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WITH THE EDGE

## **April 9 – Luke 12:1-34**

*Re-read Luke 12:6-7*

Jesus is in the middle of telling the people to fear God, then he reminds them that God is a good God. He really does care for you! How does it make you feel to know that the God of the universe is caring for your life?

What does that mean for the problems you are facing?

## **April 10 – Luke 12:35-59**

*Re-read Luke 12:51*

This is not something that most people want Jesus to be saying. Yes, Jesus did come to make peace between sinners and God, but that doesn't mean people here and now won't fight it. The fight described here is between those who believe and trust in Jesus, and those who don't. If you want to live for Jesus, you are going to be fighting the influence of the world. In what ways do you feel that fight as a 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grader trying to obey God?

## **April 11 – Luke 13:1-21**

*Re-read Luke 13:18-19*

On the surface, this might not make sense. The Kingdom of God is small like a mustard seed? It started off with a pretty small group of people, and has expanded to include SO MANY people! Who are some people that you want to become apart of the kingdom of God? How can you be praying for them today?

## **April 12 – Luke 13:22-35**

*Re-read Luke 13:29*

Once again, Jesus brings up the inclusion of many people in the kingdom of God. Yesterday, you prayed for some people you wanted to see brought to Christ. Today we challenge YOU to invite one of them to church over the course of the week!

## **April 13 – Luke 14:1-24**

*Re-read Luke 14:23*

In this parable about a wedding feast, Jesus illustrates how some people don't choose to come to God. On the other hand, some of the people that seem far off from God, come to know Jesus. Who are some people that seem "far off" from going to church that you know? Pray to God to ask him to do something in their life! God is a powerful God!

## **April 14 – Luke 14:25-35**

*Re-read Luke 14:28*

Jesus wants people to realize what they are getting in to by following him. He gives the example of a person building a tower or a building. Before they commit, they need to know how much it cost to build it. What does it cost to follow Jesus?

## **April 15 – Luke 15:1-10**

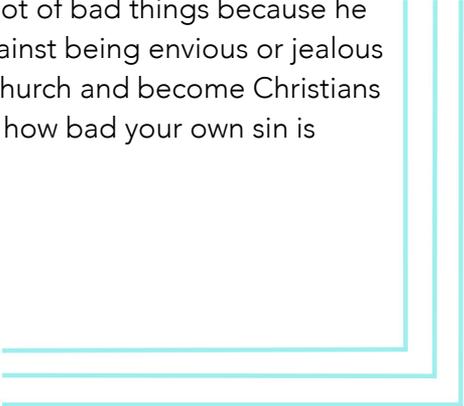
*Re-read Luke 15:4*

It is obvious that God cares A LOT for us! Jesus is the shepherd, and he left heaven to come save us and bring us back to him. How amazing is it that God loves us that much?! What can you do today that shows God how much you love him?

## **April 16 – Luke 15:11-32**

*Re-read Luke 15:31-32*

In the story of the Prodigal son, there are two brothers. You might be like the second brother. You might not go off and be rebellious against God. And that's awesome! But it would be wrong for you to have the other son's attitude. His brother was celebrated even though he did a lot of bad things because he **repented**. How can you guard against being envious or jealous when bad people come into the church and become Christians and blessed by God? (Remember how bad your own sin is against God).



## **April 17 – Luke 16:1-18**

*Re-read Luke 16:13*

Perhaps your god isn't money. Maybe it is popularity or pride. Maybe it is stuff you have, or maybe it is certain people in your life! Whatever you put first and make most important is your God. In this verse, Jesus is clear: you cannot serve two masters. We all need to make a decision everyday about what is more important to us: God or the world? In what ways are you tempted to serve something other than God?

## **April 18 – Luke 16:19-31**

*Re-read Luke 16:27-31*

This rich man who has died asks Abraham to send Lazarus back from the dead to warn his brothers to repent and trust God. Abraham says that Moses/the prophets (the Bible) is more powerful than a person coming back from the dead. This means you read / study / have access to something really powerful: God's word! What can you do this week to make his word even more important in your life?

## **April 19 – Luke 17:1-19**

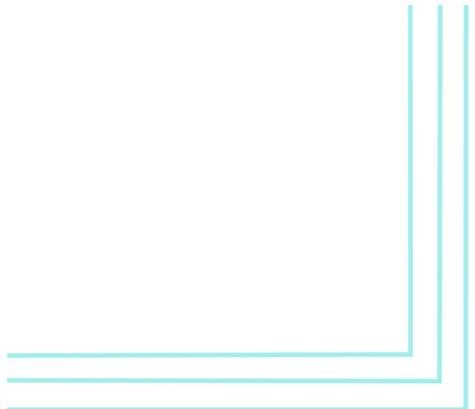
*Re-read Luke 17:1-2*

You probably know that temptation to sin is bad, and we should avoid it at all costs. Yes! That is so true. But think about how you tempt other people to sin. Maybe you start a bad conversation that leads to other people sinning. Maybe you tell someone to do something that you know is wrong. Jesus hates that! Think of a situation where you might tempt someone to sin. Then, think of what you can do differently.

## **April 20 – Luke 17:20-37**

*Re-read Luke 17:26*

The Bible is clear: Jesus is coming back. And when he does, he will come to take his people home, and to destroy those who are against him. Here in Luke 17, Jesus says it is like Noah and the Ark. God made an ark for us to be saved in, and that is the safety of Jesus' blood on the cross! But if people don't get in (through repentance and faith) they aren't going to make it! How can you warn people of this?





**April 21 – Luke 18:1-17**

*Re-read Luke 18:4-5*

This parable talks about a widow who constantly asks an evil judge to give her justice against someone who had wronged her. She kept asking, so much that it bothered him. He thought it would be better to just give her what she wanted. When we go to God persistently (over and over), how much more will he want to answer our prayer? What are some things you have stopped asking God for? Keep asking God!

**April 22 – Luke 18:18-43**

*Re-read Luke 18:22-23*

Jesus calls this guy out for having a lot of things. He doesn't say that it is wrong for him to be rich, BUT Jesus does want him to love God more than his money. That is why when the rich young man hears this, he is very sad. He chooses his stuff over following Jesus. When are you tempted to make yourself feel happy as opposed to making God happy? Jesus reminds us that it is worth it to follow him in the end! (Luke 18:29-30)