

Argyle LifeGroup Study Guide, Luke, part 45, Mar 22, 2020

1. Read Luke 13:34-35 (CSB)

2. God is sovereign. In other words, God is in _____. Maybe we cannot see it. Maybe it's not like what we want or as quick as we think it should be but God is at work.

3. Our view of God would be incomplete unless we acknowledge that all things good come from God. Read Exodus 34:6. _____ is essential to God's goodness.

4. Once Jesus was asked, "What is the greatest commandment of all?" Jesus answered, "To love God with all your heart, mind and strength." But He added a second commandment that He said is just like the first. "To love your neighbor as yourself." Do you really want to love God? OK. This is how you do it. You love God by _____. That's compassion.

Read 1 John 4:20

5. Compassion should be a primary characteristic of every Christian because compassion is a primary characteristic of God.

Read Lamentations 3:22-23 (NIV)

6. Read Luke 13:34. They had not only rejected God's loving invitation. They had even killed the servants who delivered the message. It broke God's heart as He saw His people refuse to trust Him and obey. This was not an expression of anger but of compassion.

7. Jesus was both bold and broken. If we are only bold, our heart will be hard and uncaring. If we are only broken, we will be afraid to tell the truth. We should be bold and broken like Jesus as we take a stand for what we believe and as we share our faith with love.

8. Read Luke 13:35. Jesus gave us many promises. There's one promise that we don't get real excited about. Jesus said, "In this world you will have trouble." That's a promise.

But He also promised, "I will come again." That's when all the troubles will finally end.

That's a promise.

That's our compassionate God.