

Sermon Application Study

March 23, 2025

Target Passage → Luke 13:18-30

1. What do we learn about the Kingdom of God from these two short parables?
2. Are there a lot of people saved or only a few according to Jesus? Explain.
3. In what way is the door narrow? What does Jesus mean when he commands us to strive to enter it?
4. On what basis is a person permitted through the door? Is there a second chance once the door is shut? Explain.

Bridge Passages (for further study) → Matthew 7:13-29, Acts 4:1-12

For Me →

1. If you feel you have entered the door of the kingdom of God, describe on what basis you believe that. How is your life different now than it was prior to entering.
2. Does the idea of the shut door to eternity motivate you in evangelism? Why or why not.

For the Mission →

How would you address someone who says the following:

"Jesus didn't care about who is in and who is out. Jesus invites everyone to his table."

"The Christian worldview is too exclusive. God loves everyone regardless of what you believe about him."

PRAYER FOCUS

Pray for those you know who resist the gospel now because they don't see the urgency or because they don't think there really is judgment coming. Ask the Lord to give you opportunities to show them gospel love and truth.