



# REIGNITING YOUR PASSION FOR CHRIST

A Study of the Gospel of Luke

WILL GANDHI BE IN HEAVEN? LUKE 13:22-30

**INTRODUCTION:** How large will the population of Heaven be? Will more or less people be in Heaven than we think? Jesus offers a provocative answer to that question in our passage for study today.

## I. The Question Asked (Luke 13:22-23)

Luke 13:22 “And He was passing through from one city and village to another, teaching, and proceeding on His way to Jerusalem.”

Luke 13:23 “And someone said to Him, ‘Lord, are there just a few who are being saved?’”

## II. The More Important Issue Addressed (Luke 13:24)

Luke 13:24 “Strive to enter by the narrow door; for many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able.”

Matthew 7:13-14 <sup>13</sup>“Enter by the narrow gate; for the gate is wide, and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and many are those who enter by it. <sup>14</sup>For the gate is small, and the way is narrow that leads to life, and few are those who find it.”

Proverbs 14:12 “There is a way which seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death.”

Matthew 7:21-22 <sup>21</sup>“Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven; but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven. <sup>22</sup>Many will say to Me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?’ <sup>23</sup>And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness.’”

### **III. The Analogy Used (Luke 13:25-30)**

Luke 13:25 “Once the head of the house gets up and shuts the door, and you begin to stand outside the knock on the door, saying, ‘Lord, open up to us!’ then He will answer and say to you, ‘I do not know where you are from.’”

Luke 13:26 “Then you will begin to say, ‘We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets’”

Luke 13:27 “and He will say, ‘I tell you, I do not know where you are from, DEPART FROM ME, ALL YOU EVILDOERS.’”

James 2:10 “For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles in one point, he has become guilty of all.”

Luke 13:28-30 <sup>28</sup>“There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth there when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, but yourselves being cast out. <sup>29</sup>And they will come from east and west, and from north and south, and will recline at the table in the kingdom of God. <sup>30</sup>And behold, some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last.”

### **IV. Timeless Truths From This Passage**

#### **A. Jesus Christ Is the Only Door that Leads to Salvation.**

John 10:9 “I am the door; if anyone enters through Me, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.”

John 14:6 “Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through Me.’”

Romans 3:10-12 <sup>10</sup>“as it is written, ‘THERE IS NONE RIGHTEOUS, NOT EVEN ONE; <sup>11</sup>THERE IS NONE WHO UNDERSTANDS, THERE IS NONE WHO SEEKS FOR GOD; <sup>12</sup>ALL HAVE TURNED ASIDE, TOGETHER THEY HAVE BECOME USELESS; THERE IS NONE WHO DOES GOOD, THERE IS NOT EVEN ONE.’”

Isaiah 53:6 “All of us like sheep have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; but the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all to fall on Him.”

**B. The Door of Salvation Will Not Always Be Open.**

John 3:16 “For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.”

John 4:14 “But whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life.”

Romans 10:13 “for WHOEVER WILL CALL UPON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED.”

**C. Your Responsibility Is to Enter Through the Door.**

Luke 13:24 “Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.” (King James Version)

Conclusion