



Where are we
in Luke gospel so far?

Triumph
over devil,
sicknesses
and evil

Preaching
the good
news

Encounters
oppositions

Calling of
disciples

The King arrived



What went wrong
with the Pharisees?

Idolise
their
rituals

Self
righteous
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Burden-
Some

Missing
out love

The “religious leaders” failed



The King arrives

The King appoints
(Luke 6:12-16)

- Who are the 12?
- What's their mission?

The King aligns
(Luke 6:17-26)

- What it means to be blessed?
- Who are the blessed?

The King teaches kingdom actions
(Luke 6:27-42)

- Actions that reflect love and mercy
- Actions that disciples should refrain

The King teaches self-assessment
(Luke 6:43-49)

- Assessing our heart, mind & actions
- Assessing the foundation that will stand the storm of life

+ Jesus appoints the 12 apostles (Luke 6:12 – 6:19)



12 In these days he went out to the mountain to pray, and all night he continued in prayer to God.

13 And when day came, he called his disciples and chose from them twelve, whom he named apostles:

14 Simon, whom he named Peter, and Andrew his brother, and James and John, and Philip, and Bartholomew,

15 and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon who was called the Zealot, 16 and Judas the son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

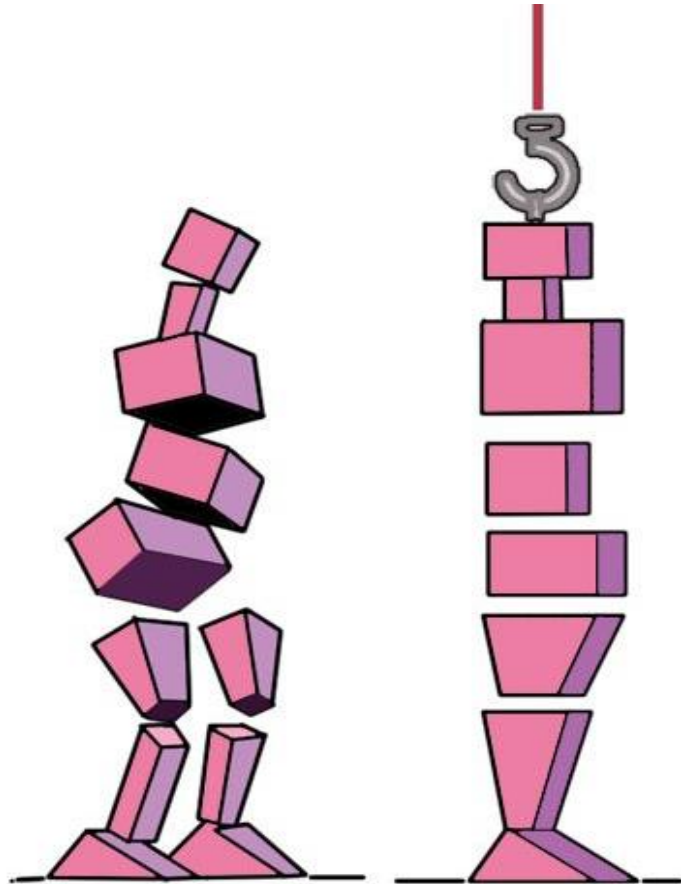
17 And he came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon,

18 who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured.

19 And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all.



The King came to align kingdom's values
(Luke 6:17 – 6:49)



+ Jesus aligning kingdom's values (Luke 6:20 – 6:26)

20 And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said:

“Blessed are you who are **poor**, for yours is the kingdom of God.

21 “Blessed are you who are **hungry** now, for you shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh.

22 “Blessed are you when people **hate** you and when they **exclude** you and **revile** you and **spurn** your name as **evil**, on account of the Son of Man!

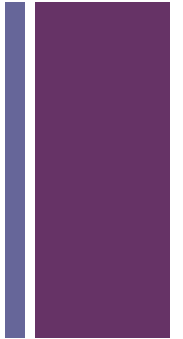
23 Rejoice in that day, and leap for **joy**, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.

24 “But woe to you who are **rich**, for you have received your **consolation**.

25 “Woe to you who are **full** now, for you shall be **hungry**.

“Woe to you who **laugh** now, for you shall **mourn** and **weep**.

26 “Woe to you, when all people speak **well** of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.



Bankrupt



+ Jesus aligning kingdom's values (What blessed means?)

“blessed” means
happiness when one
experiences the favour
of God

□ What it means to be
blessed?

Who are the “recipients”?
The “poor”, “the hungry”
“the weeping” & “victims of
hatred and insult”

□ Who are the blessed?

Isaiah 61 explains the
“poor” are the spiritually
bankrupt (devastated and
helpless due sin)


The King aligns
(Luke 6:17-26)

Why are they blessed?

For their attitudes towards the son
of man, for such character
delights God

+ Jesus aligning kingdom's values (What blessed means?)



NOW		PROMISED FUTURE
You are poor now	on account of the Son of Man! 	You will receive the kingdom from now onwards
You are hungry now		You will one day be satisfied
You weep now		You will one day laugh
You suffered insults now		You will one day rejoice

Our attitude to live for Jesus, is responsible for our present & future blessings

+ Jesus aligning kingdom's values (What woe means?)



NOW

You are rich now

You are full now

You laugh now

You enjoys flattery now



Living for the
fallen world!

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consolation

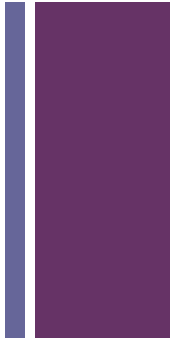
You shall be hungry

You shall mourn and weep

You shall lose your identity

Live for the fallen world, and you shall lose everything

+ Jesus aligning kingdom's values (Summary)



There are two kinds of happiness

Happiness because one lives for the King is eternal,
Happiness without the King is short-lived

and are we chasing the right one that last forever?



+ Jesus teaches kingdom's actions (Luke 6:27 – 6:36)

27 “But I say to you who hear, **Love your enemies**, do good to those who hate you,

28 **bless** those who curse you, **pray** for those who abuse you.

29 To one who strikes you on the cheek, **offer** the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do **not withhold** your tunic either.

30 **Give** to **everyone** who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods **do not demand** them back.

31 And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

32 “If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them.

33 And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same.

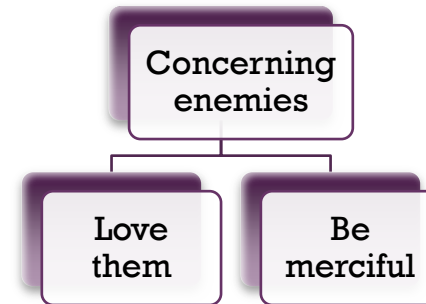
34 And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount.

35 But **love your enemies**, and **do good**, and **lend**, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is **kind** to the ungrateful and the evil.

36 **Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.**

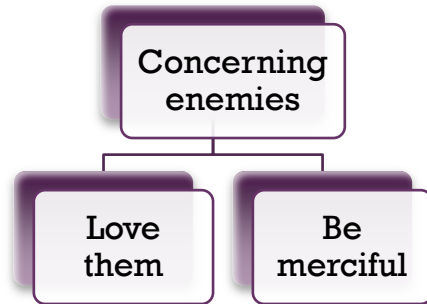
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- Who are these enemies?
- How? To bless, to pray, to offer, to be generous, to give and lend
- Why? Be merciful because God is merciful

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Jesus says “To one who **strikes** you on the cheek, **offer** the other also”

Jesus fulfilled all that he had taught

Now the men who were holding Jesus in custody were **mocking** him as they **beat** him. 64 They also **blindfolded** him and kept asking him, “Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?” 65 And they said many other things **against** him, **blaspheming** him. (Luke 22:63-65)

“Father, **forgive them**, for they do not know what they are doing”. (Luke 23:34)

57 At this they covered their ears and, yelling at the top of their voices, they all rushed at him, 58 **dragged** him out of the city and began to **stone** him. Meanwhile, the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul.

59 While they were **stoning** him, Stephen prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” 60 Then he fell on his knees and cried out, “Lord, **do not hold** this sin against them.” When he had said this, he fell asleep. (Acts 7:57-60)

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THE MOST
GOOD®

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The full report

<https://centralusa.salvationarmy.org/northern/lgbt-statement/>

+ Jesus teaches kingdom's actions (Luke 6:37 – 6:42)

37 “**Judge not**, and you will not be judged; **condemn not**, and you will not be condemned; **forgive**, and you will be forgiven; 38 **give**, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.”

39 He also told them a parable: “Can a blind man lead a blind man? Will they not both fall into a pit? 40 A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher. 41 Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? 42 How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take out the speck that is in your eye,’ when you yourself do not see the log that is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother's eye.

+ Jesus teaches kingdom's actions (Concerning judging others)



Jesus taught:

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- We break this command when we often assume the worst of others.
- We break this command when we judge a person's character only by their worst moments.
- We break this command when we assume “the hidden motives” of others.
- We break this command when we judge others without considering ourselves in their same circumstances.
- We break this command when we judge others without being mindful that we ourselves will be judged.

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How about evaluation and discernment?

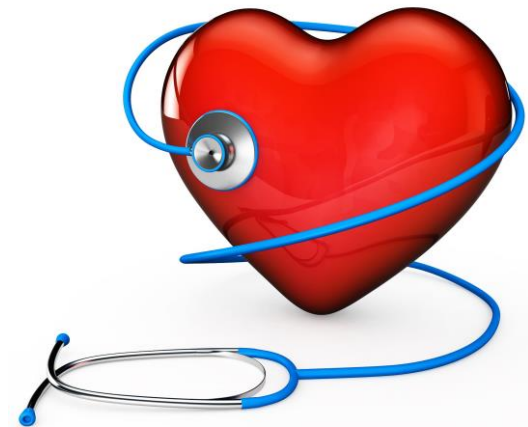
- We should only judge another's behavior when we are mindful that we ourselves will be judged,
- and we should consider how we would want ourselves to be judged.

Jesus reveals that we are generally far more tolerant to our own sin than we are to the sin of others.

+ Jesus teaches self-assessment (Luke 6:37 – 6:42)

43 “For no good tree bears bad **fruit**, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit, 44 for each tree is known by its own **fruit**. For figs are not gathered from thornbushes, nor are grapes picked from a bramble bush. 45 The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

- **fruit** is the inevitable result of who we *are*.
- Our words reveal our heart. If there is **good treasure** in the heart, it will show; if **evil**, that also will show in time.



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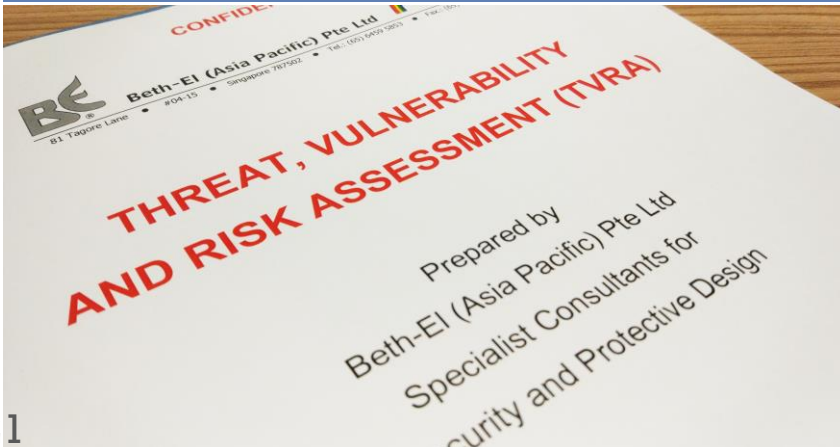
46 “Why do you call me ‘Lord, Lord,’ and not **do** what I tell you? 47 Everyone who comes to me and **hears** my words and does them, I will show you what he is like:

48 he is like a man **building** a house, who dug **deep** and laid the **foundation** on the rock. And when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built.

49 But the one who **hears** and does not **do** them is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the stream broke against it, immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great.”

Our foundations matters

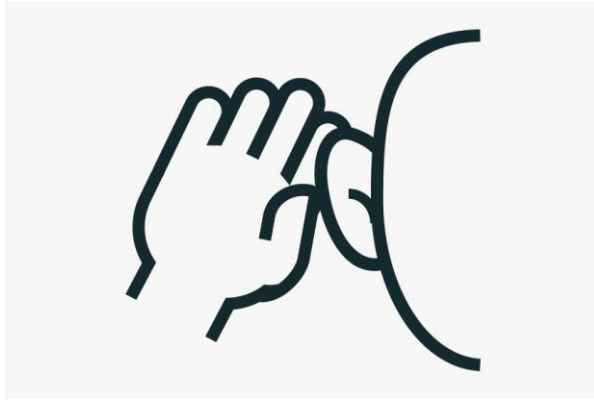
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You cant choose your threat, but you can choose your protection

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6:27 “But I say to you who hear” **(At the start of Luke 6)**



6:47 Everyone who comes to me and **hears** my words and **does** them, I will show you what he is like: 48 he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built. 49 But the one who **hears** and **does not do** them is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the stream broke against it, immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great.” **(At the end of Luke 6)**



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Jesus is Lord.

**He is preparing us to
weather through this
fallen world, and how
we should live as his
citizen.**

**Our respond is to
listen and do as He
says**