

Sermon Notes

Insights from Luke

#16 – “The Way of Life for the Redeemed when Contrasted with the Lost” – Luke 6:17-26

I. Introduction

A. Today’s sermons may contain teaching from yesterday’s presentations.

1. Examples.

B. Repeated content is related to today’s text.

1. Liberal attack on the veracity of Scripture.

a. The Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-6-7) does not jibe with Luke’s account – Luke 6:17ff.

2. Reading of today’s text – Luke 6:17-26

3. The answer – Jesus simply used teaching material from another presentation in a different venue.

C. Luke 6:18-19

1. Simply indicates Jesus’ acclaim continues to increase.

II. Exposition

A. Luke 6:20

1. Jesus had promised good news – Luke 4:18

2. Yet “the poor” are the disciples, verse. 20.

3. Matthew’s account notes “the spiritual poor.”

4. John MacArthur & J.C. Ryle

B. Luke 6:21

1. Closely tied to the first beatitude.

a. A hunger for God – Psalm 13:1; 42:1-2

2. “Weeping” – Why do they weep?

a. Philip Ryken

C. Luke 6:22-23

1. Suffering is not due to physical disease or financial hardship.

2. It is the result from standing and proclaiming the gospel.

3. Dietrich Bonhoeffer

4. Note four verbs

H_____

O_____

I_____

S_____

5. The reason is given – “For the sake of the Son of Man.”

D. Luke 6:24-26

1. The prophets proclaim in the oracle of the W_____ or the oracle of W_____.

2. Some translate the Greek instead of “woe” as a lament.

3. Pastor Don’s view is that it is a judgment and not a lament.

a. William Hendriksen

4. The rich

a. They are satisfied, yet very needy.

b. They have wealth, yet are spiritually anemic.

c. They laugh, yet sorrow awaits. – Soren Kierkegaard.

5. Beware when all speak well of you.

a. I Timothy 3:7

b. J.C. Ryle & John MacArthur

6. Luke 6:26

1. Comparison to false prophets is significant. Note point for reflection Letter C.

IV. Points for Reflection

A. The more we acknowledge our spiritual poverty, spiritual hunger, and our sadness over the delay of God’s visible kingdom coming to Earth, the more we will find comfort, filling and encouragement in the Lord.

B. The spiritually complacent do not have much of an appetite for God and they may be sitting in the pews!

C. The people’s desire from within the church is often to only have their ears tickled.

D. The kingdom of God belongs to the spiritually impoverished.