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BIBLE STUDY

A Four-Week Study Guide for Individuals and Groups

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INTRODUCTION



WELCOME to this one-month study on the Book of Luke for both group study and individual learning. Herein are all the important facts about the book—its background, purpose, and most beloved scriptures—and a daily study to help you navigate with ease and enjoyment.

Why is this study so important to a growing faith?

The Book of Luke will help grow faith in essential ways that are unique. First, it is the only Gospel written by a Gentile, and you can see some of the influences. Luke and Matthew are the only Gospels to contain the family tree of Jesus. But Matthew's is very traditionally Jewish, showing the line of Christ all the way back to the first Jew (technically)—Father Abraham. Luke's, however, possibly takes the liberty of listing Mary's bloodline, beginning with her father.

The book is resplendent with great stories. It contains longer, more detailed parables. The ten parables found in Luke include three that are exclusive to the book, and they are among the most famous parables in the Bible: The Good Samaritan (chapter 10), The Prodigal Son (15), and Lazarus and the Rich Man (16). The book contains 21 of Christ's 37 recorded miracles. Those singular to Luke include raising a child from the dead (7), the first miraculous catch of fish (5), and four others.

The book is the longest Gospel as well as the longest book in the New Testament. Luke's writing style is broad and expansive, whereas Mark and Matthew are written more like records with less interest given to personal detail. Much of Luke's Gospel involves Jesus' dealings with normal, working-class people. Many were not well-known or accepted, and His associates included many sinners. Hence, the Book of Luke is considered extremely good news for the common man. Matthew attempts to prove Christ's kingship; Luke shows Him offering salvation to all humanity.

How does this study work?

Day #1 will be an introduction to Luke. Then, each of the 24 chapters in Luke will encompass one day's study topic, except for the Christmas stories, whereupon two chapters are studied in one day. You will have six days of study in each of the four weeks, for a total of 24 days of study.

Despite all its comprehensive materials, the study is neither difficult nor terribly time consuming. A day's work can be done in half an hour, but it can take up to an hour, depending on how much time you'd like to give to the subjective questions about that day's chapter(s). The study is designed to be highly individualized, good for small groups and cell groups, but also fine for an individual just looking to reflect on God's word, one day at a time.

What's to be done each day?

Our Table of Contents, beginning on the next page, outlines the complete program by day. Each day of the month-long study is clearly marked so that you'll always know where to pick up.

Each day you will:

- Peruse all the important **CHAPTER FACTS** at the top of that day's page, including what miracles and classic Bible tales are in that day's chapter or chapters.
- Complete the **CHAPTER STUDY** by reading the chapter(s) of Luke assigned for that day.
- Read a brief **REFLECTION** on the contents of that day's reading material.
- **ANSWER QUESTIONS** about the text. Some will be easy, like the fill-in-the-blanks statements. Others will encourage you to be pensive and thoughtful. In some of these, you'll be given chances to discover what verses are important to you personally with questions such as, "What line or phrase in this passage stands out most to you and why?" In this case, all answers can be highly individualized, depending on where individuals are in their lives.
- **ANSWER A REVIEW QUESTION.** At the end of the 24-day study is a chapter called **IN REVIEW**. There we have helpful reinforcement exercises, almost like games, that help you remember where key stories are located, such as The Good Samaritan being in Luke 10 and the Prodigal Son in Luke 15. You should try to devote a couple days to filling in these exercises after you complete the study.

With just a little time each day for a month, you will have a wonderful opportunity to know well the Book of Luke. By the end of the month, you will have a much better idea of where to find important miracles, parables, and teachings of Jesus in this famous book of the New Testament.

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LUKE

INTRO & LUKE 1-6



WEEK 1

ALL ABOUT LUKE, INTRODUCTION

Study this material and answer questions from the Introductory Day 1 Quiz, found in the IN REVIEW section at the end of the study. What is below will help you know the background and context of this book, the author's intentions, and its most foundational messages.

BOOK FACTS

Order in New Testament:

3

Number of Chapters:

24

Type:

History / Gospel

When Written:

60-61 AD

About this Period: :

7 BC to 26 AD

Author:

Luke the Apostle

LUKE FAQ

1. **Who was Luke?** Luke was born in Antioch which is in Syria. He was a physician, and some scholars believe he was a slave. Slaves were often trained in medicine so that wealthy families had a personal doctor.

After Christ's resurrection, Luke spent a great part of his time with Apostle Paul, whom he accompanied on parts of his journeys around the known world. They became very close, such that Paul called Luke "the beloved physician." Luke also preached the gospel when not traveling with Paul. He traveled into Egypt and Greece. His preaching outraged the idolatrous priests.

2. **How did Luke die?** After he finished both the Book of Luke and the Book of Acts, the idolaters put Luke to death by hanging on the branch of an olive tree (the cross is often thought to have been made of wood from an olive tree).

3. **How many books in the New Testament did Luke write?** Luke wrote the Book of Luke as well as the Book of Acts. Some feel Luke's original intent was for the two books to be one. The author is thought to have written the Gospel of Luke in part while traveling with Apostle Paul on his missionary journeys. In fact, he may have written the Book of Acts in Rome when Apostle Paul was under house arrest and busy writing the epistles.

LUKE FAQ

4. **What is Luke's style of writing?** Luke was endeared to the stories about Jesus. His Gospel contains more stories than any other. It is also thought that he was heavily influenced by John Mark and his Gospel of Mark, which had been written a few years earlier.
5. **How is Luke different than the other Gospels?** The Book of Luke is the only Gospel written by a Gentile, and you can see some of the influences. Luke and Matthew are the only Gospels to contain the family tree of Jesus. But Matthew's is very traditionally Jewish, showing the line of Christ all the way back to the first Jew (technically)—Father Abraham. Luke's, however, possibly takes the liberty of listing the female or maternal bloodline, beginning with Mary's father, also named Joseph, all the way back to Adam, the first man. It is also resplendent with great stories, both parables and true events, and reads more like a biography than a simpler "record of events" like Mark and Matthew. While Matthew attempts to prove Christ's kingship, Luke shows Him as the one who offers salvation to all humanity—Jew and Gentile alike.
6. **What gospel stories are only found in Luke?** The following Bible stories are found only in Luke:
 - John the Baptist's Birth to Elizabeth and Zechariah
 - The Nativity Story
 - First Miraculous Catch of Fish on the Lake of Gennesaret
 - Raising of the Widow's Son from the Dead in Nain
 - The Prodigal Son
 - The Good Samaritan
 - The Rich Man and Lazarus Meet Different Fates after Death
 - Jesus Is Crucified between Two Robbers
7. **What parts of the Christmas story does Luke tell?** Luke has more detail about the Christmas story than any other Bible book. It contains all the Christmas stories except for the Magi and consequentially the Bethlehem genocide and escape to Egypt. These include the conception of both Jesus and John the Baptist, Mary's visit to John's mother Elizabeth when both were with child, the trip to Bethlehem and Jesus being born in a manger, and the shepherds seeing the angels in the heavenly host. As well, it includes stories about two prophets who were overjoyed to see Jesus: Simeon and Anna.
8. **What themes are central to Luke?** Much of the material in Luke's Gospel involves Jesus's dealings with individuals who were not usually wealthy or part of the acceptable society of their day (usually labeled publicly as 'sinners'). Hence, Luke is considered a Gospel of extremely good news for the common man. This is why stories show up in Luke such as the Good Samaritan (who helps the injured man while religious leaders pass right by him). The conversations between the robbers on the cross with Jesus show the Lord's love for those who have committed crimes.
9. **What passages are most famous in the book of Luke?** The following are Google searched more than others in recent years:
 - "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost." (Luke 19:10)
 - "Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.' And they divided up his clothes by casting lots." (Luke 23:34)
10. **Which details of the Death, Resurrection and Ascension are singular to Luke?** Luke contains these glimpses of the Crucifixion and Resurrection that other Gospels don't have:
 - The part of the Lord's trial before Herod (Luke 23:6-16)
 - Christ's words on the cross, "Father forgive them..." (23:34)
 - Story of the risen Lord appearing on Emmaus Road (24:13-35)

See the quiz questions about today's lesson at the top of the IN REVIEW section and see how many you can answer!



CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

The “hill country of Judea” is the only description of where the parents of John the Baptist were residing (v. 39). The story of John the Baptist’s birth starts there, and Mary visits there. But before the visit she is with the Angel Gabriel in her hometown of Nazareth (v. 26).

Approximate year:

7 BC. *Note: There is much debate about the actual birth year of Jesus as well as how long Jesus lived in Egypt. In the case of the birthyear, very few scholars believe that Jesus was actually born in the year 0. Various scholars support His birth being 3 BC, 5 BC, or 7 BC. Some scholars put forth the idea that Jesus’ time in Egypt was short, around two years. However, He could have stayed in Egypt until the age of 11, as we don’t need to find Him living in Nazareth until He is 12 and the story is told of His parents taking Him to Jerusalem. We support the 7 BC birthdate and a short stay in Egypt of around 2 years, as these correspond best with the death of Herod, which brought about the family’s return. However, there is good material supporting the other dates as well.*

Miracles Recorded:

- Elizabeth conceives in her old age
- Mary conceives via the Holy Spirit
- John the Baptist leaps in his mother’s womb
- Prophets Simeon and Anna prophesy over baby
- Jesus at the Temple

Classic Bible Stories:

- Birth of John the Baptist
- Mary is visited by the angel Gabriel
- Mary and Elizabeth visit at Elizabeth’s
- The virgin birth in Bethlehem
- Jesus is found learning in the Temple at age 12

LUKE 1-2

The Christmas Stories & Nativity

READ LUKE 1-2

Reflection:

Today’s reading covers two chapters, a lot of words! However, these stories all tie in to one another. And once you start reading you don’t want to stop. These are all the classic Christmas stories, save those surrounding the Magi or Wise Men, whose story is only found in Matthew. Many a church Christmas pageant will feature the stories from today’s reading, especially the Nativity in Luke 2, and they will do this century after century. The stories in chapter 1 feature the miraculous at every turn. The times for miracles had arrived after many generations without seeing much. Here’s a fact most Christians don’t realize: There were only three times of intense miracles in Bible history, and the rest of it played out similarly to how we live today, also not a time of great miracles (yet). Those miracle-intense times were (1) the time of Moses (1400 BC), (2) the time of Elijah the prophet (800 BC) and (3) the time of Christ.

01

Fill in the blanks of Luke 1:35

The angel answered, "The _____ will come on you, and the power of the Most High will _____ you. So the holy one to be born will be called the _____."

Application Question: Write out a list of qualities you believe Mary, the mother of Christ, had. Focus on those you would like to have more of and jot down some means to becoming more like her.

02

Write out Luke 2:8-12

Application Question: This is the Nativity story, all of four verses and yet so famous! Why do you think God chose to reveal Himself to shepherds instead of princes and religious leaders?

03

From Luke 2:22-40: The temple produced two stories about Jesus that are generally (and sadly) not often enough counted as Christmas stories. Which prophet, Anna or Simeon, did you most enjoy reading about? What did you like about the story?



LUKE 3

John the Baptist & Jesus' Genealogy

CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Wilderness of Judea, followed by the wilderness on either side of the River Jordan

Approximate year:

24 AD

Teachings: :

- John tells the crowd, tax collectors, and soldiers how to show repentance;
- The ancestors of Jesus speak of Luke (the writer) and Mary (Jesus' mother)

Classic Bible Stories:

- Jesus is baptized
- John is arrested

READ LUKE 3

Reflection:

John the Baptist isn't described as having much sense of humor. He was blunt, and had no problem getting in a name-calling match with the religious leaders of the day. The last chapter of Malachi ends with a reference to the prophet Elijah returning before the Messiah. The prophet Elijah and John the Baptist were very similar, and they both show that people don't have to be outwardly attractive or have charming, outgoing personalities for the Lord to use them greatly.

01

Fill in the blanks of Luke 3:4

As it is written in the book of the words of _____ the prophet: "A voice of one calling in the _____, _____ the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him."

Application Question: Do you feel that God in some way prepared you for your salvation experience? If so, what happened?

02

Write out Luke 3:7

Application Question: John called the religious leaders a brood of vipers. What do you think he meant by this description? Can you think of any modern groups that may be equivalents today?

03

From Luke 3:7-14: John gives three pieces of advice for three different crowds that approached him. Which of those things (in verses 11, 13 and 14) spoke most loudly as something you could do in your life? What kind of a change would you like to make?



CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Judean wilderness, Nazareth, Capernaum, unnamed solitary place in Galilee

Approximate year:

24 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- Jesus exorcises a demon in the synagogue in Capernaum
- Jesus heals Simon's mother-in-law
- Healed many at sunset

Teachings:

- Lessons in humility & only the humble getting rewards from God
- No prophet is accepted in his hometown

Classic Bible Stories:

- Jesus is tested in the wilderness by Satan

LUKE 4

Jesus Is Tested by Satan

READ LUKE 4

Reflection:

In this chapter, Jesus is tested in the wilderness by Satan. Then Jesus goes about doing what He claims to have come to earth to do: to "proclaim the good news of the Kingdom of God..." (v. 43). This "kingdom" is not an easy concept to understand. For one, it isn't really a place. It is wherever the will of God is being done. Second, this kingdom has already arrived. But most people seem totally incognizant of it.

As you read the Gospels with the intention of drawing nearer to God, pay close attention when you hear the word "kingdom" coming from Christ or His Apostles. The "Gospel" is the arrival of a king to his kingdom.

01

Application Question: Look at the three ways Satan tried to ensnare Christ, and look at Christ's responses. Which of the three stands out as most relevant to your life at the moment? Why?

02

Fill in the blanks of Luke 4:18

"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has _____ me to proclaim good news to the _____. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the _____, to set the oppressed free."

Application Question: Jesus is speaking above about the Kingdom of God and trying to get us to join Him in spreading the good news of it. What does the Kingdom of God mean to you, and how can you help God establish this kingdom on earth?

03

Write out Luke 4:10-11

Application Question: This comes initially from the famed Psalm 91 and is the only scripture Satan used to try to tempt Jesus. What does the scripture mean specifically in your life at present?



LUKE 5

Jesus Calls, Heals, and Eats with Sinners

CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Lake of Gennesaret, unnamed towns

Approximate year:

24 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- A leper is healed
- The paralyzed man is healed

Teachings:

- Jesus has the power to forgive sins
- Parable of the New and Old Garments

Classic Bible Stories:

- Men Lower Their Paralyzed Friend through a Roof
- Jesus Meets Levi (Matthew) the Disciple

READ LUKE 4

Reflection:

This chapter opens with a well-known miracle called the First Miraculous Catch of Fish. Jesus performed another of these miracles after the Resurrection. But this miracle features Simon Peter falling at Jesus' knees and telling Him to go away from Peter's presence because he was a sinful man. Jesus seemed undaunted and told him not to be afraid. Jesus could see into the future; He was able to see the person Simon Peter would become. When we speak to God and we feel the burdens of a sin, an addiction, a sickness, or other trial, let's remember how undaunted He is by human circumstances.

01

Fill in the blanks of Luke 5:6

When they had done so, they caught such a large number of _____ that their _____ began to break.

Application Question: What message do you think Jesus might have been trying to relay to His future disciples by such a display of plenty?

02

Write out Luke 5:20

Application Question: Reread 5:22-25. What miracle did Jesus perform to show that He had the power to forgive sins? How do you think this miracle proved it?

03

Reflect on verses 36-38. How do they apply to your life at present?



LUKE 6

Sermon on the Mount

CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Many scholars agree that the Sermon on the Mount was given in northern Israel (Jerusalem and the region of Judea are to the south). A hill in northern Israel, known as the Mount of the Beatitudes, is where modern culture believes the Sermon happened. Hence the grainfields where Jesus and His disciples find themselves at the top of this chapter is likely in northern Israel. The exact place of the Mount of the Beatitudes is on the west side of the Sea of Galilee, between the architectural site of Gennesaret and Capernaum.

Approximate year:

24 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- Jesus healed a shrunken hand on the Sabbath
- Impure spirits are cured; people tried to touch Jesus because they felt power coming off of Him.

Teachings:

- The Beatitudes; love your enemies; do not judge others
- Trees and fruit bearing
- The wise and foolish builders

Classic Bible Stories:

- Jesus Picks Grain & Heals on the Sabbath
- Sermon on the Mount

READ LUKE 6

Reflection:

This chapter is like a bowl of ripe fruit. Take and eat. It is packed with miracles and teachings that are classic to the Christian Bible study. We are so infused with these teachings that sometimes we fail to see the forest for the trees, or their value. One example is the Pharisee's belief that Jesus was upsetting God by taking away someone's pain, suffering and humiliation on the Sabbath. To think that God would want that man to suffer over what day of the week it was?? However, this is how much of the world was...and still remains! Many people are caught in the trap of belief that God is sadistic, angry, and without empathy. Let's pray for the power to deliver those people from their false fear.

01

Fill in the blanks of Luke 6:27

But to you who are listening I say: Love your _____, do good to those who _____ you...

Application Question: Jesus commanded us to love, bless, and pray for our enemies. Have you ever prayed for someone you considered an enemy? How might praying for someone who is hurting you change or shift your feelings?

02

Write out Luke 6:20

Application Question: Jesus consistently blessed and spent time with those that were poor and needy. Why do you think He chose to do this? Do you think poverty or humble circumstances could actually make you more spiritual? Why or why not?

03

Write down one phrase or line that strikes you the most from Luke 6:46-49.

Application Question: How does this line or phrase help you in your own current situations?



Fill-in-the-Blank Answers

FROM DAY 2

1. Holy Spirit or Holy Ghost
2. overshadow
3. Son of God

FROM DAY 3

1. Elijah (spelled in the KJV as Esaias)
2. wilderness
3. prepare

FROM DAY 4

1. anointed
2. poor
3. blind

FROM DAY 5

1. fish
2. nets

FROM DAY 6

1. enemies
2. hate



Luke Reveiws:

The quizzes and reviews here are intended to help reinforce the factual material given on each day of this study. You can either work on each review as a Day 6 at the end of each week, or you can answer the questions on their corresponding day, giving yourself a 5-day work week.

Introductory Day 1 Quiz:

1. Luke was born in Antioch, which is a city located today in this modern country:

2. Wealthy families of Luke's time wanted a personal physician on the property, so those educated in medicine were often from this group of people:

(a) bourgeois (b) nursing school graduates (c) slaves (d) nieces and nephews
3. Luke wrote the Book of Luke and also this New Testament historical:

4. Luke traveled with this Apostle: _____
5. Luke's Gospel may have been heavily influenced by this Gospel: _____
6. Luke is the only Gospel written by

a) a Roman citizen (b) a Gentile (c) a Jew, or (d) a blind man
7. True or False: Luke contains a genealogy that traces the line of Christ all the way back to Adam
8. True or False: All the Christmas stories are found in Luke
9. One parable found only in Luke is

(a) Wheat and the Weeds (b) The Good Samaritan (c) House on the Rock and Sand
10. The Risen Lord appeared to some followers on the road to this city: _____



LUKE

LUKE 7-12



WEEK 2

LUKE 7

The Centurion's Faith & Raising a Widow's Son

CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Capernaum, Nain, a Pharisee's house

Approximate year:

25 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- The healing of the Roman officer's slave
- Jesus raises a widow's son
- Jesus cures many people of their diseases, illnesses, and evil spirits, and restores sight to many who were blind.

Teachings:

- Lesson on faith from the Roman officer
- Teaching about John the Baptist
- Jesus rebukes the Pharisees about their expectations and judgments
- The parable of the money lender
- Jesus teaches about the love of the forgiven sinner verses the love of someone who doesn't feel like they need forgiveness.

Classic Bible Stories:

- Jesus anointed by a sinful woman.

READ LUKE 7

Reflection:

A favorite section of this chapter is the story of the Sinful Woman and the Pharisee. The sinful woman was an obvious follower of Jesus. And while Pharisees have a reputation of being hypocritical, this one seemed to be a follower—enough of one at the moment to invite Jesus to eat. It's a great parable Jesus tells about which servant is more grateful. Some people's conversion experiences are quite dramatic. Usually, they are people for whom much has been forgiven. Other people's conversion are more gradual, and gained from many small experiences, so they may seem barely noticeable, even to the individual to whom it happens! Let's not be Christians who judge others based on how much they've been forgiven.

01

Look at Luke 7:1-10 again. The centurion said he did not deserve to have Jesus under his roof. This is surprising because most people would have had Jesus come to their home just to see Him. How is this man being doubly thoughtful?

02

Write out Luke 7:16

Application Question: This is one of only three people whom Jesus brought back from the dead according to the biblical record. Why do you think it was important for people to see Jesus raise someone from the dead?

03

Write down one phrase or line that strikes you the most from Jesus' being anointed by the sinful woman (v.36-50).

Application Question: How does this phrase or line help you in your current circumstances?



LUKE 8

Parable of the Sower & Calming the Storm

CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Unknown towns and villages, the Sea of Galilee, the region of the Gerasenes (Other manuscripts read Gadarenes; still others read Gergesenes), Jairus' house.

Approximate year:

25 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- Jesus cured some of the women with Him of evil spirits and diseases, and the casting out of seven demons from Mary Magdalene
- Jesus calms the storm
- Jesus heals a demon-possessed man
- Jesus heals Jairus' daughter
- A woman is healed just by touching Jesus' robe.

Teachings:

- Parable of the Sower
- Parable of the Lamp;
- The true family of Jesus

Classic Bible Stories:

- Jesus Calms the Storm
- Jesus Sends Demons into a Herd of Pigs
- A Woman Touches the Fringe of His Robe

READ LUKE 8

Reflection:

Just before raising Jairus' 12-year-old daughter from the dead, Jesus was laughed at by those in attendance at the house in mourning. When he went into the room where the girl had died, he put everyone out except her parents and Peter, James and John. It's likely Jesus only wanted those present with great faith who believed what He was doing. When we call on Jesus to help us, let's be the type of people He would want to have present—not the types of people He would send out of the room.

Fill in the blanks of Luke 8:2

“and also some women who had been cured of evil _____ and _____: Mary
(called _____) from whom seven demons had come out”

Application Question: Verse 3 goes on to say these women supported Jesus’ ministry out of their own means or substance. How does this show Jesus’ perception of what women can do for the ministry? What are some things women can do today to serve Jesus in these strange and difficult times?

Write out from Luke 8:11-15 the four ways the word of God can be taken from us.

Application Question: We have all had our faith tested in many ways. How does the descriptions of the ground and seed match the ways our faith is tested today?

Read again the teaching on the lampstand in verses 16-18.

Application Question: Being a light in the darkness is about actions—what we can do to show the love of Christ and not hide His love. What are some specific things you can do to point others to Christ?



LUKE 9

Jesus Feeds 5,000 & The Transfiguration

CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Bethsaida, Caesarea Philippi, a mountain (possibly Mount Tabor), a Samaritan village, other towns and villages

Approximate year:

25 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- Jesus gives His disciples power to cast out all demons and to heal all diseases
- Jesus feeds the 5,000
- Jesus heals the sick
- The transfiguration
- Jesus heals a demon-possessed boy

Teachings:

- The Kingdom of God
- He must die, but will be raised to life on the third day
- Taking up our cross daily;
- The importance of not being ashamed of Him;
- The greatest in the Kingdom will be the least among you
- The cost of following Jesus

Classic Bible Stories:

- The Feeding of the Five Thousand
- The Transfiguration

READ LUKE 9

Reflection:

The disciples' behavior in verses 46-49 show them doing what we do sometimes. We are feeling like we are more important than others—or we want to be. And some of us, with the very best of intentions, want to arrange our lives so that we can always be close to Jesus when it comes time to gather rewards in heaven. It's just that we love Him so much we don't want to have to view Him from far off. Jesus said if we love Him so much, we should share Him and help more people enter His kingdom. It can feel counterintuitive to share something we want to protect. However sharing with others doesn't take away from what we have with Him.

01

Fill in the blanks of Luke 8:23

Then he said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must _____ themselves and take up their _____ daily and _____ me."

Application Question: Jesus told his disciples (and us) to take up their cross daily. The cross was a Roman instrument, used for torture and execution. We might not face death for our faith, but in what ways can we "take up our cross daily?"

02

Write out Luke 9:39

Application Question: In this verse, the father believed his son was possessed by an evil spirit. However, possession isn't a diagnosis generally accepted by modern science or psychologists, who generally explain behavior as epilepsy. Knowing modern science is at odds with the Biblical account, how might we come to terms the Biblical account?

03

Write down one phrase or line that strikes you the most from the section known as The Cost of Following Jesus, from verse 57 to the end.

Application Question: What are some things that might be keeping us from fully following Jesus? How can we prevent our daily responsibilities and earthly tasks from getting in the way of following Jesus?

More from the New Testament: [Matthew 7:21](#), [Acts 14:22](#)

More from the Old Testament: [Joshua 24:15](#)



LUKE 10

The Good Samaritan

CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Bethsaida; Mary and Martha's home in Bethany

Approximate year:

25 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- None

Teachings:

- Jesus sends out His disciples and teaches them what to do
- Jesus rebukes towns for their unbelief; God reveals His plan to the childlike
- The most important commandment
- The parable of the good Samaritan
- Love your neighbor
- The one thing worth being concerned about

Classic Bible Stories:

- The Good Samaritan

READ LUKE 10

Reflection:

When the disciples returned from their road trip, Jesus said in response to their joy, "I saw Satan falling like lightning from heaven." Isaiah 14:12 refers in prophecy to Satan "falling from heaven." If this were the actual fulfillment, then the disciples taking Jesus' power represents a major landmark in the kingdom of God. As with many profoundly moving moments recorded in the Bible, there are likely fireworks going off in heaven, but you can hardly tell here on earth. Another great example is Palm Sunday, where Jesus told befuddled religious leaders that the stones would have cried out if the people hadn't cried, "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" The prophet Daniel revealed in chapter 10 that a big war was going on in the heavenlies involving the ultimate forces of good and evil. And probably everyone on the planet, save Daniel, had absolutely no idea. We can have earthly eyes, ears and voices. Or we can have heaven's. Let's pray for the big picture and for the joy of the initial disciples.

01

Write out the line or phrase that stands out as personal to you in the story of the seventy disciples (vs. 1-21). Reflect on how it applies to your life and perhaps something the Lord wants you to do.

02

Fill in the blanks of Luke 10:27

“He answered, ‘Love the Lord your God with all your _____ and with all your _____ and with all your _____ and with all your _____’; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”

Application Question: Jesus commanded us to love our neighbors as ourselves. Do you think it can be challenging to love ourselves? How might understanding God’s love for us prompt us to love others the same way?

03

Reflect on the story of Martha and Mary. Are you more of a Martha or more of a Mary? Do you think one is better than the other? While Jesus encouraged Martha to be more like Mary, do you think there’s still value in being a Martha?



LUKE 11

The Lord's Prayer, The Sign of Jonah

CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

The Judean wilderness; the home of a Pharisee

Approximate year:

24 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- Jesus casts out a demon from a mute man

Teachings:

- Teaching about prayer and the importance of persistent prayer
- Jesus casts out demons by the power of God
- The parable of the empty house; the sign of Jonah and the importance of repentance
- Receiving the Light
- Cleaning the inside of the cup, not just the outside
- Jesus rebukes the Pharisees for their hypocrisy and for keeping people from entering the Kingdom

Classic Bible Stories:

- The Sign of Jonah

READ LUKE 11

Reflection:

It's not terribly difficult to become frustrated or even ashamed of one's belief system when in the presence of empiricists (people who say that something is unlikely to be true if it can't be proved through mathematical or empirical proofs). These people love to pick on Jonah, which is understandable to a certain extent (it is hard to picture a person surviving life in the belly of a great fish as did Jonah). But it's no harder than imagining the sun standing still in the sky [Joshua 10] or the Resurrection of a dead man. In this chapter, Jesus stated His status as God's Son by involving Jonah. Jonah spent three days in a living creature's belly, which was a sign to the Ninevites. Jesus said the generation was perverse and they would not get another sign except for what had already been given. Jesus himself was to be a sign, through His eventual death and resurrection. Here, as Jesus references Jonah, is an indication of the truthfulness of Jonah's story. It's important here to remember that God is a God of miracles and all things are not outside His power.

01

Fill in the blanks of Luke 11:9

So I say to you: Ask and it will be _____ to you. _____ and you will
 _____; _____ and the door will be _____ unto you.

Application Question: Review Luke 11:9-13. What do we learn about God our Heavenly Father through these verses? How does this help us approach Him in prayer?

02

Write out Luke 11:33

Application Question: What parts of your life do you feel best show God's light? These can be special talents or experiences that others would be grateful for.

03

Write down one phrase or line that strikes you the most from the woes or warnings to the Pharisees (v. 39-45)

Application Question: Which of the woes have you seen the most of in today's authority figures? Explain.



LUKE 12

Watchfulness

CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Unknown

Approximate year:

25 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- None

Teachings:

- Warning against hypocrisy
- Whom to fear;
- Not to be afraid
- Those who deny Him will be denied before God
- Blasphemy of the Holy Spirit
- The Holy Spirit will teach you what to say
- Parable of the rich fool
- Teaching about money
- Possessions and not to worry
- Be ready for the Lord's coming
- To one whom much is given
- Much will be required
- Jesus causes division
- Settle accounts with your accuser

Classic Bible Stories:

- None

READ LUKE 12

Reflection:

Sometimes it's entertaining to watch a movie or TV show where someone is willing to put their life on the line, even if it means suffering a painful death, due to a love for others or a strong belief. But most of us would likely be shaking in our boots if we experienced that situation in real life. Even without the risk of putting our lives on the line, we can still show our love for God and our believe in Him. We can pray to feel as God wants us to feel, according to the words of Christ in Luke 12:4-5. Whether we live for Christ or die for Christ, our rewards will be better than we can imagine.

01

Fill in the blanks of Luke 12:6-7

"Are not five _____ sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is _____ by God.

Indeed, the very _____ are all numbered. Don't be afraid; you are worth more than many _____."

Application Question: Jesus told His followers that they are worth more than many sparrows, indicating their worth and God's love for them. How might this scripture help us place God first in our lives, so that we fear His reproach more than the reproach of others around us?

02

Write out Luke 12:15-21

Application Question: In this parable, Jesus warns of the dangers of greed. How does greed run counter to a Christian lifestyle? How might we prevent ourselves from being greedy?

03

Write down one phrase or line that strikes you the most from Jesus' encouraging speech in verses 22 to 34.

Application Question: How could this phrase help you to grow your faith in God?



Fill-in-the-Blank Answers

FROM DAY 2

1. Evil,
2. diseases or infirmities,
3. Magdalene

FROM DAY 3

1. deny
2. cross
3. follow

FROM DAY 4

1. Heart
2. soul
3. strength and mind

FROM DAY 5

1. given
2. seek
3. find
4. knock

FROM DAY 6

1. Sparrows
2. forgotten
3. hairs on your head
4. sparrows



Review 2: The Most Famous Scriptures in Luke

This review reinforces the chapter location of many famous passages within the Book of Luke, so you can look them up easily for further study or group discussion. See how many chapter numbers you can accurately fill in using the text of Luke.

Chapter(s)

Event

_____	5,000 Fed
_____	Christmas Stories
_____	End Times Details
_____	Genealogy from Jesus back to Adam
_____	Jesus Calms the Storm
_____	Jesus Is Tempted by Satan
_____	Last Supper & Arrest
_____	Lord's Prayer
_____	Palm Sunday
_____	Resurrection & Ascension
_____	Sermon on the Mount
_____	The Good Samaritan
_____	The Prodigal Son
_____	The Rich Man and Lazarus
_____	Transfiguration
_____	Trial & Crucifixion



LUKE

LUKE 13-18



WEEK 3

LUKE 13

Warning to Repent, Jesus Heals on the Sabbath, The Narrow Door

CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Unknown towns and villages

Approximate year:

25 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- Jesus heals a crippled woman on the Sabbath

Teachings:

- A call to repentance
- Parable of the barren fig tree
- Working on the sabbath
- Parable of the mustard seed
- Parable of the yeast; the narrow door
- The least and the greatest in the kingdom

Classic Bible Stories:

- The Narrow Door

READ LUKE 13

Reflection:

In this chapter we see the love of God in action as Jesus releases a woman from an infirmity after 18 years. And yet, the supposed religious authorities of the day could not experience her joy or Jesus' joy. They had somehow come to think Jesus was sinning by releasing a person from misery on the Sabbath, because people were not supposed to do any work on the Sabbath. These authorities had no compassion or empathy and were only looking to ensnare Jesus so they could have Him arrested. We should be aware of those (ourselves included) who lack compassion or who study their scriptures but ignore those in need around them. We are either actively working for the Kingdom, or we are against it.

01

Fill in the blanks of Luke 13:18-19

Then Jesus asked, "What is the _____ of God like? What shall I compare it to? It is like a _____ seed, which a man took and planted into his _____. It grew and became a _____, and the birds perched in its _____.

Application Question: The mustard seed mentioned in this verse is small, but can become large and useful. How do you think our faith and efforts are like the mustard seed? What kind of hope does this give us for contributing to God's kingdom?

02

Write down one phrase or line that strikes you the most from Jesus' "narrow door" passage in verses 22-30.

Application Question: This passage ends with the famous line found in multiple places in the Bible: "The first will be last, and the last, first." Describe some people who will be first in the kingdom who are last on earth now.

03

Write out Luke 13:34

Application Question: Jerusalem killed the prophets sent to warn the people, then eventually they killed the Son, sent by the Father. Why do you think God would keep returning to help those who have done wrong?



LUKE 14

Cost of Discipleship

CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

The home of a Pharisee

Approximate year:

25 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- Jesus heals a man with swollen arms and legs on the Sabbath

Teachings:

- Doing good on the Sabbath
- Teachings about humility
- Kindness to those who cannot repay you
- Parable of the Great Feast
- The cost of being a disciple

Classic Bible Stories:

- The Parable of the Great Feast

READ LUKE 14

Reflection:

We have another version of “the first shall be last, and the last, first” in the example given in verses 7-11. All four Gospels portray the importance of humility. This is likely because the Fall of Man made us extremely self-interested, to the point where we find selfish behavior quite normal. We think it’s normal for a prosperous man to take care of his family but no one else. If someone is driving a fancy car and his neighbor is out of work and low on food, we have no expectation that the prosperous man should help care for his neighbor. Let’s remember to see past what’s considered normal to look to what’s right.

Review Luke 14:12-14. What phrase stand out to you the most?

Application Question: In this scripture, Jesus speaks of serving those people who are ill or are in need. People generally find reaching outside their immediate circle of friends uncomfortable. How might we overcome our discomfort so that we can truly serve those in need?

Write down one phrase or line that strikes you the most from Jesus' passage on the cost of being a disciple in verses 25-35.

Application Question: How can you apply this to your personal life.

Fill in the blanks of Luke 34-35

"_____ is good, but if it loses its _____, how can it be _____ again? It is fit neither for the soil nor for the _____; it is thrown out."

Application Question: In Biblical times, salt was used as a preservative, meaning it could make food last longer. If we are the salt of the earth, how are we called to preserve or stop the world from corruption?



CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Unknown

Approximate year:

25 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- None

Teachings:

- The Parable of the Lost Sheep
- Parable of the Lost Coin
- The Prodigal Son

Classic Bible Stories:

- The Parable of the Lost Sheep
- The Prodigal Son

LUKE 15

Prodigal Son & Other Parables

READ LUKE 15

Reflection:

This chapter contains two gems: The Parable of the Lost Sheep and the Prodigal Son. While famous parables of their own accord, it is interesting that Jesus would tell them in such close proximity to each other. Both have the theme of how incredibly amazing God's love is. While many parents relate to the father's relief in the prodigal son's return, most people relate to the feelings of horror the prodigal son had and his combination of shame and courage in asking to be his father's servant. We'd do best not to get in such troubles in the first place; but if we do, a big part of our walk ought to be confession and cries for help before things get too out of hand.

01

Fill in the blanks of Luke 15:7

"I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in _____ over one sinner who _____ than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need _____."

Application Question: It can seem that people who do the most wrong get the most attention and the most rejoicing when they repent. How might we also rejoice in finding the lost sheep and prevent ourselves from feelings of jealousy?

02

Write out Luke 15:10

Application Question: What can we do to help us remember that God is rejoicing when we repent and not getting ready to lecture or destroy?

03

Write down one phrase or line that strikes you the most from the Prodigal Son story (vs. 11-32)

Application Question: How does this phrase or line relate to your current circumstances in some helpful way?



CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Unknown

Approximate year:

24 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- None

Teachings:

- Parable of the Shrewd Manager
- The Rich Man and Lazarus

Classic Bible Stories:

- The Rich Man and Lazarus

LUKE 16

The Rich Man & Lazarus

READ LUKE 16

Reflection:

Many a Christian considers the Rich Man and Lazarus to be a frightening Bible story. It certainly has attracted a lot of debates. Some scholars feel it is a parable and therefore should not be taken literally. Others believe it is not a parable, as parables never use names. Hence, they say it is a real situation and not a parable. They call this story the lynchpin for a belief that people do not die in hellfire but live there forever if they are evil. In either case, it is quite obvious Jesus wants us to take the story seriously and not be the kind of selfish people who can ignore need and suffering right under their noses.

01

Fill in the blanks of Luke 16:10

"Whoever can be _____ with very little can also be _____ with much, and whoever is _____ with very little will also be _____ with much...."

Application Question: What tasks do you feel God can trust you with currently? How do you think you can grow spiritually so that you can be entrusted with more?

02

Write out Luke 16:13

Application Question: How do you think serving God and serving money are in opposition to each other? How might you set boundaries so that you are serving God instead of money?

03

Write out verse 31

Application Question: Jesus here seems to warn that a supernatural signs may not be enough to produce repentance or conversion. How can simple things like faith and scripture study build a stronger conversion than one based on a sign?



CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

A village at the border of Galilee and Samaria

Approximate year:

24 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- Jesus heals ten men of leprosy

Teachings:

- Forgiving those who sin against us
- Jesus teaches about faith
- the coming of the Kingdom and the return of the Son of Man

Classic Bible Stories:

- None

LUKE 17

Jesus Heals 10 with Leprosy

READ LUKE 17

Reflection:

Jesus healing those with leprosy is only one part of this chapter full of gems. However it contains a great message about gratitude. Notice what Jesus said to the man who returned to say thank you: "Rise and go; your faith as made you well." In other words, the others may have been healed physically, but they were not made whole. Healing may only have come—permanently—to the man who was both grateful and faith-filled. Although we may not be afflicted with leprosy, we can learn from this story of the Ten Lepers. We can look for ways to increase our gratitude and faith so that we can please God more often.

01

Fill in the blanks of Luke 17:1-3

Jesus said to his disciples: "Things that cause people to _____ are bound to come, but woe to _____ . It would be better for them to be thrown into the sea with a _____ tied around their neck than to cause one of these little ones to stumble. So watch yourselves."

Application Question: What are some ways we could cause another person to stumble? What can we do to protect ourselves from doing so?

02

Look at verse 22. Here, Jesus basically is telling His disciples that He will not return in their lifetimes. And yet most of them could not begin to imagine how long the Second Coming might take. Why do you think so many Christians long for the Second Coming?

03

Write out Luke 17:33

Application Question: Review vs 26-32. In these verses, we are reminded of Noah and Lot, who were saved amid great wickedness. However, both men were required to do something (build an ark in Noah's case and leave Sodom in Lot's). How can we prepare ourselves spiritually so we can avoid the promised destruction?



LUKE 18

The Persistent Widow, Children Meet Jesus & More

CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Unknown

Approximate year:

26 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- Jesus heals a blind beggar

Teachings:

- Parable of the Persistent Widow
- Parable of the Pharisee and Tax Collector
- The kingdom belongs to the childlike
- The rich and the kingdom
- What is impossible for man is possible for God
- Jesus predicts His death

Classic Bible Stories:

- The Parable of the Pharisee and Tax Collector

READ LUKE 18

Reflection:

In today's reading, verse 7, Jesus said people who ask God for things relentlessly will be answered. But then He raises the question of whether, upon His return, He would find "faith on earth." Today, we may not know many people who would pray for something relentlessly, rather than give up when prayers aren't instantly answered. It can be hard to wait for prayers to be answered, as we are typically accustomed to immediate gratification. Praying without receiving a prompt answer is an exercise in faith, which allow us to practice patience. We should look for way to increase our faith when we are waiting for our prayers to be answered.

01

Fill in the blanks of Luke 18:14

"For all those who _____ themselves will be _____, and those who _____ themselves will be _____."

Application Question: Think about some situations where people like to feel more important than others. How can prevent ourselves from falling into this trap so that we present ourselves to God in the right way?

02

Write out Luke 18:24-25

Application Question: Jesus even says two lines later that it is not impossible for rich people to get into heaven. But what is it about riches that can be some detrimental to our salvation?

03

Write down one phrase or line that strikes you the most from Jesus' healing of the blind beggar, beginning in verse 35.

Application Question: What does the phrase or line mean to you in terms of your current life situations?



Fill-in-the-Blank Answers

FROM DAY 1

1. kingdom
2. mustard
3. garden
4. tree
5. branches

FROM DAY 2

1. Salt
2. saltiness
3. seasoned or made salty
4. dunghill or manure pile

FROM DAY 3

1. repentance
2. sinner
3. to repent or repentance

FROM DAY 4

1. Trusted,
2. trusted,
3. dishonest,
4. dishonest (the King James uses the words faithful instead of trusted and unjust instead of dishonest)
5. opened

FROM DAY 5

1. stumble (only in the NIV; the King James states, "It is impossible but that offences will come"),
2. anyone (or him) through whom they come,
3. millstone

FROM DAY 6

1. exalt
2. humbled
3. humble, exalted. (The King James uses the word abased for humbled.)



Review 3: Most Famous Miracles in Luke

Try to fill in the blanks using only your Bible. A few of these verses will be redundant with Review 2, which contains the most famous passages in Luke. This one covers the 12 most famous miracles in Luke. Learn quickly where they may be found so you can be helpful or save time in the future. These miracles are in chronological order, so the chapters you fill in the blanks will also be in order! Their locations in the other Gospels might also be helpful.

MIRACLE	MATTHEW	MARK	LUKE	JOHN
Jesus Heals Peter's Mother-in-Law's Fever	8	1	_____	
First Miraculous Catch of Fish			_____	
Jesus Heals a Centurion's Paralyzed Servant	8		_____	
Jesus Heals a Paralytic, Let Down tThrough Roof	9	2	_____	
Jesus Heals Man's Withered Hand on the Sabbath	12	3	_____	
Jesus Raises a Widow's Boy from the Dead			_____	
Jesus Calms the Storm	8	4	_____	
Jesus Casts Legion of Demons into Pig Herd	8	5	_____	
Jesus Raises Jairus' Daughter from the Dead	9	5	_____	
Jesus Feeds 5,000 Men, Plus Women & Children	14	6	_____	6
Jesus Cleanses 10 Lepers / Outside of Jerusalem			_____	
Jesus Heals Malchus' Severed Ear / Gethsemane			_____	



LUKE

LUKE 19-24



WEEK 4

LUKE 19

Zacchaeus & Palm Sunday

CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Jericho; the towns of Bethpage and Bethany on the Mount of Olives; Jerusalem

Approximate year:

26 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- Jesus heals a blind beggar

Teachings:

- Jesus teaches what true salvation looks like
- Parable of the 10 Servants

Classic Bible Stories:

- Jesus and Zacchaeus
- Jesus Clears the Temple

READ LUKE 19

Reflection:

Zacchaeus shows us the lessons of both salvation by grace and works by gratitude. Zacchaeus got to experience amazing things we generally take for granted: a Lord who knows us personally, calls us by name, and invites Himself into our lives and homes. It may be hard to imagine our Lord turning to us on the street and saying our names and saying, "I must stay in your house today." But just as salvation rocks our hearts, Zacchaeus experienced something similar. He responded to Jesus with works of gratitude. As James 2:24 states, "A man is justified by works, and not by faith only." Zacchaeus offered half of everything he owned and then some. Zaccheus' example helps us understand how we can also respond to the Lord and show our gratitude with acts of faith.

Fill in the blanks of Luke 19:8

"But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give _____ of my possessions to the _____, and if I have _____ anybody out of anything, I will pay back _____ times the amount."

Application Question: Think about how you can increase your acts of gratitude, whether it be giving your money, time or energy. Write out a specific way you plan to accomplish this.

Write out Luke 19:26

Application Question: What do we learn about God's expectation of using what He's given to us? Think of a specific gift you've been given. How can you share it with those around you?

Write down one phrase or line that strikes you the most from Jesus entering Jerusalem on Palm Sunday in verses 28-41.

Application Question: This is a prophecy Jesus fulfilled from Psalm 118:26, and it is also part of the fulfillment of Zechariah 9:9. Look up the original prophesies. Pick one and reflect on how it affects your life and your relationship with Jesus.



CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

The Temple in Jerusalem; Jerusalem

Approximate year:

26 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- None

Teachings:

- Parable of the evil farmers; paying taxes to Caesar
- Discussion about the Resurrection and marriage in heaven
- Beware of hypocrisy
- Whose son is the Messiah?

Classic Bible Stories:

- Paying taxes to Caesar

LUKE 20

The Some Final Teachings

READ LUKE 20

Reflection:

This chapter contains the parable that explains the life of Jesus on earth. In the parable of the tenants, God is the wealthy landowner. The tenants are a combination of people in rebellion against God and the dark forces influencing them. The messengers are the prophets of old whom the tenants kept killing. The son who was sent after the messengers were killed is the Messiah, Jesus. The others to whom the land would be given after the landowner returned are the Gentiles. It helps us to see the revulsion in what the religious leaders were doing to be given a parable like this. It also enables us to see how God feels about things we tend to look past or take too lightly.

Write out Luke 20:25

Application Question: In this scripture, Jesus was questioned about paying taxes, a tribute or offering to Caesar. But Jesus also mentions giving to God what belongs to Him. What kind of offerings can we make to God that would be acceptable to Him?

Fill in the blanks of Luke 20:46-47

"Beware of the _____. They like to walk around in flowing _____ and love to be greeted with respect in the _____ and have the most important seats in the _____ and the places of honor at _____. They devour widows' houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely."

Application Question: Christ is giving a lot of examples of sins. What of these do you see in organized religion today, and what cautions can you take not to become affected by them?

This chapter has four parts: (1) The authority of Jesus being questioned, (2) the parable of the tenants, (3) paying taxes, and (4) warnings about the religious leaders. Which part spoke most loudly to the circumstances of your life, and why?



LUKE 21

Destruction of the Temple & Signs of the End

CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

The Mount of Olives

Approximate year:

26 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- None

Teachings:

- The widow's offering
- Jesus speaks about the future and the signs of the times

Classic Bible Stories:

- None

READ LUKE 21

Reflection:

Many Christians today believe we are living near the End of Days or in the End Times. This idea may have began when Israel became a nation again in 1948. Before that, much of the Biblical prophecy surrounding the End Times didn't make sense, speaking of a nation that had not been around in nearly 2,000 years. People have also found ways to connect modern events with the details in verses 10 through 19. Some people, of course, will still be alive in the flesh when Christ returns. But they will be such a small percent of the overall population of recorded history. Regardless of when we live, we ALL will meet our Maker. These Biblical warnings can help us prepare for this eventuality while holding fast to our faith.

01

Fill in the blanks of Luke 21:8

He replied: "Watch out that you are not _____. For many will come in my _____, claiming, 'I am he,' and, 'The _____ is near.' Do not follow them..."

Application Question: This verse warns us against deception. How can we know when we are being deceived? What are some ways we can prevent this kind of deception in our lives?

02

Write out Luke 21:29-31

Application Question: Jesus didn't provide us with days or dates of His coming. But He did provide us with signs. How might signs of the times provide a better warning for us than an exact date?

03

Write down one phrase or line that strikes you the most from Jesus' warnings in this chapter.

Application Question: How does it relate to your personal life?



CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Jerusalem; guest room where they ate the Passover meal; Mount of Olives; the High Priest's home where Jesus stood before the council

Approximate year:

25 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- None

Teachings:

- Jesus teaches the disciples about the bread and wine representing His body and blood
- The first communion
- Jesus teaches the disciples how to be the greatest
- Jesus informs Peter that he will deny Him
- Jesus tells the disciples to arm themselves
- Pray so you will not give in to temptation

Classic Bible Stories:

- The first communion
- Jesus prays on the Mount of Olives
- Jesus is betrayed and arrested
- Peter denies Jesus

LUKE 22

The Last Supper & The Arrest

READ LUKE 22

Reflection:

Some scholars theorize that Judas turned against Jesus once he understood that Jesus was not ascending any throne in Jerusalem. Jesus was not going to become rich and powerful in Jerusalem; he was going to die, and somehow, that was supposed to make everything better. Judas didn't understand Jesus' role, and it was likely that the other disciples didn't either. Judas' motivation for betraying Jesus was more about power and money. Likewise, people may be betraying Jesus today without realizing. When they choose power and money over humility and service, they are saying that they want things both ways. They want power and money, and they want to be a higher-up in the kingdom of heaven. We cannot have both. Instead, we must be willing to give up power and money in an earthly kingdom for a place in the heavenly realm.

Fill in the blanks of Luke 22:25-26

Jesus said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who exercise authority over them call themselves _____. But you are not to be like that. Instead, the _____ among you should be like the _____, and the one who _____ like the one who _____."

Application Question: Education is important in today's culture, as it is often seen as a means to becoming more wealthy and powerful. What can we do to develop to have a healthy attitude and relationship with education?

Write out Luke 22:49-51

Application Question: The servant whose ear was severed is identified as Malchus in the Book of John's account of Jesus' arrest. The person who struck Malchus was Simon Peter. However, it is only in Luke that Malchus' healing is mentioned. Why is this healing an important piece of the story?

03

Write down one phrase or line that strikes you most deeply from the details of the arrest.

Application Question: What does this phrase or line mean to you personally?

More from the New Testament: [Matt. 26:28](#), [Hebrews 9:15](#)

More from the Old Testament: [Jer. 31:31-34](#), [Isaiah 55:3](#)



CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

Jerusalem; the Praetorium where Jesus stood before Pilate; Herod's; Via Dolorosa (believed to be the road where Jesus carried the cross); Golgotha; the tomb of Jesus

Approximate year:

25 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- The resurrection of Jesus

Teachings:

- The green versus the dry tree

Classic Bible Stories:

- Jesus before Pilate
- The Crucifixion

LUKE 23

The Crucifixion

READ LUKE 23

Reflection:

When Jesus died, nobody understood, except Christ Himself, that He was dying as a sacrifice for sins. Much of Jerusalem did not even know there was a crucifixion going on. Simon the Cyrene carried the cross with absolutely no idea that this man was God's Only Begotten Son. The priests in the Temple likely had no idea why the holy curtain ripped. One centurion realized, as identified in verse 47, that Jesus was special and holy. His female fan club (verse 49) had no idea what this murder actually meant in the overall schema of God's plans. Here is a great example of Isaiah 55:8-9, showing God's ways being higher than our ways and His thoughts being higher than our thoughts.

01

Fill in the blanks of Luke 23:30-31

"Then they will say to the _____, 'Fall on us!' and to the _____, 'Cover us!' For if people do these things when the tree is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

Application Question: In this intriguing question Jesus raises in verse 31, He is like a green tree. He may have been going to death, but a green tree is not designed to burn. However, a dry tree is. What are some ways to prevent ourselves becoming like a dry tree?

02

Write out Luke 23:42-43

Application Question: This passage has brought people incredible joy over the centuries in spite of its placement in a very violent murder. What does Jesus' statement to the thief mean for us?

03

Write down one phrase or line that strikes you the most from the eyewitnesses to Christ's murder, in verses 44-49.

Application Question: Which of these miracles during and following the death of Christ strikes you as the most significant? Why?



LUKE 24

The Resurrection & Sightings of Christ

CHAPTER FACTS

Setting:

The tomb of Jesus; the place where the disciples were staying; the road to Emmaus & Emmaus; Bethany

Approximate year:

25 AD

Miracles Recorded:

- The resurrection of Jesus

Teachings:

- Jesus explains from the scriptures that all these things had to take place
- Jesus opens the minds of the other disciples so they could understand the scriptures
- Jesus teaches that the gospel must go out to all the nations beginning in Jerusalem

Classic Bible Stories:

- Empty Tomb
- Resurrection
- Road to Emmaus
- Ascension

READ LUKE 24

Reflection:

This 2,000-year-old story can at first seem very disconnected from today. For one, we live in the age of doubt and skepticism and this passage is so rife with the miraculous. A man was dead for three days and came back to life, bearing the wounds that killed Him then ate and drank with others. Finally, He was taken up into the sky. In a way, these people were so much more blessed than we are, living in the age of the miraculous. On the other hand, we are blessed, having been born into an understanding of these miracles with many opportunities to study them, exercise our faith, and praise God with awe.

01

Fill in the blanks of Luke 24:37-39

They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a _____. He said to them, "Why are you _____, and why do doubts rise in your minds? Look at my _____ and my _____. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have."

Application Question: Why was it so important to Jesus that His disciples realize He was not a ghost but a real being of flesh and bone?

02

Write out Luke 24:11

Application Question: Is this an example of men rarely taking women seriously enough, or is it just an example of Christians who don't have enough vision? Or is it something else? Defend your answer.

03

Write down one situation that strikes you the most from the story of Jesus on the road to Emmaus, in verses 13 through 35.

Application Question: How does this situation apply to your current circumstances or point of view?



Fill-in-the-Blank Answers

FROM DAY 1

1. Half
2. poor
3. cheated
4. four

FROM DAY 2

1. Teachers of the law or scribes
2. robes
3. markets or marketplaces
4. synagogues
5. banquets or feasts

FROM DAY 3

1. deceived
2. name
3. time

FROM DAY 4

1. benefactors
2. greatest
3. youngest or younger
4. rules or is chief
5. serve or serves

FROM DAY 5

1. mountains
2. hills

FROM DAY 6

1. ghost or spirit
2. troubled
3. hands
4. feet



Review 4: Ten Most Famous Parables in Luke

These are the most famous parables in Luke taught by Jesus. Filling in the chapter locations will help you in both discussions and personal study. Some are also included in Review 2, The Most Famous Scriptures in Luke. Try to fill in the chapter number using only your Bible.

Chapter(s)	Event
_____	The Good Samaritan
_____	The Friend at Midnight
_____	The Rich Fool: Eat, Drink, Be Merry
_____	The Barren Fig Tree
_____	The Invited Guests
_____	The Lost Coin
_____	The Prodigal Son
_____	Lazarus & the Rich Man
_____	The Persistent Widow
_____	The Pharisee & the Tax Collector

REVIEW 1

1. Syria
2. slaves
3. Book of Acts
4. Paul
5. Mark
6. A Gentile
7. True
8. False (the Magi or Wise Men stories are found in Matthew)
9. The Good Samaritan
10. Emmaus

REVIEW 2

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| 1&2 | Christmas Stories |
| 3 | Genealogy from Jesus back to Adam |
| 4 | Jesus is Tempted by Satan |
| 6 | Sermon on the Mount |
| 8 | Jesus Calms the Storm |
| 9 | 5,000 Fed |
| 9 | Transfiguration |
| 10 | The Good Samaritan |
| 11 | Lord's Prayer |
| 15 | The Prodigal Son |
| 16 | The Rich Man and Lazarus |
| 19 | Palm Sunday |

REVIEW 3

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REVIEW 4

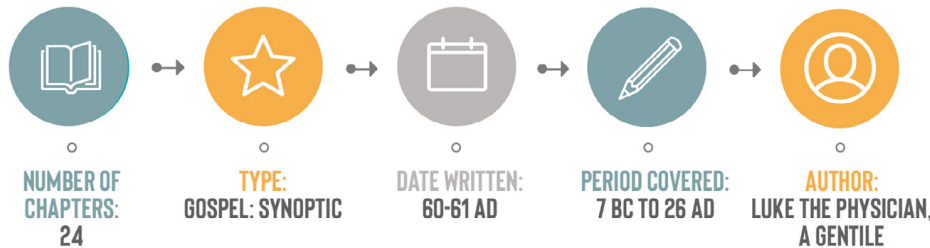
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| 1. | The Good Samaritan | 10 |
| 2. | The Friend at Midnight | 11 |
| 3. | The Rich Fool: Eat, Drink, Be Merry | 12 |
| 4. | The Barren Fig Tree | 13 |
| 5. | The Invited Guests | 14 |
| 6. | The Lost Coin | 15 |
| 7. | The Prodigal Son | 15 |
| 8. | Lazarus & the Rich Man | 16 |
| 9. | The Persistent Widow | 18 |
| 10. | The Pharisee & the Tax Collector | 18 |

LUKE 03 NT



Luke was a very well-educated Gentile and friend of several apostles. Much of the material in Luke's gospel involves Jesus' dealings with individuals. Many are not wealthy or part of the acceptable society of their day. They include many sinners. Hence, Luke is considered a gospel of extremely good news—for the common man.

While Matthew attempts to prove Christ's kingship, Luke shows him as the one who offers salvation to all humanity—Jew and Gentile alike.



BREAKDOWNS

● = Classic Bible Stories

✓ BOOK/CHAPTER/VERSES SUBJECT

☐	Luke 1:1-4	Credibility of this Document
☐	Luke 1:5-25	Birth of John the Baptist, Background
☐	Luke 1:26-38	Christmas: Angel Gabriel Visits Mary
☐	Luke 1:39-45	Mary Visits Elizabeth
☐	Luke 1:46-56	Song of Mary (Magnificat)
☐	Luke 1:57-67	Birth of John the Baptist
☐	Luke 1:68-80	Zacharias Prophecies
☐	Luke 2:1-20	Christmas: Nativity Story
☐	Luke 2:21-38	Christmas: Two Prophets Speak
☐	Luke 2:39-40	Return to Nazareth
☐	Luke 2:41-52	Jesus Disappears at Age 12
☐	Luke 3:1-20	John the Baptist's Ministry
☐	Luke 3:21-22	Baptism of Jesus
☐	Luke 3:23-38	Genealogy from Jesus back to Adam
☐	Luke 4:1-13	Jesus is Tempted in the Wilderness
☐	Luke 4:14-37	Jesus' First Teaching in Galilee, First Deliverance
☐	Luke 4:38-44	Ministry throughout Judea Described
☐	Luke 5:1-11	Miracle: At Peter's Calling, Miraculous Catch
☐	Luke 5:12-26	Miracles: The Leper, The Paralytic
☐	Luke 5:27-39	Calling of Disciple Matthew (Levi)
☐	Luke 6:1-11	Jesus' Disciples Pick Grain on Sabbath
☐	Luke 6:12-19	12 Disciples Named
☐	Luke 6:20-45	Sermon on the Mount
☐	Luke 6:46-49	Parable: House on the Rock and Sand
☐	Luke 7:1-10	Miracle: The Centurion's Servant
☐	Luke 7:11-17	Miracle: Jesus Raises the Widow's Son
☐	Luke 7:18-35	Jesus Confirms John the Baptist as Prophet
☐	Luke 7:36-39	Woman Washes Jesus' Feet
☐	Luke 7:40-50	Parable: The Two Debtors
☐	Luke 8:1-15	Parable: the Sower
☐	Luke 8:16-21	Parable: The Lamp
☐	Luke 8:22-25	Miracle: Jesus Calms the Storm
☐	Luke 8:26-39	Miracle: Jesus Delivers the Demoniac
☐	Luke 8:40-56	Miracles: Girl Raised from Dead; Bleeding Woman
☐	Luke 9:1-11	12 Disciples Sent Out
☐	Luke 9:12-17	Miracle: 5,000 Fed
☐	Luke 9:18-27	Jesus Tells Who He Is, What Disciples Need to Do
☐	Luke 9:28-45	The Transfiguration and a Deliverance
☐	Luke 9:46-56	Become Like a Child for Greatness
☐	Luke 9:57-62	I will Follow You Wherever You Go
☐	Luke 10:1-24	70 Sent Out
☐	Luke 10:25-29	How to Inherit Eternal Life
☐	Luke 10:30-37	Parable: The Good Samaritan
☐	Luke 10:38-42	Martha Complains about Mary
☐	Luke 11:1-13	Lord's Prayer; Persistence in Prayer
☐	Luke 11:14-28	Pharisees Accuse Jesus of Devil's Work
☐	Luke 11:29-36	Jonah Actually Happened: You are the Light
☐	Luke 11:37 -54	Jesus Calls Out the Pharisees and Hypocrites
☐	Luke 12:1-12	Teachings: Fear not, Confess Me
☐	Luke 12:13 -34	Teachings: This Very Night, Do Not Worry
☐	Luke 12:35-48	Teachings: Be Ready, Faithful Steward
☐	Luke 12:49-59	Teachings: Came to Bring a Sword, Know the Signs
☐	Luke 13:1-9	Teachings: You will Likewise Perish; Fruitless Tree
☐	Luke 13:10-17	Healing on the Sabbath

✓ BOOK/CHAPTER/VERSES SUBJECT

☐	Luke 13:18-21	Parables: Mustard Seed; Leaven of Bread
☐	Luke 13:22-35	Teachings: Judgment, Jerusalem is Guilty
☐	Luke 14:1-6	Miracle: Heals Man with Dropsy on the Sabbath
☐	Luke 14:7-15	Parable: Guests Who Sit in the Back
☐	Luke 14:16-24	Parable: The Underprivileged Dinner Guests
☐	Luke 14:25-34	Teaching: Who Can Be My Disciple?
☐	Luke 15:1-7	Teaching: The Lost Sheep
☐	Luke 15:8-10	Teaching: The Lost Coin
☐	Luke 15:11-32	Teaching: Prodigal Son
☐	Luke 16:1-18	Teaching: The Unrighteous Steward
☐	Luke 16:19-31	Teaching: The Rich Man and Lazarus
☐	Luke 17:1-10	Instructions to Disciples
☐	Luke 17:11-21	Miracle: Healing the 10 Lepers
☐	Luke 17:22-37	End Times Prophecies
☐	Luke 18:1-8	Teaching: The Persistent Widow
☐	Luke 18:9-17	Teaching: Pharisee and the Publican
☐	Luke 18:18 -34	The Rich Young Ruler told to Sell All
☐	Luke 18:35-43	Miracle: Blind Man Healed at Jericho
☐	Luke 19:1-10	Zacchaeus in the Tree
☐	Luke 19:11-27	Parable: Fearful Steward Who Hid the Money
☐	Luke 19:28-44	Triumphal Entry (story of Palm Sunday)
☐	Luke 19:45-48	Jesus Clears the Temple
☐	Luke 20:1-8	By What Authority Does Jesus Work?
☐	Luke 20:9-18	Parable: The Messengers and the Heir
☐	Luke 20:19-26	Teaching: Give to Caesar
☐	Luke 20:27-47	Teaching People Will Be Like Angels in Heaven
☐	Luke 21:1-6	Teaching: The Widow's Two Coins
☐	Luke 21:7-24	End Times: Details
☐	Luke 21:25-38	Return of Christ: Details
☐	Luke 22:1-6	Satan Enters Judas
☐	Luke 22:7-23	Holy Communion: Last Supper
☐	Luke 22:24-38	Dispute Over Who Is Greatest
☐	Luke 22:39-46	Holy Week: Garden of Gethsemane
☐	Luke 22:47-53	Holy Week: Judas Betrays, Jesus Heals an Ear
☐	Luke 22:54-65	Holy Week: Jesus' Arrest
☐	Luke 22:66-71	Holy Week: Jesus Before the Sanhedrin
☐	Luke 23:1-7	Holy Week: Jesus Before Pilate
☐	Luke 23:8-12	Holy Week: Jesus Before Herod
☐	Luke 23:13-25	Holy Week: Jesus Returned to Pilate
☐	Luke 23:26-32	Holy Week: Simon of Cyrene Bears the Cross
☐	Luke 23:33-49	Holy Week: The Crucifixion with Criminals
☐	Luke 23:50-56	Holy Week: The Burial of Jesus
☐	Luke 24:1-12	Easter: The Resurrection
☐	Luke 24:13- 49	Some Appearances of the Risen Christ
☐	Luke 24:50-53	The Ascension

Most Popular Verses

✓ BOOK/CHAPTER/VERSES RANK

☐	Luke 1:4	Luke Rank: 3, Overall: 118
☐	Luke 4:18	Luke Rank: 1, Overall: 76
☐	Luke 10:25	Luke Rank: 4, Overall: 138
☐	Luke 16:9	Luke Rank: 2, Overall: 115

LUKE

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GOSPEL, SYNOPTIC



OVERVIEW

The third of the Gospels is also an account and testimony of Jesus Christ, written by Luke, who was a physician by trade. His account offers a balanced view of Christ's ministry, speaking to both the Jew and the Gentile. Much of Luke's Gospel involves Jesus's dealings with the common man, and he gives more stories involving women than the other records. The Gospel of Luke shares the good news that Jesus Christ offers salvation for all humankind.



WRITTEN
60-61 AD



TIME PERIOD COVERED
7 BC to 26 AD



AUTHOR
Luke the Historian,
physician, and Gentile

1 THE BIRTH OF
CHRIST
ACCOUNTS
SINGULAR TO
THIS GOSPEL

2 TEACHINGS OF
CHRIST SINGULAR
OR CENTRAL TO
THIS GOSPEL

3 THE MIRACLES OF
CHRIST SINGULAR
TO THIS GOSPEL

4 THE PROPHECIES
OF CHRIST
SINGULAR TO THIS
GOSPEL

5 THE DEATH,
RESURRECTION,
AND ASCENSION
DETAILS
SINGULAR TO THIS
GOSPEL

LUKE 1-2

Luke shares the miraculous births of both John the Baptist and Jesus. He tells of Mary visiting Elizabeth during her pregnancy, the birth, and the naming of John the Baptist. Luke also recounts the circumstances surrounding the birth of Jesus Christ, specifically the angels who appear to shepherds and Simeon and Anna who recognize Jesus and prophesy concerning Him.

LUKE 3-21

Luke shares 24 parables, with 11 being original, and include the Prodigal Son, and the rich man and Lazarus. He specifically shares warnings that were given to the religious elite who often tried to trap and trick Jesus (see 6:2-5; 11:37-53; 12:1-11; 13:15-17, 32; 19:47; 20:45-47).

LUKE 3-21

Luke presents 21 miracles, five of which are original, including the miraculous catch of fish, the raising of the widow of Nain's son from the dead, and the healing of 10 lepers.

LUKE 3-21

Luke also shares the prophecies of Jesus during His ministry, specifically when Jesus claimed fulfillment of Isaiah in the synagogue, Jesus predicting His death three times, and the Transfiguration. He also shares Jesus predicting the future destruction of Jerusalem.

LUKE 22-24

Luke shares Pilate's declarations of innocence, Herod's trial, and the criminals at the crucifixion. He also recounts the last words of Jesus, His later appearance to disciples, and the Ascension.