



“The Narrow Door”

Luke 13:22-35

July 7th, 2019

Questions for Application and Fellowship

MY STORY

1. Would you say the typical southern Californian believes in heaven? How do most people of our land think you get to heaven?

QUICK REVIEW

The Gospel of Luke is a detailed, carefully-researched account of the birth, ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Luke 9-19 records the Lord’s movement from Galilee to Jerusalem where He will die for our sin. This text reveals that many people who assume they are going to heaven actually are not. Jesus speaks of the one way by which we may enter in.

Read Luke 13:22-35

3 Aspects of the Entryway

1. It’s a _____ entryway (v.24).
2. It’s a _____ entryway (v.24).
3. It’s a _____ entryway (vv.29-30).

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

Why did God want you to hear this message now?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Jesus said, "Strive to enter the narrow gate." Does this mean salvation is by works after all? How do the following passages help us understand?

Philippians 2:12-13

Acts 14:21-22

II Peter 1:5-11

2. How would you answer someone like the Mormon who declares each person will have another chance, after death, to believe in Jesus? What answers are found in Luke 13:22-30? Other passages?

3. Jesus' response to the Pharisees in Luke 13:31-35 shows His resolve to endure suffering for our good. How does this help you to endure hardship for the sake of others? How are you experiencing hardship in the Christian life? See also I Peter 2:18-25.

4. Jesus uses tender imagery of a hen to convey His desire to bring rebellious Jerusalem under His protection and care. But they were not willing. How do you reconcile God's sovereignty in saving the individuals of His choosing with language of His desire that all be saved? See I Timothy 2:1-7.