

Luka 3:15-17, 21-22

Kielelezo cha kusambaza inahusu mchakato wa kutumia upepo wa kutofautisha nafaka inayotumiwa kutoka kwa mbolea na majani yaliyoachwa. Ingawa kuna taka zilizopotezwa katika vielelezo zote mbili, na maana ya ambayo haiwezi kufungwa juu ya suala la uwajibikaji kwa Mungu, kusudi lote la kusafisha na kusambaza ni kumaliza na kitu kinachoweza kutumika. Hiyo ni, mchakato sio kwa kusudi la kuharibu taka, lakini kwa kuwezesha yale ambayo yanafaa kwa huduma (D Bratcher, 2018).

Kulingana na Luka, yote tunayoyajua juu ya ubatizo wa Yesu ni kwamba ilikuwa pamoja na "watu wote" - lakini labda ndio kanisa lililosahau wakati mwingine. Yesu alijitolea mwenyewe kwa ubatizo kama kitendo cha umoja na taifa na ulimwengu wa wenye dhambi. Yesu alipatikana tu na kila mtu ambaye alikuwa amevunjwa na "kuvaa na kuomboleza" ya ulimwengu huu wa ubinafsi na wote walipotea juu yao wenyewe na Mungu wao. Wakati mstari wa watu wenye shida na wenye dhambi waliumbwa kwa matumaini ya mwanzo mpya kupitia kurudi kwa Mungu, Yesu alijiunga nao. Wakati wa ubatizo wake, Yesu alielezea na watu walioharibiwa na waliovunjika ambao walimhitaji Mungu (Robert Brearley, 2009).

Januari Mafunzo ya Kikristo:

Kwa mfano wa Kristo katika akili na moyo, ujue vizuri zaidi mtu mmoja au zaidi na / au familia juu ya chakula kabla ya mwisho wa mwezi. Shiriki uzoefu wako na Mchungaji kwa maelezo mafupi.

Wiki ijayo: Yohana 2: 1-11

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

The metaphor of winnowing refers to the process of using the wind to separate usable grain from the husks and straw that are discarded. While there is waste to be discarded in both metaphors, and the implications of that cannot be glossed over in terms of accountability to God, the whole purpose of both refining and winnowing is to end up with something usable. That is, the process is not for the purpose of destroying the waste, but for enabling that which is useful for service (D Bratcher, 2018).

According to Luke, all we know about the baptism of Jesus is that it was with "all the people" –but maybe that is what the church has sometimes forgotten. Jesus presented Himself for baptism as an act of solidarity with a nation and a world of sinners. Jesus simply got in line with everyone who had been broken by the "wear and tear" of this selfish world and had all but given up on themselves and their God. When the line of downtrodden and sin-sick people formed in hopes of new beginnings through a return to God, Jesus joined them. At His baptism, Jesus identified with the damaged and broken people who needed God (Robert Brearley, 2009).

January Discipleship:

With Christ's example in mind and heart, get better acquainted with one or more individuals and/or families over a meal before the end of the month. Share your experience with Pastor with a short note.

Next week: John 2:1-11

Januari 13, 2019

Panga

MASOMO YA MAANDIKO YA WIKI HII:

Leo: *Zaburi 29*

Jumatatu: *Mathayo 2: 13-18*

Jumanne: *Yohana 1:1-13*

Jumatano: *Yohana 1:35-42*

Alhamisi: *2 Wakorintho 11: 1-15*

Ijumaa: *2 Wakorintho 11: 16-30*

Jumamosi: *Mathayo 10:34-39*

*Nipate huruma kwangu, Ee Mungu, nihurumie mimi,
kwa maana nafsi yangu inakimbia ndani yako;
Nitakimbilia kivuli cha mbawa zako, mpaka dhoruba
za uharibifu zitapita. Zaburi 57: 1*

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Winnowing

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK:

Today: *Psalm 29*

Monday: *Matthew 2:13-18*

Tuesday: *John 1:1-13*

Wednesday: *John 1:35-42*

Thursday: *2 Corinthians 11:1-15*

Friday: *2 Corinthians 11:16-30*

Saturday: *Matthew 10:34-39*

*Be merciful to me, Oh God, be merciful to me, for in You my
soul takes refuge; in the shadow of Your wings I will take
refuge, until the destroying storms pass by. Psalm 57:1*