



SERMON OUTLINE FOR DIGITAL DOWNLOAD

Lesson Title: *Lesson Seven: What is Man? What Shall We Have*

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📖 Text: Matthew 19:27–29; Mark 10:28–30

I. INTRODUCTION: WHAT SHALL WE HAVE?

Matthew 19:28

Peter asked, “We’ve left everything and followed You—what shall we have?”

Mark 10:29–30

Jesus answered: No one who has left home or family for My sake will go without reward. You’ll receive a hundredfold in this life—and eternal life in the next.

II. THE PROMISE & THE PROBLEM: COMMUNITY

Peter’s Question = Jesus’ Answer: COMMUNITY

But many of us would ask—Community, Jesus? Really?

- The Church is often the place of hurt, betrayal, rejection.
- Why is this the answer?

Because the enemy fears it.

- The kingdom of darkness attacks what it fears: the assembly of the saints.
- Jesus doesn’t just promise heaven later—He promises family now.

III. DEFINING COMMUNITY

Community: People united by shared purpose and values.

Biblical Community = Assembly / Covenant People

Hebrew Terms:

- *Edah* – Assembly under God
- *Qahal* – Called-out gathering (Ekklesia)
- *‘Am* – Covenant people

IV. JESUS’ LANGUAGE: A COVENANT SHIFT

- “Leave house, family, land...” = 1st-century language for identity, inheritance, and security.
- He’s not calling for abandonment, but a loyalty shift.

Luke 14:26:

“Whoever doesn’t hate family... cannot be My disciple.”

(Hebrew idiom = love Me more)



Following Jesus creates a covenant shift:

- Leaving natural loyalties
- Entering spiritual family
- Gaining community “now in this time”

V. COMMUNITY: GOD’S DESIGN

The Kingdom is not individualistic—it’s covenantal and communal.

When we know who we are:

- Sons/daughters with authority (John 1:12)
- Royal priesthood, set-apart nation
- Redeemed Adam—crowned with glory and honor

Then the assembly becomes:

- Strength
- Identity
- Provision
- Witness

VI. COMMUNION: OUR SHARED IDENTITY

Communion = More than a personal act—it’s a corporate declaration.

Luke 22:19–20: “This is My body... My blood of the new covenant”

1 Corinthians 10:16–17

- Koinonia = partnership, participation, shared life
- We are one body, one bread

Communion declares:

- We belong to Christ—and to each other
- Division contradicts the meaning of the bread

VII. EARLY CHURCH MODEL: ACTS COMMUNITY

Acts 2:42–47 / Acts 4:32–35:

- They lived the power of unity
- Shared possessions



- Broke bread together
- Prayed together
- Experienced grace, provision, and growth

Unity = Power + Provision

VIII. THE UNIFIED CHURCH IS UNSTOPPABLE

“True communion isn’t just me and Jesus—it’s us and Jesus.”

The enemy fights community because:

- Unity = Authority
- Jesus said we’d gain with persecutions—because the enemy fears our gathering.

Matthew 16:18-19:

The ekklesia will not be overcome.

- We are not a building—we are a governing assembly of kingdom citizens.

IX. THE POWER OF THE EKKLESIA

The Church = God’s Legislative Body

Power includes:

1. Binding & Loosing (Matt. 16:19)
2. Authority of Agreement (Matt. 18:18-20)
3. Enacting God’s Will on Earth

The enemy fights unity through:

- Division
- Dysfunction
- Deception
- Distraction

X. UNITY INVITES GOD’S PRESENCE

Psalms 133:1-3:

Unity is:

- Like anointing oil
- Like refreshing dew
- Where God commands the blessing

Hebrew Word Pictures:



- *Yashav* – To dwell and be rooted
- *Yachad* – Joined hands under one boundary
- *Berakhah* – Blessing = God's open hand covering the house

XI. UNITY IS OUR WITNESS

John 13:35 / John 17:21–22

- Unity proves we are His
- Unity proves Jesus was sent
- Oneness = Evidence to the world

XII. THE ENEMY FEARS OUR ONENESS

A divided church is powerless
A united church is unstoppable

Proverbs 6:16, 19: God hates discord among brothers.

Enemy's weapons:

- Division – strife
- Dysfunction – clashes
- Deception – false teaching
- Distraction – selfish focus

XIII. FINAL CHARGE: ONE BODY, ONE PURPOSE

Ephesians 4:1–6

- Walk worthy of your calling
- Stay humble, gentle, patient
- Guard the unity of the Spirit in peace

“There is one body, one Spirit, one hope... one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all.”

XIV. CORPORATE MATURITY: GROWING UP TOGETHER

Ephesians 4:13

- Until we become one perfect man
- A mature, visible expression of Christ on earth
- This is the assignment of the five-fold: Bring us into the Head—Christ!

