

A Gospel-Soaked Church Church Clearly – Part 7

Luke 13:18-30
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In a Gospel-Soaked Church...

1. GROWTH WILL BE HAPPENING.

"Then Jesus said, 'What is the Kingdom of God like? How can I illustrate it? It is like a tiny mustard seed that a man planted in a garden; it grows and becomes a tree, and the birds make nests in its branches.'" Luke 13:18-19 (NLT)

"He also asked, 'What else is the Kingdom of God like? It is like the yeast a woman used in making bread. Even though she put only a little yeast in three measures of flour, it permeated every part of the dough.'" Luke 13:20-21 (NLT)

"But many of the people who heard their message believed it, so the number of believers now totaled about 5,000 men, not counting women and children." Acts 4:4 (NLT)

"...These who have turned the world upside down have come here too." Acts 17:6 (NKJV)

"...Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that My house may be full." Luke 14:23 (NKJV)

2. PEOPLE WILL BE SAVED.

"Then one said to Him, 'Lord, are there few who are saved?'" Luke 13:23 (NLT)

What Does Jesus Say About Salvation?

➤ There is Only One Way.

"Work hard to enter the narrow door to God's Kingdom, for many will try to enter but will fail." Luke 13:24 (NLT)

➤ There are Few Who Have It.

"You can enter God's Kingdom only through the narrow gate. The highway to hell is broad, and its gate is wide for the many who choose that way. But the gateway to life is very narrow and the road is difficult, and only a few ever find it." Matthew 7:13-14 (NLT)

➤ There are No Second Chances.

"When the master of the house has locked the door, it will be too late. You will stand outside knocking and pleading, 'Lord, open the door for us!' But He will reply, 'I don't know you or where you come from.'" Luke 13:25 (NLT)

➤ There is a Real Hell.

"There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, for you will see Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and all the prophets in the Kingdom of God, but you will be thrown out." Luke 13:28 (NLT)

3. EVERYONE WILL BE WELCOMED AND INCLUDED.

"And people will come from all over the world—from east and west, north and south—to take their places in the Kingdom of God. And note this: Some who seem least important now will be the greatest then, and some who are the greatest now will be least important then." Luke 13:29-30 (NLT)

"After this I saw a vast crowd, too great to count, from every nation and tribe and people and language, standing in front of the throne and before the Lamb. They were clothed in white robes and held palm branches in their hands. And they were shouting with a mighty shout, 'Salvation comes from our God who sits on the throne and from the Lamb!' Revelations 7:9-10 (NLT)