



## **SERMON NOTES**

October 3, 2010

Scripture: Luke 8:16-21 (NAS)

Topic: "How Do You Listen?"

Rev. Bruce Gardner

- 16 "Now no one after lighting a lamp covers it over with a container, or puts it under a bed; but he puts it on a lampstand, in order that those who come in may see the light.
- 17 "For nothing is hidden that shall not become evident, nor anything secret that shall not be known and come to light.
- 18 "Therefore take care how you listen; for whoever has, to him shall more be given; and whoever does not have, even what he thinks he has shall be taken away from him."
- 19 And His mother and brothers came to Him, and they were unable to get to Him because of the crowd.
- 20 And it was reported to Him, "Your mother and Your brothers are standing outside, wishing to see You."
- 21 But He answered and said to them, "My mother and My brothers are these who hear the word of God and do it."

### **I. THE LAMP**

- A. The Parabolic Picture Described
- B. If The Lamp Is Lit, God Has Given You The Ability To See The Gospel
- C. It Is Not To Be Hidden—The Gospel Is To Be Shared *Matthew 5:16; 1 Peter 2:9*

### **II. THE LIGHT WILL REVEAL THE HEART**

- A. This Will Certainly Be True In The Day Of Judgment
- B. This Light Of The Gospel Gives This Revelation Now *John 3:19,20*

### **III. HOW YOU LISTEN**

- A. May Produce Blessings *Ephesians 3:20; Galatians 5:22, 23*
- B. Failure To Hear Will Produce Loss

### **IV. THE PRODUCT OF GOOD LISTENING**

- A. It Is The Proof Of Our Family Connection
- B. It Results In Obedience *John 14:21*