

Sermon Notes

Insights from Luke

#39 – “Warp Speed, Hyper Speed, and God’s Speed” – Luke 10:38-42

I. The tyranny of the urgent.

A. Getting more done in the allotted time.

1. Examples.

B. Life is busier now than ever.

1. The acceleration of daily life.

a. Hyper speed.

2. Can be dangerous.

a. Example – Driving a car.

C. What is the definition of Insanity?

1. Answer: _____

D. Today’s Text: Luke 10:38-42

II. Exposition

A. Luke 10:38-39

1. The tale of two sisters.

2. Very different.

a. Joanna Weaver, “*Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World.*”

3. 80/20 rule for church commitment.

4. Martha’s response – initially correct.

a. Hospitality is a good thing.

1. Rom. 12:13; Heb. 13:2; I Peter 4:9-10

5. Mary – a model of attentiveness.

a. 80/20. Which sister equates to either one?

b. Probably both are the 80.

B. Luke 10:40

1. Martha – frustration leads to scolding.

2. Kent Hughes

3. God really does not need us.

C. Luke 10:41-42

1. The correction

2. Jesus does not take sides.

3. Yet, Martha had a long list of “to dos” while Jesus just had one concern.

4. Philip Ryken

5. Martha’s error.

a. David Gooding

6. Note word play on verse 42

“Good portion” or “good part.”

III. Points for Reflection

A. Martha’s self-righteousness resulted in her assuming that Mary should be serving the same way she was serving.

B. Beware of ungodly attitudes that can easily become center stage in our thinking.

C. What is most essential?

D. Why don’t we spend time in quiet thought and reflection upon the Word?

E. Stress and anxiety are relieved when we choose the good part.