Insights from Luke

#68: "Where Is the Kingdom of God?" Luke 17:20-37

Luke 17:20-21

^{"20} Now having been questioned by the Pharisees as to when the kingdom of God was coming, He answered them and said, 'The kingdom of God is not coming with signs to be observed; ²¹ nor will they say, "Look, here it is!" or, "There it is!" For behold, the kingdom of God is in your midst.""

Luke 19:11

"¹¹ While they were listening to these things, Jesus went on to tell a parable, because He was near Jerusalem, and they supposed that the kingdom of God was going to appear immediately."

John 3:3

"³ Jesus answered and said to him, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.""

I Corinthians 2:14

"¹⁴ But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised."

Luke 17:22-24

^{"22} And He said to the disciples, 'The days will come when you will long to see one of the days of the Son of Man, and you will not see it. ²³ They will say to you, "Look there! Look here!" Do not go away, and do not run after them. ²⁴ For just like the lightning, when it flashes out of one part of the sky, shines to the other part of the sky, so will the Son of Man be in His day.""

Luke 17:25

^{*25} But first He must suffer many things and <u>be rejected</u> by this generation."

Luke 9:22

"²² ... The Son of Man must <u>suffer</u> many things and be rejected by the <u>elders and chief priests and scribes</u>, and be <u>killed</u> and be raised up on the third day."

Luke 9:44

"⁴⁴ Let these words sink into your ears; for the Son of Man is going to be <u>delivered into the hands of men.</u>"

Luke 17:26-27

^{••26} And just as it happened in the days of Noah, so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man: ²⁷ they were eating, they were drinking, they were marrying, they were being given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all."

Luke 17:28-29

^{"28} It was the same as happened in the days of Lot: they were eating, they were drinking, they were buying, they were selling, they were planting, they were building; ²⁹ but on the day that Lot went out from Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all."

Luke 17:30

"³⁰ It will be just the same on the day that the Son of Man is revealed."

Luke 17:31

"³¹ On that day, the one who is on the housetop and whose goods are in the house must not go down to take them out; and likewise the one who is in the field must not turn back."

<u>Luke 17:32</u> "³² Remember Lot's wife."

Luke 17:33

"³³ Whoever seeks to keep his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life will preserve it."

Luke 17:34-36

⁴³⁴ I tell you, on that night there will be two in one bed; one will be taken and the other will be left. ³⁵ There will be two women grinding at the same place; one will be taken and the other will be left. ³⁶ [Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other will be left.]"

I Thessalonians 4:15-17

"¹⁵ For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive <u>and remain</u> until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶ For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive <u>and remain</u> will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord."

Luke 17:37

"³⁷ And answering they said to Him, 'Where, Lord?' And He said to them, 'Where the body is, there also the vultures will be gathered.""

If you are looking forward to the second coming, then you had better receive Jesus and His instruction offered during His first coming.

The kingdom may be nearer than you think. The Son of Man will come with sudden and inescapable force.