KING FOR ALL #27 Luke's Gospel

Woe! (7 characteristics of false teachers)

(Luke 11:37-54)



A. SERMON POINTS

- 1. Focus on externals, not internal (v39)
- 2. Major on the minors (v42)
- 3. Concern for popularity and appearance (v43)
- 4. Spiritually harmful (v44)
- 5. Load people with extra burdens (v46)
- 6. Prevent people from hearing God's Word (v47-51)
- 7. Hinder people from entering heaven (v52)

B. DISCUSSION STARTER

Have you been exposed to false teachers? How did you come to recognise them as false?

C. IMPLICATIONS FOR ME

1. Go through the characteristics of the false teachers (Pharisees and Experts in the Law) back in Jesus' day. How might these characteristics be seen today in some churches?

- 2. Go through the characteristics of the false teachers (Pharisees and Experts in the Law) back in Jesus' day. How might these characteristics be seen in a Christian's life? How might we avoid these bad traits?
- 3. Note how Jesus had a stern, harsher tone for those who were leaders and leading others astray. Would you agree that we should have different tones for deceivers and the deceived? Why is Jesus (and other New Testament writers) so stern with false teachers. Cf. 2 Peter 2:1-3
- 4. How might we help others caught up in false churches with false teachers?
- 5. How might we avoid being a false teacher?

D. PRAYER SUGGESTION

Pray for all those who teach the Bible in our church (connect group leaders, children's ministry leaders, youth leaders, preachers, service leaders, etc.) that they may keep a close watch over their lives and doctrine. (cf. 1 Timothy 4:16)

Pray that God would encourage them in their important role as teachers.

Pray for our Tyger Club (Fridays) and Kidz Kingdom (Sundays). May many children get to know Jesus and grow in their understanding of the Bible through these ministries.