

Can You Fit Through The Door? (Luke 13:22-30)

Introduction: *"Can't please everybody..."*

- I. A SIMPLE BUT IMPORTANT QUESTION: How many people will be saved? (v.23)
 - A. This is a question many of us have asked...
 - B. Jesus answers us individually

- II. A DETAILED BUT DIRECT ANSWER (vv. 24-28)
 - A. There is a 'narrow door' says Jesus
 - B. This door is only entered by repentance & faith

+ Consider: *Alice in Wonderland* & the impassable door
 - C. Can you fit through that narrow door? (Isaiah 64:6; Romans 3:23)
 - D. Jesus has a warning for the unrighteous & the self-righteous (vv. 24-26)

- III. SOME CRUCIAL AND ETERNAL PROMISES (vv. 29-30)
 - A. *People will come from east, west, north, south* – God's mercy invites all! (v.29)
 - B. *The first will be last, the last will be first* - God's mercy includes the least likely (v.30)

Conclusion: *"Standing on the Chief's 'fine mat'..."*