The Gospel According to Luke

- What is something that God was able to do in your life this week in Revival?
- Did you get a chance to share the Gospel or invite someone to Church this week? How did it go?
- Who is someone you can pray for and reach out to and invite to Easter next Sunday?
- Take turns sharing one prayer request (something you need help/strength/guidance with) and take turns praying for the person to your right; if you are not comfortable praying out loud that is ok, you can pray for them silently and say, "amen" when you are done.

Last Week Review – Luke 6:12-26

- What did Jesus do before He called the 12 specific disciples to be His apostles in verse 12?
 - How long did Jesus spend in prayer? How does His attitude toward prayer compare to yours?
 - The Gospel's record that Jesus prayed before every major event of His life; what has been something in your life you didn't pray about and as a result made a wrong decision? Is their a major event in your life you need to pray about?
- Jesus chose 12 very ordinary men to do extraordinary things. Why do you think Jesus chose these men instead of guys that were among the elites of society?
 - What do you learn from Paul in I Corinthians 1:26-29
 - Do you believe God can use your life even if you do not feel qualified?
- In verse 17-19 their were two groups of people, His disciples and the multitude. The disciples were those who served and the multitudes were served. The disciples gave, the multitudes received. The heart of a disciples sees what they can "give" to Jesus, the multitudes what to see what they can "receive" from Jesus. What group would Jesus say you were in?
 - When did you feel Jesus call you from being a part of the crowd (the multitude) to being part of the committed (the disciple)?
 - What changes happened in your heart? What changes happened in your life?
- In verse 20-26 Jesus pronounces 4 blessings and 4 curses:
 - $\circ~$ Who does Jesus say are the blessed? What does He mean?
 - Who does Jesus say are the cursed? What does He mean?
 - Do you think how heaven sees things can often be different than how the world sees things? How can this help encourage you in life?

Today's Sermon Text: Luke 6:27-36

- What is Jesus teaching in this passage? Do you find His message challenging?
 - What is the normal response we have to those who treat us wrongly?

- What are some supernatural responses Jesus tells us to have in response to those who are enemies?
- Is their an example in your life of obeying this command when you didn't always feel like it?
- What exceptions to this does Jesus give here? Who does He say we can treat wrongly?
- What should the motivation be for treating our enemies correctly?
- How did Paul say we should respond to those who treat us wrong?
 - Romans 12:17-21 17; Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. 18; If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. 19; Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. 20; Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. 21; Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.
 - How can you apply these truths to your life?
 - 1 Thessalonians 5:15 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. (Luke 23:34, 1 Peter 3:9)
- The OT also taught to treat our enemies with kindness (Proverbs 24:17, Exodus 23:4-5).
 - **Proverbs 24:17 17**; *Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth:*
 - **Luke 23:34 34**; Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.
 - Exodus 23:4-5 4; If thou meet thine enemy's ox or his ass going astray, thou shalt surely bring it back to him again. 5; If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lying under his burden, and wouldest forbear to help him, thou shalt surely help with him.
 - **1 Peter 3:9 9**; Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing.

<u>Next Week – Easter Service – No Life Group</u>

Easter Week Suggested Reading: Psalm 22, Isaiah 53, Matthew 26-28