



## “Three Kingdom Principles”

Luke 8:16-25

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THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

Questions for Application and Fellowship

### MY STORY

1. How is your hearing? Have you ever experience hearing loss? Have you ever needed a hearing aid of any kind?

### QUICK REVIEW

The Gospel of Luke is a detailed, carefully-researched account of the birth, ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Luke chapters 4-8 present the Galilean Ministry of Christ. He was experiencing great notoriety in Israel with multitudes of people going to see and hear. But how many were really hearing? How many had the desire to hear and receive God’s truth? In this passage, Jesus speaks about our need to be hearers of the word. But not only hears, but doers also!

### **Read Luke 8:16-25**

#### Three Kingdom Principles

1. The word of Christ is a \_\_\_\_\_ that shines (8:16-18).
2. The word of Christ is a certificate of \_\_\_\_\_ (8:19-21).
3. The word of Christ is a \_\_\_\_\_ in the storm (8:22-25).

Was any point in this weekend’s message particularly challenging, encouraging or helpful for you?

Why did God want you to hear this message now?

## DIGGING DEEPER

1. One of the very brothers of Jesus spoken of in Luke 8:19-21 came to living faith in Christ. He wrote a book and in it stressed the need for hearing and doing God's Word. Read James 1:19-27. Do so very carefully and summarize its instruction. What does it mean to be one who hears God's Word?
2. Read Luke 8:18. Jesus teaches a "use it or lose it" principle in terms of our understanding of the Word. The more we study the Word, the brighter it becomes. The less we mediate on Scripture, the cloudier it becomes. What is your approach to studying Scripture and sound doctrine in an unhurried way?
3. Jesus states that his closest family members are those who hear the word of God and do it. We become those with full access to claim His help. Read Hebrews 4:15-16. What encouragement is found in these verses about our relationship with Christ?
4. Jesus' disciples obeyed his command to go across the sea and were led straight into the perfect storm. Have you ever found suffering and hardship in the path of obedience? What does faith in Christ look like during such times? (See Hebrews 11:6.)
5. The word of Christ is a shelter in the storm. What storms are you facing? Have you been calling on God, or going through the hassle on your own?