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Changing How We Think

Luke 13:1-9

Introductory Observations

- *The Cause and Effect Fallacy*

vss. 1-4

- *A Call To Repentance*

vs. 5

- *The Patience & Grace of God*

vss. 6-9

Closing Comments



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Go Deep Study Guide

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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

Going Deeper

Re-read [Luke 13:1-9](#). 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 stands out to you in our passage? Is there anything that you find troubling? Share your observations

Can you think of anything in your life, or in our world today, that illustrates a cause-and-effect mentality? (Besides the obvious - our laws, justice system... The question is addressing inter-personal relationships).

The Old Testament very much taught a cause-and-effect/eye-for-an-eye system. But, what do we find in the New Testament and in the life and teachings of Jesus? What's the difference? Discuss

What alternative to cause-and-effect relationships does Jesus offer in John 9:1-3? How should this change the way that we think?

If we believe that people should get what they deserve - what's coming to them, then what place is there for *mercy* & *grace*?

Read [2 Timothy 1:9](#) & [Titus 3:5](#). What insights do these verses offer?

Talk about the ways in which our present culture has abandoned the idea of/existence of sin and the need for repentance. Why do you think these are viewed so negatively?

Talk about the merits of a definition of repentance that focuses upon *the direction we're facing* and *what we're seeking*, as opposed to the traditional *turn-or-burn* rhetoric.

What phrase is repeated in [verse 3](#) & [5](#) of our passage? What is Jesus getting at?

What do you get when you combine the *patience* & *grace* of God?

Finish by reading the following verses: [Romans 2:4](#); [Titus 3:4-5](#); [2 Peter 3:9, 14-15](#).

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

