

" Be Prepared "
(Taught by Mike Honeycutt)
Luke 13:1-9
New Hope Community Church
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A. Be prepared with REPENTANCE

1. Jesus said repent or perish. (Luke 13:3)
2. Repentance is to change your mind and make a 180 degree turn to God.
3. Suffering or tragedy are not always indicators of sin. (Luke 13:2)
4. The axe is at the root. (Luke 3:8-10)

B. Be prepared with RELATIONSHIP

1. Jesus said you must be born again. (John 3:7)
2. The Spirit of adoption. (Romans 8:15)
3. Bride and Bridegroom. (John 3:29)
4. The Vine and the branches. (John 15:7-8)

C. Be prepared with RIGHTEOUSNESS

1. Be found in Him. (Philippians 3:9)
2. Having the righteousness of faith. (Romans 10:9-10)
3. Dressed for a wedding. (Luke 14:14)
4. Righteousness always produces fruit. (Ephesians 2:8-10)

D. Be prepared with RETURNS (FRUIT)

1. The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, gentleness, goodness, faith, humility, and self control. (Galatians 5:22)
2. The fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness and truth. (Ephesians 5:9)
3. Be filled with the Spirit. (Ephesians 5:18)
4. Abide in Christ and let His Word abide in you and you will produce much fruit. (John 15:7-8)

Be prepared for Jesus is coming again !!!!

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Questions for Discussion:

1. What is the meaning of the Parable of the Fig Tree?
2. Why did Jesus on another occasion curse a fig tree?
3. Can you think of times in the Bible where people suffered or endured tragedy which was a direct judgement from God?

Or can you think of times in the Bible where it was not?

4. Tell us about a time when you suffered or experienced tragedy although you knew you were in the will of God?
5. What are some of the various reasons why we experience pain or suffering in this life?