Questions on Luke chapter 13

1. Did Jesus agree that the Galileans killed by Pilate were greater sinners than those who reported the incident? If not, what did Jesus tell those who reported it to do to keep from perishing? Verses 1-3.
2. According to Jesus, were those upon whom the tower fell at Siloam more worthy of death and greater sinners, than those who refuse to repent? Verses 4-5.
3. In this parable, who is the owner, what is the vineyard, what is the fig tree, what is the fruit sought, who is the dresser, and what would justify the tree's being cut down? Verses 6-7.
4. How would the tree be given additional opportunities to bear fruit? Verses 8-9.
5. Was the poor woman in this incident merely the victim of natural disability or was there some more sinister problem? Verses 10-11.
6. Did this woman come to the synagogue for healing and ask Jesus to heal her or did Jesus initiate the healing? Verses 12-13.

7. Why was the ruler of the synagogue angry, and why take it out on the multitude instead of Jesus? Verse 14.
8. What was hypocritical in this ruler's action and those like him? Can you think of any contrast that made his action better than theirs? Verses 15-16.
9. Can you think of two reasons the multitude rejoiced? Verse 17.
10. How is the kingdom of heaven (the church) like the mustard seed and its results? Verses 18-19.
11. Although leaven usually represents something evil, what is its meaning in this parable about the kingdom? Verses 20-21.
12. For what reason is Jesus "journeying toward Jerusalem" this time? Verse 22.

13. Do you think some aspect of the kingdom mentioned in the two parables may have suggested this question? Verse 23.
14. According to Jesus' answer, will many be saved? If not, what was the reason they were not? Verse 24.
15. Why should an individual "strive" to enter in? Verse 25.
16. What is the basis on which the Lord should "know" them, according to those who are late and told they cannot enter? Verse 26.
17. Why isn't the fact that they ate and drank in his presence and heard him teach in their streets accepted as a reason to let them come in? Verse 27.
18. Why would these, the descendants of Abraham, be thrust out, while Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and all the prophets were saved? Verse 28.

19. Do these verses indicate that the saved of the kingdom will include some that the Jews thought had no hope of being saved? Verses 29-30.
20. Do you think the Pharisees were concerned that Herod might kill Jesus? Verse 31.
21. If this is Jesus' way of telling Herod that He will soon be moving on to Jerusalem, as some have thought, in what way would he be "perfected"? Verse 32.
22. What would the rule that "it cannot be that a prophet perish out of Jerusalem," have to do with Jesus? Verse 33.
23. Although the denizens of Jerusalem had killed God's prophets, what does Jesus want for them, and why was His desire not possible? Verse 34.
24. Would there be another messenger from God after Jesus? If not, when will they see Him again? Verse 35.