

Luke's Gospel: Son of Man, Seeker of Men

"The Culture of the Kingdom"

Today's Big Question: Are you living in God's power and authority today?

Luke 9:1-9 (NKJV); Sending Out the Twelve

9 Then He called His twelve disciples together and gave them power and authority over all demons, and to cure diseases. ² He sent them to preach the kingdom of God and to heal the sick. ³ And He said to them, "Take nothing for the journey, neither staffs nor bag nor bread nor money; and do not have two tunics apiece.

⁴ "Whatever house you enter, stay there, and from there depart. ⁵ And whoever will not receive you, when you go out of that city, shake off the very dust from your feet as a testimony against them."

⁶ So they departed and went through the towns, preaching the gospel and healing everywhere.

Herod Seeks to See Jesus

⁷ Now Herod the tetrarch heard of all that was done by Him; and he was perplexed, because it was said by some that John had risen from the dead, ⁸ and by some that Elijah had appeared, and by others that one of the old prophets had risen again.

⁹ Herod said, "John I have beheaded, but who is this of whom I hear such things?" So he sought to see Him.

What is the culture of the Kingdom?

1. Spiritual _____ and royal _____ are bestowed for Kingdom purposes (v. 1).

I John 4:4-But you belong to God, my dear children. You have already won a victory over those people, because the Spirit who lives in you is greater than the spirit who lives in the world.

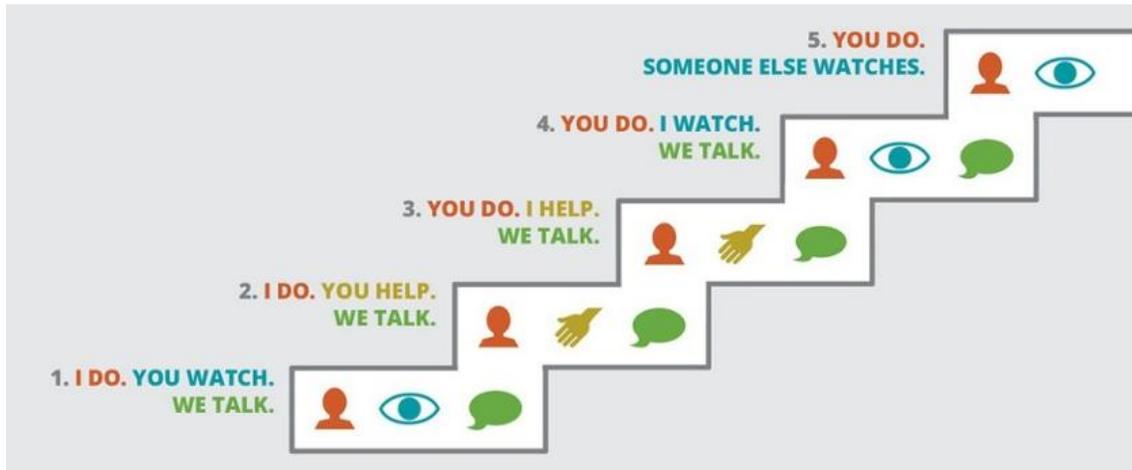
Ephesians 1:19-23; what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power ²⁰ which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come.

²² And He put all *things* under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all *things* to the church, ²³ which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

2. The culture of heaven _____ where Jesus _____ (v. 2).

The 5 Steps of Leadership Development:

1. I do. You watch. We talk.
2. I do. You help. We talk.
3. You do. I help. We talk.
4. You do. I watch. We talk.
5. You do. Someone else watches.¹



3. Discipleship is an exciting journey of _____ and _____ (v. 3-6).

3 Travel tips for the Kingdom Christian:

- Travel _____ -
- Linger _____ -
- Don't wear your _____ on your sleeves

4. People _____ are drawn to know more about _____ (v. 7-9).

Sermon in a Sentence: The culture of the Kingdom is anywhere the sayings of the Savior become the doings of the disciples.

Make a decision this week? Please let us know on your Connection Card.

¹ Quote from O'Connell, Patrick. "The 5 Steps of Leadership Development." *Church Design Builder*, www.aspengroup.com/blog/five-steps-of-leadership-development.