

Luke 13:22-33 Are There Few Who are Saved?

22 And He went through the cities and villages, teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem. 23 Then one said to Him, "Lord, are there few who are saved?"

Narrow Gate

And He said to them, 24 Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able. 25 When once the Master of the house has risen up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open for us,' and He will answer and say to you, 'I do not know you, where you are from,' 26 then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets.' 27 But He will say, 'I tell you I do not know you, where you are from. Depart from Me, all you workers of iniquity.'

Outsiders in the Kingdom – Some Cast Out

28 There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves thrust out. 29 They will come from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and sit down in the kingdom of God. 30 And indeed there are last who will be first, and there are first who will be last."

Herod Wants to Kill You

31 On that very day some Pharisees came, saying to Him, "Get out and depart from here, for Herod wants to kill You." 32 And He said to them, "Go, tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I shall be perfected.' 33 Nevertheless I must journey today, tomorrow, and the day following; for it cannot be that a prophet should perish outside of Jerusalem. NKJV

Facts Revealed:

Jesus was journeying toward Jerusalem. [Luke 13:22]

Lord, Are there few who are saved? [Luke 13:23]

Narrow Gate

- † Strive to Enter through the Narrow Gate. [Luke 13:24, Matthew 7:13]
 - ✧ For many will seek to enter and will not be able. [Luke 13:24]
 - ✧ For wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and many go in by it. [Matthew 7:13]
 - ✧ Narrow is the gate and difficult is the way that leads to life, and few are they who find it. [Matthew 7:14]

Closed Door

- † When once the Master of the house has risen up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open for us,' and He will answer and say to you, 'I do not know you, where you are from,' [Luke 13:25, Matthew 25:10]
 - ✧ And you begin to stand outside and knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open for us,' and He will answer and say to you, 'I do not know you, where you are from,' [Luke 13:25, Matthew 25:11-12]
 - ✧ Then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets.' But He will say, 'I tell you I do not know you, where you are from. Depart from Me, all you workers of iniquity.' [Luke 13:26-27, Matthew 7:22-23]
- ✧ The way to Eternal Life, requires living a disciplined life here of holiness.

- Pursue peace with all people, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord. [\[Hebrews 12:14\]](#)
- ◊ When asked what is needed to have Eternal Life, Jesus said, keep the Law. [\[Matthew 19:17\]](#)
- ◊ The way into the Kingdom of Heaven is not a life of ease, but we will all be tested to prove the sincerity of the heart in many ways and by many trials.
- ◊ Paul teaches us that all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. [\[1 Timothy 3:12\]](#)
- ◊ For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise. [\[Hebrews 10:36\]](#)
- ◊ Jesus warned that you will be hated by all men for My name's sake. But he who endures to the end shall be saved. [\[Matthew 13:13\]](#)
- ◊ For many are called, but few are chosen. [\[Matthew 20:16, 22:14\]](#)

Outsiders in the Kingdom – Some Cast Out

- † There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves thrust out. [\[Luke 13:28, Matthew 8:11-12\]](#)
- ◊ They will come from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and sit down in the kingdom of God. [\[Luke 13:29\]](#)
- ◊ And indeed there are last who will be first, and there are first who will be last. [\[Luke 13:30, Matthew 19:30, 20:16, Mark 10:31\]](#)

Herod Wants to Kill Jesus

- † On that very day some Pharisees came, saying to Him, "Get out and depart from here, for Herod wants to kill You." [\[Luke 13:31\]](#)
- ◊ Herod was the Tetrarch of Galilee the region where Jesus did most of His ministry.
- ◊ Yet Herod wanted to see a miracle performed by Jesus when he had a chance to see Him after His arrest and during the trial. [\[Luke 23:8\]](#)
- † Jesus said to them, "Go, tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I shall be perfected.' Nevertheless I must journey today, tomorrow, and the day following; for it cannot be that a prophet should perish outside of Jerusalem. [\[Luke 13:32-33\]](#)
- ◊ Jesus associates Himself with the prophets of Israel.
- ◊ Jesus is on His way to Jerusalem so that His death would be at Jerusalem to fulfill all pertinent prophesies [\[Luke 18:31-33, 24:25-27, 24:44\]](#)