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## Apply What You Know!

Luke 12:49-59

Introductory Observations

- *Are you engaged?*

vss. 54-56

- *Be proactive!*

vss. 57-59

- *I'm worth dividing over!*

vss. 51-53

Closing Comments



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Go Deep Study Guide

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## Applying What We Know

Luke 12:49-59

### Getting Started

What did you find most helpful from this week's sermon? Was anything confusing? Is there anything that needs clarification? Discuss as a group.

If you haven't heard the sermon yet, you can access it at: [www.cbcventura.org](http://www.cbcventura.org)

### Going Deeper

Re-read [Luke 12:49-59](#). Try comparing two different translations.

Was there anything surprising or new that you learned from the sermon? What was most meaningful or significant for you? Why?

What shocks you about Jesus in our passage? What do you find troubling? How do you personally reconcile this?

Is it reasonable for us to expect Scripture to be consistent and logical? Why?

Discuss the importance of being students of God's Word, of reading verses in context, of being able to "[interpret the present times](#)" ([vs. 56](#))

How is it healthy to consistently allow God's Word to challenge our personal view of Jesus & God? Have you ever entertained an unbiblical image of God? (Most of us would immediately answer "No!" to this. But, the question also applies to how we live. Have you ever lived in a way that assumed God was this or that? That God was overly-permissive or condemning...)

How do you interpret [vs. 49](#) of our text? In your opinion, what does Jesus mean by saying, "[I have come to cast fire upon the earth?](#)"

Read [Acts 2:1-4, 33](#). How might these verses shed light upon our present passage? If by "[fire](#)" Jesus means "[the Holy Spirit](#)," how would this influence what Jesus is longing for in our text?

Have you ever experienced family [division](#)? What happened? Did it ever resolve?

What kind of division is Jesus talking about in our passage? What's His point? How is this of utmost importance?

Why is the word "[fools](#)" in [verse 56](#) a misleading or inferior translation compared to the word "[hypocrites](#)?" What is Jesus driving at?

Discuss the importance of being [proactive](#) vs. [reactive](#) as Christians and as leaders in our world. What are some practical ways that we can do this?

### Application

What's one way that you can practice what you've learned?

Who will help you & hold you accountable?

### Prayer

How can your group pray for you? If you don't have a group and you're doing this study individually, feel free to email your request to [prayer@cbcventura.org](mailto:prayer@cbcventura.org)

