

DAY 4 Read Luke 11:24-26 focusing on the Spiritual Battle Happening.

What do you observe about evil spirits/demons in this teaching of Jesus? What does this show you about “spiritual warfare or battles” that are actually happening according to Jesus? What do you hear as the main warning to you and people around you? How would you say you have experienced this passage in your life? Pray for the presence of the Holy Spirit to fill you completely.

DAY 5 Read Luke 11:27-28 focusing on the Blessing of Jesus.

How does Jesus handle this “blessing” to his mother? What is the main “blessing” Jesus wanted the crowd to focus on and hear? How would you arte yourself on the ability to not just “hear the word” but actually “put it into practice?” Give an example of something you have recently “put into practice” in your life that is producing good fruit. (Physical, Spiritual, Emotional, Relational) Pray Phil.4:9 personally for your life today.



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Part 12

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“Breaking Bad Opposition with the Right Decision”

Luke 11:14-28

“Then he said to the crowd, “If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross daily, and follow me.” Luke 9:23 NLT

The Attack - Following Jesus brings opposition.

“One day Jesus cast out a demon from a man who couldn’t speak, and when the demon was gone, the man began to speak. The crowds were amazed, but some of them said, “No wonder he can cast out demons. He gets his power from Satan, the prince of demons.” Others, trying to test Jesus, demanded that he show them a miraculous sign from heaven to prove his authority.” Luke 11:14-16 NLT

“If the world hates you, remember that it hated me first. The world would love you as one of its own if you belonged to it, but you are no longer part of the world. I chose you to come out of the world, so it hates you.” John 15:18-19 NLT

The Argument - Following Jesus is the strongest position.

“He knew their thoughts, so he said, “Any kingdom divided by civil war is doomed. A family splintered by feuding will fall apart. You say I am empowered by Satan. But if Satan is divided and fighting against himself, how can his kingdom survive? And if I am empowered by Satan, what about your own exorcists? They cast out demons, too, so they will condemn you for what you have said. But if I am casting out demons by the power of God, then the Kingdom of God has arrived among you. For when a strong man is fully armed and guards his palace, his possessions are safe— until someone even stronger attacks and overpowers him, strips him of his weapons, and carries off his belongings.” Luke 11:17-22 NLT

“We are human, but we don’t wage war as humans do. We use God’s mighty weapons, not worldly weapons, to knock down the strongholds of human reasoning and to destroy false arguments. We destroy every proud obstacle that keeps people from knowing God. We capture their rebellious thoughts and teach them to obey Christ.” 2Cor.10:3-5 NLT

“Anyone who isn’t with me opposes me, and anyone who isn’t working with me is actually working against me.” Luke 11:23 NLT

The Application – Following Jesus requires spiritual application.

“When an evil spirit leaves a person, it goes into the desert, searching for rest. But when it finds none, it says, ‘I will return to the person I came from.’ So it returns and finds that its former home is all swept and in order. Then the spirit finds seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they all enter the person and live there. And so that person is worse off than before.” Luke 11:24-26 NLT

“As he was speaking, a woman in the crowd called out, “God bless your mother—the womb from which you came, and the breasts that nursed you!” Jesus replied, “But even more blessed are all who hear the word of God and put it into practice.” Luke 11:27-28 NLT

“But don’t just listen to God’s word. You must do what it says. Otherwise, you are only fooling yourselves.” James 1:22 NLT

DAILY LIFE GROUP GUIDE _____ Mar.21-26, 2022

Use *this* guide this week to help you spend time with God every day. As you go through the daily devotional, reflect on His Word and pray specifically for God to guide your steps each day. Take one day at a time - Read, Reflect, and Record your answers. Spend time in prayer for God’s guidance. Share your thoughts & action steps with your LifeGroup. We are Better Together!

DAY 1 Read Luke 11:14-16 focusing on the Opposition to Jesus.

What happened to bring out the opposition to Jesus? Who was the opposition and what were the charges against Him? What is the opposition’s point in this accusation about Jesus? What about the people just wanting another “sign” as proof of Jesus’ power – what were they thinking and are they “opposing” Him? What “opposition” are you facing currently in your life or family? Pray for God to continue to do His Work in your life & family.

DAY 2 Read Luke 11:17-22 focusing on the Arguments of Jesus.

How would you summarize the 3 arguments Jesus gives to His opposition? What is Jesus saying about Himself in all this? What does Jesus mean about “the Kingdom of God has arrived among you” in verse 20? What is Jesus telling YOU about His power to overcome the “strong man” in your life and give you victory? Pray for more trust in His Strength not your own.

DAY 3 Read Luke 11:23 focusing on being For or Against Jesus.

First, go back and compare this to Luke 9:49-50. What’s the difference between these two situations? What does Jesus mean by saying “anyone who isn’t with me opposes me?” How are you “with Jesus” and “working with Jesus?” Are these two things the same, different, or complementary in your mind? How can you apply this one verse in one practical way today? Pray for a whole day of working with Jesus. →