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Mr. Don Reasons

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Luke 9:51-55

- I. Samaria ... God's past interaction with the Samaritans.
  - A. 722 BC — Exile of Israel
    1. Some poor Jews were left behind.
    2. The Assyrian king sent non-Jews in to populate the land.
    3. When the Jews returned, they looked at the Samaritans as non-Jews and this resulted in two different places of worship ... and much hostility.
  - B. 853/850 BC — Death of Ahab and Ahaziah became king. (2 Kings 1:1-17)
    1. A bad king who worshiped Baal.
    2. Ahaziah fell and sought prophetic counsel from Baal.
    3. God confronts Ahaziah through His prophet – Elijah
    4. Elijah calls down fire from heaven.
- II. Samaria ... an encounter with Jesus Christ. (Luke 9:51-55)
  - A. Jesus travels through Samaria on His way to Jerusalem.
  - B. Messengers sent ahead to make things ready for Jesus.
  - C. Jesus was rejected by the Samaritans.
  - D. James and John: "Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?"

*(A Biblically Principled Response)*
  - E. Jesus: Turned and rebuked James and John.
  - F. They went to another village.
- III. Application:

*Question:*

  - A. How to we respond when we are rejected.

"God let me call down ..... **fire** – OR – **toleration**"

*Remember:*

  - B. The Gospel shines the light on God's mercy ... grace and forgiveness even when we deserve fire and destruction.

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The Call to Worship  
\*Hymn No. 66      *To God Be the Glory*

Verse 1

To God be the glory—great things He hath done!  
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,  
who yielded His life an atonement for sin  
and opened the Lifegate that all may go in.

*Praise the lord, Praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!*  
*Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!*  
*O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,*  
*and give Him the glory—great things He hath done.*

Verse 2

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!  
To ev'ry believer the promise of God;  
the vilest offender who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

*Praise the lord, Praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!*  
*Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!*  
*O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,*  
*and give Him the glory—great things He hath done.*

Verse 3

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,  
and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son;  
but purer and higher and greater will be  
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

*Praise the lord, Praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!*  
*Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!*  
*O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,*  
*and give Him the glory—great things He hath done.*

\*Invocation

OT Scripture Reading      2 Kings 1:1-17

After Ahab's death, Moab rebelled against Israel. <sup>2</sup> Now Ahaziah had fallen through the lattice of his upper room in Samaria and injured himself. So he sent messengers, saying to them, "Go and consult Baal-Zebub, the god of Ekron, to see if I will recover from this injury."

<sup>3</sup> But the angel of the LORD said to Elijah the Tishbite, "Go up and meet the messengers of the king of Samaria and ask them, 'Is it because there is no God in Israel that you are going off to consult Baal-Zebub, the god of Ekron?' <sup>4</sup> Therefore this is what the LORD says: 'You will not leave the bed you are lying on. You will certainly die!'" So Elijah went.

<sup>5</sup> When the messengers returned to the king, he asked them, "Why have you come back?"

<sup>6</sup> "A man came to meet us," they replied. "And he said to us, 'Go back to the king who sent you and tell him, "This is what the LORD says: Is it because there is no God in Israel that you are sending men to consult Baal-Zebub, the god of Ekron? Therefore you will not leave the bed you are lying on. You will certainly die!"' "

<sup>7</sup> The king asked them, "What kind of man was it who came to meet you and told you this?"

<sup>8</sup> They replied, "He was a man with a garment of hair and with a leather belt around his waist."

The king said, "That was Elijah the Tishbite."

<sup>9</sup> Then he sent to Elijah a captain with his company of fifty men. The captain went up to Elijah, who was sitting on the top of a hill, and said to him, "Man of God, the king says, 'Come down!'"

<sup>10</sup> Elijah answered the captain, "If I am a man of God, may fire come down from heaven and consume you and your fifty men!" Then fire fell from heaven and consumed the captain and his men.

<sup>11</sup> At this the king sent to Elijah another captain with his fifty men. The captain said to him, "Man of God, this is what the king says, 'Come down at once!'"

<sup>12</sup> "If I am a man of God," Elijah replied, "may fire come down from heaven and consume you and your fifty men!" Then the fire of God fell from heaven and consumed him and his fifty men.

<sup>13</sup> So the king sent a third captain with his fifty men. This third captain went up and fell on his knees before Elijah. "Man of God," he begged, "please have respect for my life and the lives of these fifty men, your servants!" <sup>14</sup> See, fire has fallen from heaven and consumed

the first two captains and all their men. But now have respect for my life!”

<sup>15</sup> The angel of the LORD said to Elijah, “Go down with him; do not be afraid of him.” So Elijah got up and went down with him to the king.

<sup>16</sup> He told the king, “This is what the LORD says: Is it because there is no God in Israel for you to consult that you have sent messengers to consult Baal-Zebub, the god of Ekron? Because you have done this, you will never leave the bed you are lying on. You will certainly die!” <sup>17</sup> So he died, according to the word of the LORD that Elijah had spoken.

The Anthem

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*God's Past Interaction with the Samaritans*

\*Hymn No. 350

*'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*

Verse 1

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His word,  
just to rest upon His promise, just to know, “Thus saith the Lord.”  
*Jesus, Jesus, how we trust Him! How we've proved Him o'er and  
o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!*

Verse 2

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust His cleansing blood,  
just in simple faith to plunge me 'neath the healing, cleansing flood!  
*Jesus, Jesus, how we trust Him! How we've proved Him o'er and  
o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!*

Verse 3

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease,  
just from Jesus simply taking life and rest and joy and peace.  
*Jesus, Jesus, how we trust Him! How we've proved Him o'er and  
o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!*

Verse 4

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee, Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;  
and I know that Thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end.  
*Jesus, Jesus, how we trust Him! How we've proved Him o'er and  
o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!*

Offering of Thanks and Praise

Offertory

NT Scripture Reading Luke 9:51-55

<sup>51</sup> As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup> And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; <sup>53</sup> but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup> When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, “Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?” <sup>55</sup> But Jesus turned and rebuked them, <sup>56</sup> and they went to another village.

Sermon Continued

*An Encounter with Jesus Christ*

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn No. 465

*In His Time*

*(verse 1)*

In His time, in His time, He makes all things beautiful in His time.  
Lord, please show me every day As You're teaching me Your way,  
That You do Just what You say in Your time.

Sermon Applied

Song of Response

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction No. 623 *Gloria Patri*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
World without end. A-men, A-men

\*Postlude

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