

“DETERMINED”

Luke 13:31-35 - Pastor Mike Medeiros

Jesus is on a mission.....

(v. 32) *teleioumai* -

(v. 33) *dei*

Jesus' Lament (v. 34-35a)

- Appeal
- Indictment
- Prophecy

...yet people are determined to go their own way.

- They are _____ of his love.
- They become _____ from God and his will.
- They move from _____ to _____.

Call to Action

Take Home Truth

Jesus is passionately _____ to _____
the _____ God has given him.

Today's Core Belief:

Personal God: I believe that the infinite and eternal God is involved in and cares about my daily life.

(from Psalm 121:1-2)

Today's Action:

1. Pray for your neighborhood, city, state and nation.
2. Complete today's Deeper Connection Study



Deeper Connection Study

As Jesus is teaching in various towns and journeying toward Jerusalem, he encounters Pharisees who warn him of Herod's threats. In typical fashion, Jesus is unfazed by their warnings. It is clear that Jesus is on a mission and he will not be deterred. We also see his loving determination as he laments the future of his people. *Today's Core Belief discussed: Personal God.*

Read Luke 13:31-35

1. Do you think the Pharisees here are friends or foes of Jesus (v. 31)? What's their concern? Why does Jesus refer to Herod as "that fox" (v. 32)? What message is he sending to Herod?
2. What do you notice about Jesus' determination (vv. 32-33)? What does he want to accomplish?
3. What imagery does Jesus use to show God's protective and compassionate care for his people (v. 34; par. Matt. 23:37)? How is this rooted in God's dealings with Israel in the past (cf. Deut. 32:11; Ps. 17:8; 36:7; 57:1; Ruth 2:12)?
4. How do you lament over your city, state, or nation? What is your desire for God to do with these people?
5. What prophecy does Jesus give and why is it important (v. 35; par. Matt. 23:38-39)?
6. How determined are you to do what God has called you to do? What obstacles do you face and how do you press on?

PRAYER TO THE POINT: Praise God for accomplishing his purposes through Jesus Christ. Pray for focused determination to obey Christ and live for him. Pray for your neighborhood, city, state, and nation. Ask God to use you to share the mission of Christ with others.

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"I Don't Care for Religion"

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If you recently watched the Winter Olympics, you probably heard a story of particular athletes and their determination to reach their Olympic dream. Many of them have overcome incredible obstacles or endured trials by having a spirit of dedication and perseverance. It can safely be assumed all the athletes who participated had their eyes on the prize - to win a gold medal. Yes, some were most likely happy to just be there representing their country. Yet you can readily see those who had the sheer determination to finish the work they had to do.

As we look at Luke 13:31-35 today, we see a similar mindset. Jesus is determined to faithfully fulfill the work God gave him to do and nothing will deter him. Jesus is on a mission! As he draws near to Jerusalem, he laments the condition of his people and reveals the compassionate heart of God to deliver them.

