-19**

Series: **The Gospel of Luke**

Sunday, September 10, 2017



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Overview

After praying all day and night on the mountain and choosing His twelve apostles, Jesus condescended to minister to the crowds on a level place. His physical behavior and position underscored what scripture tells us He did spiritually. Jesus put aside his rightful power and authority at the right hand of God the Father to take on flesh, dwell among us and identify with us. In doing so He saved those who believe in Him. **Jesus saves sinners in His gracious condescension.**

Corroborating Texts

1 John 4:2, Philippians 2:5-8, John 1:14, Hebrews 4:13-16, Galatians 4:4-7

Discussion Questions

1. God comes down to us; we can not “climb up” to Him. Do you believe this both intellectually and functionally? Are there ways you still try to climb up to Him?
2. God loves us as we are. Are you still anxious about screwing up? Why do you think this is?
3. One of the things we learn from the condescension of Christ is that “you are not **better** than anyone else.” Do you find yourself feeling entitled to blessings in this life or the next because of your works? Honestly, how would you feel about the most egregious sinner (insert a serial killer of your choosing) being given the same as you in heaven?
4. Another thing we learn is that “you are not **worse** than anyone else.” Do you agree that obsessing about your own failures is another form of pride? Why or why not?
5. We should all be moved by the condescension of Christ to rejoice, worship, and obey. Is this happening? If not as much as you’d like, how can you ask your CG to pray for you?
6. We should learn humility toward God and one another. How does continually reminding yourself of your need of grace and of the gospel empower you to let others receive honor and go first?