

Life of Christ SERIES ♦ LESSON #40A – The Narrow Door
Luke 12:49 – 13:17; Luke 13:22 - 30

TO HELP US STUDY

1. What did Jesus come to bring to the earth? _____, _____. How so? _____

 2. Jesus chastised the crowd for being able to interpret the weather, but not... _____
 3. Before taking an adversary to court, Jesus advised them to _____
 4. Like Job's friends, people assumed that those who died in tragedy were being punished by God for their great sin. But Jesus told them that those still living in _____ and _____ were no better than those who died. "But unless you _____, you will all _____."
 5. Jesus told a parable about a man who planted a fig tree. Why did he tell the caretaker of the vineyard to cut it down? _____ How did the caretaker respond? _____

 6. Who did Jesus heal on the Sabbath? How long was she ill? _____
How did Jesus defend healing on the Sabbath? _____
 7. "Lord, are only a few people going to be saved?" Jesus: " _____

 8. Once the door is closed, how will the owner answer those knocking and pleading at the door? _____

 9. Who will the people see in the kingdom of God? _____
 10. But what will be there for those who are thrown out? _____
- Bonus: What scripture tells what will happen when we knock on the master's door now? _____

TO HELP US REMEMBER: Luke 13:24b "Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to."

TEEN THOUGHT: In this world we see many people suffering from drug abuse, sexually-transmitted diseases, broken families and other consequences of human sin. As in Luke 13, those of us who are not suffering are no better than them, but we must also repent and make every effort to enter through the narrow door. Jesus took someone who had been suffering under Satan's grip and freed her; how can you do the same for someone near you?

TIPS FOR TEACHING

Some topics for potential study – some of the scriptures below support these.

1. Sins and Consequences? Sometimes the Bible indicates a link, sometimes not. Explore.
2. Repent or Perish – What must we do to be saved?
3. Are only a few people going to be saved? How does this conflict with society's view of God?

ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURE:

Deut 7:7-15; Mt 5:23-26, 43-48; 7:7-14; Lk 6:37-38; 14:12-14; Gal 6:7-10; Rom 6:23; 8:28; 2 Tim 4:14
Isa 53:1-12; Mt 28:18-20; Mk 16:15-16; Acts 2:36-41; 3:17-23; 4:7-12; 16:30-33; Rom 3:22-26; 7:9-14; 10:9-17;
Rom 10:1-4; 11:5, 11, 17-23; 2 Pet 3:9; John 3:14-21; 14:1-6; Mt 7:21-23; 1 Ki 18:21-40; 2 Ki 17:32-41.