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LUKE 13:22-30

THE NARROW GATE TO HEAVEN

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The Narrow Door

²² Then Jesus went through the towns and villages, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem. ²³ Someone asked him, “Lord, are only a few people going to be saved?”



He said to them, ²⁴ “Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to. ²⁵ Once the owner of the house gets up and closes the door, you will stand outside knocking and pleading, ‘Sir, open the door for us.’
“But he will answer, ‘I don’t know you or where you come from.’

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²⁶ “Then you will say, ‘We ate and drank with you, and you taught in our streets.’

²⁷ “But he will reply, ‘I don’t know you or where you come from. Away from me, all you evildoers!’

²⁸ “There will be weeping there, and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, but you yourselves thrown out.

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²⁹ People will come from east and west and north and south, and will take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. ³⁰ Indeed there are those who are last who will be first, and first who will be last.”

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- **Small Door**



- **Small Door**
- **Locked Out**



- **Small Door**
- **Locked Out**
- **"I don't know you"**



Levels of knowing



Levels of knowing

1. Stranger



Levels of knowing

1. Stranger
2. Colleague



Levels of knowing

1. Stranger
2. Colleague
3. Acquaintance



Levels of knowing

1. Stranger

2. Colleague

3. Acquaintance

4. Friendship



Levels of knowing

1. Stranger

2. Colleague

3. Acquaintance

4. Friendship

5. Close Friend



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6. Like Family - significant



ORTHODOXY



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ortho = right



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ortho = right

doxy = belief



ORTHOPRAXY



ORTHOPRAXY

ortho = right



ORTHOPRAXY

ortho = right

praxy = action



Titus 3:8 (NIV)

⁸ This is a trustworthy saying. And I want you to stress these things, so that those who have trusted in God may be careful to devote themselves to doing what is good. These things are excellent and profitable for everyone.



Ephesians 2:8-9 (NIV)

⁸ For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God — ⁹ not by works, so that no one can boast.



James 2:14-26 (NIV)

Faith and Deeds

¹⁴ What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them?

¹⁵ Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food.



¹⁶ If one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,” but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it? ¹⁷ In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

¹⁸ But someone will say, “You have faith; I have deeds.” Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by my deeds.

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19 You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that—and shudder.

20 You foolish person, do you want evidence that faith without deeds is useless? **21** Was not our father Abraham considered righteous for what he did when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? **22** You see that his faith and his actions were working together, and his faith was made complete by what he did.

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²³ And the scripture was fulfilled that says, “Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness,” and he was called God’s friend. ²⁴ You see that a person is considered righteous by what they do and not by faith alone.

²⁵ In the same way, was not even Rahab the prostitute considered righteous for what she did when she gave lodging to the spies and sent them off in a different direction?

James 2:14-26 (NIV)



²⁶ As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead.

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- **Covenant Relationship**



- **Covenant Relationship**
- **Kingdom Identity**



- **Covenant Relationship**
- **Kingdom Identity**
- **Kingdom Responsibility**



Identity brings responsibility



Orthodoxy and Orthopraxy belong together



How well do I know Jesus?



How well do I know Jesus?

Do I consider him family - significant?



How well do I know Jesus?

Do I consider him family - significant?

What steps can I take to become closer to Jesus?



How well do I know Jesus?

Do I consider him family - significant?

What steps can I take to become closer to Jesus?

Do I have both faith and action in my life?



How well do I know Jesus?

Do I consider him family - significant?

What steps can I take to become closer to Jesus?

Do I have both faith and action in my life?

What steps can I take to grow in my faith and practice?





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