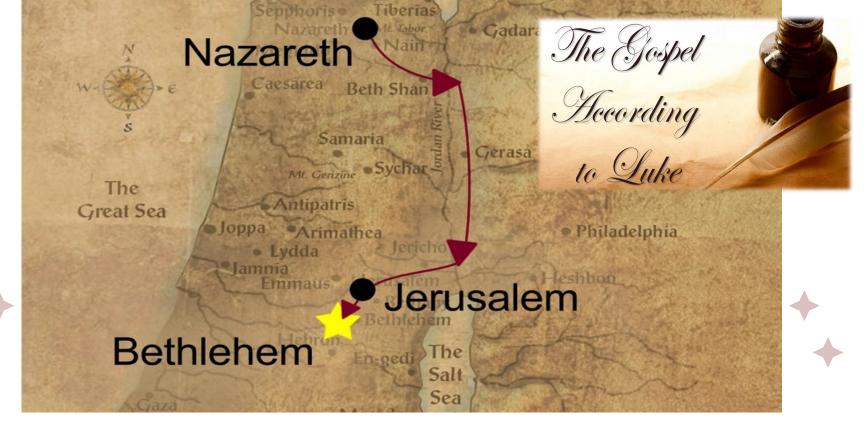


Jesus on the way to Jerusalem Part 5: Luke 13:10-44

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Kingdoms in Conflict Humanity in and out of Harmony

End Times

Jesus to Jerusalem

Teaching & the Status Quo



- The word 'angel' or 'angels' is found over 300 times in Scripture...archangel twice. (We'll look at a few...)
- * 69 times for 'cherub' or 'cherubim'...

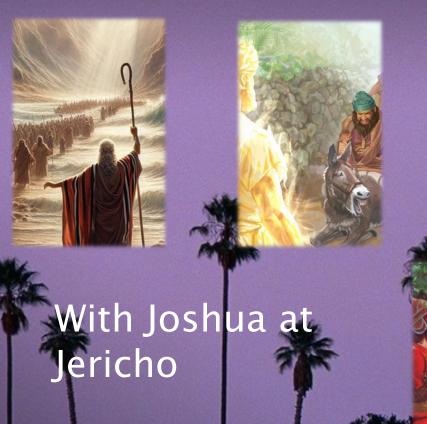
In the Garden of Eden

Hagar & Ishmael





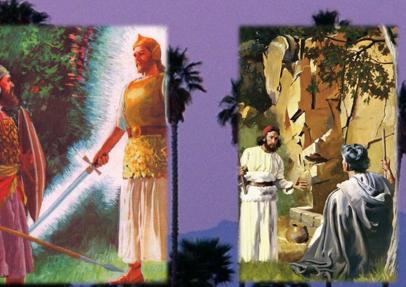


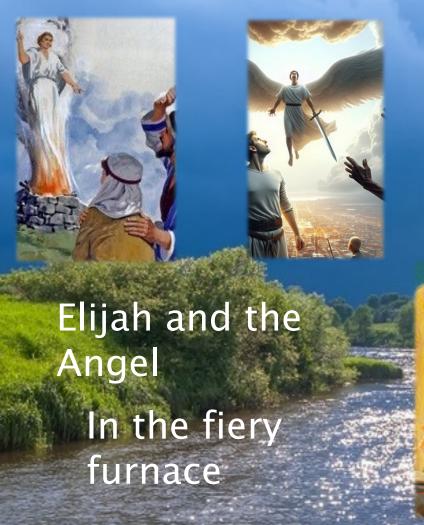


Guarding Israel at the Red Sea

With Balaam's donkey

With Gideon

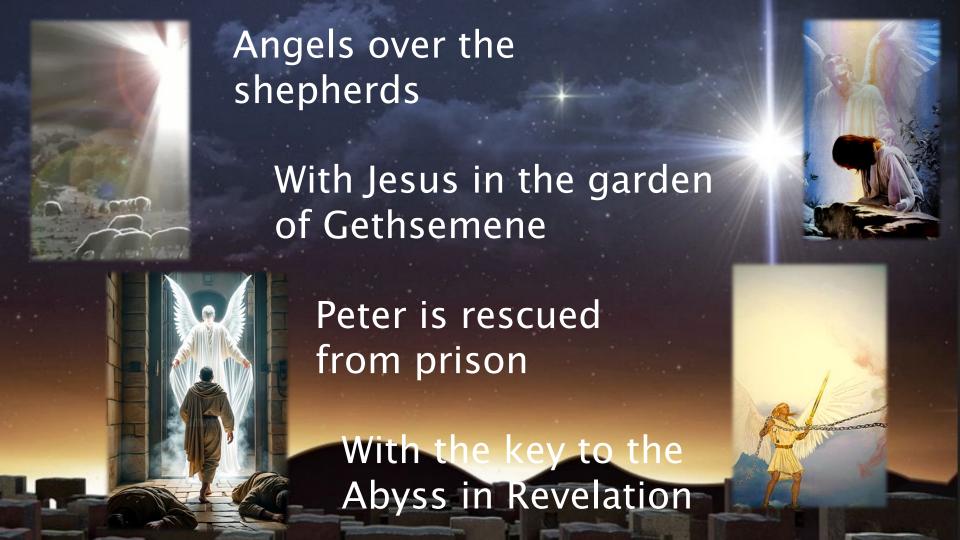




With the parents of Samson

With David at the threshing floor







Today's text continues with linked passages that have something profound in common: weakness

Luke 13:10-44



Jesus Heals a Crippled Woman on the Sabbath ¹⁰ On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues, ¹¹ and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all.



¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, "Woman, you are set free from your infirmity." ¹³ Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God.

14 Indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, the synagogue leader said to the people, "There are six days for work. So come and be healed on those days, not on the Sabbath."

¹⁵ The Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Doesn't each of you on the Sabbath untie your ox or donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? ¹⁶ Then should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham...,



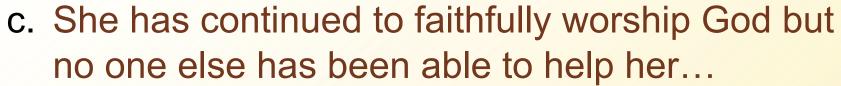
...whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years, be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?"

¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were humiliated, but the people were delighted with all the wonderful things he was doing.



1. Physical ← → Spiritual Weakness

- a. Doctor's Diagnosis
- b. Eighteen years is a long time!



- d. The Synagogue leader does not get it!
- e. Jesus reveals hardness...who is the cripple here?
- f. We need an "Attitude Adjustment"....
- g. The crowds are delighted in Jesus!





2. Conceptual or Symbolic Weakness

a. Two
concepts or
symbols of
the subtle



The Parables of the Mustard Seed and the Yeast ¹⁸ Then Jesus asked, "What is the kingdom of God like? What shall I compare it to?



¹⁹ It is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his garden. It grew and became a tree, and the birds perched in its branches."

²⁰ Again he asked, "What shall I compare the kingdom of God to? ²¹ It is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into about sixty pounds of flour until it worked all through the dough."

- b. We cannot see these as powerful...
- c. ...but their presence is enduring and profound!
- d. Their beginning does not define their end impact



Did anyone expect Christianity to span the whole globe?



Difficulties...Size, Time, and Association

The Narrow Door

- ²² Then Jesus went through the towns and villages, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem.
- ²³ Someone asked him, "Lord, are only a few people going to be saved?"
- He said to them, ²⁴ "Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to.

- ²⁵ Once the owner of the house gets up and closes the door, you will stand outside knocking and pleading, 'Sir, open the door for us.'
- "But he will answer, 'I don't know you or where you come from."
- ²⁶ "Then you will say, 'We ate and drank with you, and you taught in our streets.'
- ²⁷ "But he will reply, 'I don't know you or where you come from. Away from me, all you evildoers!'

3. Size & Time

- a. Jesus identifies the door is <u>narrow</u>
- b. There is limited

 time until the

 master closes the

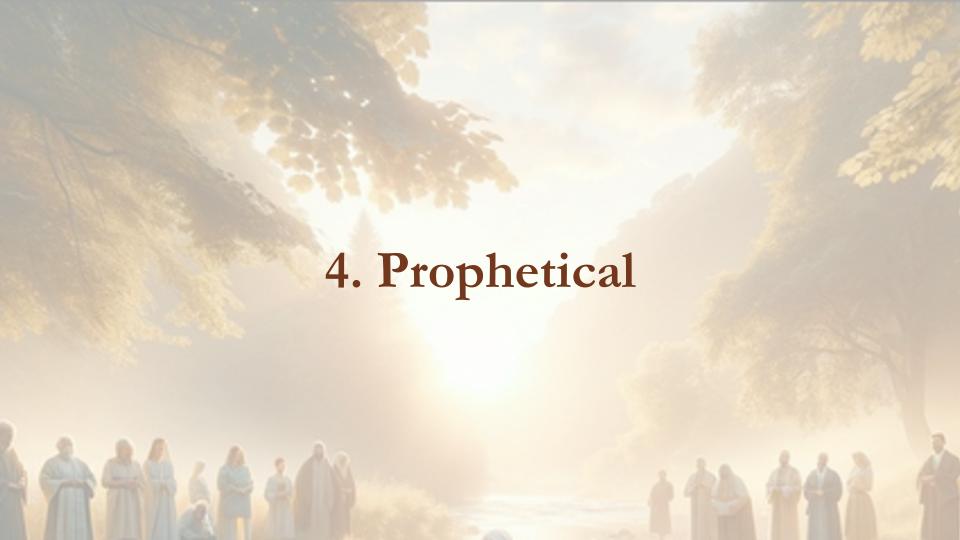
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²⁴ "Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to.

3. Relational

- c. Just knowing <u>about</u> the master in the house is not the same as <u>entering</u> the door
- d. The Master is looking for a changed lifestyle to reveal our relationship...
- e. Again...a reckoning is <u>coming</u>... this theme of judgment has come up over and over in these chapters



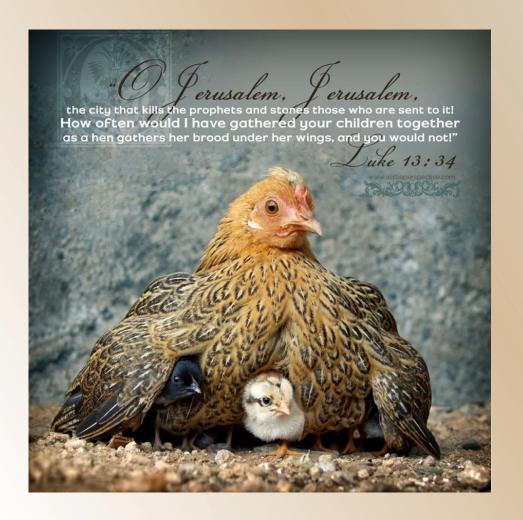
Jesus prophesies to the people of Israel again...

²⁸ "There will be weeping there, and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, but you yourselves thrown out. ²⁹ People will come from east and west and north and south, and will take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. 30 Indeed there are those who are last who will be first, and first who will be last."



Jesus' Sorrow for Jerusalem

- ³¹ At that time some Pharisees came to Jesus and said to him, "Leave this place and go somewhere else. Herod wants to kill you."
- ³² He replied, "Go tell that fox, 'I will keep on driving out demons and healing people today and tomorrow, and on the third day I will reach my goal.' ³³ In any case, I must press on today and tomorrow and the next day—for surely no prophet can die outside Jerusalem!



³⁴ "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you were not willing.

³⁵ Look, your house is left to you desolate. I tell you, you will not see me again until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.'" (a quote from Psalm 118)



4. Key Elements...

- a. Again—a symbol of weakness—a hen with chicks. Not a symbol of Roman or Greek power, but instead, a symbol of caring and protection.
- b. Jesus, like the prophets of old—will suffer in Jerusalem. Even King Herod, whose father sought to kill baby Jesus, is tracking him down.
- c. Jesus' ministry follows the paths of the ancient prophets, but with a different goal...



1. Physical & Spiritual

- 2. Conceptual & Symbolic
 - 3. Temporal & Relational
 - 4. Prophetical

Conclusions

- God's weakness overcomes...
- God's plans prevail
- God's ways are superior
- A baby born in a stable will overturn the world
- A man crucified will accomplish what no one else could
- The question is if we will welcome the power of God to work in our lives this Christmas?



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