Questions on Luke chapter 11

1. Had Jesus taught His disciples how to pray before this? Verse 1.

2. What three things are stressed in this verse? Verse 2.

3. Why not pray for a year’s supply of cake and ice cream? Verse 3.

4. What is the condition with which we must comply if we want forgiveness of sins? Verse 4.

5. In the parable, why does the man approach his friend at midnight, and do you have any idea why he wants three loaves? Verses 5-6.

6. Why doesn’t the friend immediately answer the man’s request? Verse 7.

7. Does the friend supply what is needed because he is a friend or because of his importunity? (What does “importunity” mean?) Verse 8.

8. Whom does the friend represent in this parable, who is the borrower, and what does the importunity represent? According to these verses, what do you think this parable is all about? Verses 9-10.

9. If an earthly father will honor his children’s request, what will the Heavenly Father do? Verses 11-12.

10. Do you think we can pray for the Holy Spirit, or is this a metonymy, i.e., the Holy Spirit named to suggest what the Holy Spirit gives? Verse 13. (Before answering see Matthew 7:11)

11. Matthew says the man was brought unto Jesus. What was his problem, according to Luke? And what problem does Luke not mention that caused him to have to be “brought” to Jesus? Verse 14. (See Matthew 12:22)

12. Do you have any idea who it was that said Jesus cast out devils through Beelzebub? Verse 15. (See Matthew 12:24)

13. Why do you think some were now asking for a sign from heaven? Verse 16.

14. What is Jesus’ first argument against the idea that He cast out demons by the power of Beelzebub? Verses 17-18.

15. What is Jesus’ second argument against the idea that He cast out demons by the power of Beelzebub? Verse 19.

16. Since His power over demons had to come from either Satan or God, what were the implications if it was from God? Verse 20.

17. Who is the strong man in this verse? Verse 21.

18. Who is the stronger man and what is represented by his overcoming the strong man? Verse 22.

19. What is Jesus’ statement to those trying to be neutral? What happens to those who do not “gather” with Jesus? Verse 23.

20. What three things does Jesus reveal about an unclean spirit that indicates his utterly wretched condition? Verse 24.

21. What was inviting about the place the unclean spirit had previously left? Verse 25.

22. All demons are wicked but are they equally so? Verse 26.

23. Who was it that was like a man with one evil spirit but who would come to be like a man with seven evil spirits more wicked than the one? Verse 26. (See Matthew 12:45)

24. Although Jesus doesn’t deny that Mary was blessed, who has a higher honor than she does? Verses 27-28.

25. What would be the only sign given to the “evil generation”? Verse 29.

26. In what way was Jesus, the Son of man, a sign as Jonah was to the Ninevites? Verse 30.

27. Who was the queen of the south and who was greater than Solomon? Verse 31.

28. In what way will the men of Nineveh condemn the generation in which Jesus lived? Verse 32.

29. To whom would this passage be addressed, reproving them for not using the light of Jesus’ miracles given them? Verses 33-35.

30. How were Jesus’ hearers partly “dark”? Verse 36.

31. Do you think it was unusual for Jesus to dine with Pharisees? Verse 37.

32. What did Jesus not do that the Pharisee found unusual? Verse 38.

33. What fault did Jesus find in the Pharisee despite His ceremonial cleanliness? Verse 39.

34. Would you be content to drink from a cup that had only the outside cleaned? Verse 40.

35. Will giving alms, in other words, your inner life, assure freedom from outside defilement? Verse 41.

36. What should the Pharisees have done that they left undone? Verse 42.

37. What was wrong with seeking the uppermost seats and greetings in the markets? Verse 43.

38. How were the scribes and Pharisees like graves? Verse 44.

39. The lawyer suggested Jesus made a mistake in speaking so directly. Do you think He did? Verse 45.

40. What burdens do you think the lawyers placed upon the people? Verse 46.

41. If someone built sepulchers (tombs) for prophets, wouldn’t that be honoring them? Verse 47.

42. How did their actions indicate that they allowed their fathers to kill the prophets? Verse 48.

43. What did the wisdom of God predict would happen to the prophets and apostles? Verse 49.

44. Because Jesus’ generation sanctioned the sins of the past and finally crucified Him, what would be required of them? Verses 50-51.

45. How did the lawyers hinder those who would enter the kingdom? Verse 52.

46. As a result of Jesus’ rebuke, how did the lawyers attempt to get even? Verses 53-54.