

Luke
(San Marco, Venice)

The central place of prayer in the life of a disciple

Luke 11:1-13



Give us this day
our daily bread
and forgive us
our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass
against us
And lead us not
into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
Amen

A disciple is called to mediate God's word Luke 11:14 - 12:12

We are to hear and obey God's word Luke 11:27-28

'A woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him,
'Blessed is the womb that bore you and the breasts that nursed you!'

Jesus said, 'Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God
and obey it!'

The enlightened heart radiates light to others Luke 11:33-36

(see Luke 8:16; Mark 4:21)

If then your whole body is full of light,
with no part of it in darkness,
it will be as full of light
as when a lamp gives you light with its rays.'

Attentive listening to the Holy Spirit Luke 12:10-12

'Everyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven.

When they bring you before the synagogues, the rulers, and the authorities, do not worry about how you are to defend yourselves or what you are to say; for the Holy Spirit will teach you at that very hour what you ought to say.'

We must decide Luke 12:49-51

'I came to bring fire to the earth,
and how I wish it were already kindled!

I have a baptism with which to be baptized,
and what stress I am under until it is completed!

Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth?
No, I tell you, but rather division!

Lament over the Jerusalem which rejects Jesus Luke 13:34-35

'Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets
and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I
desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers
her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!
See, your house is left to you.

The lost child is welcomed home Luke 15:11-32

Jesus' care for the outsider Luke 15:1-32

'All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him.

And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable.

The younger son

1. leaves his father and home
 2. loses everything
 3. sin takes him to the bottom
- change of mind

3. **Father comes out to his son**

2. receives everything

1. 'They began to celebrate'

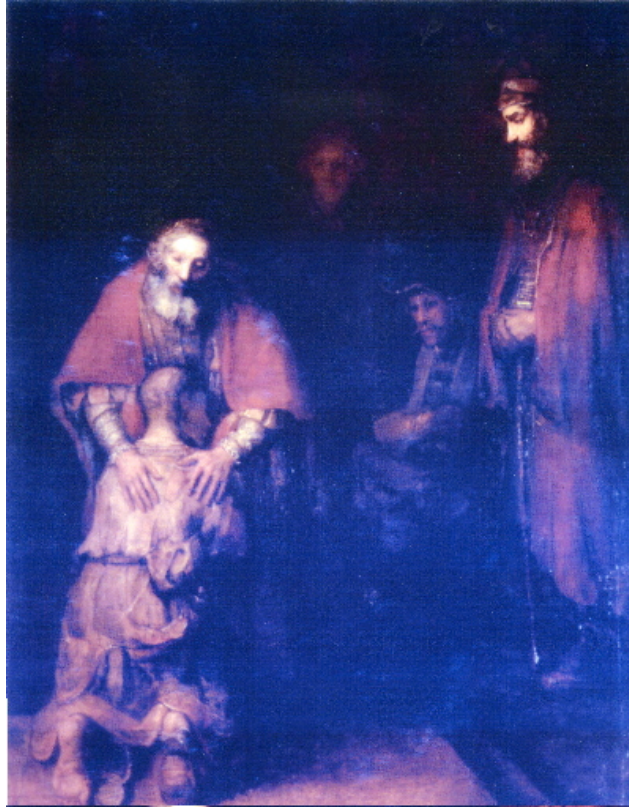
The elder son

1. Comes in from the fields
 2. hears of celebration and is angry
 3. **Father comes out to his son**
- stubborn refusal

3. Father tells him of his love

2. father explains the celebration

1. ??????



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Willingness to follow the Law to its goal Luke 16:16-17

‘The law and the prophets were in effect until John came; since then the good news of the kingdom of God is proclaimed, and everyone tries to enter it by force.

But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away, than for one stroke of a letter in the law to be dropped.’ (irony!)

‘You have taken away the key of knowledge; you did not enter yourselves, and you hindered those who were entering’(11:52).

- Zacchaeus, the rich tax collector (19:1-10)

All who saw it began to grumble and said,
“He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.”

Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord,
“Lord, half of my possessions I give to the poor;
and if I have defrauded anyone of anything,
I pay back four times as much.”

Then Jesus said to him,
“Today salvation has come to this house,
because he too is a son of Abraham.
For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.”

Jesus enters Jerusalem, the goal of the journey

Luke 19:28-40

Acclaimed as the ‘king’ (Messiah)

Luke 23:39-43

One of the criminals ... said,

‘Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.’

Jesus replied, ‘Truly I tell you,
today you will be with me in Paradise.’

Luke 23:46

Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said,
‘Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.’
Having said this, he breathed his last.

Psalm 31:1-5

In you, YHWH, I seek refuge; do not let me suffer shame;
in your justice set me free.

Hasten to hear me; come quickly to rescue me.
Be a fortress where I can find refuge,
a stronghold to save me;
for indeed you are my rock and my fortress;
for the sake of your name lead me and guide me;
disentangle me from the net that tightens around me,
for you are my defence.

Into your hands I commit my spirit.
You have redeemed me, YHWH, faithful God.

The disciples on the road to Emmaus Luke 24: 13-35

24: 30-32

When he was at the table with them,
Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.
Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him;
and he vanished from their sight.

They said to each other,
'Were not our hearts burning within us
while he was talking to us on the road,
while he was opening the scriptures to us?'

The disciples on the road to Emmaus Luke 24: 13-35

24: 33-35

That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem;
and they found the eleven and their companions
gathered together.

They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed.
He has appeared to Simon!'

Then they told what had happened on the road,
and how he had been made known to them
in the breaking of the bread.

The blessing of the risen Lord Luke 24:50-53

Then Jesus led them out as far as Bethany,
and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them.

While he was blessing them,
he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven.

And they worshipped him,
and returned to Jerusalem with great joy;
and they were continually in the temple blessing God.



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when you come
into your kingdom.