

# Guided Study Luke 17:1-10

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- 1 He said to His disciples,  
"It is inevitable that stumbling blocks come,  
but woe to him through whom they come!
- 2 "It would be better for him  
if a millstone were hung around his neck  
and he were thrown into the sea,  
than that he would cause one of these little ones  
to stumble.
- 3 "Be on your guard!  
If your brother sins,  
rebuke him;  
and if he repents,  
forgive him.
- 4 "And if he sins against you seven times a day,  
and returns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,'  
forgive him."
- 5 The apostles said to the Lord,  
"Increase our faith!"
- 6 And the Lord said,  
"If you had faith like a mustard seed,  
you would say to this mulberry tree,  
'Be uprooted and be planted in the sea';  
and it would obey you.
- 7 "Which of you,  
having a slave plowing or tending sheep,  
will say to him when he has come in from the field,  
'Come immediately and sit down to eat'?
- 8 "But will he not say to him,  
'Prepare something for me to eat,  
and *properly* clothe yourself  
and serve me while I eat and drink;  
and afterward you may eat and drink'?
- 9 "He does not thank the slave  
because he did the things  
which were commanded,  
does he?
- 10 "So you too,  
when you do all the things which are commanded  
you, say,  
'We are unworthy slaves;  
we have done *only* that which  
we ought to have done.'"

## Observation

### Mark and Note ...:

- v 1 What will come.  
The word that describes the probability they  
will come.  
On whom Jesus pronounces 'woe'.
- v 2 What would be better for that one.
- v 3 What we should do when our brother sins.  
What we should do if he repents.
- v 4 How many times he may sin against you.  
What he says each time.  
What we should do each time.
- v 5 What the apostles asked Jesus to increase.
- v 6 What Jesus compared our faith to.  
What we could tell the mustard tree.  
What the mustard tree would do.
- v 7 What Jesus questioned we would ask a slave.
- v 8 All that we would command that slave instead.  
When that slave would be allowed to 'eat and  
drink'.
- v 9 What the master does not do.
- v 10 What we should do.  
What we should say of ourselves.  
What we should say we have done.
- Review the Text and mark other key words or phrases  
you observe.

## Interpretation

Answer the following questions in light of: 1. The original author's intended meaning. 2. The context of the passage. 3. The context of the language, culture, geography and historical setting.

v 1 What are 'stumbling blocks'? \_\_\_\_\_

What is significant about them being 'inevitable'? \_\_\_\_\_

What is significant about Jesus cursing the one through whom they come? \_\_\_\_\_

v 2 Picture Jesus' illustration. What is His point? \_\_\_\_\_

Who are the 'little ones' Jesus refers to? \_\_\_\_\_

v 3 What are we to be 'on (our) guard' for? \_\_\_\_\_

What does it mean to 'rebuke'? \_\_\_\_\_

Why are we to 'rebuke' a sinning brother? \_\_\_\_\_

What does 'repents' mean? \_\_\_\_\_

Why must we forgive a brother who repents? \_\_\_\_\_

Why is repentance a prerequisite for forgiveness? \_\_\_\_\_

Are we obligated to forgive people who do not repent? (explain your answer) \_\_\_\_\_

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v 4 What is Jesus' point here? \_\_\_\_\_

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v 5 Why do the apostles make this request of Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_

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v 6 Why does Jesus compare our faith to a mustard seed? \_\_\_\_\_

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What is a 'mulberry tree'? \_\_\_\_\_

What point is Jesus making here? \_\_\_\_\_

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v 7 How would you describe Jesus' hypothetical question? \_\_\_\_\_

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What is Jesus' point in asking it? \_\_\_\_\_

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vs 8-9 According to what Jesus says here, what is the purpose of a slave? \_\_\_\_\_

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How does verse 9 exemplify the position of a slave? \_\_\_\_\_

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From this passage, does Jesus condone or condemn slavery? (explain your answer) \_\_\_\_\_

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v 10 Why would 'we' be just 'unworthy slaves' after doing 'all the things which are commanded'? \_\_\_\_\_

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What does this say about us if we don't do 'all' we are commanded? \_\_\_\_\_

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Briefly summarize this passage. \_\_\_\_\_

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Write in a **Title** for this passage in the space above the text.

What did you learn from this passage about God/Jesus Christ? \_\_\_\_\_

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What did you learn from this passage about yourself? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Circle** the Key Verse(s) in this passage.

**Memorize** and/or **Meditate** on them.

### **Principles & Truths**

*List the Principles and Truths taught in this passage.*

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### **Applications:**

*Apply the Principles and Truths to your life.*

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