

The Gospel of Luke

Missing the Point

Luke 7:18-35

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1. What led to the _____ that John had about Jesus?

- ◆ John was certainly convinced that Jesus was the _____.

Luke 1:39-41

John 1:29-34

- ◆ However, Jesus didn't act in the way John _____ the Messiah to act.

2. We need to recognize that every _____ with God will be a little _____.

- ◆ We have been called and gifted by a very _____ God.

Philippians 2:12-13

Matthew 5:13-16

- ◆ _____ for ministry will differ from person to person.

Luke 7:33-35

I Corinthians 9:19-23

3. We need to _____ others the way that God does.

- ◆ The way to understand if something or someone is of God is to look for the _____.

Luke 7:33-35

Luke 6:43-45

- ◆ View others in _____ to God, not by your _____ checklist.

John 1:11-13

John 14:15

FURTHER STUDY:

1. The diversity of people and the uniqueness of their God-given assignments can make life in the church not only exciting, but can also result in some great misunderstandings. How does Ephesians 4:7-16 help us appreciate the differences in our assignments and clarify the importance of each? Write down some of your thoughts:
2. Staying motivated to serve those we encounter daily and/or playing our role in the Kingdom can be difficult. How might the following verses help us stay motivated and keep a vision to making a difference?
 - Ephesians 2:10
 - Ephesians 6:7-8
 - Matthew 25:37-46

Below is a list of de-motivators that can keep us on the sideline when it comes to living out God's assignment in our lives. Are there any you tend to encounter?

- Don't often consider how to serve
- Pressure of life/responsibilities
- Past hurt
- My own success/pride
- Not sure how to get started
- Other _____

3. Read the Parable of the Talents in Matthew 25:14-30. How have you seen the use of your gifts and abilities compare and contrast with the actions of the servants?