

42-Luke-Pt16-Transcript

just go back a little bit to get some context from Luke 12 will open with a word of Prayer and then we'll get straight into the study for today or Heavenly Father we praise you Lord we thank you for all that you do for us we thank you God for your word that we can we can read this ancient text and understand it and be guided by it and so father we pray that you'll bless our study as we study now Luke chapter 13 and and help us to be moved in our spirit father move to reflect our faith in our actions we thank you Lord and we ask this blessing in Jesus Holy Name Amen all right so as I said I want to I just go back to a couple of verses we'll pick up a couple of verses in Luke chapter 12 first of all in Luke 12 first 49 he writes this Luke writes this are obsessed that Christ said this I have come to sense fire on the earth and what will I if it already be kindled so people have this image of Jesus Christ is just this long-haired hippie with just peace everywhere peace for everybody love for everybody and he says very clearly that he has come to sent fire on the earth and it is already kindled and now in verse 51 he says do you suppose that I've come to give peace on earth I tell you no but rather division and people just don't understand these texts and they just read over them and Christ is quite serious that he has he is he's kindled a fire on earth it's already kindled at the time that he was walking on earth and now he's telling us that don't think for a minute that he's come to bring peace on earth rather the opposite he's

come to bring division and then he says this in verse 56 and this is the text I really wanted to pick up very critical here

he says you hypocrites you hypocrites you can discern the face of the sky and of the earth but how is it that you do not discern this time so there was a time that they were in and Christ was bewildered that you know they can look at this in the sky and they can see like oh there's clouds in the East it's gonna be cold or or there's a breeze coming up from the south it's gonna be a warm day and they would be correct they'd be accurate and being able to read the signs of the weather and the time and yet they didn't understand the time that they were in and Christ said you know what you are hypocrites why are they hypocrites and what is the time that they're in we have to go all the way back to Luke chapter 9 to pick up the season that they're in and in Luke chapter 9 verse 51 is where he begins his march to Jerusalem he says it came to pass when the time was come that he should be received up he steadfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem so he knew what was awaiting him in Jerusalem and and from he was in Galilee and he was preaching and going up down the cities and now he's setting his face to go to Jerusalem to face to really get into a collision he's on a collision course with the religious leaders with the scribes and the Pharisees and this is where he'll be slaughtered and so this is the time that they're in he is going to Jerusalem to fulfill or begin the fulfillment of all the prophecies that speak of the Messiah the Jews not understanding that first he had to come as the suffering servant and when he

came as the suffering servant and lived a sinless life according to Deuteronomy according to the law and then he was sacrificed as the perfect sacrifice that that's when the whole process begins and really is initiated in terms of him being ready to return and put down Israel's enemies but part of this process is the punishment of Judah and Jerusalem and he expected them to understand this is the time that you're in so let's look a little bit more context from Luke before we could get to Luke 13 in Luke 1 verse 49 it was prophesied here by the angel that he for he that is mighty has done with his mary has done to me great things and holy is his name and his mercy is on them that fear Him from generation to generation so these hypocrites did not fear him had they feared him they would have discerned the time that they're in and so if they were among those that feared him it's very clear that his mercy would be upon them but this judgment is on Jerusalem and is on its on the cities of Judah and he's just you don't understand the time that you're in but this these are the scriptures that are going to be fulfilled he has shown great he has shown strength with his arm and he has scattered the proud he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts so this is what he's come to do the proud will be scattered in the imagination of their hearts he has put down the mighty from their seats and exalted them a low degree so this is what's happened is this whole that the kingdom of God is going to be an overturn of the kingdoms of this world and so if these people are getting more participating in the kingdom of this

world they're going to be over strong
when the kingdom of God is established
because he's coming to put down the
mighty from their thrones and to exalt
those of low degree in Israel he has
filled the hungry with good things and
the rich he has sent em T away or sent
away empty this is this total reversal
of what is this is the time that they're
in this is what he has come to do and he
had fully expected them to discern the
time that they're in he has helped his
servant Israel so who has he come to
help he's come to help his servant
Israel but they have to discern who he
is and they have to accept him as their
Savior he's he has helped his servant
Israel in remembrance of his mercy this
is what his mission is all about it's
about coming to help his sir
Israel in remembrance of his mercy and
unfortunately too many Christians today
believe in replacement theology they
want to kick Israel to the curb the
church is now Israel God has no regard
for his people and and replacement
theology makes God a liar it takes all
the promises of God both the promises of
punishing Israel and all of the curses
of the the Covenant to come down upon
Israel and specifically upon Judah and
Jerusalem because Israel has been
scattered that that part has been
fulfilled but he's still gonna gather
Israel again but in terms of Judah and
Jerusalem who do the remains of people
today and there are promises that God
has made that he is going to punish very
severely the people of Judah and then
he's going to rescue them and what
replacement theology does is it
completely it says that all of these
words that God spoke are just nonsense
words they're just words of vanity the

Lord has spoken in vain he doesn't really mean what he says we can just all of those promises are are now obsolete and the church is now Jerusalem and so all of the good things relate to the church but there are promises that are outstanding that are very negative in nature there is wholesale slaughter still promised upon the heads of Jerusalem is the church gonna stand up and say no no no that slaughter is for us and anybody who wants to slaughter at Jerusalem will come slaughter the church first because Jerusalem doesn't matter anymore the church is Jerusalem we cannot make God a lawyer God is true let God be true and every man a liar so he's coming to help his servant Israel even though there is all this punishment that has been promised upon the head of Israel God is coming to relieve his people of this punishment so say all the prophets he has helped his servant Israel in remembrance of his mercy as he spoke to our fathers who are the fathers to Abraham and to his seed forever so this is very very good language here that there is instrument upon the heads of Israel and Judah but there's a promise that goes back to Abraham and there's a covenant that goes back to Abraham which is an unconditional covenant so no matter what God is going to fulfill the promises that he made to Abraham now there's a Mosaic Covenant what we call the Old Covenant that he made with Moses and that covenant has failed it we shouldn't say the Covenant has failed the people failed the Covenant in Hebrews eight he makes it clear that he found fault with them and that's why the Old Covenant is pronounced obsolete because of the people and so he's going

to now make a new covenant not with Gentiles the new covenant is not with Gentiles the new covenant is with Israel and Judah and so God remains committed to these people because of his commitment to Abraham and so this promise he spoke to our fathers to starting with Abraham and to his seed forever God will not go back on his word now in Chapter two of Luke you'll remember when we were in Luke chapter two Simeon this old Saint that was in the temple and he was holding on to the promises of God and those promises of God had nothing to do with going to heaven Simeon wasn't there saying oh I can't wait to go to heaven he understood the promises and here in Luke two verse 34 when Mary and Joseph brought their son to the temple to be circumcised on the eighth day and Simeon blessed them and said unto Mary his mother behold this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel - he's come to help his servant Israel and so Israel has fallen and many in Israel are going to rise again but it's also clear according to Simeon's understanding and prophecy here that many in Israel are going to fall as a result of this child that Jesus is going to cause the failure and the fall and the destruction of many in Israel and for a sign which shall be spoken again
yes a sword shall pierce through your soul also so even marry the mother who gave birth to Jesus she was not exempt from the analysis the evaluation that the presence of Jesus Christ on earth would bring to every soul in Israel yes a sword shall pierce through your soul also so she had to make up her mind is this the Messiah that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed so with all

of that context then let's get into Luke chapter 13 beginning in verse 1 Luke chapter 13 verse 1 reads there were present at that season some that told him of the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices now imagine that here we have these Jewish people who are bringing their offerings to the temple and Pilate runs roughshod over them he comes into the temple and he slaughters them and he mixes their blood with the blood of that of their sacrifices I mean talk about cursed talk about cursed people and so as this happens then as this happens you if you were to hear about this or witness this you could only conclude these people must have been really wicked if while they are presenting their offerings to to their God they are actually slaughtered and their blood is mingled with the blood of their offerings

I mean clearly they their God did not stand up for them clearly they must be evil people who are just parading as religious people they were just going through the motions but there's no way you could say they're godly people when their blood is being mixed with the blood of their sacrifices while they are presenting their offerings to God so now Jesus responds so they're telling him about this and perhaps there's a little bit of attitude and pity or superiority while they're communicating this to Christ

and in verse two Christ says and Jesus answering said unto them do you suppose that these Galileans were sinners above all the Galileans is there something exclusive about them do you do you have the sense or the impression that somehow these people are

evil and you are not because they suffered such things I tell you no way get that thought out of your head but accept you repent you shall all likewise perish and again because of replacement theology many many Christians will read this text and just apply it in a very generic way you know the world is very sinful and Christ came to save the world he got God so loved the world he came and He gave His only begotten Son and so you know people should repent because if we don't repent then everybody's gonna perish but that is not what Jesus Christ is saying he was speaking very specifically about galilaeans he said do you suppose that these Galileans are sinners above all the other Galileans and then he says no but except you Galileans repent all of you will in the same way perish you're all the same to me you're all as evil as each other and I'm speaking specifically of you Galileans you people of Judah or those eighteen he goes on or those eighteen upon whom the tower in Siloam fell and slew them so this tower fell on these eighteen Jews and it killed them do you think that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem so again now he's speaking specifically of the Jews in Jerusalem so first he was broader speaking of Judah the cities of Judah and Galilee but now he's very specific oh and you know what you know so yeah they they had their blood mingled with their offerings but what about the tower that fell on the Jews in Jerusalem do you think that they were sinners about others that dwell in Jerusalem above the other Jews in Jerusalem and the focus here is Jerusalem I tell you no but except you repent you

shall all likewise perish remember now
in Luke chapter 9 verse 51 is when he
begins his march to Jerusalem so the
focus on his mind is Jerusalem is
telling them you are all evil all of
your evil you know there's just this
collective evil in Jerusalem and
collective evil in the cities of Judah
and I have come to tell you to repent
and it's a shame and remember Luke
chapter 12 where we just were you
hypocrites you cannot discern you can
discern the weather when you see clouds
in the sky you see a breeze coming from
the southeast you can figure out what's
gonna happen but you can't figure out
what season we are in when the Creator
himself walks upon the earth when the
creator himself is going through the
cities of Judah and fulfilling all of
the prophecies concerning the Messiah
you don't know what time you're in and
I'm caught here to call you to
repentance and nothing for a minute that
I've come to bring peace I've come to
bring division and brother will be
against father and sister in a daughter
against mother and there's gonna bid the
man's enemies will be those of his own
household because this is a time of
repentance and you either get right with
God or you're out you're out
and he's speaking specifically to Judah
and specifically more specifically to
Jerusalem and this chapter will we'll
just read over it right now but the
context of this remember is Jerusalem
because the chapter is going to end with
Christ saying here at verse 34 were to
skip down there for a moment
Oh Jerusalem Jerusalem this is the focus
of Christ
let's not genera sighs this this is not
oh everybody all over the world this is

specifically Jerusalem Oh Jerusalem
Jerusalem which kills the prophets and
stones them that are sent unto you how
often I would have gathered your
children together as a hen does gather
her brood

her wings to protect them but you
wouldn't have it behold your house
Jerusalem your house is left unto you
desolate and verily I say unto you you
shall not see me until the time come
when you shall say blessed is he that
comes in the name of the Lord so I just
want to this in a moment but I just want
to keep us in context from start to
finish

Jesus Christ is focused on the Jews he's
focused specifically on Jerusalem and
that's important now what Christ is
prophesying here about his morning for
Jerusalem and what's going to happen to
Jerusalem and how she kills the prophets
and how he's on his way marching
specifically into the heart of Jerusalem
so that he himself can be slaughtered
there's a judgment there is a curse on
Jerusalem and for us to understand that
we need to go to the prophet Isaiah so
the prophet Isaiah here in chapter 1 and
we are doing a live weekly study on the
Book of Isaiah so please feel free to
join us that's on Wednesday nights and
you can join us at CGI dot Church online
or CGI church online org and that's on
Wednesday evenings at 6:30 Central time
7:30 Eastern Time and we're going
through the Book of Isaiah and
understanding the prophecies of Isaiah
will help us understand what Christ was
very specific when he came that he came
to fulfill the prophecies of Isaiah
among others but Isaiah's prophecy here
if we read and a lot of people you know
pick and choose scriptures out of Isaiah

and torture them to death because they're taking them out of context and and they'll read over verse one of Isaiah chapter 1 which gives us the purpose of the writing well what is it that he is receiving he says it's the vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem so this is what Isaiah is all about he saw this in the days of these kings of Zaya jotham ahaz and hezekiah kings of judah but the vision of Isaiah these are this collective Scripture these scrolls of Isaiah have to do with Judah and Jerusalem so when Christ came and started preaching after he conquered Satan and overcame Satan and he began going through the cities of Judah and he came into Galilee into Nazareth and into the synagogue he asked for the scroll of Isaiah and he began to read the prophecy in Isaiah why because Isaiah had a vision a very extensive vision concerning Judah and Jerusalem don't read over that as everybody does and then they go into Isaiah and they make Isaiah applied to everything and everybody Isaiah's about America's eyes about Britain eyes eyes about Canada eyes eyes about the church eyes eyes about us personally an individual and they never stick to the the truth of the matter which is Isaiah's vision concerns Judah and Jerusalem and yes he does pronounce judgment on the surrounding nations that are actually going to be participating in the slaughter of Judah and Jerusalem but whenever he's going to speak about a nation other than Judah and Jerusalem including the northern tribes because he pronounces judgment on them as well he's very specific I'm now talking about the

northern tribes I'm not talking about
Babylon I'm not talking about the Medes
I'm now talking about Moab he's very
specific other than that this Isaiah has
to do with Judah and Jerusalem he says
hear o heavens and give ear o earth for
the Lord has spoken
listen up heavens and earth God has
spoken what has he said the god of the
universe says this I have nourished and
brought up children and they have
rebelled against me that this is the
issue that the God of the universe
himself nourished and brought up
children but what happened they rebelled
against him his own so Amos says to
Israel you only of all the people of the
earth of all the families of the earth
you only have I known so so people think
you know everything's gonna be equal God
the gods ought to be the God of
everybody he's not the God of the
universe is the God of Israel
and he brought up Israeli name nourished
Israel as this nation of King priests to
bring the rest of the world to salvation
but he is very specific the way he's
saving the world is through Israel and
so the god of the universe stooped down
to earth and he nourished and brought up
these children but they rebelled against
him imagine that and then he says the
dumb ox the dumb ox of some animals have
a too great degree of intelligence and
you can do a lot with animals and you
can train them to do wonderful things I
actually saw a video the other day of a
a dog I forgot what kind of dog it was
but it was delivering CPR so when
somebody at a police officer collapse
was having heart cardiac arrest and the
dog spotted that it's cardiac arrest and
the dog runs in and starts delivering
CPR to the Fallen officer I mean that's

the level of intelligence that some of these animals have well you can't train an ox to do anything remotely like that an ox is a very dumb animal and the Creator says that the dumb ox actually does know something it knows its owner and so you can have these oxes in fact if you go to India we see these oxes just walking around and you just think like what's going on here at the end of the day they know where to go back home they know where their owner is and the donkey knows his master's crib but Israel my people the children that I've selected and nurture they do not know my people do not consider Oh simple nation a people laden with iniquity a seed of evildoers this is God's assessment of his people children that are corrupters they have forsaken the Lord they have provoked the Holy One of Israel and over fifty times is Isaiah with his vision of God we first of him as the Holy One of Israel that's how he calls him the Holy One of Israel they've provoked him these people have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger you know God is patient but they've provoked him unto anger they have gone away backward why should you be stricken anymore you will revolt more and more the whole head is sick the whole heart faint and again people will take this and apply this all over the place it applies it's a vision concerning Judah and Jerusalem and and in this case since specifically he's really speaking of all Israel because he's chosen Israel and he's nurtured them and then you'll get specific and speak specifically of Judah and Jerusalem he says why should you be stricken anymore you will revolt more and more the whole

head is sick and the whole heart faint
from the sole of the foot even to the
head there is no soundness in it but
wounds and bruises and putrefying sores
they have not been closed neither bound
up neither mollified with ointment you
can imagine how nasty this is if
somebody has these kind of open sores
and they're not treated in any way and
they're just putrifying sources nasty
and that's how God sees his people that
they're just stricken and they're
allowing this to happen to them Selvi
says here listen to this this is the
same thing that Christ is saying your
country is desolate your cities are
burned with fire so Isaiah is reporting
on it as if it's news it's actually
prophecy but he's saying happening now
breaking news your country is desolate
your cities are burned with fire your
land strangers devour it in your
presence and it is desolate as
overthrown by strangers now this this
prophecy is some hundred years out but
but it's a 100 percent accurate actually
first it's gonna be the northern tribes
they're gonna be taken up by Assyria and
then the southern tribes are gonna be
taken out by Babylon but but Isaiah's
it's so real in Isaiah's mind and
understanding and vision he reports it
like it's news and yet Israel doesn't
and Judah doesn't know their God so
let's with that as context and let's
come back and continue in Luke chapter
13 in Luke chapter 13 in verse 6 he
spoke also this parable and remember he
is speaking in parables also to fulfill
the prophecy in Isaiah in Isaiah 6 when
when Isaiah had a vision and interaction
with the Holy One of Israel and he heard
the Holy One of Israel say who will go
for us and he said I will send me and he

said go and go and tell his people that hearing you will not hear and seeing you will not perceive and at the heart of these people should grow fat and that they should not understand lest they should repent because they have to be punished and so he continues now to speak in parables and and only his disciples can unpack the parables because he's actually you know people will say he spoke in parables to make the meaning clear no he did not he spoke in parables to hide the meaning and he spoke in parables to hide the meaning from Jews their Jews were all around him and he separated his disciples which were Jews from everybody else which were Jews and so there are Jews that are set aside to be firstfruits to help with the rescue operation but there are the rest of the Jews are set aside to be destroyed to be slaughtered according to their evil and their wickedness and to bring them to repentance through slaughter through the punishment and have them humble themselves this is over than the design of a very wise parent and so here at Luke 13 verse 6 he spoke also this parable a certain man had a fig tree planted in his finding vineyard say as this wonderful vineyard and as a fig tree in it and he came and sought fruit thereon of course he would that's why he planted it so he comes to get the fruit from the tree but he 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 why does it cover the ground so it's useless so I planted this fig tree you're looking after it for me I've been expecting some fruit your one goes by there's no fruit your two goes by

there's no fruit your three goes by
there's still no fruit look what is the
tree doing there just cut it down is
just taking up space and this is how God
sees his people they're just taking up
space they're their purpose was to bear
fruit to feed the world their purpose
was to bring fruit to bring the world to
God so that people could see that God is
the God of Israel so cut it down and he
answering said unto Him Lord this is the
dresser speaking to the master let it
alone this year also till I shall dig
about it and dung it so the the dresser
is having mercy on the people all on the
tree and saying give me another year and
I'm gonna really give it some special
attention and I'm pretty sure you know
we we were three years in you know let's
touch just one other year and I'll do
everything I can for it to help it this
year and I think you'll get the fruit on
it next year and if it bear fruit well
and if not then after that you felt cut
it down so what this is saying is when
this fig tree is cut down there is no
excuse nobody can say well that's unfair
no it had three years and then it was
given another year with all the help
they could possibly receive so if the
dresser himself is saying look if I do
everything that I'm gonna do this year
and then next year it still doesn't bear
fruit then you know what will cut down
then now who is the fig tree but where
who is the vineyard look at Hosea Hosea
9 so Christ nosed scriptures and and and
he's consistent the scriptures of God
are consistent you know they're written
over thousands of years three different
continents three different languages
over 40 different authors but it's the
same Holy Spirit and the scripture
are consistent and any it's so much

false ideology so many false religions
out there so much false scripture and we
know it's false because it speaks with a
different voice and it's it's just
sickening but the scripture of God
inspired by the Holy Spirit is
consistent

Hosea 9 verse 10 I found Israel like
grapes in the wilderness

I saw your father's as the first ripe in
the fig tree at her first time so I
found Israel like grapes in the
wilderness

I saw your father's as the first ripe in
the fig tree at her first time but they
went to buy all peor and you need to
read numbers because number 25 to see
what happened to Baal peor that the
people of God they went unto Baal and
got into their sex worship and orgy and
all kinds of Filth and debauchery in
worshipping Baal

these are the people of God that God
selected these people and they became as
bad or worse than the pagans they went
to by Allah peor and separated
themselves unto that shame and their
abominations were according as they
loved they loved it they just it was
just wonderful to them the people of God
look what Isaiah says in Isaiah 5 verse
1 now will I sing to my well-beloved a
song of my beloved touching his vineyard
my well-beloved has a vineyard in a very
fruitful Hill some very fruitful hill
and he's got this wonderful vineyard in
this very fertile ground it's a very
fruitful Hill and so he fenced it and
gathered out the stones thereof so real
care and making this just a wonderful
plot of land he fenced it make sure it
was protected he took the stones out of
it and planted it with the choicest vine
I mean what could possibly go wrong here

that God
in Isaiah one that he has raised
children on the earth he is the father
to Israel and he's given them everything
what could possibly go wrong so we get
this fertile piece of land we put a
fence around it or he puts a fence
around it he takes all the stones out of
it he plants it with the choicest vine
and built a tower in the middle of it
and also made a winepress therein so you
know you're expecting the harvest so put
the winepress right there so that as
soon as the grapes are harvested they
can go through the winepress we can have
beautiful beautiful wine from such
fertile soil
you've got the choicest vine we've
protected it no animals can get in there
it's just everything's wonderful and he
looked that it should bring forth grapes
and it brought forth rotten grapes
imagine the disappointment that anger
when you do everything you you give it
the best possible start and and the time
that you are now ready to harvest the
grapes you get poisonous you get rotten
grapes they're not fit for any kind of
consumption you wouldn't even give them
to a dog it brought forth rotten grapes
and now all inhabitants of Jerusalem
focuses Jerusalem and now all
inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of
Judah the vision is concerning Judah and
Jerusalem and Christ is focused now on
fulfilling the vision regarding Judah
and Jerusalem and now all inhabitants of
Jerusalem and men of Judah judge I pray
you between me and my vineyard you tell
me what you think what could have been
done more to my vineyard that I have not
done in it therefore when I looked that
it should bring forth grape so let me
give you three years I let's now give it

an extra year and when I looked that it
should bring forth grapes it brought
forth rotten grapes terrible
the time when I'm ready now to enjoy the
harvest after all this work and
investment that we have put into this
vineyard I'm now ready to enjoy the
fruit of my labor and it gives me rotten
grapes and now go to I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard this is
the season wherein that you should be
able to discern the time I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard I will
take away the hedge there off so that
fence that was around it to protect it
from the beasts coming in that fence is
now being removed I will take away the
hedge thereof and it shall be eaten up
and break down the wall thereof and it
shall be trodden down and I I God is
saying I will lay it waste this is what
Christ is just morning like o daru-salam
Jerusalem how often I would have
gathered you together as a hand on her
chicks under her wings but you wouldn't
have it and now your city is left to you
desolate
so I God think I will lay it waste and
it shall not be proved nor dug so so let
alone now but there shall come up
prayers and thorns
I will also command the clouds the
clouds that they rain no rain upon it
and now if in case we're missing it
Isaiah is gonna be very clear to us now
for the vineyard of the Lord of Hosts is
the house of Israel and the men of Judah
his pleasant plant these are the people
that God has invested in not the rest of
the world these are the people that God
has set aside as his children this is
the head nation this is the nation that
God wants all the world to look to to
understand how to have a relationship

with him he has brought these children up and they've rebelled against him the vineyard of the Lord of hosts the god of the universe his vineyard on earth is the house of Israel and the men of Judah his pleasant plant and he looked for judgment this is what he expects but the whole world would look to them for judgment and behold oppression instead of and you know we're missing the poetry here in the Hebrew if we could read Hebrew Isaiah as a poet and and there's just these literation and slight changes in spelling to go from judgment to oppression and it's all in poetic language but here he's looking for judgment he gets the opposite oppression instead of judging against the oppressor they're joining in with the oppressor he looked for righteousness but behold cried again this poetry between righteousness which I believe is a deck and then instead a cry which it's a car said very the Hebrew is very interesting I don't have the Hebrew yet but this is what he this is this is the problem with the vineyard and the vineyard is the house of Israel and specifically the men of Judah so let's go back now to Luke 13 and this is not going to give us an example that instead of judgment it's full of oppression and instead of righteousness there's a cry out for help he's getting the opposite of what he expected from these people Luke 13 and verse 10 and he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath hello all of those Christians out there that are observing Sunday where did you get that from go from Genesis to Revelation you will never see any authorization for Sunday that came from the Roman Catholic Church there's no authorization from God to

worship on Sunday if we are Christians we follow Christ and Christ as his custom was he taught on the Sabbath he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath he was Jewish his followers were Jewish the church kept the Sabbath in fact from the creation of adam adam was created on the sixth day and god fellowshiped with him and with eve on the seventh day and taught them as his custom is and was on the sabbath day so we really need to look into where do we our religion from is it from the Word of God or the traditions of men he was teaching in one of the synagogue's on the Sabbath and behold there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity 18 years so some disability that she has which was terrible and she's had it for eighteen years and was bowed together and could in no wise lift up herself and I've seen some of these people I'm sure you have as well where they're bent over they cannot straighten themselves up and it's very very sad you wonder how they actually move around but they do and it's just very sad to see and you would think that anybody seeing this woman but bowed over like this would have a spirit of mercy upon her certainly Christ did and when Jesus saw her he called her to him and said unto her woman you are free from this infirmity this is Jesus Christ He is God God walking the earth and we don't accept anybody who wants to minimize the identity of Jesus Christ there were many so-called Christians that say that Christ is not God that you know he was easy he's more than a man but he's that he's not God and then we have the whole Muslim community saying he's just a prophet and he's actually lower than Muhammad this man when he was

on earth he simply calls this woman over to him and he says to her woman you're free from this disability and he laid his hands on her and immediately no time immediately she was made straight and glorified God she understood who she was interacting with immediately she was made straight and glorified God now this again Christ said to them you hypocrites you can discern the weather and you can predict what's going to happen based on what's happening in the environment but you cannot discern the tonic you're living in and he actually told them he and I'm sure he repeated this as he goes into the synagogues I'm sure many times in fact Isaiah is in Isaiah Deuteronomy and Psalms or what Christ quoted consistently and most frequently Isaiah is a heavily quoted text by Christ and throughout the New Testament in fact I don't think it's an exaggeration to say that the New Testament is a commentary on the book of Isaiah that there was no New Testament for the early church what they had was the Old Testament and Isaiah is it's like a whole until it's a mini Bible inside the Book of Isaiah so here if we go back to Luke remember Luke 4 when Christ had conquered Satan and began his ministry in verse 17 there was delivered unto Him the book of the prophet Isaiah and when he had opened the book he found the place where it was written so he you know they didn't have chapters and verses the way we do today so you know it could be very quick this is actually a problem it's it's convenient but it's also inconvenient it's very convenient because we can go into any book at any time and very quickly bring up a particular verse that we have in mind and just read that

specific verse and that's it they could not do that in the first century because there were no chapters and verses there was just the scroll and so they had to know the scriptures by context so if there's a certain scripture that I want to go to I need to understand the context around that scripture and so that helps me understand what the scripture is actually speaking about and so you can see here he's unscrewing the scroll and he's going through Isaiah and he's going to a very specific spot and this spot that he's going to if you join us in the Isaiah studies we're gonna go into this in detail but it has to do with the suffering servant and the mission of the suffering servant and so he's going into that particular part of Isaiah that has to do with the prophecy of the suffering servant and when he had opened the book he found the place where it was written missus Isaiah the one verse one the Spirit of the Lord is upon me the Spirit of the Lord is upon me why because he has anointed me to preach the good news to the poor there's good news it's to the poor he has sent me to heal the brokenhearted to preach deliverance to the captives he said woman you're free from this disability and recovering of sight to the blind to set at liberty them that are bruised to preach the acceptable year of the Lord so he was very specific in which part of the text he wanted to read and then he actually stopped reading in the middle of a verse verse 2 and he closed the book or he scrolled up the scroll and he gave it back to the minister and sat down and the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him but what is this why did you go to that scripture what does this

mean

or you can explain this and he began to say unto them today is this scripture fulfilled in your ears this is it guys this is it you've been you've been wondering you know how are these prophecies going to unfold you need to understand the prophecy concerning the suffering servant because it's happening now breaking news happening now the suffering servant is on the earth and that's the sign that's the season that you're in you need to understand what is the significance of the suffering servant on the earth and what does that mean for all the prophecies regarding Judah and Jerusalem today it's happening now this scripture and all the context around it you can't just go to Isaiah 61 verse 1 and part of verse 2 to a you need to understand all the scripture around having to do with the suffering service when you pick it up from Isaiah 40 and read 266 and when you grasp all of that now you understand what going on this is the season that we're in this day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears and the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation because that Jesus has healed on the Sabbath day this going back to Luke 13 verse 14 so he healed this woman that was bent over he said you're free he saw he had mercy on her for eighteen years she's been bound by this infirmity he says woman you're free from this disability and the ruler of the synagogue was furious because Jesus healed on the Sabbath day so they obviously ruled with an iron fist and you couldn't do anything maybe you couldn't even breathe on the Sabbath they were so strict and he said unto the people now notice this so Jesus Christ

is right there but he doesn't speak to Christ he speaks to the people and says to them there are six days in which men ought to work in them therefore come and be healed and not on the Sabbath day so I mean this guy just doesn't get it but there's a real insult here what what would be kind of reading between the lines what he's saying is speaking of speaking of Christ this guy he might have healing powers but he's ungodly and he doesn't have the sense to know that he shouldn't be working on the Sabbath I have more sense than him and you need to have more sense than him so even though he might have power to heal don't come on the Sabbath for that because he can't obviously can't control himself so let's let's Beaverton let let us before it let us be the virtuous ones and we'll come for six days for healing but don't come on the Sabbath because this guy can obviously can't control himself it very very insulting very very insulting we would call this today virtues signaling and this is what evil people do they signal their virtue and we see it as certainly in North American government so I'm here in Canada our prime minister is a big-time virtue signaler certainly in the States we see virtue signaling wherever you are there in the Caribbean or anywhere in the world watching this or hearing this you can see when people are pretending that they care and at the same time they'll support policies that destroy babies by the millions tens of millions when you actually bring real cases to them of women being oppressed and and their lives being destroyed they don't really care but they'll do all this virtue signaling and they said human beings have not changed and so

here he says there are six days don't
don't come on those days or come on
those days don't come on the Sabbath
because this guy he might have some
power but he can't control himself and
I'm the godly one I've been teaching you
know work should be done on the Sabbath
he's not coming to work on the Sabbath
obviously one of us is wrong and it's
not me the Lord then so he's talking as
if Christ isn't there he's talking to
the people but Christ intercepts and he
speaks to him the Lord answered him and
said you hypocrite doesn't each one of
you on the Sabbath loose his ox or his
donkey from the stall and lead him away
to watering so you have compassion on
your animals maybe not cuz you care for
the animal you want something from them
but you will loose your animals on the
Sabbath day and ought not this woman
being a daughter of Abraham so Christ
was very selective here very specific
she's a daughter of Abraham he's come as
the suffering servant to Israel whom
Satan has bound so she's a captive of
the devil lo these 18 years shouldn't
she be loosed from this bond on the
Sabbath day 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 so
there very clearly now the leader the
ruler of the synagogue has been
embarrassed and obviously is not in
league with God in fact he's out who
maybe is very clear he's in league with
the devil he wants the woman to remain
bound he has no compassion he has
compassion for his animals we has no
compassion for the daughter of Abraham
now this is very very important that it
says here verse 17 Luke writes and when
he had said these things

all his adversaries were ashamed
Luke is very specific in his writing and
he's actually alluding here to Isaiah 45
let's read Isaiah 45 to see what is the
illusion that Luke is making and as I
have 45 and verse 5 Pickwick Isaiah
writes I am the lord there is no none
else there is no God beside me this is
the illusion that Christ has healed this
woman and all of his adversaries are
ashamed Christ is the Lord he is God and
there's none beside him i girded you
though you had not known me that they
may know from the rising of the Sun and
from the West that there is none beside
me I am the Lord there is none else i
form the light and create darkness I
make peace and create evil or
catastrophe
I the LORD do all these things woe unto
him that strives with his maker the
ruler of the synagogue was striving with
his maker woe unto him that strives with
his maker let the pot church strive with
the pot sherds of the earth shall the
clay say to him that fashioned it what
are you making or you or your work he
has no hands
truly you are a God that hides yourself
o God of Israel the Savior so Christ has
come but he hides himself and when his
disciples figured out who he was he
keeps commanded them you make sure that
you don't tell anybody you are a God
that hides yourself
o God of Israel to save you they shall
be ashamed and also confounded all of
them they shall go to confusion together
that are makers of idols but Israel
shall be saved in the Lord with an
everlasting salvation you shall not be
ashamed nor confounded world-without-end
so all of his those that strive with
their maker shall be ashamed and

confused all of them but Israel shall be saved in the
or with an everlasting salvation so this is the illusion that Luke is making here these these men were very very familiar with the Scriptures then said he unto what is the kingdom of God like and we run to shall I resemble it what is the kingdom of God like how do I help you understand because this is the season that we're in the kingdom of God is about to break forth into the earth it is like a grain of mustard seed which a man took and cast into his garden so Jesus Christ is this grain of mustard seed and it starts with the smallest possible beginning and it grew and waxed a great tree and the fowls of the air are lodged in the branches of it so this is how the kingdom of God is it starts with Christ the first fruits the first of the first fruits and it's of the smallest beginning but it grows into this mighty tree that then provides benefit to the fowls of the air but then he says this and again he said we're unto shall I like in the kingdom of God it is like leaven which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal till the whole was leavened and this is a tricky one now because you know it sounds like it's saying the same thing over again that we're going to start with a very small start and then it grows big but in the first case it's a seed that becomes a great tree and so this is the thing this is the Christ the very smallest beginning and they don't recognize it but it's also like leaven which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal till the whole was leavened and these Jewish people would never see leaven as something positive leaven very clearly in the scriptures was a negative thing

it was a pictured sin and so I think the way we should read this is the kingdom of God has adversaries and there's a there's a sinfulness in the kingdom of the people of the people of God and it you know Satan comes in shows tears in a moment with the wheat and the tares really take over and so the kingdom of God has these two p-ting things happening on the one hand satan is doing his work and it's overtaking but on the other god is doing his work and so within the kingdom of israel with all of this leaven and the leaven of the pharisees christ is coming with the smaller to start to overtake all of this so here you'll see an exodus for example seven days you shall eat unleavened bread and even the first day you shall put away leaven out of your houses this is how the Jews would understand leaven for whosoever eats leavened bread from the first day until the seventh that soul shall be cut off from Israel and Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel and even then you shall know that the Lord has brought you up out of land of Egypt and here in 1st Corinthians 5:7 purge out the old leaven therefore that you may be a new lump as you are unleavened for even Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us therefore let us keep the feast not with old leaven neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness and that's what the the Judah has become but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth oh let's eleven leavens the whole lump always negative and in Luke so here so then so this is you know it's like leaven which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal till the whole was leavened but then at the same time we have this grain of mustard seed

that's also working and a man throws it
in his garden and it grows and so this
garden which we saw this vineyard which
is corrupt and you know it's just he
looked for grapes but it's wild grapes
or poisonous or rotten grapes and now
within that he's starting over and
there's this tree that's gonna grow from
the smallest start to be a great great
tree and the fowls of the air lodged in
it and he went through the cities and
villages teaching and journeying toward
Jerusalem this is Nadine he's got to
conquer all of this eleven in the land
they these these the synagogue the ruler
of the synagogue is full of level and
and they've overtaken the kingdom of
Israel and so now God is coming to
restore this but he has to
that's the start in Jerusalem then said
one unto Him Lord aren't there few that
be saved so they understood there's a
problem here
so if Levin is gonna take over like this
are you saying then that there's a few
there's only a few that will be saved
and he said unto them he says yes that's
you you've got it
youyou understand so it's gonna start
and it is going to be victorious it is
gonna be this great tree but at the same
time this evil woman has hidden leaven
in amongst the the kingdom and it's
gonna take over and so you know
brother's gonna be against brother
brother will betray brother the love of
many will wax cold in the end Satan gets
some level of success among the people
of God and so the disciple right rightly
asks are there few that be saved
he says strive to enter in at the strait
gate for many I say unto you will seek
to enter in and they won't be able to
when once the master of the house is

risen up and shall shut up the door and
you 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 don't know you I don't know where you
came from then shall you begin to say
we've eaten men drunk in your presence
and I've taught it and you taught in our
streets but he shall say I tell you I
don't know you I don't know where you're
from

depart from me you workers of iniquity
so this is the the success of the leaven
that it comes in and it's gonna take
over and the love of many is gonna wax
cold but at the same time there's the
success of the great trade that it's
gonna start so there's these two
competing forces we need to make sure
that we enter in at the strait gate so
we're gonna stop here at Luke 13 verse
27 we can pick it up from here next week
I'm gonna what I'm gonna do now is uh
just dial in and bring in our sister
Avenel but also we have some brethren
from Jamaica that should be able to join
us as well so let me do that and just
give me a moment and I'll just we'll do
that