Luke 13

King James Version (KJV)

- **13** There were present at that season some that told him of the Galilaeans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. (This is also written by Josephus in antiquities-18:4. Not much is known about them other than they died by some calamity)
- ²And Jesus answering said unto them, Suppose ye that these Galilaeans were sinners above all the Galilaeans, because they suffered such things? (Were they at the wrong place at the wrong time? Or were they bigger sinners than the others?)
- ³I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish. (Everyone will die once, in the flesh; good and bad. Some will die by accidents, others of natural causes)

(Those who repent will live afterwards, spiritually. Those who don't repent, won't)

- ⁴Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem? (No, they weren't. They were just at the wrong place at the wrong time. We all die. But those who repent will have eternal life afterwards)
- ⁵I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, <u>ye shall all likewise perish</u>. (Perish spiritually, at judgment day. We all sin. And we all need to repent and get right with God)
- ⁶He spake also this parable; A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none.
- Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down; why cumbereth it the ground? (A fruit tree that doesn't produce any fruit is useless)

My opinion: (This is symbolic of the rich, who don't produce anything for God. They have plenty of time and money, but they only use it for themselves)

- ⁸ And he answering said unto him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung it: (Give it a chance to change for the better)
- ⁹And if it bear fruit, well: and if not, then after that thou shalt cut it down. (Jesus gave us all the opportunity to repent. Some will and some won't)
- ¹º And he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. (Jesus never hid. HE taught in the synagogue, openly; for anyone who wanted to learn)
- ¹¹ And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself. (She an evil spirit that crippled her, 18 years in bondage. Listening to the false rabbis couldn't save her)
- ¹² And when Jesus saw her, he called her to him, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity. (Jesus expelled the spirit and healed her)
- ¹³ And he laid his hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. (Always thank God for your blessings)
- ¹⁴ And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the sabbath day, and said unto the people, There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the sabbath day. (The jealous priests are looking for any reason to set Jesus up)

(They can't heal anyone on any day. So they use the blame game to falsely accuse Jesus. Here they are saying that He worked on the sabbath day. A priest is supposed to work on the sabbath day)

- ¹⁵ The Lord then answered him, and said, Thou hypocrite, doth not each one of you on the sabbath loose his ox or his ass from the stall, and lead him away to watering? (Jesus calls them on their hypocrisy. They'll work on the Sabbath to protect their wealth, but they won't lift a finger to help anyone else)
- ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day? (There is no law that says a prophet cannot do

the work of God on the sabbath day. Jesus was teaching and healing. The ruler of the synagogue is ignorant of God's Word)

- ¹⁷ And when he had said these things, all his adversaries were ashamed: and all the people rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by him. (Jesus spoke the truth, and everyone knew it. The good people rejoiced and the bad ones were ashamed)
- ¹⁸Then said he, Unto what is the kingdom of God like? <u>and whereunto shall I resemble it</u>? (Which analogy can I use to describe it?)
- ¹⁹ It is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and cast into his garden; and it grew, and waxed a great tree; and the fowls of the air lodged in the branches of it. (The buzzards will nest in a good teaching or in a successful ministry, in order to get in on the action. Some will do it for tithe money, some for their ego)

(Keep your ministry free of these false preachers. Throw them out when they show up)

- ²⁰ And again he said, Whereunto shall I liken the kingdom of God?
- ²¹ It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened. (True teaching will grow on the people; like leaven spreads throughout the dough. People instinctively know when they hear the true Word of God, because it all makes sense)
- ²² And he went through the cities and villages, teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem. (Jesus never stopped fulfilling His ministry)
- ²³ Then said one unto him, Lord, are there few that be saved? And he said unto them,
- ²⁴ <u>Strive</u> to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able. (Strive = to contend with an adversary)

(The straight gate is to know the truth of God's Word, not the deception of Satan or the traditions of men. There are many false doctrines in the world; but there is only one true doctrine from God)

²⁵ When once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying,

- Lord, Lord, open unto us; and he shall answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are: (These are the false preachers who teach traditions of men, instead of the true Word of God. They will be deceived by antichrist because they never bothered to learn the truth; and to teach it to others)
- ²⁶ Then shall ye begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streets. (And they will say but we even took communion to you)
- ²⁷ But he shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence ye are; depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity. (Jesus is talking to false preachers, and their deceived followers. They never learned the truth so they will fall for antichrist's deception)
- ²⁸ There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out. (They will be remorseful, but it will be too late. They didn't make it)
- 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. Isajah-49:12
- ³⁰ And, behold, there are last which shall be first, and there are first which shall be last. (Last born, first saved... first born, last saved- also the Elect were chosen first, during the First Age; but will work for God in the last days of this Age)
- ³¹ The same day there came certain of the Pharisees, saying unto him, Get thee out, and depart hence: for Herod will kill thee.
- ³² And he said unto them, Go ye, and tell that fox, Behold, I cast out devils, and I do cures to day and to morrow, <u>and the third day I shall be perfected</u>. (Jesus is speaking about His resurrection)
- ³³ Nevertheless I must walk to day, and to morrow, and the day following: for it cannot be that a prophet perish out of Jerusalem. (Jesus would not abandon His ministry, even at the threat of death by the governor)
- ³⁴O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings,

and ye would not! (Rebellious people who refused to follow God's Word) see Mathew-23

(Now, they were about to reject God, Himself – in the form of Jesus Christ. There is only one God; He has many offices. Jesus is one of those offices)

(By crucifying Jesus, they were murdering God. God allowed it in order to finally test Satan and the Kenites. They all wrote their own death sentence when they committed this murder)

³⁵ Behold, <u>your house is left unto you desolate</u>: and verily I say unto you, Ye shall not see me, until the time come when ye shall say, <u>Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord</u>. (This speaks of Palm Sunday. Passover and the crucifixion were drawing near)

(The house left desolate refers to the fact that they refused Jesus, and even murdered Him. Had they accepted Him, God would have dwelt with them – on a spiritual level)