



IT'S A MATTER OF PERSPECTIVE

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LUKE 13:1-21

THREE STORIES & THREE PARABLES TIED TOGETHER

The key to understanding these passages is in seeing the _____ of those involved:

- The most _____ perspective was that of the Jewish leadership and of most of the people.
- The often _____ perspective is seen in the viewpoint of Jesus, the Son of God.

Our approach should be to assume that our perspective is _____ and distorted by the _____ and by our own sin.

① Massacre of the Galileans and the Falling Tower:

- Faulty Premise: These victims were _____ sinners than others.
- Wrong Thinking: Your suffering in life is directly proportional to your _____, just as your prosperity is proportional to your _____.

- Proper Premise: Jesus was speaking to the nation of _____; specifically that generation of Israelites which had seen God's Messiah and _____ Him as King.
- Right Thinking: Let us not bother to _____ the sins of others; let us _____ of our own sins, and quickly!

② The Parable of the Fruitless Fig Tree:

- Understanding the Parable: Jesus used this parable to underscore the _____ of Israel to live up to God's standards and expectations and the _____ of its destruction.
- Application: As the time of His death drew _____, so did the time of Israel's destruction; yet God's _____ was still being offered in that moment.

③ The Healing of the Woman with a Disabling Spirit:

- Faulty Premise: The religious leaders felt that they were righteous, _____ of divine blessings.
- Destructive Thinking: They not only _____ the grace of God (seen in the leader's response to the woman's healing), they _____ it.

④ The Parables of the Mustard Seed and Leaven:

- Explaining the Parables: The rejection of Messiah by Israel has brought _____ to the Gentiles.