BIBLE STUDY LUKE 3/24/16

Psalm 56:1-11

- A. Be gracious to me, O God, for man tramples on me;
- B. all day long an attacker oppresses me;
 - ² my enemies trample on me <u>all day long</u>, for many attack me proudly.
- C. ³ When I am afraid,
- **D.** I put my trust in you.
- X. ⁴ In God, whose word I praise,
- **D.** in God I trust;
- C. I shall not be afraid.

What can flesh do to me?

- **B**. ⁵ All day long they injure my cause; all their thoughts are against me for evil.
- ⁶ They stir up strife, they lurk; they watch my steps, as they have waited for my life.
- ⁷ For their crime will they escape?
- A. In wrath cast down the peoples, O God!
- ⁸ You have kept count of my tossings;³ put my tears in your bottle.
 Are they not in your book?
- ⁹ Then my enemies will turn back in the day when I call.

 This I know, that God is for me.
- ¹⁰ In God, whose word I praise, in Yahweh, whose word I praise,
- ¹¹ in God I trust;

I shall not be afraid.

What can man do to me?

Luke 5:29-32

²⁹ And Levi made him a great feast in his house, and there was a large company of tax collectors and others reclining at table with them. ³⁰ And the Pharisees and their scribes grumbled at his disciples, saying, "Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" ³¹ And Jesus answered them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ³² I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance."

Luke 15:1-3

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. ² And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."

³So he told them this parable:

LUKE 15:3-7

3 So he told them this parable: 4 "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninetynine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? 5 And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. 6 And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

LUKE 15:8-10

⁸ "Or what woman, having ten silver coins," if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? ⁹ And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' ¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Luke 15 The Prodigal Son as a Play

Jesus: There was a man who had two sons. And the younger of them spoke to his father

Younger son: Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.

Jesus: And he divided his property between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

But then he came to himself.

Younger son: How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants."

Jesus: And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him.

Younger son: Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.

Father [to servants]: Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.

Jesus: And they began to celebrate.

Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant.

Servant: Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.

Jesus: But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him.

Older son: Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!

Father: Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.