

August 14th, 2022, Sermon Bible Study

Sermon: Luke 12:49-53

⁴⁹“I came to throw fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already ignited. ⁵⁰But I have a baptism to undergo, and how distressed I am until it is finished! ⁵¹Do you think that I came to bring peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. ⁵²Yes, from now on there will be five divided in one household: three against two, and two against three. ⁵³They will be divided: father against son, and son against father; mother against daughter, and daughter against mother; mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law, and daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law.”

Theme: God’s Vision of Division

Link to Audio Sermon:

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Sermon Study Guide

Contemplate these questions during the sermon and feel free to write your thoughts in the blank spaces.

- 1. As far as God is concerned, there are only two religions in this world. What are those two religions?**
- 2. Jesus did not come to bring peace on earth; that is, peace between people on earth. Instead, what kind of peace did Jesus come to earth to give? What is the only way for people in this world to gain the peace that Jesus came to give?**
- 3. If a religion teaches something different than forgiveness in the name of Jesus where is it ultimately leading people?**
- 4. Keeping all of the previous points in mind, is it more loving to be tolerant of people’s religious views (in other words, letting people believe what they want) or divide ourselves from others based upon what we believe?**