

Luke 6

The Lord of the Sabbath Chooses Twelve Apostles

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

Sunday, February 22

Luke's "orderly account" written to help readers "have certainty" concerning the things Jesus accomplished among us (1:1-4) has established some core truths:

- God _____ his promises (1:54-55, 68-70)
- God has provided the _____ that our dark world needs (1:78-79; 2:29-32)
- Jesus is God's _____ (1:31-35; 2:49; 3:22; 4:41)
- Jesus spoke with _____ (4:31-32, 36), sharing good news of the kingdom of God (4:43)



How does that foundation help us understand what was going on in Luke 6?

- **Jesus is lord of the _____** (6:1-11). In a confrontation with some Pharisees who accuse Jesus' disciples of doing "what is not lawful to do on the Sabbath," Jesus reminds them of what David did in 1 Samuel 21:1-6 and makes a powerful statement: "The Son of Man is _____ of the Sabbath." On another Sabbath, Jesus encountered a man with a withered hand. As scribes and Pharisees anxiously watch to see whether Jesus would heal on the Sabbath, he asked, "Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to destroy it?" When he healed the man's hand, the scribes and Pharisees "were filled with _____ and discussed with one another what they might do to Jesus."
- **Jesus chooses twelve disciples and names them _____** (6:12-16).
- **Jesus preaches his "sermon on the plain"** (6:17-49):
 - ▶ _____ are..." (6:20-23)
 - ▶ "Woe to..." (6:24-26)
 - ▶ "_____..." (6:27-36)
 - ▶ "...the measure you use..." (6:37-38)
 - ▶ "...when he is fully _____..." (6:39-42)
 - ▶ "...each tree is known by its own fruit..." (6:43-45)
 - ▶ "Everyone who comes to me and hears my words and _____ them..." (6:46-49)

How does Luke 6 help us grow in certainty about Jesus? Let's talk about it...

For Class & Family Discussion:

- ▶ **Luke 6** begins with these words: "On a Sabbath." When someone familiar with the Old Testament read this phrase, what would have immediately come to mind?
- ▶ What was Jesus' point in bringing up the example of David (**6:3-4**)?
- ▶ "The Son of Man is lord of the Sabbath" (**6:5**). What did Jesus mean by this claim?
- ▶ What is Luke's point in recording Jesus' healing of the man with a withered hand (**6:6-11**)?
- ▶ "And when day came, he called his disciples and chose from them twelve, whom he named apostles" (**6:13**). What's the difference? What does disciple mean? What does apostle mean? Is there any significance to the fact that Jesus spent all night in prayer (**6:12**) prior to naming these twelve men as apostles?
- ▶ How would you summarize what Jesus is communicating in **6:20-26**?
- ▶ Read and think about **6:27-36**. What does Jesus expect of his disciples?
- ▶ And what about **6:37-42**? What does Jesus want his disciples to understand and apply?
- ▶ What is Jesus' point in **6:43-45**? How does it relate to your own heart?
- ▶ "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you?" (**6:46**)? In what way does this continue to be a critically important question? How does the parable (**6:47-49**) drive Jesus' point home?
- ▶ Remember the goal of Luke's Gospel—"that you may have certainty" (**1:4**). How does **Luke 6** help us grow in certainty about Jesus?