

# The Gospel of Luke

## Class 1 (2/24 - Larry)

## Luke 1:1 - 2:40

- Preface
- Birth of John announced
- Birth of Jesus announced
- Mary's visit to Elizabeth
- Mary's hymn of praise
- Birth of John
- Song of Zechariah
- Birth of Jesus
- Shepherds of Bethlehem
- Dedication of Jesus
  - Story of Simeon (V25 - 35)
  - Story of Anna (V36 - 38)

1:1 – 1:4  
1:5 - 1:25  
1:26 - 1:38  
1:39 - 1:45  
1:46 - 1:56  
1:57 - 1:66  
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2:1 - 2:7  
2:8 - 2:20  
2:21 - 2:40

## Class 2 (2/27 - Joel)

## Luke 2:41 - 4:13

- Jesus found in the Temple
- Preaching of John the Baptist
- Jesus baptized
- Genealogy of Jesus
- *Jesus Tempted*

2:41 - 2:52  
3:1 - 3:20  
3:21 - 3:22  
3:23 - 3:38  
*4:1 - 4:13*

## Class 3 (3/2 - Larry)

## Luke 4:14 - 6:11

- Jesus rejected at Nazareth
- Healing of devil possessed man in Capernaum
- Healing of Simon Peter's mother-in-law
- Miraculous catch of fishes
- *Healing of a leper*
- *Healing of a paralytic*
- Call of Levi
- Fasting
- Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath
- Healing of the man with the withered hand

4:14 - 4:32  
4:33 - 4:37  
4:38 - 4:44  
5:1 - 5:11  
*5:12 - 5:16*  
*5:17 - 5:26*  
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5:33 - 5:39  
6:1 - 6:5  
6:6 - 6:11

**Class 4** (3/5 - Joel)

**Luke 6:12 – 8:18**

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| • Choosing the twelve Apostles                         | 6:12 - 6:16 |
| • <i>The Sermon on the Plain</i>                       | 6:17 - 6:49 |
| • Healing the Centurion's slave                        | 7:1 - 7:10  |
| • Raising the son of the widow of Nain                 | 7:11 - 7:17 |
| • <i>John the Baptist sends two disciples to Jesus</i> | 7:18 - 7:35 |
| • <i>The sinful woman who anointed Jesus' feet</i>     | 7:36 - 7:50 |
| • Women who helped Jesus                               | 8:1 - 8:3   |
| • <i>Parable of the sower</i>                          | 8:4 - 8:15  |
| • <i>Parable of the lamp</i>                           | 8:16 - 8:18 |

**Class 5** (3/9 - Larry)

**Luke 8:19 - 9:50**

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| • Jesus' mother and brothers                                 | 8:19 - 8:21 |
| • Jesus stills the tempest                                   | 8:22 - 8:25 |
| • The demon possessed man of Gadara                          | 8:26 - 8:39 |
| • Raising of Jairus' daughter & woman with the blood disease | 8:40 - 8:56 |
| • Jesus sends out the twelve Apostles                        | 9:1 - 9:6   |
| • Herod the Tetrarch and John the Baptist                    | 9:7 - 9:9   |
| • Feeding of the 5000  | 9:10 - 9:17 |
| • <i>Confession of Peter</i>                                 | 9:18 - 9:22 |
| • <i>To take up the Cross</i>                                | 9:23 - 9:27 |
| • The Transfiguration  | 9:28 - 9:36 |
| • Healing of the demon possessed boy                         | 9:37 - 9:45 |
| • <i>The greatest in the kingdom of Heaven</i>               | 9:46 - 9:48 |
| • <i>"He who is not against us is for us"</i>                | 9:49 - 9:50 |

**Class 6** (3/12 - Joel)

**Luke 9:51 - 12:34**

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| • The Samaritans turn Jesus away                      | 9:51 - 9:56   |
| • <i>How Jesus is to be followed</i>                  | 9:57 - 9:62   |
| • The mission of the seventy disciples                | 10:1 - 10:20  |
| • Jesus rejoices in spirit                            | 10:21 - 10:24 |
| • <i>Parable of the good Samaritan</i>                | 10:25 - 10:37 |
| • <i>Martha and Mary</i>                              | 10:38 - 10:42 |
| • <i>The Lord's Prayer</i>                            | 11:1 - 11:4   |
| • <i>Parable of the persistent friend</i>             | 11:5 - 11:13  |
| • Blasphemy of the Pharisees                          | 11:14 - 11:28 |
| • The sign of Jonah                                   | 11:29 - 11:32 |
| • <i>The light of the body</i>                        | 11:33 - 11:36 |
| • Jesus rebukes the scribes and the Pharisees         | 11:37 - 11:54 |
| • The leaven of the Pharisees and who is to be feared | 12:1 - 12:12  |
| • <i>Parable of the rich fool</i>                     | 12:13 - 12:21 |
| • <i>The cares of life</i>                            | 12:22 - 12:34 |

**Class 7** (3/19 - Larry)

**Luke 12:35 - 15:32**

- *Parable of the watchful servant* 12:35 - 12:48
- Jesus brings fire and division on earth 12:49 - 12:53
- The signs of the times 12:54 - 12:59
- The murder of the Galileans 13:1 - 13:5
- *Parable of the fruitless fig tree* 13:6 - 13:9
- Healing of a crooked woman 13:10 - 13:17
- *Parables of the mustard seed and the leaven* 13:18 - 13:21
- *The strait gate* 13:22 - 13:30
- Jesus is warned against Herod 13:31 - 13:35
- Healing of a man with dropsy 14:1 - 14:6
- *Parable of those that were bidden and the highest seat* 14:7 - 14:14
- *Parable of the great supper* 14:15 - 14:24
- *Parable of forethought* 14:25 - 14:35
- *Parables of the lost sheep and lost piece of silver* 15:1 - 15:10
- *Parable of the prodigal son* 15:11 - 15:32

**Class 8** (3/23 - Larry)

**Luke 16:1 - 18:30**

- *Parable of the unjust steward* 16:1 - 16:13
- The authority of the law 16:14 - 16:18
- *Parable of the rich man and Lazarus* 16:19 - 16:31
- Concerning offenses 17:1 - 17:10
- Healing of the ten lepers 17:11 - 17:19
- The sudden coming of the Kingdom of God 17:20 - 17:37
- *Parable of the unjust judge* 18:1 - 18:8
- *Parable of the Pharisee and the publican* 18:9 - 18:14
- Jesus and the children 18:15 - 18:17
- *The rich young ruler* 18:18 - 18:30

**Class 9** (3/30 - Joel)

**Luke 18:31 - 20:18**

- Jesus predicts His suffering 18:31 - 18:34
- Healing the blind man of Jericho 18:35 - 18:43
- Zacchaeus 19:1 - 19:10
- *Parable of the pounds* 19:11 - 19:28
- Triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem 19:29 - 19:44
- Cleansing of the Temple 19:45 - 19:48
- Jesus' authority 20:1 - 20:8
- *Parable of the husbandmen* 20:9 - 20:18

**Class 10** (4/2 - Larry)

**Luke 20:19 - 21:36**

- The question of giving tribute
- The Sadducees and the resurrection
- Christ, the son of David
- Jesus warns against the scribes
- *The poor widow's mite*
- The prophetic discourse - the destruction of Jerusalem
- The prophetic discourse - the coming of the Son of man
- The prophetic discourse - watchfulness

20:19 - 20:26  
20:27 - 20:40  
20:41 - 20:44  
20:45 - 20:47  
*21:1 - 21:4*  
21:5 - 21:24  
21:25 - 21:33  
21:34 - 21:36

**Class 11** (4/6 - Joel)

**Luke 21:37 - 22:62**

- The reward of the treachery
- The Last Supper
- The greatest shall be the last
- Prophecy of Peter's denials
- The two swords
- Jesus in Gethsemane
- Jesus is arrested
- Peter denies Jesus

21:37 - 22:6  
22:7 - 22:23  
22:24 - 22:30  
22:31 - 22:34  
22:35 - 22:38  
22:39 - 22:46  
22:47 - 22:53  
22:54 - 22:62

**Class 12** (4/9 - Larry)

**Luke 22:63 - 23:56**

- Jesus before the Sanhedrin
- Jesus before Pilate & Herod
- Jesus on the way to Golgotha
- Jesus crucified
- The burial of Jesus

22:63 - 22:71  
23:1 - 23:25  
23:24 - 23:32  
23:33 - 23:49  
23:50 - 23:56

**Class 13** (4/13 - Larry)

**Luke 24:1 - 24:53**

- The resurrection
- The men of Emmaus
- Jesus appears to the disciples
- The ascension

24:1 - 24:12  
24:13 - 24:35  
24:36 - 24:49  
24:50 - 24:53

## Luke - The Story of our Savior

### Lesson 1

Reading: Luke 1:1 - 2:40

#### Introduction

To Theophilus ("friend of God") Luke declares the purpose of his account was to write in order that "thou mightest know the certainty concerning the things wherein thou wast instructed." Luke wrote so that an accurate telling of the love of God as shown in His son would remain for generations to come. But his story not only reveals truths about this son, it can also change the lives of all who study it. Throughout this gospel we witness men and women changed forever by their encounters with Jesus. A careful reading has the same potential today, for the book of Luke is a part of the gospel which Paul stated is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth (Rom. 1:16). Let us be true friends of God by our careful, diligent study of the life of Christ.

#### I. Preface 1:1-4

1. Why does Luke feel that his account will allow Theophilus to know with certainty?

#### II. John's birth announced 1:5-25

1. What was Zacharias' occupation? What special duty was he performing when the angel visited?

2. Who was the angel? List the promises he made regarding Zacharias' future son.

3. How was Zacharias' muteness both a sign and a punishment?

#### III. Jesus' birth announced 1:26-38

1. How does Gabriel address Mary? List the promises he made regarding the son to be born to Mary.

2. Why was Mary confused? How did Gabriel reassure her? Describe her attitude as the angel departed.

#### IV. Mary visits Elizabeth 1:39-56

1. Why did Elizabeth bless Mary?

2. What is Mary's overall spirit as revealed in her song?

#### V. The birth of John 1:57-80

1. How did John gain his name?

2. Zacharias having regained his speech prophesied regarding his son. What does he say his role will be in God's plan?

#### VI. The birth of Jesus 2:1-21

1. Why were Mary and Joseph in Bethlehem? What prophecy was fulfilled?

2. What good tidings did the angel bring to the shepherds? Did the shepherds repeat what they heard?

3. What did Mary do with the things she saw and heard?

#### VII. Revelations of Simeon and Anna 2:22-40

1. Why did they take Jesus to the temple?

2. What had the Holy Spirit revealed to Simeon? What did Simeon tell Mary?

3. To whom did Anna speak?

4. From the other gospel accounts be prepared to explain what happened to Mary, Joseph and Jesus before they settled in Nazareth.

#### Conclusion

Throughout this section we see the grateful attitude of those blessed to share in God's plan, and we learn of great promises to be fulfilled by John and Jesus.

## Luke - The Story of our Savior

### Lesson 2

Reading: Luke 2:41-4:13

#### Introduction:

Luke describes the beginning of John's ministry by quoting Isaiah, "the voice of one crying in the wilderness, make ye ready the way of the Lord." John's method and message were unique. Never before had someone baptized people, nor had the Jews heard a prophet so belittle their lineage from Abraham. John taught that the fruits of repentance revealed the true followers of God.

Luke also explains the final preparation of Jesus for his ministry. Luke alone records an incident in Jesus' life between infancy and thirty years of age; that of the passover trip at age twelve. He also describes the baptism of Jesus and details the temptations faced by our Lord in the wilderness. At the end of these events Jesus is ready for his public ministry.

#### I. The Passover trip 2:41-52

1. How did Mary and Joseph come to lose Jesus?
2. What amazed the teachers in the Temple?
3. Who was Jesus' father? Why do you think this answer confused Mary and Joseph?
4. Be prepared to explain in detail what it means to advance in wisdom, stature and favor.

#### II. Ministry of John 3:1-20

1. How does Luke pinpoint the beginning of John's work? Why is this important?
2. What did John preach? Why do you think this message drew so many?
3. What examples did John give of fruits of repentance? How do these apply to us?
4. Use a Bible dictionary or other reference material to explain the relationships between Herod (Matt. 2:3,19), Herod (Luke 3), Herodias and Philip the Tetrarch.

### III. Baptism and Temptation of Jesus 3:21-22, 4:1-13

1. From the other accounts learn how John reacted to Jesus' seeking baptism.

2. What did God say of Jesus?

3. What was the first action of the Spirit? How long was Jesus in the wilderness?

4. List the three temptations and for each explain:

a. To what in the nature of man it appealed.

b. Why the temptations were particularly difficult for Jesus.

c. How he overcame each temptation.

5. Was this the only temptation of Jesus?

### IV. Genealogy 3:23-38

1. Use a commentary to find a possible answer to the discrepancies between Luke's and Matthew's genealogies.



## Luke - The Story of our Savior

### Lesson 3

Reading: Luke 4:14-6:11

#### Introduction

Luke begins to discuss the Galilean ministry of Jesus immediately following the temptation in the wilderness. However, John (John 1:29-4:42) includes several incidents which occurred between Luke 4:13 and 4:14. In John 1, Jesus gains several disciples, including Peter and Andrew, through the testimony of John the Baptist and his own teaching. These disciples travel with Jesus to Cana where they witness his first sign, to Jerusalem where he cleanses the temple and talks to Nicodemus, and through Samaria where he meets the woman at the well.

The account in John helps us to understand why the ministry of Jesus began so quickly in Galilee (Jn. 4:45) and why the fishermen were so willing to forsake all and follow him. In this section, we also begin to know the manner in which he dealt with those who opposed him.

#### I. Return to Nazareth 4:13-30

1. His fame having spread through Galilee, Jesus returns to his childhood home. What prophecy did he read? What did he say about this passage?

2. What objection did the hearers make? Why do you think they found it difficult to believe?

3. Was Jesus surprised by their response? Why?

4. How did he escape the mob?

#### II. Work in Capernaum 4:31-44

1. What about Jesus' teaching astonished the people? In what other ways did he demonstrate this characteristic?

2. How successful was Jesus' ministry at this point? Be specific.

III. The calling of the fishermen 5:1-11

1. What use did Jesus make of the boat?
2. What request did Jesus make? Why were they hesitant?
3. Describe the reaction of Peter to the draught of fish. What promise did Jesus make?

IV. Healings of leprosy and palsy 5:12-26

1. Note that the man had a severe case of leprosy. Why was this such a repulsive and discouraging disease?
2. What instructions did Jesus give the man? Why?
3. To what extreme did the friends of the palsied go to gain Jesus' attention?
4. Why did the Pharisees accuse Jesus of blasphemy? Were they right that only God could forgive sins?
5. Why did Jesus say he was healing the man? How did the crowd react to the healing?

V. Early opposition 5:27-6:11

1. What objection is made by the Pharisees at the meal at Levi's? What is Jesus' reply?
2. Why didn't Jesus' disciples fast?
3. Why did the Pharisees believe Jesus' disciples broke the Sabbath? Did they? Be prepared to defend your answer and its implications.
4. What does it mean to be Lord of Sabbath?
5. How did the scribes and Pharisees respond to the healing of the man with the withered hand?

## Luke - The Story of our Savior

### Lesson 4

Reading: Luke 6:12-8:18

#### Introduction

Luke begins this section by describing the care Jesus took in choosing his twelve apostles. He then includes a long account of one of Jesus' sermons which is very similar to the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7). The key idea of the lesson appears to be the emphasis on the spiritual or inward person.

In chapter seven are two incidents found only in Luke, which provide great insight into the character of Jesus. By raising from the dead the son of the widow of Nain, Jesus demonstrated his great power. The manner in which he forgives the sins of the woman in Luke 7:36-50 was an example of how blessed are the poor in spirit. We can see the humility and sorrow for sins that God expects from each of us. The section concludes with the parable of the sower.

#### I. Selection of twelve Apostles 6:12-19

1. What preparation did Jesus make before selecting the twelve?

2. Read the list of Apostles carefully and consider what we know of the character of each.

#### II. A sermon of Jesus 6:20-49

1. Explain how one can be poor, hungry and mourning spiritually.

2. What is the spiritual danger of being rich, full, merry and well spoken of?

3. How should we treat those that hate, curse and despitefully use us? What specific examples does Jesus give?

4. What is Jesus' point in vs. 39-40?

5. What indicates the true quality of one's heart? How do the illustrations in vs. 43-44 and vs. 47-49 show this?

#### III. Two mighty miracles 7:1-17

1. Who requested the healing of the servant? Why?

2. What was the Centurion's understanding of authority? Why did this indicate such great faith?

3. Note in vs. 11-12 that two multitudes came together. Thus there were many witnesses to the miracle.

4. Why did Jesus decide to raise the child? How did the crowd react? Were there any doubters?

#### IV. Questions from John 7:18-35

1. What were the questions of John? How does Jesus answer?

2. To the crowd how does Jesus describe John?

3. How did that generation behave childishly? (Remember Luke 5:33)

#### V. The repentant woman 7:36-50

1. What indicated the sorrow of this woman?

2. Why did this scene shock Simon? What did he think it proved? (Remember Luke 5:30)

3. How had this woman demonstrated greater love than Simon?

4. Why did Jesus' forgiving the woman disturb those at supper? (Remember Luke 5:21)

#### VI. Parable of the sower 8:1-18

1. What role did some women play in Jesus' ministry?

2. Why did Jesus teach in parables?

3. What does reception of Jesus' word say about one's heart?

## Luke - The Story of our Savior

### Lesson 5

Reading: Luke 8:19 - 9:50

#### Introduction:

This section is most interesting for the insight it provides of the preparation of the Apostles. On two occasions, raising of Jairus' daughter and the Transfiguration, Peter, James and John are separated from the others; evidently for their particular benefit (Luke 9:36). All of the Apostles here witness miracles which showed the divine nature of Jesus: stilling of the tempest, casting out the legion of demons and healing the woman with an issue of blood.

The Apostles not only were prepared by what they saw but also by their experiences. Jesus sent them out two by two to preach and to heal. Perhaps the most important part of their preparation was what Jesus taught them. For the first time he reveals to them that he will die and be raised up the third day (Luke 9:21-22). Jesus the master teacher was carefully molding their characters.

#### I. The country of the Gerasenes 8:19-39

1. Whom does Jesus consider his family?
2. During the storm what demonstrated the human side of Jesus?
3. Why did Jesus rebuke the disciples? Why were they amazed?
4. How severe was the possession of the man of Gerasene?
5. What was the request of the legion? How did Jesus respond?
6. Were the people of Gerasene more concerned about the man or the swine?
7. What was the man told to do ? How would this help him?

#### II. Jairus' daughter 8:40-56

1. Imagine that you are Jairus. What would frustrate you about the journey to your home?

2. Why did Peter think Jesus' question was strange? Why do you think that Jesus paused to ask it?

3. Name two ways Jesus' power was revealed in the healing of the woman.

4. Why was Jesus laughed to scorn? Note the points of evidence in the account that Jesus did raise the child from the dead.

### III. The Apostles' mission, Feeding of 5,000 9:1-17

1. What instructions were the Apostles given?

2. When they returned why could they not be alone with Jesus (Mark 6:30-33)?

3. What was gathered after the multitude was fed? Read John 6:13-71.

### IV. Death foretold, The Transfiguration 9:18-50

1. Why would Jesus' prophesy of death shock the Apostles?

2. What challenges does he give them concerning life (vs. 23-26)?

3. What did Elijah, Moses and Jesus discuss? Why?

4. What did Peter suggest? How did God correct him?

5. What happened after the transfiguration?

6. Jesus again speaks of his death in vs. 44. What was the reaction of the Apostles?

## Luke - The Story of our Lord

### Lesson 6

Reading: Luke 9:51 - 12:34

Introduction:

Much of the material in this section is found only in Luke's account. The section includes parables, healings, chastisements as well as accusations by the Pharisees against Jesus. Here are several good examples of Jesus' unsurpassed ability to use a story of everyday life to illustrate an important message. The Good Samaritan teaches us the need to view all men as neighbors, prayer is taught by the persistent friend (11:5-10) and the value of the soul by the rich man's tragic error (12:15-21). We also read here of Jesus' stinging denunciation of the Pharisees and lawyers.

I. Hard sayings 9:51-62

1. Was Jesus trying to discourage those who tried to follow him? Explain the meaning behind each of his answers.

II. Mission of the seventy 10:1-24

1. Where did the seventy go? What did they not carry with them? What was their message?

2. When they returned what did they tell Jesus? In what did he tell them to rejoice?

3. Why were the disciples of Jesus so blessed?

III. Good Samaritan, Mary and Martha 10:25-42

1. What was the question of the lawyer? Who answered the question?

2. Why did the lawyer ask a second question? How does the story answer the question: a) for the lawyer b) for us?

3. Why was Mary upset? Note how well vs. 41 describes many of us.

IV. Lessons about prayer, Jesus accused 11:1-28

1. How will God treat those that ask, seek and knock? How did Jesus teach this?
2. How did some say that Jesus cast out demons? What was his answer?
3. What danger was there from the cast out demons? (This may help explain Luke 8:39).
4. Who are the blessed?

V. The denunciations of Jesus 11:29-54

1. What was the sign of Jonah?
2. What should we learn from vs. 33-36?
3. What did the Pharisees misunderstand about cleansings?
4. How did the Pharisees misplace certain priorities?
5. Of what did Jesus accuse the lawyers?
6. How did the Pharisees and scribes begin to treat Jesus?

VI. Proper perspectives 12:1-34

1. What should we not fear? What should we fear?
2. How well does God know us?
3. How does the rich man illustrate that "a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth"?
4. Why should we avoid anxiety?
5. Where should our treasure be?



## Luke - The Story of our Lord

### Lesson 7

Reading: Luke 12:35 - 15:32

Introduction:

This section is similar to our previous lesson in that it contains much material found only in Luke. Primarily we see Jesus teaching: to his disciples, in response to the questions of folocwers or opponents, in synagogues and in the houses of rulers.

While he preaches on a number of subjects, the principle focus of his lessons seems to center on the need to be prepared to serve God and the value of every soul to God. Once more we witness frequent incidents of opposition to everything Jesus does regardless of the motive for his actions.

I. Preparation 12:35 - 13:9

1. Whom will the Lord bless? How?
2. What is the head servant tempted to do?
3. Did Jesus come to bring peace? How severe will be the divisions he causes?
4. How were the multitudes unable to read the signs?
5. What do all people need to do?

II. Opposition 13:10 - 14:6

1. Who was upset by Jesus healing the woman? Whom does he address? How did Jesus answer him?
2. To what does Jesus liken the kingdom of God?
3. Will many be saved?
4. How did Jesus feel toward Jerusalem?
5. How did Jesus expose the hypocrisy of the Pharisees regarding the Sabbath?

III. The invitation of God 14:7-35

1. Where should one endeavor to sit at a feast? Why?
2. Whom should we invite to dine with us?
3. What excuses were given by those invited to the feast?
4. What should we do before we follow Christ?

IV. God's invitation to sinners 15:1-32

1. What started Jesus' discussion of things which are lost?
2. When is there joy in heaven?
3. Describe the state of the son when he came to himself.  
What did he say?
4. What indicated that his father thought of him often?
5. Why was the other brother angered?
6. What did the father say to this brother?

## Luke - The Story of our Savior

### Lesson 8

Reading: Luke 16:1-18:30

#### Introduction:

As we have discussed, the ministry of Jesus is now nearing its end. The opposition of the scribes and Pharisees has become particularly heated. In this section, Jesus rebukes them on several points and teaches invaluable lessons on riches, forgiveness, the Kingdom and prayer. Once more, Luke records several parables not found elsewhere including the Parable of the Unrighteous Steward, Lazarus and the Rich man; the Unrighteous Judge and the Pharisee and the Publican. Throughout we see the danger of failing to be found faithful and are challenged to be prepared. In conclusion, we are assured of the value of serving God (18:29-30).

#### I. The Unrighteous Steward 16:1-18

1. This parable admittedly is difficult to understand. Based on the reaction of the Pharisees (vs. 14) it clearly was an indictment against the love of money.

2. What did the steward do when rebuked by his master? Why?

3. Jesus appears to draw three lessons from the parable. What is he teaching in vs. 9, vs. 11-12 and vs. 13?

#### II. Lazarus and the Rich man 16:19-31

1. Where was Lazarus placed? Does it appear that the rich man helped him?

2. What are the two realms of Hades? Where was Lazarus? the rich man?

3. What did the rich man desire for himself? What was Abraham's answer?

4. What did the rich man desire for his brothers? What was Abraham's answer?

#### III. Lessons of faith and gratitude 17:1-19

1. What prompted the request of the apostles for increased faith?

2. Explain the true role of a servant? What attitude should he have?

3. What challenge does Jesus make to the faith of the ten lepers (vs. 14)?

4. Who returned to express his gratitude?

IV. The Kingdom 17:20-37

1. Where will the Kingdom be?

2. How will many behave before the coming of Christ?

3. Why should we remember Lot's wife?

V. Parables of prayer 18:1-17

1. Why did the Judge avenge the woman?

2. To whom did Jesus speak the parable of the Pharisee and the Publican?

3. Why was the publican justified?

VI. Rich young ruler 18:18-30

1. What was the man's question? What was Jesus' answer?

2. What did the man lack? Why did he grieve over the matter?

3. What point naturally came to the mind of Peter? How did Jesus respond?

## Luke - The Story of our Savior

### Lesson 9

Reading: Luke 18:31-20:18

#### Introduction:

We now begin a study of the last few days of Jesus' life. When he declared his intention to travel to Jerusalem (Luke 18:31) it would be for the last time. The entire nation was aware of the danger which awaited and wondered whether he would go to Jerusalem (John 11:55-57). Jesus also knew of the danger and traveled with the intention of dying.

This section covers his journey to Jerusalem, his triumphal entry and the beginnings of his teachings in the temple during his last week.

#### I. Journey to Jericho 18:31-43

1. What did Jesus predict would happen to him? Why do you think the Apostles could not understand?
2. What did the blind man call Jesus and what did he request?
3. Describe the persistence of the blind man.
4. How did the crowd react to the miracle?

#### II. Zacchaeus and the parable of the pounds 19:1-27

1. Describe Zacchaeus.
2. What commandment did Jesus give Zacchaeus? How did he respond? How did some view this?
3. What does Zacchaeus declare? What did Jesus tell him?
4. Why did the nobleman leave? What did he do before he left?
5. Why did the one servant not put his pound to work?

III. Triumphal entry 19:28-44

1. What preparation did Jesus make before entering Jerusalem?
2. Read Matthew 21:8-11 and Mark 11:8-10. Put together all that crowd thought of Jesus.
3. What did Jesus say would happen if the crowd was silent?
4. Note the sorrow Jesus felt for Jerusalem.

iv. In the city 19:45-20:18

1. Why did Jesus cast out those in the temple?
2. Why were the chief priests unable to put Jesus to death?
3. Why did the scribes avoid answering Jesus' question?
4. Apply Jesus' parable to the events which followed in his life. Read Matthew 21:45-46 to learn how the Pharisees reacted to the parable.

## Luke - The Story of our Savior

### Lesson 10

Reading: Luke 20:19 - 21:38

Introduction:

Luke explains that during the last week of his life Jesus traveled each morning to the Temple to teach and spent each evening in a home in Mount Olivet. The crowd gathered early to hear Jesus, along with his enemies who came to trap him (Luke 21:37-38). Each group in succession attempted to put Jesus in disfavor with the crowd by asking an ensnaring question. Each time the answer of Jesus was brilliant and left his critics speechless.

Following the questions, Jesus left the Temple and prophesied to his disciples of its coming destruction, warning them to look for the warning signs.

I. Tribute to Caesar 20:19-26

1. What were the spies of the scribes hoping to do?
2. How did they address Jesus? What was their question?
3. What do you think the consequences would have been if Jesus had answered simply yes or no?
4. Why was Jesus' answer so appropriate?

II. Question of the Sadducees 20:27-40

1. What did the Sadducees believe?
2. What question did they ask? Why did they think this question posed a problem to Jesus?
3. Note that Jesus answered their question with authority. How did he correct their belief?
4. Did they continue to question him?

III. Jesus' question 20:41 - 21:3

1. What was Jesus' question? What is the answer? Did the leaders answer him?

2. How did Jesus describe the scribes?

3. Why did Jesus commend the widow's giving?

IV. The coming destruction 21:4-38

1. What prompted Jesus' statement about the Temple?

2. What questions did the disciples ask?

3. List the incidents Jesus said would occur before "these things would come to pass"?

4. When would they know the desolation of Jerusalem was at hand? Could they still escape?

5. What would not happen till all things were accomplished?



## Luke - The Story of our Savior

### Lesson 11

Reading: Luke 22:1-62

Introduction:

Having failed to cause the people to turn against Jesus through their questions, the chief priests and scribes sought to take him privately. Judas betrayed the Lord by agreeing to reveal to them an opportune moment to apprehend him. However, Jesus ensured a final private moment with his apostles by revealing the location of the Passover supper in a secret manner.

After instructing the apostles carefully during the meal, Jesus traveled with them to the Mount of Olivet. There he prayed fervently to the Father asking that the cup be removed if possible, ready to perform whatever God's will required. Judas arrived then with the Jewish leaders who led Jesus to his trial. Finally, here we read of Peter's denial of Jesus as predicted along with his subsequent repentance.

#### I. Judas's decision 22:1-6

1. What do the other accounts tell us of Judas' motivation for betraying Jesus?

2. How did the chief priests respond to Judas' proposal? Why was it of such benefit to them?

#### II. Location of the supper 22:7-13

1. Why might Jesus have used this method to find a place to eat the supper?

2. Whom did he send on this mission? What were they to look for and what were they to say?

#### III. Last supper 22:14-38

1. When would Jesus eat this meal again?

2. How did he describe the bread? the cup?

3. Jesus told at the meal that one of them would betray him. Read the other accounts of this meal to learn how he specifically addressed Judas.

4. What promises did he make to the eleven?

5. What did he prophesy of Peter? How did Peter react?

IV. In the garden 22:39-53

1. For what did he ask the apostles to pray?

2. How earnestly did Jesus pray? Was his prayer answered?

3. While he prayed what did the apostles do?

4. How did Judas indicate Jesus?

5. Find out which of the apostles struck off the right ear of the high priest's servant.

6. How did Jesus rebuke those that came to arrest him?

✓ V. Peter's denial 22:54-62

1. How many times did those at the fire state that Peter knew Jesus? Why did they think this?

2. What were Peter's responses? (Read Mark 14:66-72).

3. Why did Peter weep so bitterly?

Luke - The Story our Savior  
Lesson 12

Reading: Luke 22:63 - 23:56

Introduction:

In this section we read of the trials of Jesus as he came before the elders, the Roman governor Pilate, the Galilean king Herod and again before Pilate. Jesus did not attempt to be released; stating clearly he was the Son of God on one occasion and remaining silent when accused. In each trial he was abused and wrongfully accused till at last he was scourged and turned over to be crucified.

Luke alone tells of his conversation with the thief as Jesus stated confidently the man would join him in paradise that day. Upon his death, those that witnessed the crucifixion were humbled, and the centurion declared him a righteous man. What is clear is that Jesus meant to die and fulfilled God's plan through his suffering.

I. Before the elders 22:63-71

1. How was Jesus treated before he was convicted?
2. Where did he state that he would soon be?
3. Did he say he was the Son of God?

II. Before Pilate 23:1-7

1. Why did they accuse Jesus of a different charge before Pilate than that before the elders?
2. Did Jesus say he was the King of the Jews?
3. Why did Pilate send him to Herod?

III. Before Herod 23:8-12

1. Why was Herod glad to question Jesus?
2. How did Jesus act? How was he treated?
3. What began on this day?

IV. Before Pilate again 23:13-26

1. What two things did Pilate offer to do rather than crucify Jesus?

2. How did the crowd react?

3. Contrast the characters of Jesus and Barabbas.

V. Thief on the cross 23:27-43

1. What did Jesus tell the daughters of Jerusalem?

2. For did Jesus pray?

3. Describe the scoffing of Jesus.

4. Why did one thief rebuke the other?

5. What promise did Jesus give the thief?

VI. Death and burial 23:44-58

1. What happened from the sixth hour till the ninth hour?

2. How did those that witnessed the crucifixion react?

3. Where was Jesus buried?

## Luke - The Story of our Savior

### Lesson 13

Reading: Luke 24:1-53

#### Introduction:

None of the disciples of Jesus expected him to be raised from the dead. Despite all of his prophecies, they reacted with scepticism when the first reports came of his missing body. Even when they first saw him they believed it to be a spirit rather than a resurrected body. But Jesus allowed them to touch him, and he ate with as he had before his death. They realized the truth of his resurrection and were overcome with joy.

The appearances of Jesus changed the character and courage of his apostles. Before he ascended he urged them to remain in Jerusalem for the promise of the Father (Holy Spirit). Luke closes his account with them waiting in Jerusalem and continues their story in his second book, the Acts of the Apostles.

#### I. The missing body 24:1-12

1. Why did the women come to the tomb? What did they find?

2. What did the two men tell them?

3. How did the eleven apostles react to their report?

#### II. The road to Emmaus 24:13-35

1. What were the two men discussing? How did they describe Jesus?

2. What had they hoped about Jesus?

3. What did the two men report had happened?

4. What did Jesus use to explain to them the purpose of the events they had witnessed?

5. Why did Jesus stay to eat with them?

6. What report did they take to the apostles?

III. Appearance in Jerusalem 24:36-43

1. Why were they terrified? How did Jesus relieve their fear?
2. What did he do to prove he was not a spirit?

IV. Message to the apostles 24:44-53

1. How do we know that God did not change his plan even though the nation had rejected Jesus?
2. What would start in Jerusalem?
3. For what were they to wait?
4. Describe their wait in Jerusalem. Read Acts 1-2 to be familiar with what happened in Jerusalem following the ascension.