

# Message

## READING THE SIGNS

THE KINGDOM LIFE, THE GOSPEL OF LUKE PART 5 | MAY 27/28, 2017

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# Study Guides

### The Context

Before: Luke 11:14-28 "...blessed are those who \_\_\_\_\_ the word of God and obey." (v. 28)

After: Luke 11:33-36 "When your \_\_\_\_\_ are good, your whole body also is full of light." (v. 34)

### The Text

Luke 11:29-30 "As the crowds increased, Jesus said, "This is a wicked generation. It asks for a sign, but none will be given it except the sign of Jonah. For as Jonah was a sign to the Ninevites, so also will the Son of Man be to this generation."

No sign (\_\_\_\_\_)—Sign of Jonah (\_\_\_\_\_)

Jonah a sign to the Ninevites—Jesus a sign to "this generation"

Luke 11:31 "The Queen of the South will rise at the judgment with the people of this generation and condemn them, for she came from the ends of the earth to listen to Solomon's wisdom; and now something greater than Solomon is here."

Response of Wicked Generation vs Queen of Sheba ( \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_)

Luke 11:32 "The men of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and now something greater than Jonah is here."

Response of Wicked Generation vs Ninevites ( \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_)

### The Point

**The clearest \_\_\_\_\_ of God's Kingdom is when we \_\_\_\_\_ God's grace and \_\_\_\_\_ it with others.**

Respond to the question below that makes the most sense for you:

How will you investigate God like the Queen of Sheba?

How will you respond in repentance like the people of Nineveh?

Who will you share the grace of God with and how?

### Open Up (Answer One)

What is your favorite "sign"? Why?

What would you "go to the ends of the earth" to experience?

### Dig In

Why do you think Jesus is so frustrated by "this generation"?

Read the Book of Jonah:

How are Jonah and Jesus similar?

How are they different?

What is most remarkable to you about the story of the Queen of Sheba? (read 1 Kings 10-1-15)

What was Jonah's message to the Ninevites that caused them to repent?

Why is how the Queen of Sheba and the Ninevites responded a condemnation for "this generation"?

### Live It Out

What was the "sign" that turned you to God?

If you are not yet a follower of Christ: How will you investigate God like the Queen of Sheba?

If you are new to following Christ: How will you respond in repentance like the people of Nineveh?

If you are a growing follower of Christ: Who will you share the grace of God with and how?

# Reading Plan

To encourage us together in our growth with God, we arranged a weekday reading plan through this series. As you read each day, ask God to speak to you from His word.

Monday, May 29

Luke 11:29-32

Tuesday, May 30

Matthew 12:38-42

Wednesday, May 31

Jonah 3:1-10

Thursday, June 1

John 2:18-25

Friday, June 2

Matthew 16:1-4