

The Book of Luke

This Week:

Lesson: The Pharisees (Sanhedrin) reject Christ

Scripture: Luke 11:14-54

Next Week:

Homework Scripture Read: Luke 12



Lesson Text:

Luke 11:14-16 Rejection of the Pharisees (Sanhedrin)

Matthew 12:31-32 The instance of “the unpardonable sin”
(Matthew 12:22-32)

Luke 11:17-20 First response: Identifying the Kingdoms

Luke 11:21-23 Second response: Strong Man - With me or Against Me

Luke 11:24-26 Third response: The futility of superficial religion

Luke 11:29-32 Fourth response: The judgment of Nineveh

Luke 11:42-52 Fifth response: Tirade against the Pharisees and Lawyers

Luke 11:53-54 The open hostility of the Sanhedrin

Discussion:

- Discuss the identity and importance of the Sanhedrin
 - Traditionally 70 elders appointed by Moses
 - Documented as early as 200 BC
 - Ruling government under Rome at the time of Christ
- Discuss Jewish government during the time of Christ
 - Role of religion in government
 - Pharisees
 - Sadducees
- Discuss the importance of the rejection of Christ by the Sanhedrin