

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD AND OBEY IT

Luke 11:14-28

Key Verse: 11:28

“He replied, ‘Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it.’”

1. What was Jesus doing (14a)? What happened when the demon left (14b)? What were the responses to Jesus’ life-giving work (14b-16)? What characterized each response?
2. What did Jesus know about them (17a)? How did Jesus reveal the contradiction in their claim (17b-19)? What was Jesus’ power source in driving out demons (20; Ex 8:19)? What is the result? What does this tell us about Jesus’ identity, and the character of his ministry?
3. Who is “the strong man” and “the stronger man” and what does each do (21-22)? What does this metaphor reveal about God’s power at work through Jesus?
4. How does Jesus’ warning teach the significance of having a right attitude toward him (23)? How did Jesus describe the nature and activity of an impure spirit (24-26)? How does this illustration teach us the serious consequence of standing against Jesus (Mk 16:16)?
5. How did a woman express her excitement about Jesus’ teaching and what was her point (27)? Read verse 28. What did Jesus teach her about who is truly blessed? How does this apply to everyone mentioned in this passage? Why is it so important to hear God’s word and obey it?