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Local contact: Janelle 209-518-2565

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Gospel Reflection: Luke 6:17,20-26—Jesus teaches the crowd the way to happiness.

Last Sunday we heard Jesus call Peter to be his disciple. Jesus then travels with Peter and the other disciples. Luke reports acts of healing (a person with leprosy and a paralytic man) and the call of Levi, the tax collector. Jesus also replies to questions from the Pharisees regarding fasting and the observance of the Sabbath. In the verses immediately before today's gospel reading, Jesus is reported to have chosen 12 men from among his disciples to be apostles. *Apostle* is a Greek word that means “one who is sent.”

Today's gospel reading is the beginning of what is often called the Sermon on the Plain. We find a parallel to this passage in Matthew 5:1-7,11 that is often called the Sermon on the Mount. As these titles suggest, there are differences and similarities between these gospel readings.

When spoken from the mountaintop in Matthew's Gospel, we can't miss the impression that Jesus is speaking with the authority and voice of God. The mountaintop is a symbol of closeness to God. Those who ascend the mountain see God and speak for God; recall the story of Moses and the Ten Commandments. As Luke introduces the location of Jesus' teaching, Jesus teaches on level ground, alongside the disciples and the crowd. Luke presents Jesus' authority in a different light. He is God among us.

Another distinction found in Luke's version is the audience. Luke's Sermon on the Plain is addressed to Jesus' disciples, although in the presence of the crowd; Matthew's Sermon on the Mount is addressed to the crowd. In keeping with this style, the Beatitudes in Luke's Gospel sound more personal than those in Matthew's Gospel—Luke uses the article “you” whereas Matthew uses “they” or “those.” There is also a difference in number: Matthew describes eight beatitudes; Luke presents just four, each of which has a parallel warning.

The form of the Beatitudes found in Luke's and Matthew's Gospel is not unique to Jesus. Beatitudes are found in the Old Testament, such as in the Psalms and in Wisdom literature. They are a way to teach about who will find favor with God. The word *blessed* in this context might be translated as “happy,” “fortunate,” or “favored.”

As we listen to this Gospel, the Beatitudes jar our sensibilities. Those who are poor, hungry, weeping, or persecuted are called blessed. This is, indeed, a Gospel of reversals. Those often thought to have been forgotten by God are called blessed. In the list of “woes,” those whom we might ordinarily describe as blessed by God are warned about their peril. Riches, possessions, laughter, reputation . . . these are not things that we can depend upon as sources of eternal happiness. They not only fail to deliver on their promise; our misplaced trust in them will lead to our demise. The ultimate peril is in misidentifying the source of our eternal happiness.

The Beatitudes are often described as a framework for Christian living. Our vocation as Christians is not to be first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God. We are challenged to examine our present situation in the context of our ultimate horizon, the Kingdom of God.

Family Connection

Today's Gospel offers a contrast to many of the messages we hear in our society today. If we were to accept uncritically the “get ahead” messages of our culture, we would think that happiness means having money, being successful, and having many possessions. In this way, we are not unlike the people who heard Jesus teach on the day that he taught the Beatitudes. They too associated happiness with possessions and success. The report of the Beatitudes in Luke's Gospel, however, takes things one step further. Not only will we not find happiness through the “get ahead” messages of the world, but relying upon these messages will cause us harm. The warnings spoken are particularly challenging because they suggest that our way of life must change if we are to gain the lasting happiness of eternal life.

Talk together as a family about what society tells us makes a person successful. Make a list of the traits that you associate with a successful person. Then read together today's Gospel, Luke 6:17,20-26. Reflect on Jesus' description of blessedness in the Kingdom of God. Then consider the warnings. Why are these surprising and challenging? What, then, is the measure of success in the Kingdom of God? Together write prayers of petition based on your discussion. Pray these prayers together, asking God to help your family seek the blessings of the Kingdom of God.

Reflexión del Evangelio: Lucas 6:17,20-26— Jesús enseña a la multitud el camino a la felicidad.

El domingo pasado escuchamos a Jesús llamar a Pedro para que fuera su discípulo. Jesús luego viaja con Pedro y los otros discípulos. Lucas relata actos de curación (una persona con lepra y un hombre paralítico) y la llamada de Leví, el recaudador de impuestos. Jesús también responde a las preguntas de los fariseos con respecto al ayuno y la observancia del sábado. En los versículos inmediatamente anteriores a la lectura del evangelio de hoy, se informa que Jesús escogió a 12 hombres de entre sus discípulos para ser apóstoles. *Apóstol* es una palabra griega que significa "el que es enviado".

La lectura del evangelio de hoy es el comienzo de lo que a menudo se llama el Sermón de la Llanura. Encontramos un paralelo a este pasaje en Mateo 5:1-7,11 que a menudo se llama el Sermón del Monte. Como sugieren estos títulos, hay diferencias y similitudes entre estas lecturas del Evangelio.

Cuando se habla desde la cima de la montaña en el Evangelio de Mateo, no podemos perder la impresión de que Jesús está hablando con la autoridad y la voz de Dios. La cima de la montaña es un símbolo de cercanía a Dios. Los que ascienden a la montaña ven a Dios y hablan por Dios; recordemos la historia de Moisés y los Diez Mandamientos. A medida que Lucas presenta la ubicación de la enseñanza de Jesús, Jesús enseña en un terreno nivelado, junto con los discípulos y la multitud. Lucas presenta la autoridad de Jesús bajo una luz diferente. Él es Dios entre nosotros.

Otra distinción que se encuentra en la versión de Lucas es la audiencia. El Sermón de Lucas en la Llanura está dirigido a los discípulos de Jesús, aunque en presencia de la multitud; El Sermón del Monte de Mateo está dirigido a la multitud. De acuerdo con este estilo, las Bienaventuranzas en el Evangelio de Lucas suenan más personales que las del Evangelio de Mateo: Lucas usa el artículo "tú", mientras que Mateo usa "ellos" o "aquellos". También hay una diferencia en el número: Mateo describe ocho bienaventuranzas; Lucas presenta solo cuatro, cada uno de los cuales tiene una advertencia paralela.

La forma de las Bienaventuranzas que se encuentran en el Evangelio de Lucas y Mateo no es exclusiva de Jesús. Las bienaventuranzas se encuentran en el Antiguo Testamento, como en los Salmos y en la literatura de sabiduría. Son una manera de enseñar acerca de quién encontrará el favor de Dios. La palabra *bendito* en este contexto podría traducirse como "feliz", "afortunado" o "favorecido".

Al escuchar este Evangelio, las Bienaventuranzas sacuden nuestras sensibilidades. Aquellos que son pobres, hambrientos, llorosos o perseguidos son llamados bienaventurados. Este es, de hecho, un Evangelio de reversiones. Aquellos que a menudo se cree que han sido olvidados por Dios son llamados bienaventurados. En la lista de "aflicciones", aquellos a quienes normalmente podríamos describir como bedecidos por Dios son advertidos acerca de su peligro. Riquezas, posesiones, risas, reputación... estas no son cosas de las que podamos depender como fuentes de felicidad eterna. No sólo no cumplen su promesa; nuestra confianza fuera de lugar en ellos conducirá a nuestra desaparición. El peligro último está en identificar erróneamente la fuente de nuestra felicidad eterna. Las Bienaventuranzas a menudo se describen como un marco para la vida cristiana. Nuestra vocación como cristianos no es ser los primeros en este mundo, sino más bien ser los primeros a los ojos de Dios. Tenemos el desafío de examinar nuestra situación actual en el contexto de nuestro horizonte final, el Reino de Dios.

Conexión familiar

El Evangelio de hoy ofrece un contraste con muchos de los mensajes que escuchamos en nuestra sociedad actual. Si aceptáramos acriticamente los mensajes de "salir adelante" de nuestra cultura, pensaríamos que la felicidad significa tener dinero, tener éxito y tener muchas posesiones. De esta manera, no somos diferentes a las personas que escucharon a Jesús enseñar el día en que enseñó las Bienaventuranzas. Ellos también asociaron la felicidad con las posesiones y el éxito. El informe de las Bienaventuranzas en el Evangelio de Lucas, sin embargo, lleva las cosas un paso más allá. No solo no encontraremos la felicidad a través de los mensajes de "adelantarnos" del mundo, sino que confiar en estos mensajes nos causará daño. Las advertencias pronunciadas son particularmente desafiantes porque sugieren que nuestra forma de vida debe cambiar si queremos obtener la felicidad duradera de la vida eterna.

Hablen juntos como familia sobre lo que la sociedad nos dice que hace que una persona tenga éxito. Haz una lista de los rasgos que asocias con una persona exitosa. Luego lean juntos el Evangelio de hoy, Lucas 6:17,20-26. Reflexiona sobre la descripción de Jesús de la bendición en el Reino de Dios. Luego considere las advertencias. ¿Por qué son sorprendentes y desafiantes? ¿Cuál es, entonces, la medida del éxito en el Reino de Dios? Juntos escriban oraciones de petición basadas en su discusión. Oren estas oraciones juntos, pidiéndole a Dios que ayude a su familia a buscar las bendiciones del Reino de Dios.