

Jesus Corrects Judgmental Reactions of the Disciples (Luke 9:51-56)

Last Week: Jesus Addresses the Pride of the Disciples (Luke 9:46-50)

⁴⁶ Then a dispute arose among them as to which of them would be greatest.	The Disciples Debate Over Greatness
⁴⁷ And Jesus, perceiving the thought of their heart, took a little child and set him by Him, ⁴⁸ and said to them, "Whoever receives this little child in My name receives Me; and whoever receives Me receives Him who sent Me. For he who is least among you all will be great."	Jesus Explains True Greatness
⁴⁹ Now John answered and said, "Master, we saw someone casting out demons in Your name, and we forbade him because he does not follow with us."	The Disciples Forbid Competitors
⁵⁰ But Jesus said to him, "Do not forbid <i>him</i> , for he who is not against us is on our side."	Jesus Counters Their Actions

⁵¹ Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up, that He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem,	<p>1. Jesus Begins His _____ to Jerusalem</p> <p>a. Fulfillment – God’s _____</p> <p>b. Ascension – Jesus’ _____</p> <p>c. Obedience – Jesus’ _____</p>
⁵² and sent messengers before His face. And as they went, they entered a village of the Samaritans, to prepare for Him.	<p>2. Jesus _____ Messengers Ahead to Prepare</p> <p>a. The _____ – sending messengers</p> <p>b. The _____ – a Samaritan village</p> <p>c. The _____ – prepare for Him (and his group)</p>
⁵³ But they did not receive Him, because His face was set for the journey to Jerusalem.	<p>3. The Village Samaritans _____ Jesus</p> <p>a. Existing _____ Josephus: sometimes even murder</p> <p>b. Because of _____ tension</p> <p>c. Because of _____ tension</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • _____: <i>Understand the backgrounds of people and what they have been brought up in. This context breeds misinterpretation and distrust. Learn patience with the imprisoned.</i> • _____: <i>How often do we reject God because His plans do not correlate with our own view of life, when His plans are actually eternally important?</i>

⁵⁴ And when His disciples James and John saw <i>this</i> , they said, "Lord, do You want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them, [just as Elijah did ¹]?"	<p>4. Two Disciples Seek to Retaliate Against the Samaritans</p> <p>a. Three had recently seen _____!</p> <p>b. _____ likely aided their response</p> <p>c. They guess Jesus’ _____</p> <p>d. To speak _____ fire – power</p> <p>e. To burn _____ the rejecters – punishment</p> <p>2 Kings 1:9-12 ⁹ Then the king sent to him a captain of fifty with his fifty men. So he went up to him; and there he was, sitting on the top of a hill. And he spoke to him: "Man of God, the king has said, 'Come down!'" ¹⁰ So Elijah answered and said to the captain of fifty, "If I <i>am</i> a man of God, then let fire come down from heaven and consume you and your fifty men." And fire came down from heaven and consumed him and his fifty. (cf. Rev. 11:5)</p>
⁵⁵ But He turned and rebuked them ¹ , [and said, "You do not know what manner of spirit you are of.]	<p>5. Jesus _____ the Disciples</p> <p>a. "<u>Rebuked</u>" used against demons, sickness, wind, believers</p> <p>b. Judgment <u>will</u> come, based upon their responses.</p> <p>c. For now, <u>proclaim</u> (Acts 8:1-15).</p>
⁵⁶ ["For the Son of Man did not come to destroy men's lives but to save <i>them</i> ¹ ."] And they went to another village.	<p>6. Jesus Continues to _____ Village</p> <p>a. At this _____, Jesus did not seek to argue, explain or retaliate.</p> <p>b. Sets Christians _____ from some other religions (e.g. Islam).</p> <p>c. Seek to minister, & _____ on if rejected.</p> <p>Matt. 10:14-15 "And whoever will not receive you nor hear your words, when you depart from that house or city, shake off the dust from your feet. ¹⁵ "Assuredly, I say to you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment than for that city!</p>
<p>Luke 19:10 – "for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost." John 3:17 – "For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved." 2 Pet 3:9 – The Lord is not slack concerning <i>His</i> promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.</p>	