October 13/Day 286

Matthew 12:22-50

Verses 22-24

- What three things were troubling this man?
- How did the crowds respond?
- How did the Pharisees respond?
- Is there any application for us?

Verses 25-29

• What did Jesus say to the Pharisees?

Verses 30-32

• This is what we refer to as the "unpardonable sin". What was it?

Verses 33-37

- For what is a tree known?
- What did Jesus call the Pharisees?
- What does the mouth speak?
- For what will we give an account?
- How will we be justified or condemned?

Verses 38-42

- Jesus had been performing signs and miracles everywhere He went. What does He say when asked for a sign?
- What sign would be given? What does it represent?
- Notice, the passage does not say a whale.
- What was greater than Jonah or Solomon?

Verses 43-45

- What kind of spirit is mentioned here?
- The text tells us it can go out of a man. What does it do?
- Can multiple spirits enter a man?
- Are there degrees of wickedness amongst unclean spirits according to this passage?
- What does the last phrase say? What does this have to do with the unclean spirits?

Verses 46-50

• We may have physical family, but who does Jesus say is our spiritual family?

Luke 11

• This is Luke's account of the Lord's Prayer.

Verses 1-4

• You may have noticed this is not word for word what Matthew said. Does this worry you? It shouldn't. They don't contradict each other.

Verses 5-8

• In this parable, what caused the man to get up and offer bread to his friend?

Verses 9-13

• Will our heavenly Father answer us when we ask?

Verses 14-23

- Now we gain a little more insight on this demon. Here Luke tells us it was mute. So, the man's inability to speak was demonic. It's not always demonic, but in this case, it was.
- What did the man do when it went out?
- Now we gain a little more insight into asking for signs. Here the passage says they were asking for signs in order to test Him.
- What does verse 23 say? Why do you think there are so many Christians nit-picking the ministries of others? If a person is with Jesus, we should encourage them and leave them alone. The passage says we scatter when we do this. On the other hand, a false teacher is not with Jesus and should be exposed.

Verses 24-28

- Who did Jesus say was blessed?
- To observe the word of God is to obey it.

Verses 29-36

• Luke's account of these passages we saw yesterday.

Verses 37-41

- What did Jesus not do before reclining at the table?
- What did Jesus say the Pharisees do?
- He's describing hypocrisy. The outside of the religious person was all cleaned up but the inside didn't match the outside.

Verses 42-44

• The religious men did the right outward things, but they loved to be noticed and exalted.

Verses 45-52

- A lawyer is a Pharisee. What did the lawyer say to Jesus about His words?
- What is our application? Should we speak them anyway? Even if they insult someone? Scripture says the gospel is a stone of stumbling (1 Cor 1:23). It also says we are to speak the truth in love, in order that we may mature (Eph 4:15). We are not responsible whether or not people receive the gospel.
- Did the Pharisees help those on whom they laid heavy burdens?
- Who had killed the prophets?
- What happens to aspostles and prophets?
- Had you ever thought of Abel as a prophet? Yet he is listed here.
- Observe verse 52, what does Jesus say about the religious men?

Verses 53-54

- How did the men feel about what Jesus had said about them?
- Do you think Jesus was being unkind to them?
- What were they plotting to do?

See you tomorrow.