

Luke 10:21-24

²¹ At that time, Jesus rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and declared, "I praise You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because You have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this was well-pleasing in Your sight."

²² "All things have been entrusted to Me by My Father. No one knows who the Son is except the Father, and no one knows who the Father is except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal Him."

²³ Then Jesus turned to the disciples and said privately, "Blessed are the eyes that see what you see. ²⁴ For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it."

Berean Study Bible

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Go with the flow. Luke 10:21-24

Go with the power of praise. 10:21

Everything is by grace, not intellect. 21a "hidden... revealed"

Everything is by goodness, not strength. 21b "well-pleasing"

Go with the power of trust. 10:22

God wants to trust me. 22a "those to whom the Son chooses"

God wants to show me. 22b "chooses to reveal Him."

Go with the power of blessing. 10:23-24

I have the blessing of insight. 23-24 "see what you see"

I have the blessing of understanding. 24b "hear what you hear"

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Talking, and listening. Luke 10:21-24

Talking with God. 10:21

Praise lifts me up. 21a "I praise You"

Pleasure takes me on. 21b "well-pleasing"

Talking with everyone. 10:22

The Son is the centre. 22a "entrusted to Me"

The Son is the source. 22b "to whom the Son chooses"

Talking with believers. 10:23-24

What I see blesses me. 23 "Blessed are the eyes"

What I hear blesses me. 24 "hear what you hear"

20:20 Vision. Luke 10:21-24

God wants me to see. 10:21

He does not want me to peek. 21a "You have hidden these things"

He wants to unveil for me. 21b "revealed them to little children"

He is happy when I see. 21c "this was well-pleasing in Your sight"

God wants me to know. 10:22

All things are knowable. 22a "All things have been entrusted to Me"

Some things are unknowable. 22b "No one knows... and no one knows..."

Some things are knowable. 22c "those to whom the Son chooses to reveal"

God wants me to be blessed. 10:23-24

Blessings are available to me. 23 "turned to the disciples and said privately"

Blessings are through seeing. 23-24 "Blessed... see what you see..."

Blessings are through hearing. 24 "to hear what you hear"

Life is supposed to look like this. Luke 10:21-24

See more clearly. 10:21

The Holy Spirit gives me joy. 21a "rejoiced in the Holy Spirit"

Revelation results in praise. 21a "I praise you, Father"

Walk more closely. 10:22

God the Father trusts the Son. 22a "entrusted by My Father"

God the Son trusts us. 22b "to whom the Son chooses to reveal"

Be more confident. 10:23-24

Blessings are restricted. 23a "disciples... privately"

Blessings are available. 23b "blessed are"

What do you know? Luke 10:21-24

Knowledge is a gift. 10:21

Knowledge of God. 10:22

Knowledge with action. 10:23-24

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Luke 10:21-24

Knowledge is a gift. 10:21

Relationship is a gift. 10:22

Progress is a gift. 10:23-24

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Special delivery. Luke 10:22

From the Father to the Son

Jesus holds everything. 22a "all things"

Jesus cares for everything. 22a "entrusted"

Between the Father and the Son

I cannot know God. 22b "no one... except the Father"

Through Jesus, I know God. 22b "no one... except the Son"

From the Son to us

God wants me to see. 22c "the Son chooses"

God wants me to see clearly. 22c "to reveal Him"

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Seeing the bigger picture. Luke 10:23-24

I can see the past, because I can see the Creator.

I can see the present, because I can see the Master.

I can see the future, because I can see the Lord.

I can see myself, because I can see the Saviour.

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Look how blessed I am! Luke 10:21-24

Look from the Father's viewpoint. 10:21

What the Father sees cannot be seen from earth. "hidden from wise"

What the Father sees can only be seen from His lap. "revealed to children"

Look from the Son's viewpoint. 10:22

What the Son sees is from the Father's viewpoint. "entrusted by My Father"

What we see is only seen from the Son's viewpoint. "the Son reveals"

Look from my own viewpoint. 10:23-24

What I see is worth seeing. "Blessed are your eyes"

What I see is worth seeking. "prophets and kings desired to see"

My response to all I see is praise. "I praise You Father"

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Look at this! Luke 10:21-24

Seeing what others can't see. 10:21

Learning is limited vision. "hidden from the... learned"

Revealing is higher vision. "revealed to little children"

Seeing what others can see. 10:22

Look at what Jesus knows. "entrusted... no one knows"

Look at who Jesus is. "My Father... the Son"

Seeing what others want to see. 10:23-24

My viewpoint is blessed. "Blessed are your eyes"

My viewpoint allows blessings. "Blessed ARE the eyes"

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Why turn up on Sunday? Luke 10:21-24

Church maintains my perspective. 10:21

I give private praise. "I praise You"

I receive public perspective. "hidden... revealed..."

Church maintains my perception. 10:22

I am reminded of my limitations. "No one knows"

I am reminded of my insights. "The Son reveals"

Church maintains my perseverance. 10:23-24

I look backward with thanks. "prophets and kings desired"

I look forward with optimism. "Blessed are your eyes"

Other possible titles

Grand unveiling. Luke 10:21-24. "reveal" 21,22. "see" 23,24

I am blessed. Luke 10:22-24

Vision

Look! See!

Music and songs

Songs about knowing God

I cannot tell why He whom angels worship. H 185
I know whom I have believed. H 651
I know not why God's wondrous grace. H 651

Songs about blessed or blessing

Bless the Lord, o my soul.
Blessed be the Rock of our salvation.
Blessed by Your name. Ot 42
Blessings and more blessings overtake me.
Greatly blessed, highly favoured. Ot 96

Songs about seeing or vision

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart. H 429
Open our eyes Lord. 224 / SiS 390
Open the eyes of my heart. Ot 23
Said the night wind to the little lamb (Christmas)

Songs about praise

Every praise. Ot 16
I will enter His courts. SiS
Praise the Lord. (Imperials)
Sing your praise to the Lord.
Singing Hallelujah. 106
You inhabit the praise.

Thought starters for private reflection or group discussion

1. This text includes many positive experiences. What is their starting point (v21a), and what makes that a healthy start?
 2. Define 'praise'. In what ways does giving and receiving praise change my relationships, with God and others?
 3. What is the opposite of praise? What effects does it have on my relationships with God and others; and why is it so?
 4. Review Jehoshaphat's battle plan (2 Chronicles 20:21). What was the strategic thinking that produced that battle plan? List some ways we can adopt that same strategy.
 5. Read Luke 10:23. Why was this statement only for Jesus' disciples? Suggest ways of making the most of that blessing.
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Key words

²¹ At that time, Jesus **rejoiced** in the Holy Spirit...

ἡγαλλιάσατο, Strong's 21, (from αἶψα, 'much, very' + 242 ἄλλομαι, "jump, leap") literally, 'jump for joy', to exult, rejoice greatly. 11 occurrences in the New Testament. Matt.5:12, Lk.1:47, Lk.10:21, Jn.5:35, Jn.8:56, Ac.2:26, Ac.16:34, 1Pet.1:6,8, 1 Pet.4:13, Rev.19:7.

²¹ ...Jesus rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and **declared**...

εἶπεν, Strong's 3004, λέγω denoting speech in progress, I say, speak; I mean, mention, tell. 2,267 occurrences in the New Testament.

²¹ ...Jesus rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and declared, "I **praise** You, Father..."

ἐξομολογέω, Strong's 1843, (from 1537 ἐκ 'wholly out from', intensifying 3670 ὁμολογέω 'say the same thing about') I consent fully, totally agree, I confess, admit, acknowledge, openly declare, publicly declare, a Hebraism for I praise, celebrate.

KJV reads, "I **thank** thee, O Father..." but 'praise' and 'thank' are different words.

εὐχαριστέω [Strong's 2168] = thanks

1. Jesus thanked God for loaves and fishes (Matt.15:36, Mk.8:6, John 6:11,23)

2. Jesus thanked God for hearing His prayer (John 11:41)

3. Jesus gave thanks at the Last Supper (Matt.26:27, Mark 14:23, Luke 22:17,19)

²¹ ...You have **hidden** these things from the wise and learned

ἀποκρύπτω, Strong's 613, hide away, conceal, keep secret.

²¹ ...You have hidden these things from the **wise** and learned

σοφός, Strong's 4680, wise, learned, cultivated, skilled, clever.

²¹ ...You have hidden these things from the wise and **learned**

συνετός, Strong's 4908, to understand by synthesizing, understanding that results from correlating. understanding works in keeping with perspective.

²¹ ...You have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and **revealed** them to little children... ²² ... those to whom the Son chooses to **reveal** Him.

ἀποκαλύπτω, Strong's 601 (from 575 ἀπό 'away from' + 2572 καλύπτω 'to cover') uncover, revealing what is hidden, veiled, or obstructed, uncover, reveal, make plain, manifest.

²¹ ...revealed them to **little children**.

νηπίοις, Strong's 3516, an infant, child, minor, unlearned, unenlightened, immature

²¹ ...Yes, Father, for this was **well-pleasing** in Your sight.

εὐδοκία, Strong's 2107, good or beneficial, favour, satisfaction, happiness, delight.

²² "All things have been **entrusted** to Me by My Father.

παράδιδωμι, Strong's 3860 (from 3844 παρά, 'from close-beside' + 1325 δίδωμι, 'give') to hand over, to give to, deliver over, hand over, pledge, commit, commend.

²² ...No one **knows** who the Son is... and no one **knows** who the Father is...

γινώσκω, Strong's 1097, know, recognize, perceive, experientially know.

For example, in Lk 1:34, And Mary [a virgin] said to the angel, 'How will this be since I do not know (1097 γινώσκω = sexual intimacy) a man?'

Other words for 'know' include:

οἶδα, Strong's 1492, to know from observation, to see, perceive, be aware, behold, consider, appreciate, comprehend.

ἐπίσταμαι, Strong's 1987, stand upon, to set over, understand. Most frequently in the book of Acts.

²² ...and those to whom the Son **chooses** to reveal Him.

βούληται, Strong's 1014, resolutely plan, determined intention, will, intend, desire, wish.

There are 37 occurrences in the New Testament, including 2 Peter 3:9.

The American Optometric Association

<https://www.aoa.org/patients-and-public/eye-and-vision-problems/glossary-of-eye-and-vision-conditions/visual-acuity>

20/20 vision is a term used to express normal visual acuity (the clarity or sharpness of vision) measured at a distance of 20 feet. If you have 20/20 vision, you can see clearly at 20 feet what should normally be seen at that distance. If you have 20/100 vision, it means that you must be as close as 20 feet to see what a person with normal vision can see at 100 feet.

Having 20/20 vision does not necessarily mean you have perfect vision. 20/20 vision only indicates the sharpness or clarity of vision at a distance. Other important vision skills, including peripheral awareness or side vision, eye coordination, depth perception, focusing ability and color vision, contribute to your overall visual ability.

Some people can see well at a distance but are unable to bring nearer objects into focus. This condition can be caused by hyperopia (farsightedness) or presbyopia (loss of focusing ability). Others can see items that are close but cannot see those far away. This condition may be caused by myopia (nearsightedness).
