

The Worship of the Church

Acts 2:36-41

After the first Gospel sermon, Luke now gives us a summary of the primitive Church and the worship of the first disciples who became known later as Christians.

Acts 2:42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

Luke 13:29 And they shall come from the east, and [*from*] the west, and from the north, and [*from*] the south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God.

Whosoever will let him come,

Isaiah 55:1 Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Isaiah 55:3 Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, [*even*] the sure mercies of David.

The Parable of the Great Supper

Luke 14:12-14 Who you should invite to a banquet, cf

Isaiah 58:6-12,

Luke 14:15

This is just another empty Pharisee hypocrite ritualistic saying. This man was at the Messianic banquet & didn't know it cf:

Mark 1:14-15 Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, 15 And saying,

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.

Luke 14:16.

A certain man is: obviously God, Bade Greek: *kal-he-o*. They had replied RSVP cf:

Exodus 24:7 And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, All that the LORD hath said will we do, and be obedient

Joshua 1:16-17 And they answered Joshua, saying, All that thou commandest us we will do, and whithersoever thou sendest us, we will go. 17 According as we hearkened unto Moses in all things, so will we hearken unto thee: only the LORD thy God be with thee, as he was with Moses.

Luke 14:17, Jesus is the servant, cf

Isaiah 42:1-7, God has made divine preparation, cf:

Psalms 31:19 [*Oh*] how great [*is*] thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; [*which*] thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men!

Luke 14:18 They refused the clear call of God through Jesus His servant just as their fathers had all His Old Testament Prophets,

Psalms 81:11 But my people would not hearken to my voice; and Israel would none of me.

Isaiah 65:12 Therefore will I number you to the sword, and ye shall all bow down to the slaughter: because when I called, ye did not answer; when I spake, ye did not hear; but did evil before mine eyes, and did choose [*that*] wherein I delighted not.

Jeremiah 7:13 And now, because ye have done all these works, saith the LORD, and I spake unto you, rising up early and speaking, but ye heard not; and I called you, but ye answered not;

Isaiah 53:1 Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?

Bought ground ridiculous.

Luke 14:19 Another silly excuse,

Luke 14:20 A legal excuse cf

Deut. 24:5 When a man hath taken a new wife, he shall not go out to war, neither shall he be charged with any business: [*but*] he shall be free at home one year, and shall cheer up his wife which he hath taken

Luke 14:21, Servant came & showed God these things, When? cf:

Daniel 7:13-14 I saw in the night visions, and, behold, [*one*] like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. 14 And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion [*is*] an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom [*that*] which shall not be destroyed.

Mark 16:15-16 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned

Luke 14:22, There is always room for another,

John 14:1-3 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. 2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if [*it were*] not [*so*], I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go

and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, [*there*] ye may be also

Luke 14:23, *Compel* Greek “bend their arm till it aches” God is serious, let the great supper to be filled.

Luke 14:24, Behold the graciousness & the severity of God.

The 5 Fold Worship of the Church

Worshiping God is our duty cf:

Heb. 10:25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some [*is*]; but exhorting [*one another*]: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

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John 4:23-24 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. 24 God [*is*] a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship [*him*] in spirit and in truth.

Lord's Supper:

Exodus 12: 1-15, 22-27 & 29-30,

Matt. 26:17-30

Mark 14:15-26,

I Cor. 11:23-32;

Acts 20:7 And upon the first [*day*] of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight.

Preaching:

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I Cor. 1:18 For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.

I Corinthians 2:1 And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God. 2 For I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.

II Timothy 2:2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also

II Timothy 3:14-4:5

Singing:

Matt. 26:30 And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives

I Cor. 14:15 What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also

Ephesians 5:19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Hebrews 2:12 Saying, I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee.

James 5:13 Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms.

Hebrews 10:1 For the law having a shadow of good things to come, [*and*] not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect.

II Chron. 29:25-30

Romans 15:4 For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

Praying:

Acts 2:42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

Luke 18:1 And he spake a parable unto them [*to this end*], that men ought always to pray, and not to faint;

Luke 11:1-13

Giving:

I Corinthians 16:1-2 Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ye. 2 Upon the first [*day*] of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as [*God*] hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.

II Corinthians 9:6-9 But this [*I say*], He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. 7 Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, [*so let him give*]; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. 8 And God [*is*] able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all [*things*], may abound to every

good work: 9 (As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever.

Psalm 41:1-4 Blessed [*is*] he that considereth the poor: the LORD will deliver him in time of trouble. 2 The LORD will preserve him, and keep him alive; [*and*] he shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies. 3 The LORD will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing: thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness. 4 I said, LORD, be merciful unto me: heal my soul; for I have sinned against thee.