

Life Steps

Debunked: Narrow Minded | April 15 & 16, 2023

Monday

Matthew 7:13-14

Reflect: Discarding the traditional views of narrow and broad associated with this passage and keeping in mind Jesus outrageous claims about himself yet radical pursuit of relationships with the scandalous, restate the narrow gate and broad way in your own language.

Pray: Speak to me Lord. Reveal what I need to know about my devotion to you and acceptance of others. Practice silent listening. Journal what you sense God saying to you.

Tuesday

Luke 17:11-19

Reflect: How did Jesus treat this mixed religious group of lepers? As Jesus followers, how are we to treat others?

Pray: Speak to me Lord. Reveal how I can grow in my treatment of others. Practice silent listening. Journal what you sense God saying to you.

Wednesday

John 8:31-32

Reflect: What are some of the good outcomes of “obeying” the teaching of Jesus? Which do you most prize? Why?

Pray: Speak to me Lord. Show me where I need to grow in obedience to you. Practice silent listening. Journal what you sense God saying to you.

Thursday

Genesis 2:15-17

Reflect: Think about your favorite animal, what constraints does it need to live? What freedoms do we humans enjoy that are dangerous for us?

Pray: Speak to me Lord. How and where can I grow in obedience to you? Practice silent listening. Journal what you sense God saying to you.

Friday

John 14:6-7 | John 17:3-5

Reflect: How are these claims audacious and off putting to unbelievers? What is our responsibility towards Jesus?

Pray: Speak to me Lord. Show me who you are and how my life might discourage someone else from being interested in you. Practice silent listening. Journal what you sense God saying to you.

Saturday

Matthew 28:16-20

Reflect: If a disciple is somebody who follows, learns and practices someone’s way of life, whose disciple are you really? Is living the way Jesus would live if he were in your current place your top priority? Explain.

Pray: Speak to me Lord. Where am I lacking in the practice of obeying your teaching and living your way of life? Practice silent listening. Journal what you sense God saying to you.

Sunday

Matthew 7:13-14

Reflect: How does your life compare to the narrow understanding of following Jesus and his broad acceptance of other people? What steps will you take this week with Jesus help, to find the narrow gate? If you are ready to get baptized, call Stephanie Kroeker at 817.895.3737.

Pray: Thank you God for the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.