#### Luke Lesson 11

Luke Chapter 11

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Memory verses for this week: 1 John 4:6 We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.

Introduction: We continue our study of the book of Luke this week as we continue in chapter 11. Last week, we studied about the seventy being sent out on a mission by Christ. They were given specific instructions as to what they were to do and what they were to take with them. God provided from them using the people in which they were sent. Jesus pronounced judgment on several cities including Chorazin and Bethsaida. We closed with the story of Martha and Mary. Martha was the sister who was cumbered about with much serving where Mary chose the good part which was sitting at the feet of Jesus and learning about the upcoming kingdom.

# I. Disciples Desire to be Taught How to Pray

Luke 11:1 And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.

Jesus was always praying, and He definitely did this to stay in touch with the Father and set an example for us. The disciples point out that John taught his disciples to pray and they want Jesus to teach them also. Just as the disciples needed to pray, you and I need to do this also. And not a quick 2 minute prayer before we go to bed at night, but be in prayer with the Lord on an ongoing basis each day. We should be willing to talk things out with our Heavenly Father like we do with our father here on earth.

1 Th 5:15 See that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men.

1 Th 5:16 Rejoice evermore.

1 Th 5:17 Pray without ceasing.

1 Th 5:18 In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

Many people call this the Lord's prayer in verses 2-4. However, this is truly the model prayer where the Lord's prayer is recorded over in John Chapter 17.

Luke 11:2 And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.

Luke 11:3 Give us day by day our daily bread.

Luke 11:4 And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

I know this shows my age, but one of the fond memories I have is reciting this prayer out loud each day before lunch when I was attending school my first three years. It wasn't long before Satan worked his way into the public schools and now you can't pray without causing a huge uproar. This is sad.

Jesus gives us the model prayer and teaches us that there are certain things we should remember to pray. One is for God's kingdom to come here on earth. And we are to pray for God's will to be done in earth as it is in heaven. We are to pray for daily provisions and for forgiveness of sins. And we are to pray that we be not led into temptations but rather delivered from evil.

In the KJV Study Bible, the author points out that these are not the only things we should pray, but our prayers should contain these basic points.

Mature prayer will not be limited to these initial requests, but should at least contain these basic points. An example of how Christ prayed is given in John 17, the second longest prayer in the Bible. The longest is found in I Kings 8 when Solomon dedicated the Temple. i

## II. Importance of Continual Prayer

Luke 11:5 And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves; Luke 11:6 For a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him?

We sometimes come to Jesus with our prayers that have no true exercise of the soul. When we don't mean business with God, He may wait and wait until we come with greater concern to answer our prayers. In verse 5, the friend here typifies God who is a Friend of all and wants us to come to him in every trying circumstance. In our hour of need, God is there for us and wants us to come to him. At midnight, the man comes at midnight and asks 3 loaves of bread to give to the visitor who has come on a long journey. This was very late, but he asked for a specific thing, 3 loaves of bread. There was a special need. His friend was coming in to visit and he had nothing to give this visitor.

iJerry Falwell, executive editor; Edward E. Hinson and Michael Kroll Woodrow, general

editors, *KJV Bible commentary [computer file]*, *electronic ed.*, *Logos Library System*, (Nashville: Thomas Nelson) 1997, c1994.

Luke 11:7 And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee.

Luke 11:8 I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth.

The man in the parable is not like God. He does not want to rise up and be bothered. God is always there to hear our prayers and will be quick to answer those when we have great need. It says that the man finally arises and gives to help after he continues to ask. While God never tells us to not come to the throne of Grace, but encourages us to do so. No request of ours will ever be a 'trouble' to God. If God delays the answer to our requests, be sure that there is a reason.

He may be testing our faith, or perhaps preparing us for a tougher situation coming down the road. Whatever the reason, God has reasons for a quick answer or a slow one. I've mentioned before that the singer Dallas Holm once said that we don't have much trouble when God says "Yes" or if he says "No." But when we don't get an immediate answer, God may be saying "Wait a while." If that is God's Will, be sure it is the best for us.

Heb 4:14 Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. Heb 4:15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

Heb 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Luke 11:9 And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

Luke 11:10 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

One thing about the man who was seeking the bread, he did not give up. He called again and again until the man finally brought him the bread. We need to be serious with God and be constant and continual in our requests. He says in verse 9 to "Ask, and it shall be given you." We should never be discouraged when God does not answer immediately when we pray. We are taught to be instant in prayer until the answer comes.

Rom 12:12 Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;

We are taught in the book of James that the reason we may not have is because we either don't ask, or ask amiss.

James 4:2 Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not.

James 4:3 Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts.

When we pray, we should pray that whatever we desire bring glory to God. Jesus makes a point that we need to do 3 things to get answers to our prayers.

- 1. Ask
- 2. Seek
- 3. Knock

### III. Parable of the Father and Son

Luke 11:11 If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent?

Luke 11:12 Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion?

Luke 11:13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

Any of you who are a parent or a grandparent really do understand this teaching. I believe any true Christian wants the very best for their children. He asks if a son asks for bread, will the earthly father give him a stone, or a serpent if he asks for a fish. If we are able to take care of our own children, how much more does the heavenly Father love His children. He gives us all the good things of life.

James 1:17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

1 Cor 6:19 What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? 1 Cor 6:20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

When a person accepts Christ for salvation and is saved, the Holy Spirit comes inside of that person. When we are saved, it says we are bought with a price and no longer our own. God fills us with the Holy Spirit when we are saved, and we should constantly let the Holy Spirit guide us. If we do not let the Holy Spirit guide us, it grieves the Spirit.

### IV. Jesus is Accused of Casting out devils by Beelzebub

Luke 11:14 And he was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondered. Luke 11:15 But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebub the chief of the devils.

One thing is clear in the scriptures. Jesus was always busy and always doing good to the people. In chapter after chapter, Jesus is always ministering to those in need. Here it says he casts out a devil and a man dumb was now able to speak. When this happens, the people wondered as to how this happened. While they marvelled at the miracles, most never recognized Jesus as the true Messiah sent from God to man. In a way, that is what we find as we go out and visit today.

Many don't want to hear about God, or they find fault with the Bible, or find fault with the church or the people in the church. Whatever the excuse, they don't want to hear the truth. God's Word is truth, and it reveals the lost condition of man. Here some of the people claim that there is a leader of the demons and they are subject to His rule. The leader they call Beelzebub, which was another name for Satan. One of the Phoenician gods was Beelzebub, and it interpreted means "lord of the flies." These people claim that Jesus is capable of casting out demons by making a league with the prices of the demons. No one questioned Jesus about this, but they claim this as true and they jumped to false conclusions.

J. Vernon McGee said the Pharisees had no good answer for the miracles Jesus performed, so they accused him of doing it by the power of the Devil.

The convincing nature of Jesus' miracles forced the Pharisees to offer some explanation for them. They could not deny the existence of miracles when they were happening before their eyes. They resorted to the basest and most blasphemous explanation for the miracles of Jesus. They did not deny that they took place but claimed that they were done by the power of the Devil. ii

Luke 11:16 And others, tempting him, sought of him a sign from heaven. Luke 11:17 But he, knowing their thoughts, said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house divided against a house falleth.

Some of the others sought a sign from heaven. Our Lord never once performed a miracle to gratify curiosity seekers. He did the miracles to met the needs of poor, suffering humanity.

iiJ. Vernon McGee, *Thru the Bible commentary [computer file], electronic ed., Logos Library System,* (Nashville: Thomas Nelson) 1997, c1981 by J. Vernon McGee.

Luke 11:18 If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because ye say that I cast out devils through Beelzebub.

Luke 11:19 And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast them out? therefore shall they be your judges.

Luke 11:20 But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you.

Luke 11:21 When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace:

Luke 11:22 But when a stronger than he shall come upon him, and overcome him, he taketh from him all his armour wherein he trusted, and divideth his spoils. Luke 11:23 He that is not with me is against me: and he that gathereth not with me scattereth.

Jesus points out that if what they believed was true, Satan would be destroying his own kingdom. Be sure if we are divided against ourselves, we will fail. The only way a kingdom is destroyed is by a stronger one coming in and overthrowing the one in charge. You and I must decide whose side are we own. We can only be on one or the other. We are either for Christ, or we are for Satan.

Matthew Henry had some good points on these verses.

The miserable condition of an unconverted sinner. In his heart, which was fitted to be a habitation of God, the devil has his palace; and all the powers and the faculties of the soul, being employed by him in the service of sin, are his goods. Note, [1.] The heart of every unconverted sinner is the devil's palace, where he *resides* and where he *rules*; he *works* in the *children of disobedience*. The heart is a *palace*, a noble dwelling; but the unsanctified heart is the *devil's* palace. His will is obeyed, his interests are served, and the militia is in his hands; he usurps the throne in the soul. [2.] The devil, as a strong man armed, keeps this palace, does all he can to secure it to himself, and to fortify it against Christ. All the prejudices with which he hardens men's hearts against truth and holiness are the strong-holds which he erects for the keeping of his palace; this palace is his garrison. [3.] There is a kind of peace in the palace of an unconverted soul, while the devil, as a strong man armed, keeps it. The sinner has a good opinion of himself, is very secure and merry, has no doubt concerning the goodness of his state nor any dread of the judgment to come; he flatters himself in his own eyes, and cries peace to himself.

Before Christ appeared, all was quiet, because all *went one way;* but the preaching of the gospel disturbed the peace of the devil's palace.

(2.) The wonderful change that is made in conversion, which is Christ's victory over this usurper. *Satan* is a *strong man armed;* but our Lord Jesus is *stronger than he,* as God, as Mediator. *If we speak of strength, he is strong:* more are *with* us than *against us.* Observe, [1.] The manner of this victory: *He comes upon him* by surprise, when his *goods are in peace* and the devil thinks it is all *his own* for

ever, and *overcomes* him. Note, The conversion of a soul to God is Christ's victory over the devil and his power in that soul, restoring the soul to its liberty, and recovering his own interest in it and dominion over it.

### V. Worthlessness of Self-Reformation

Luke 11:24 When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out.

Luke 11:25 And when he cometh, he findeth it swept and garnished. Luke 11:26 Then goeth he, and taketh to him seven other spirits more wicked than himself; and they enter in, and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first.

Man wants to be able to do something for God. And when we try in our own power to 'turn over a new leaf', we may initially look pretty good. But it truly is foolish. What happens in the end? It says when the unclean spirit is gone out, and then returns, and finds the place swept and garnished (cleaned up pretty good), he then goes and brings back seven other spirits more wicked than he. It says the last state is worse than how he began.

Reality is this... we can't save ourselves. The first condition of true salvation is seeing oneself as helpless and without hope outside of Christ. When we see ourselves lost, hopeless, undone, and with no hope, then we can turn to Jesus and be saved. Salvation is WHOLLY of God. Man has nothing to do with it except to accept it.

Luke 11:27 And it came to pass, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lifted up her voice, and said unto him, Blessed is the womb that bare thee, and the paps which thou hast sucked.

Luke 11:28 But he said, Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it.

Do you want to blessed? Then you need to hear the word of God and keep it.

David said the word of God was a lamp to his feet and a light unto his path.

Psa 119:105 NUN. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Psa 119:106 I have sworn, and I will perform it, that I will keep thy righteous judgments.

## VI. The Sign of Jonas

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iiiHenry, Matthew, *Matthew Henry's Commentary on the Bible*, (Peabody, MA: Hendrickson Publishers) 1997.

Luke 11:29 And when the people were gathered thick together, he began to say, This is an evil generation: they seek a sign; and there shall no sign be given it, but the sign of Jonas the prophet.

Luke 11:30 For as Jonas was a sign unto the Ninevites, so shall also the Son of man be to this generation.

People gathered around to hear Jesus, and he calls their group an 'evil generation.' Instead of taking things on God's Word, they wanted to see a sign. Jesus tells them that the only sign they would receive would be Jonas the prophet. As Jonas was in the belly of the whale for 3 days and 3 nights so would the Lord Jesus be in the heart of the earth for 3 days and 3 nights. There are so many that teach that Jesus was crucified on Friday because they look at the comment about taking the bodies off of the cross before the beginning of the sabbath at six pm. Many never notice that this was a 'High Sabbath Day' which was observed on Thursday.

No matter how you count the days from Friday, you can't get 3 days and 3 nights if he rose on the first day of the week. Jesus was buried on Wednesday night, and he was in the grave all that night, all day Thursday, all night Thursday, all day Friday, all night Friday, and then all day Saturday. As you can see... a full 3 days and 3 nights. The beginning of the Jewish day came at sundown, and on Saturday night, at the dawning of the new week, that is when the women came to the grave and found it empty.

John 19:31 The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.

Mat 28:1 In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.

Mat 28:2 And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it.

Mat 28:3 His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow:

Mat 28:4 And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men.

Mat 28:5 And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified.

Luke 11:31 The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with the men of this generation, and condemn them: for she came from the utmost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here.

The queen of the sought mentioned here is the Queen of Sheba. She dwelt many miles away from Jerusalem, but she was anxious to hear Solomon. She traveled a great distance at her own cost to meet him.

- 1 Ki 10:1 And when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon concerning the name of the LORD, she came to prove him with hard questions.
- 1 Ki 10:2 And she came to Jerusalem with a very great train, with camels that bare spices, and very much gold, and precious stones: and when she was come to Solomon, she communed with him of all that was in her heart.
- 1 Ki 10:3 And Solomon told her all her questions: there was not any thing hid from the king, which he told her not.
- 1 Ki 10:4 And when the queen of Sheba had seen all Solomon's wisdom, and the house that he had built,
- 1 Ki 10:5 And the meat of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his ministers, and their apparel, and his cupbearers, and his ascent by which he went up unto the house of the LORD; there was no more spirit in her.
- 1 Ki 10:6 And she said to the king, It was a true report that I heard in mine own land of thy acts and of thy wisdom.
- 1 Ki 10:7 Howbeit I believed not the words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen it: and, behold, the half was not told me: thy wisdom and prosperity exceedeth the fame which I heard.
- 1 Ki 10:8 Happy are thy men, happy are these thy servants, which stand continually before thee, and that hear thy wisdom.
- 1 Ki 10:9 Blessed be the LORD thy God, which delighted in thee, to set thee on the throne of Israel: because the LORD loved Israel for ever, therefore made he thee king, to do judgment and justice.
- 1 Ki 10:10 And she gave the king an hundred and twenty talents of gold, and of spices very great store, and precious stones: there came no more such abundance of spices as these which the queen of Sheba gave to king Solomon.

After the queen visited, she said that the half about Solomon had not been told her. Jesus said the Queen of Sheba would stand in the judgment and condemn the generation living in Christ's days. She came to hear Solomon, and a greater than Solomon had appeared. His wisdom, meat, table, servants, and everything else was greater than Solomon's.

Luke 11:32 The men of Nineve shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here.

Many to those present were self-righteous Jews. Christ says the men of Nineveh would rise up in judgment with this generation and condemn it, because they did not repent. When Jonah preached, those people repented in sackcloth and ashes. Jesus came with the whole gospel, and he was so much greater than Jonas. Yet these would not hear the truth.

## VII. Parable of the Lighted Candle

Luke 11:33 No man, when he hath lighted a candle, putteth it in a secret place, neither under a bushel, but on a candlestick, that they which come in may see the light.

Luke 11:34 The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of light; but when thine eye is evil, thy body also is full of darkness.

When we are saved, the Holy Spirit comes inside of us and dwells within us. We become a light shining forth of Jesus Christ. We have a responsibility to let that light shine before men. We are commanded to not hide our light under a bushel and keep it a secret. But rather, our lives should shine out and reach others. Jesus says that when our eye is sound and healthy, the whole body is full of light. If our eye is evil, then we are full of darkness.

We are told that men love darkness rather than light. This is due to our fallen nature which we inherited from Adam.

John 3:20 For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved.

Luke 11:35 Take heed therefore that the light which is in thee be not darkness. Luke 11:36 If thy whole body therefore be full of light, having no part dark, the whole shall be full of light, as when the bright shining of a candle doth give thee light.

We are warned to take heed lest the light which is in us be darkness. We should ever strive to be Christ-like in our lives and be of the light as God is of the light.

1 Cor 10:12 Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.

We are warned to not have confidence in our flesh. Without God's grace, there is no telling where we might be. But when we fix our eyes on Jesus, things will be well with us.

### VIII. Jesus is Invited to a Pharisee's House

Luke 11:37 And as he spake, a certain Pharisee besought him to dine with him: and he went in, and sat down to meat.

Luke 11:38 And when the Pharisee saw it, he marvelled that he had not first washed before dinner.

Luke 11:39 And the Lord said unto him, Now do ye Pharisees make clean the outside of the cup and the platter; but your inward part is full of ravening and wickedness.

Luke 11:40 Ye fools, did not he that made that which is without make that which is within also?

Jesus goes to eat with this Pharisee. It surprises the man that Jesus does not go through a customary ceremony that they believed was very important. Before the Pharisees would eat, they would always wash before dining. These Pharisees cleansed the body with water, but the heart was unclean. Unless we know Jesus as Lord and Savior, we are still in our sins. Jesus was not ignoring the importance of cleansing the body, but he used this as an opportunity to witness that the heart must be purified. He calls these fools for not washing the important parts. Having a clean and pure heart is so much more important than clean hands.

Luke 11:41 But rather give alms of such things as ye have; and, behold, all things are clean unto you.

Luke 11:42 But woe unto you, Pharisees! for ye tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs, and pass over judgment and the love of God: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.

Luke 11:43 Woe unto you, Pharisees! for ye love the uppermost seats in the synagogues, and greetings in the markets.

Luke 11:44 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are as graves which appear not, and the men that walk over them are not aware of them.

Our Lord pronounces three woes upon the Pharisees.

- 1. They emphasized the tithing of minor things while neglecting the more important things of life. They were guilty of passing over the judgment and love of God. Outward observance will never make up for the lack of inner life.
- 2. In verse 43, the second woe pronounced was because of the devotion of the Pharisees to the uppermost seats in the synagogue. They wanted to be seen in the markets with their greetings. They favored an outward show and having people look up to them in they synagogue.
- 3. The third woe was dealt with hidden uncleanness. To get the full impact of this last woe, we need to understand something about the law. According to the Law of Moses, an Israelite was defiled if he walked over

a grave or came in contact with the bones of a dead body. If this happened, he had to go through a process of cleaning before he could again take his place with the worshippers in the house of God.

These Pharisees should have been examples of holiness and been the ones to whom others come for help and guidance. Rather, they had corrupted themselves and were misleading people due to their unholy influence and hypocritical lives. To associate with the Pharisees was like coming in contact with dead men's bones and becoming defiled.

## IX. Jesus Pronounces Woes Upon the Lawyers

Luke 11:45 Then answered one of the lawyers, and said unto him, Master, thus saying thou reproachest us also.

Luke 11:46 And he said, Woe unto you also, ye lawyers! for ye lade men with burdens grievous to be borne, and ye yourselves touch not the burdens with one of your fingers.

Luke 11:47 Woe unto you! for ye build the sepulchres of the prophets, and your fathers killed them.

Luke 11:48 Truly ye bear witness that ye allow the deeds of your fathers: for they indeed killed them, and ye build their sepulchres.

Like the Pharisees, Jesus pronounces three woes on these lawyers. In these days, a lawyer was one who expounded the Law of Moses. These men had spent years studying the sacred scriptures. When questions came up about the interpretation of the scriptures, these were the ones people turned to get the final word. One of them was stirred to the depths of his soul when Jesus spoke of the condition of the Pharisees. He tells Jesus that in condemning the Pharisees, he also reproached them. If the shoe fits, wear it is the old saying. If it was wrong for the Pharisees, it was wrong for the lawyers.

Luke 11:49 Therefore also said the wisdom of God, I will send them prophets and apostles, and some of them they shall slay and persecute:

Luke 11:50 That the blood of all the prophets, which was shed from the foundation of the world, may be required of this generation;

Luke 11:51 From the blood of Abel unto the blood of Zacharias, which perished between the altar and the temple: verily I say unto you, It shall be required of this generation.

Luke 11:52 Woe unto you, lawyers! for ye have taken away the key of knowledge: ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered.

Luke 11:53 And as he said these things unto them, the scribes and the Pharisees began to urge him vehemently, and to provoke him to speak of many things:

Luke 11:54 Laying wait for him, and seeking to catch something out of his mouth, that they might accuse him.

Note the three woes upon the lawyers.

- 1. In verse 46, Jesus points out that these teachers laded men with burdens grievous to be borne. While doing this, they were not touched by the burdens with even one of their fingers. They added to the law with their traditions rather than teaching accurately.
- 2. In verses 47-51, he condemns them for hypocrisy.
- 3. Their third woe is for taking away the key of knowledge. They should have been going in to the truth and being saved, rather than hindering others.

It says that they all sought to speak of many things so that they could catch something for which to accuse him.

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Prov 4:18 But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

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