

Certainty... in a world of doubt

The Gospel of Luke

desert breeze
community church



Saturday & Sunday, June 24/25, 2017 Ray Davis

“Irresistible Grace” Luke 10:25-37

You are more flawed than you think & the world is more fallen than most want to admit but God's Grace is greater than we deserve or could ever dream. We celebrate the intoxicating joy of God's Irresistible Grace most fully when we grieve our sin and the brokenness of this world most deeply.

What Does the Law of God Require? Vv27-29 (Matt22:34-40)

- 1) Love God with all your heart (v27a): Let God dominate your thoughts, stir your deepest emotion and move you to action.
Matt6:21
- 2) Love your neighbor as yourself (v27b): Meet your neighbor's needs with the same amount of thought, emotion and action you would meet your own needs without limits to when (v30), who (vv31-33), or how much (vv34-35). Matt25:31-46

You will not be humble enough to receive the grace God offers you until you are devastated by the grace God requires of you.

What is the Purpose of God's Law?

V28 Jesus says, “You have answered correctly, do this and you will live.” The law is the way OF life but NOT the way TO life. You should live that way but you'll never be saved that way.

That We May Know...

- 1) The Holy Nature of God Rom7:12; 1Pet1:15
- 2) Our sinful nature and need of a Savior Rom3:20
- 3) How to live a life worthy of our Savior Ps19:11-12

Legalism: I obey therefore God accepts me

Antinomianism: God accepts me therefore I don't have to obey

Gospel: God accepts me therefore I want to obey (Matt7:17-20)

What Should Motivate My Life? Vv36-37

- 1) Guilt: (Have to/will power) Pride = if you're a decent person you would help. Fear = God commands you to help. Guilt (pride/fear) can restrain the heart but it won't change the heart, only Grace can do that.
- 2) Grace: (Want to/God's power) Meet people's needs around you with such cost and sacrifice that people will need to hear the Gospel just to make sense out of your irresistible grace.

It's only when we become recipients of the irresistible grace of the Great Samaritan Jesus, in whom the Good Samaritan ultimately points to, is when we become dispensers of that irresistible grace. (John10:10-11; 2Cor5:21, 8:9, 9:8)

Growing Notes

- 1) We celebrate the intoxicating joy of God's Irresistible Grace most fully when we grieve our sin and the brokenness of this world most deeply (Rom5:20-21). Explain. How would you define God's irresistible grace (2Cor8:9, 9:8)?
- 2) Read Luke 10:25-37. What stands out to you from this story? Retell the story in your own words. What does the law of God require? What does it mean to love God with all your heart and your neighbor as yourself?
- 3) What does it mean that you will not be humble enough to receive the grace God offers you until you are devastated by the grace God requires of you? What is the purpose of God's law? What is the difference between legalism, antinomianism and the gospel when it comes to God's acceptance of us and our obedience of him?
- 4) What should motivate my life as a follower of Jesus Christ? What's the difference between guilt vs. grace motivated life? How does the Good Samaritan point ultimately to Jesus? How does being a recipient of God's irresistible grace make you a dispenser of it? Pray that db will be a place of irresistible grace.