

Pastor Bob DuPar October 20, 2019 PERSONAL

NOT <u>GENERAL</u>

vss. 25-28

Embracing Opportunities

Luke 13:22-35

Introductory Observations

- <u>DIVINELY ORDERED</u> NOT <u>HUMANLY APPRAISED</u>

vss. 29-30

The opportunity is ...

NARROW NOT WIDE

vss. 23-24

Closing Comments

<u>NOW</u> NOT <u>LATER</u>

vs. 25





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Go Deep Study Guide

Embrace Your Opportunity Luke 13:10-21

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 13:22-35. 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

Describe a time in your life when you missed a golden opportunity. What happened? What did you learn from this experience? Explain

In your opinion, what does Jesus mean in verse 24 that we should strive to enter the narrow door to God's Kingdom?

Read John 10:1-16 & 14:1-6. What does it mean that Jesus is the *door*, the *way*, the *gate*... to eternal life?

Discuss the following sermon quote: "You can never repent too soon because you never know how soon it may be too late!"

In our passage, Jesus never answers the man's question of *how many* will be saved. Instead, what does he say?

According to our passage and what we read in John 10, what's the evidence that someone knows Jesus? Read also John 14:21, 23-24; 15:14.

Why were Jesus words & claims in our passage revolutionary for His audience? What was their default assumption? How did Jesus challenge this?

What does it mean that our standing in God's Kingdom is *divinely ordered* and <u>not *humanly appraised*</u>?

What does Matthew 8:11 describe? What can we learn from this? Talk about the last/first <u>role reversals</u> in our passage and in Scripture as a whole.

Review what we read & learned in Luke 12:54-13:9. How does this also affirm that we are to take advantage of opportunities now rather than later? Discuss

Application

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

Who will help you & hold you accountable?

<u>Prayer</u>

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