

Listen Carefully

In this passage Luke quotes three ancient proverbs and centers them around a single exhortation: "Take care then how you hear." The proverbs Luke uses show us:

We must be careful listeners because of...

1. The Intent of the Speaker
 - a. The Lamp on a Stand... see also *Luke 11:33*
 - b. God has spoken
 - c. So that we may "see"
2. The Certainty of Revelation
 - a. What is hidden will become clear... *Luke 12:2*
 - b. All truth may be known
 - c. Knowledge is therefore obtainable *1 Cor. 13*
3. The Cumulative Nature of Truth
 - a. He who has much will be given... *Luke 19:26*
 - b. Embracing truth leads to learning
 - c. Suppressing truth leads to ignorance *Romans 1*

Application:

1. Are you listening carefully to what God has spoken in his word?
2. Is your life and this world making more and more sense to you? Or are you increasingly bewildered by reality?
3. Do you strive to interpret the context of your life through the truth God has declared?