Luke Chapters 9-13 Training the Disciples

Luke 9

Read verses 1-6. Jesus Sends Out the Twelve

What are the purposes of this mission? What is the purpose of the power Jesus gave his disciples? "power and authority to cast out demons" – read 4:35-37 "power to heal" – read 5:17

Some think this power and authority was for the duration of this mission, as its absence in 9:40 and the equipping in 24:49 and Acts 1:8 suggest.

Read verses 18-22 Peter Confesses Jesus as the Christ, Jesus Foretells His Death

This is the first time that Jesus makes clear that he will suffer and die. Why do you think Jesus has waited until this point to reveal that to his disciples?

Luke 10

Read verses 1-12

What are the similarities and differences between this sending-out and the one in Chap 9? The number seventy-two represents the number of nations of the world – Genesis 10. "two by two" - Sending them out two by two fulfills the OT requirement for two witnesses (Deut. 17:6; 19:15) Why are they sent as "lambs"?

Read verses 17-22

In what ways do these promises apply to us? Are these literal snakes and scorpions or symbolic ones? Acts 28:3-5

Read 23-24 - why did he say this privately to the disciples?

Luke 11

"Lord teach us to pray." The disciples were asking for a unique prayer for them to pray as <u>His</u> disciples. What is distinctive about the prayer Jesus teaches them? – Read Galatians 4:4-7 Based on that, what do you make of Jesus' teaching in verses 5-13?

Luke 12

Read verses 4-7. What does Jesus say should we "fear" and what should we "fear not"? Throughout this chapter, Jesus' teaching creates tension between these two kinds of fears. What other examples do you notice of Jesus teaching his disciples to have the <u>right</u> kind of fear, and instructing against the <u>wrong</u> kind of anxiety?

Read verses 22-25 What three reasons are given here why we should not be anxious?

Luke 13

Read verses 18-19 – What does this parable mean? What does the seed/tree represent?

Read verses 22-30 Why will those who seek to enter the "The narrow door" not be able to do so?

v.25-26 – What do these verses say about those who count on their entrance to the house (i.e., the kingdom of God, v. 28) upon listening to Jesus' teachings and sharing fellowship with believers? What's missing?