

Luke 6:46-49

Did Jesus Say That?

Salvation Is Through Him Only

- The context: With the apostles before His arrest
 - John 14:1-5 – “Let not your hearts be troubled”
- The meaning: He is the world’s only savior
 - John 14:6 – “No one comes to the Father except through me”
 - Acts 4:10-12 – “... there is salvation in no one else”
 - Colossians 3:1-4 – “seated at the right hand of God”

Salvation Is Through Him Only

- The lesson for us:
 - There are not “many ways to Heaven”
 - John 14:6 – “No one comes to the Father except through me”
- The way to Heaven is “The Narrow Way”
 - Matthew 7:13-14 – “For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life”

He Would Be The Cause Of Division

- The context:
 - The limited commission
 - Matthew 10:1, 5-6, 16 – “These twelve Jesus sent out”
- The meaning: His message would be controversial
 - Matthew 10:34-39 – “I have not come to bring peace, but a sword”

He Would Be The Cause Of Division

- The lesson for us:
 - Expect conflict when speaking the truth
 - Acts 4:1-4 – “... the Sadducees came upon them, greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people ...”
 - Acts 7:51-53 – “you always resist the Holy Spirit”
 - We must be prepared
 - Matthew 10:37 – “Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me”
 - Romans 1:16-17 – “for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes”

We Must Love Our Enemies

- The context:
 - The sermon on the mount
 - Matthew 5:21-22, 43-44 – “Love your enemies ...”
- The meaning: Love everyone
 - John 13:34 – “just as I have loved you”
 - Romans 13:8-10 – “You shall love your neighbor as yourself”
 - I Corinthians 16:14 – “Let all that you do be done in love”
 - Matthew 5:46-48 – “You therefore must be perfect”

We Must Love Our Enemies

- The lesson for us:
 - God calls on us to do hard things
 - I Peter 2:11 – "... abstain from the passions of the flesh"
 - Matthew 5:38-42 – "Do not resist the one who is evil"
 - Romans 12:1 – "holy and acceptable to God"
 - We must love as He loves
 - John 3:16-17 – "... God so loved the world"
 - John 15:12-13 – "... as I have loved you"
 - I John 3:16 – "... he laid down his life for us"

Obedience Is Demanded Of Us

- The context:
 - Exhortations to the apostles at the Passover meal:
 - John, Chapters 13-16
 - Washing the disciples feet, the new commandment, "I am the Way ...", etc.
 - The meaning: True love obeys
 - John 14:15 – "If you love me, you will keep my commandments"

Obedience Is Demanded Of Us

- The lesson for us:
 - Obedience, not words, is proof of our love
 - I Samuel 15:22-23 – "... to obey is better than sacrifice"
 - John 14:21-24 – "he will keep my word"
 - Obedience brings salvation
 - Hebrews 5:8-9 – "he learned obedience ..."
 - I John 2:3-6 – "By this we may be sure ..."
 - I John 3:24 – "Whoever keeps his commandments"

Obeying The Gospel

Hear the Word of God

- James 1:21 – "... receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls."

Believe the Gospel message about Jesus

- I John 3:23-24 – "... that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ ..."

Obeying The Gospel

Repent of your sins

- Acts 3:19 – "Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out"

Confess that Jesus is the Son of God

- Romans 10:9-10 – "... with the mouth one confesses and is saved"

Obeying The Gospel

Be immersed in water

- Acts 2:38 – "Repent and be baptized every one of you ..."

Remain faithful

- I Corinthians 15:1-2 – "if you hold fast to the word I preached to you – unless you believed in vain"