

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Week of January 15, 2023

Sermon Text Luke 13:1-9

13 There were some present at that very time who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. 2 And he answered them, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? 3 No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. 4 Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? 5 No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish." 6 And he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. 7 And he said to the vinedresser, 'Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?' 8 And he answered him, 'Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. 9 Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

If you were not able to listen to this week's sermon, then please refer to this link to listen prior to answering these questions, http://hawaiikaichurch.org/sermons/page/1.

Discussion Questions

- 1. What message does Death "preach" to the living? Why do so few people heed death's message?
- 2. In light of Death's message to the living, what questions should we be asking ourselves, and what should be the priority of our lives?
- 3. In Matthew 3:18, Jesus tells the Pharisees, "Bear fruit in keeping with repentance." What is repentance and what should real repentance look like? Are there sins in your life of which you have yet to repent? If so, why?
- 4. Jesus condemned Israel as a fruitless fig tree. Think about yourself, what "fruit" will Jesus see in your own life?
- 5. How will you respond to this message?