

Luke 6:17-19
Jesus Prepares to Teach

Introduction:

Note how Jesus prepares to teach—6:13-17

- 1) *He called* [aor. act. ind. προσφωνέω] *His disciples*—6:13a
- 2) *He stood* [aor. act. ind. ἵστημι] *on a level place*—6:17b
 - a) *And having chosen* [aor. mid. ptc. ἐκλέγομαι] *twelve from* [ἀπό] *them*—6:13b
 - b) *And having come down* [aor. act. ptc. καταβαίνω] (from the mountain top) *with* [μετά] *them*—6:17a

Note Jesus' compassionate healing—6:17b-18

- 1) Who were these people?
 - a) *a crowd* [ὄχλος] *of His disciples* (including the apostles)
 - b) *and a great multitude* [πλῆθος] *of the people*
 - i) Geographically and relationally close—*from all Judea and Jerusalem,*
 - ii) Geographically and relationally distant—*and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon,*
- 2) In what two aspects of Jesus' ministry were they interested?
 - a) Teaching—*who came to hear* [aor. act. inf. ἀκούω] *Him*
 - b) Healing—*and to be healed* [aor. pass. inf. ἰάομαι] *from* [ἀπό] *their diseases,*
- 3) And a third group also showed up—6:18
 - a) ¹⁸ *as well as those who were harassed* [pres. pass. ptc. ὀχλέω] *by* [ὑπό] *unclean spirits*
- 4) What was happening to all of them? *and (they) were being healed* [impf. pass. ind. θεραπεύω].

Note Jesus' powerfully effective healing—6:19

- 1) What were they trying to do? ¹⁹ *And the whole crowd* [ὄχλος] *was trying* [impf. act. ind. ζητέω] *to touch* [pres. mid. infin. ἅπτομαι] *Him,*
- 2) Why were they doing this? *because power* [δύναμις] ...
 - a) *was coming out* [impf. dep. ind. ἐξέρχομαι] *from* [παρά] *Him*
 - b) *and was healing* [impf. mid. ind. ἰάομαι] *them all.*
- 3) This will become a significant issue in Luke 11:14-23

These people came to Jesus, more out of curiosity than out of genuine faith. They came because of what they could get from Him. They all got more than they bargained for.

Take-home truth: God cares His image-bearers in their misery