

# “The Next Reformation: Be an “innocent newcomer”

What are you more committed to, the past or the future?

Luke 10:17-24

<sup>17</sup> *The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!”* <sup>18</sup> *And he said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven.* <sup>19</sup> *Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you.* <sup>20</sup> *Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”*

*In that same hour he rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children.*

*At that, Jesus rejoiced, exuberant in the Holy Spirit. “I thank you, Father, Master of heaven and earth, that you hid these things from the know-it-alls and showed them to these innocent newcomers. Yes, Father, it pleased you to do it this way. (MSG)*

<sup>22</sup> *All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, or who the Father is except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.”*

<sup>23</sup> *Then turning to the disciples he said privately, “Blessed are the eyes that see what you see!”* <sup>24</sup> *For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.”*

- “Know-it-all”
- “Innocent newcomer”

## TWO EXAMPLES OF A “KNOW-IT-ALL” AND AN “INNOCENT NEWCOMER”

⇒ The parable of the Good Samaritan: Luke 10:25-37

**The next Reformation requires *love and compassion...* for all people!**

⇒ Martha and Mary: Luke 10:38-42

**The next Reformation requires “*crisscross applesauce*” before God!**

***Open your mouth and taste, open your eyes and see— how good God is. Blessed are you who run to him. <sup>9</sup> Worship God if you want the best; worship opens doors to all his goodness. (Psalm 34:8-9, MSG)***

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