

Series: The Gospel of Luke

Sermon: Plenty of Light, Not enough Sight

Passage: Luke 11:29-36 (ESV)

Illustration:

Need: The gospel is enough, no more signs are required and no more light is needed.

I. No signs for you (11:29-32)

- This generation was wicked because they were wildly religious but refused truth (Matt. 25:27).
- They wanted a proof sign beyond all that God had undeniably done through Jesus, His Messiah.
- The only sign they would receive was that of the witness of Jonah who stood as the mediator of God's truth to a condemned people with a message of hope through repentance. (see also Matt. 12:39-40)
- OT gentiles proved to be more receptive to truth with much less evidence than God's own people.

II. Open your eyes (11:33-36)

- Light has been provided, not hidden, by God for everyone living in darkness.
- To embrace Jesus is to walk in the light. To reject Jesus is to choose blindness and remain in darkness.
- Israel, and the world, does not have a light problem, they have a sight problem.
- John 1:1-5, 9-11, 12-13; John 3:19-20, 21; John 8:12

III. Principles & Application

- The gospel of Jesus Christ is enough, share it boldly. No more signs and no more light is needed.
- Remember, believers walk by faith in Jesus, NOT by circumstances or "happenings."
- Reject fashionable spiritual blindfolds:
 - Christianity is about what I believe, not what I do.
 - Things are going well in my life so that means me and God are good.
 - Some things are just more important right now than pursuing Jesus.
 - A little bit of sin in my life is not so bad.
 - Once this season of my life is over, I'll get back on track with God.
 - I can handle this on my own.
 - I know what the Bible says but there's other truth out there too.