



#1 WHO IS JESUS?

Luke Bible Study [NKJV]

Luke Chapter 1

Each Study will cover the facts and then discuss the Principles at the end of the entire Luke Bible Study.

This Study is dedicated to the women who inspired us to write studies for spiritual release of those behind the walls. Those for whom Jesus died to set them free from the bondages placed upon them by circumstances, mistreatment, and deception. May God receive all the Glory and may He use these studies to set other captives free.

Timeline of some key events in the Gospel of Luke

37 BC Herod the Great begins to rule- King of Judea
Jesus born approximately – 6 / 5 BC
Escape to Egypt from Herod – 5 / 4 BC
Herod the Great dies – 4 BC
Return to Nazareth – 4 / 3 BC
Jesus visits the temple as a boy – AD 6 / 7
Tiberius Caesar becomes Emperor – AD 14
John the Baptist's Ministry begins – AD 26
Jesus begins His Ministry – AD 26 / 27
Jesus chooses the 12 disciples – AD 28
Jesus feeds the 5000 miracle – AD 29
Jesus is crucified, raises to life and goes to Heaven - AD 30

PURPOSE

To accurately give a narrative of those events that were fulfilled concerning the prophecies of the coming Messiah. Eyewitnesses and ministers of the events, facts and the life of Jesus Christ the "Son of God".

This is the most thorough Gospel account and shows by the vocabulary the author was a man of education. Luke includes frequent references to illnesses and diagnoses which support the authorship being Luke. In the account Luke stresses the relationships Jesus had with people, and gives special emphasis on prayer, miracles, and angels, records inspired hymns of praise and gives a place to women unusual for that time period. Most of the verses contained in Luke 9:51 through 18:35 are not found in any other Gospel. Luke being a thorough and meticulous detailer of the facts and the accuracy of the preceding account of events in the narration of Luke lends itself to the truthfulness found in the above mentioned section.

AUTHOR

Luke – a doctor [Colossians 4:14] a Greek and Gentile* Christian and the only known Gentile* author in the New Testament. He was a close friend and companion of Paul. Acts was written by Luke as a continuation of the written account started with this book.

* [Gentile meaning non Jewish heritage]

DATE WRITTEN

AD 60 - from Caesarea or Rome location not specified in text

Jesus Christ the Messiah enters history – God in human flesh

Luke affirms the divine origins of Jesus as born of God the Father and virgin human Mary.

The purpose of the book is to show the humanity of Jesus as the son of God, who is also the Son of Man. Luke affirms that all he wrote was from extensive research and detailed explanation of the facts and accounts. A close friend of Paul and traveling companion he had access to the knowledge and eyewitness accounts of the disciples and followers of Jesus. He was involved in the recordation of the birth and growth of the early church, historically reliable documented evidence gained by personal interviews and close observation.

Always begin in Prayer for God's opening your eyes and heart to understand and apply His Word:

***Father God may You be lifted up and praised in my heart, mind and soul. May You open my eyes to understand the Word of Truth and guide me into the meaning You wish me to gain from this study. I give thanks to You for the Mercy you have shown me in drawing me to study and learn. I ask that You reach past my hardened heart, my troubled mind, and the coldness within to light the spark of Your refining fire and give me a desire to know You, and a hunger to find Your Will in my life. Amen
Luke presents purpose in writing***

Read: Luke Chapter 1:1-4

1. Luke wanted to write an orderly account of things fulfilled [prophecies]. Who did he get the information from?
 - a. History books of the Jewish counsel
 - b. Eyewitnesses and ministers of the word delivered to them
 - c. Interviewing the public on the streets for information
2. Luke wrote to a person named Theophilus – [meaning "One who loves God"]. What did he want him to know?
 - a. That he would know with certainty the things he had been taught were true
 - b. That he would be able to take a trip to see Luke soon
 - c. That all the things he had been told were unreliable

Zecharias –[Zechariah] serves in priestly duties

Read: Luke Chapter 1:5-10

3. Who was king of Judea at this time?
 - a. Abijah the division leader
 - b. Elizabeth the Great Queen
 - c. Herod the Great
4. Zecharias or alternate spelling Zechariah was a priest from a certain division of priests. Which division did he belong to?
 - a. Abijah
 - b. Aaron
 - c. John

* Note - [Ex 26:33-35] [Ex 30:1-10, 34-38] [Ex 37:25-29] [Ex 40 :5, 26] [Lev 16 :12] [2Chr 8 :14]

5. Zecharis and his wife were considered righteous before God why?
 - a. They attended temple worship on a regular basis before the Lord
 - b. They walked in the commandments and ordinances of the Lord when they could
 - c. They walked in the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless

6. Elizabeth and Zecharias had no children why?
 - a. She was barren and past the age of child bearing
 - b. He was past the age of child producing
 - c. They were too old to produce children

7. Zecharias was serving in his priestly duties what were they?
 - a. He was smoking in the temple while the people prayed
 - b. He was burning incense in the temple while the people prayed
 - c. He was praying and waiting on the Lord in the temple

* Note – [1 Chr 24:3-19]

* Note Appendix 1 Duties Assigned Priests

Zecharias receives promise of a son – John who would be set apart to God

Read: Luke Chapter 1:11-25

8. An angel appeared to Zecharias on the right side of the altar of incense. What did the angel say to a fearful Zecharias?
 - a. Do not be afraid, pray and ask me what you will
 - b. Do not be afraid I won't kill you
 - c. Do not be afraid, your prayer is heard , your wife will have a son

9. This son had a name to be given to him what was it?
 - a. Named after his father Zacharias
 - b. Named after his division Abijah
 - c. Named John

10. The angel said some specific things about this child what were some of these things? Fill in blanks
 - a. He will be _____ in the sight of the _____.
 - b. He shall drink neither _____ or _____.
 - c. He will be filled with _____ from _____.
 - d. He will turn many of _____ to _____.
 - e. He will go before Him [Messiah] in the _____ and _____ of _____.
 - f. Turning the _____ of the fathers to _____, and the disobedient to the _____, to make ready a _____ prepared for the _____.

*Note - Laws for Nazarites [Numbers 6:1-21] Prophecy [Isaiah 40:3-11}

11. Zecharias replied to the angel with what response?
 - a. I am an old man and my memory is not good
 - b. How shall I know this? I am a old man and my wife an old woman
 - c. I don't think so my wife is an old woman

12. The angel punished Zecharias for questioning the message that came from the presence of God. What did he do to Zecharias?

- a. You will be mute and not able to speak until the day this takes place
- b. You will be mute and unable to hear for 6 months
- c. You will bear a mute child because you did not believe me

13. When Zecharias came out of the temple the people perceived that he had seen a vision. What made them think this?
- He danced for joy and came running out
 - He motioned to them but was unable to speak
 - He made hand signs that he had seen an angel

14. Elizabeth conceived and hid herself for five months. What did she say about this?
- The Lord has dealt me a blow how embarrassing after all this time
 - The Lord has dealt with me and looked on me to take away my reproach
 - The Lord has dealt me a good turn because I deserve one after all this time

An angel visits Mary in Nazareth

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Read Luke Chapter 1:26-29

15. An angel was sent to Mary in the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy. What was his name and who sent him?
- He came from God and his name Gabriel
 - He came from Heaven and his name was Joseph
 - He came from God and his name was Elijah

16. What does the Bible tell us about Mary? **Fill in the blanks**
- She was a _____ betrothed [engaged] to a man whose name was _____.
 - She saw the angel and the angel said _____ the _____ is with you, blessed are you among _____.
 - She wondered what kind of _____ this might be.

Mary finds Favor with God

Read: Luke Chapter 1:30-38

17. The angel told Mary not to be afraid she had found Favor with God. Then he tells her what?
- You will conceive in your womb and have a Son, name him Jesus
 - You will soon have a baby and you need to get ready
 - You will be getting married soon so plan on having a baby
18. The angel also told her some things about this baby. Fill in the blanks
- He will be _____ and will be called _____ and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father *_____. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever and of His _____ there will be no _____.
- the throne of David was promised to the Messiah. This passage speaks in terms of his forefather or ancestor David not an immediate father relationship. [2 Samuel 7:13-16]
- Mary asked how can this be since I do not _____ a man? And the angel said, "The Holy Spirit will _____ you and the _____ of the Highest will _____ you Therefore the _____ who is to be _____ will be called The _____.

19. Mary was told that Elizabeth has also conceived a son in her old age and in the sixth month. The angel said that with God what was possible?
- Nothing that was the point
 - Nothing will be impossible
 - Nothing if we don't ask
20. Mary had a response for the angel. What did she say before he left?
- Let it happen to another maidservant
 - Let it be according to your word.
 - I am just a maid so that makes me your servant

Mary and Elizabeth Rejoice

Read: Luke Chapter 1:39-56

21. Mary left and went to the city of Judah in the hill country and went to the home of Zacharias and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary what happened/
- She leaped for joy it had been a long time since she had seen Mary
 - The baby in Mary's womb jumped and she was filled with joy
 - The baby in Elizabeth's womb leaped and she was filled with the Holy Spirit
22. What did Elizabeth have to say about Mary? Fill in blanks
- Blessed are you among _____, and blessed is the _____ of your _____.
 - Why is it granted that _____ of my _____ should come to me.
 - As soon as the voice of your _____ reached my ears the _____ leaped for joy
 - Blessed is _____ who _____ for there will be _____ of those things told her from the _____.
23. Mary then sang a song to God. [Mark out the things she did not sing]
- My soul magnifies the Lord
 - My spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior
 - All generations will call me blessed
 - He who is mighty has done great things for me
 - He took pride out of my heart
 - He has filled the hungry with good things
 - He has taken the rich and made them suffer
 - He has helped Israel in remembrance of His Mercy
24. How long did Mary stay with Elizabeth?
- Until the baby was born and then went home
 - About three months and went home
 - Until she was sure that it was safe to go home

John arrives and is named

Read: Luke Chapter 1:57-80

25. Elizabeth's time had come and she gave birth to a son. On what day did they come to name him?
- On the eighth day they came to circumcise him
 - On the day he was dedicated at the temple
 - On the day after he was born

26. The crowd of people were going to call him Zacharias after his father but Elizabeth said no. She was going to name him John. When they protested they turned to Zacharias and he did what?

- He asked for a drink of water and poured it over the baby
- He asked for a writing tablet and wrote "His name is John"
- He pointed at the mother and shook his head

27. What happened immediately after he indicated the baby's name?

- The baby started to cry
- He was able talk and he started praising God
- The Holy Spirit fell on them all

28. Fear fell on all of them and they began to wonder what kind of child will this be. Zacharias was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied. Mark out what he did not say.

- Blessed is the Lord God of Jacob
- He has visited and redeemed His people
- He has raised up a horn for us to blow
- He has raised up a horn of salvation
- He spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets
- We should save all our enemies
- Remembering His Holy Covenant
- To grant us being delivered from the hand of our enemies

Prophecy concerning John the baby

- Child will be called the prophet of Highest
- Go before the face of Lord to prepare His way
- Give knowledge of salvation to a few people
- Giving light to those who sit in the darkness and shadow of death
- Guide our feet into way of peace

29. The child John grew and become strong in spirit. Where did he stay until the time to start his ministry?

- In the temple to learn the laws and customs
- At home so he could be protected and taught the priestly duties
- In the Deserts until the day of his ministry to Israel

MESSIANIC PROPHECIES

Topic	Old Testament Prophecy	New Testament Fulfillment
Messiah was to be of the Seed of a Woman	Genesis 3:15	Galatians 4:4
Messiah was to be born of a Virgin	Isaiah 7:14	Mathew 1:18-25 Luke 1:26-38
Messiah was to be the Son of GOD	Psalm 2:7 Proverbs 30:4	Mathew 3:17 Luke 1:32
Messiah was to be of the Seed of David in lineage of Abraham	Psalm 132:11 Isaiah 11:10 Jeremiah 23:5 Jeremiah 33:15	Mathew 1:6 Luke 1:32-33 Acts 2:30 Romans 1:3

Luke Bible Study Lesson 1

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Comments or suggestions on how to improve this study for you or others is welcome. We hope this format will help you to learn the people, places, times and events so that you can gain a clearer understanding of the purpose and plan for your life. God is interested in all you do daily 24 – 7 so involve Him in all your thoughts, plans and decisions.