

ELL Lesson 61: Jesus Brings Division

Read Luke 12:49-59

Comprehension Questions

1. What did Jesus say he came to bring to the earth?
2. What happens to families when people disagree about Jesus?
3. What signs in the sky can people understand?
4. What did Jesus call people who could predict the weather but not understand the present time?
5. What advice did Jesus give about settling problems before going to court?
6. What happens if someone does not settle a dispute before going to court?

Theological Insights

1. Following Jesus can cause hard choices in life, even with family and friends.
2. The good news of Jesus is the most important thing, even when others do not agree.
3. God wants people to be wise about what is happening around them and in their hearts.
4. It is wise and kind to settle problems quickly and not let anger grow.
5. Jesus came to save people, but not everyone will choose to follow him.

Application Questions

1. Why do you think people sometimes disagree about following Jesus?
2. Can it be hard to stay kind when people disagree with you? Why?
3. Why is it a good idea to settle problems before they get bigger?
4. How can we learn to understand what is happening in our hearts and the world?
5. What is one way you can make peace with someone this week?