

“The Gospel According to Luke: What Is the Kingdom of God?
The Parable of the Nobleman” (Part 6)
Luke 19:11-27

*“And behold, with **the clouds of heaven** there came one like **a son of man**, and He came to **the Ancient of Days** and was presented before Him. And **to Him was given** dominion and glory and **a kingdom**, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him; His dominion is an **everlasting dominion**, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.” (Daniel 7:13-14; cf. Revelation 4:11; 5:9-10). “When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne.” (Matthew 25:31)*

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 - The Characters:
 - **The Nobleman** is Jesus Christ.
 - **The distant country** is heaven.
 - **The servants** are those who are a part of the spiritual kingdom.
 - **The citizens** would be the Nation of Israel and all who reject His authority (Universal Kingdom).
 - The Theological Focal Points:
 - (19:11) The Kingdom is delayed: *“So when they had come together, they asked Him, ‘Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?’ He said to them, ‘It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by His own authority.’” (Acts 1:6-7)*
 - (19:12) Jesus has been given authority: *“And Jesus came and said to them, ‘All authority in heaven (spiritual) and on earth (mediatorial) has been given to Me.’” (Matthew 28:18)*
 - (19:13) God has given us stewardship as His citizens: *“So as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God....He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son.” (Colossians 1:10,13)*
 - (19:14) Christ was rejected at His first coming by the nation of Israel: *“O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!” (Luke 13:34)*
 - (19:15-26) There will be degrees of reward: *“We make it our aim to please Him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.” (2 Corinthians 5:9b-10; cf. Revelation 2:26-27)*
 - (19:17) The Christian work ethic: *“Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.” (1 Corinthians 15:58)*
 - (19:27) There will be eternal judgment for those who reject His authority and His kind offer of salvation: *“And they were judged, each one of them, according to what they had done. And if anyone’s name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.” (Revelation 20:13,15)*

Worship: Leaning On The Everlasting Arms — *Various Artists*

'Tis So Sweet — *Norton Hall Band*

Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right — *Sovereign Grace Music*

Closing Song: How Deep — *Various Artists*

Service Times: Sundays: Sunday School 9am/Prayer 9:45am/Church 10:30am; Mondays: Legacy Practicum 6pm;
Tuesdays: Bible Study — Women 6:30pm/Men 7pm; Thursdays: Prayer 6:20pm/Church 7pm

Account Balance: \$63,662.02 January Balance: \$66,429.76 CD Balance: \$33,910.53 <i>January CD Balance: \$33,701.46</i>	Weekly Budget: \$4,176 Monthly Budget: \$18,097
Total Giving: February 1	\$4,359.14
Total Giving: February 8	\$2,343.00
Total Giving: February 15	\$8,650.64
Total Giving: February 22	\$895.00
Total Giving for February:	\$16,247.78

Announcements:

★**DONATIONS:** Please see the March Newsletter for more information about our monthly collection.

★**FELLOWSHIP LUNCH:** We are having a Fellowship Lunch TODAY, immediately following the worship service. Everyone is invited to stay to enjoy the food and the fellowship with us!

★**“IN HONOR/IN MEMORY OF” EASTER LILIES:** The Servant’s Heart Ministry is sponsoring an Easter Lily Sale again this year. Please consider purchasing an Easter Lily and dedicate your Lily in honor of or in memory of a loved one. The Easter Lilies will adorn the sanctuary for both the Good Friday and Easter Sunday services. Your purchased Lilies can be retrieved following the Easter Sunday service. The cost is \$13 for a 6 inch potted Lily. Order forms are available on the table in the Entryway.

Please note: we are requesting that the Lilies be paid for in CASH only! Checks are highly discouraged. Please put your completed order forms, along with your cash payment, into the container on the Entryway table. The last day to order your Easter Lily is on Sunday, March 29th. If you have any questions, please see or contact Janelle Gordon: 740-334-0834.

★**ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:** On Sunday, March 22nd, we will be celebrating our 9th Anniversary as a Church!

★*For all other announcements, please see the March Newsletter!*