

## The Gospel of Luke

### I. The Preface (1:1-4)

1. What was Luke's stated purpose in writing his account of the gospel?
2. What sources of information did Luke use to write his gospel?

### II. The Preparation for the Savior (1:5-2:52)

#### A. The Annunciations (1:5-56)

1. What do we know about Zacharias, the father of John the Baptist?
2. What did the angel of the Lord tell Zacharias?
3. What sign did Gabriel give to Zacharias?
4. What did Gabriel tell Mary?
5. Summarize Mary's hymn of praise.

#### B. The Birth of John (1:57-80)

1. What were the neighbors and relatives of Elizabeth concerned about?
2. Summarize the prophecy of Zacharias.

#### C. The Birth and Childhood of Jesus (2:1-52)

1. What does Luke 2:1-2 tell us about the time of our Lord's birth?
2. What are swaddling cloths? What were mangers used for?
3. What did the angel tell the shepherds? Who joined the angel in praise?
4. Why did Mary go to Jerusalem? What can we learn from the fact that she offered a pair of turtle doves? (cf. Lev. 12:1-8)
5. Who is Simeon? What was he waiting for?
6. What did Simeon say that Christ was going to do?

### III. The Introduction of the Savior (3:1-4:15)

#### A. The Ministry of John (3:1-20)

1. How did Luke explain the date when John began his ministry?
2. What was the message of John the Baptist?
3. What did John tell the people, tax collectors and soldiers to do?

4. What did John say about the One who would come after him?

B. The Baptism (3:21,22)

1. Why was Jesus baptized? (cf. Matt.3:13-17; Mark 1:9-11; John 1:32-34)

2. Why did the Holy Spirit descend upon Christ?

C. The Genealogy (3:23-38)

1. Why does Luke's account of our Lord's genealogy differ from the one that Matthew recorded? (cf. Matt. 1:1-17)

2. What can we learn from the genealogy of Christ?

D. The Temptation (4:1-13)

1. How did Satan tempt Jesus? Was Jesus actually tempted to sin?

2. How did Jesus overcome each of the temptations?

E. The Return to Galilee (4:14, 15)

1. How did Jesus return to Galilee?

2. What did He do once he got to Galilee?

IV. The Ministry of the Savior (4:16-9:50)

A. His Announcement of Purpose (4:16-44)

1. When Jesus visited the synagogue in Nazareth, He read from Isaiah 61:1-2. How does this passage in Isaiah apply to the work of Christ?

2. Why were the men at the synagogue in Nazareth so upset with Jesus?

3. What happened at the synagogue in Capernaum?

4. What did Jesus do for Peter's mother-in-law?

B. His Manifestation of Power (5:1-6:11)

1. What happened on the Lake of Gennesaret (the Sea of Galilee)?

2. Why was it so incredible that Jesus touched a leper?

3. Why did the scribes and Pharisees accuse Christ of blasphemy?

4. What happened after Jesus called Levi to follow Him?

5. Did the disciples of Jesus violate the Law of Moses or tradition when they “plucked the heads of grain and ate them” on the Sabbath?

6. Why were the scribes and Pharisees filled with rage on the Sabbath?

C. His Appointment of Helpers (6:12-19)

1. What did Jesus do before He chose His apostles?

2. What is the difference between a disciple and an apostle?

3. Why did a great multitude seek Jesus?

D. His Declaration of Principles (6:20-49)

1. Each one of the Beatitudes starts with the word blessed. What does the word blessed mean in these verses?

2. How does the teaching of Christ concerning our enemies differ from the standards of the world?

3. How can you tell what a person is really like?

4. How does Jesus describe the person who would listen to His teachings but not obey His word?

E. His Ministry of Compassion (7:1-9:17)

1. Describe the conversation between Jesus and the centurion.

2. Why did the people of Nain believe that Jesus was “a great prophet”?

3. What did the disciples of John want from Jesus?

4. What did Jesus say about the ministry of John the Baptist?

5. How did the Pharisees and lawyers “reject the will of God”?

6. How did Jesus describe the differences between Himself and John?

7. What happened at the house of Simon the Pharisee?

8. Who travelled with Jesus as He went through the cities and villages?

9. What can we learn from the parable of the sower?

10. Who did Jesus say were His “mother and brothers”?
11. What happened on the way to the country of the Gadarenes?
12. What happened while Jesus was in the country of the Gadarenes?
13. What did Jairus request of Jesus?
14. What did Jesus give to His twelve disciples?
15. Why did Herod the tetrarch seek to see Jesus?

F. His Revelation of the Cross (9:18-50)

1. Why was public opinion divided about who Jesus was?
2. What price must one be willing to pay in order to follow Jesus?
3. What happened at the transfiguration of Jesus?
4. What teaching of Jesus did the disciples not understand?

V. The Mission of the Savior (9:51-18:30)

A. The Public Challenge (9:51-62)

1. Why did the Samaritans reject Jesus?
2. What did Jesus mean by saying, “Let the dead bury their own dead”?

B. The Appointment of the Seventy (10:1-24)

1. Why did Jesus send out the seventy?
2. What instructions did Jesus give to the seventy?
3. Why did the seventy have reason to rejoice?

C. The Teaching of the Kingdom (10:25-13:21)

1. What did the lawyer ask Jesus? Why did he ask the question?
2. What reasons might the priest and the Levite have given for not helping the man who had been left for dead on the road?
3. What did Jesus teach us about prayer?
4. What accusation did some make about the power of Jesus?
5. Why will the men of Nineveh rise up in the judgment?
6. Why did the Pharisee marvel at Jesus?
7. What did Jesus say about the lawyers?

8. What is the “leaven of the Pharisees”?
9. How did Jesus explain the care that God has for each of us?
10. What warning did Jesus give to His disciples?
11. What did Jesus say about covetousness?
12. What did Jesus have to say about worry?
13. What did Jesus teach us about service?
14. What did Jesus warn His disciples about?
15. Why did Jesus teach a lesson on repentance?
16. What happened in the synagogue on the Sabbath?
17. What two items did Jesus compare the kingdom of God to?

D. The Rise of Public Conflict (13:22-16:31)

1. How did Jesus answer the question about how many would be saved? What was the point of His teaching on this occasion?
2. Why did Jesus refer to Herod as “that fox”?
3. Was it a sin to “heal on the Sabbath”?
4. What teaching did Jesus give about where you should sit when invited to a wedding or a feast? What point was He trying to make?
5. What was the main message in of the story of the great supper?
6. What sacrifices must one be willing to make to follow Christ?
7. What was the pint of the story about the lost sheep?
8. What is the significance of the “ten silver coins”?
9. What did the prodigal son hope to gain by leaving home?
10. Explain the reaction and emotions of the prodigal son’s father.
11. Explain why the older brother was so upset.
12. What are we to learn from the story of the unjust steward?
13. Why did the Pharisees deride Christ? How did He respond?
14. What did Jesus say about divorce?

15. What are the lessons we can learn from the story of the rich man and Lazarus? Does it make any difference whether this was a parable or a real story?

E. The Instruction of the Disciples (17:1-18:30)

1. Is forgiveness a matter of faith or duty?
2. What are we to learn from the story of the ten lepers?
3. What did Jesus mean when He said, "The kingdom of God does not come with observation"?
4. What are we to learn from the parable of the unjust judge?
5. What are we to learn from the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector? What prompted Jesus to give this parable?
6. In what ways should we become like children?
7. Why was Jesus so sorrowful when the ruler left Him?

VI. The Passion of the Savior (18:31-23:56)

A. Events en route to Jerusalem (18:31-19:27)

1. What did Jesus tell His disciples on the way to Jerusalem?
2. What did the blind man want from Jesus? What did he receive?
3. What prompted Zacchaeus to give half of his goods to the poor?
4. Name the two reasons Luke gives for Jesus telling the parable of the minas. What are we to learn from the parable?

B. Arrival at Jerusalem (19:28-44)

1. Why did Jesus send two disciples into a village to get a colt?
2. Why did the Pharisees want Jesus to rebuke His disciples?
3. Why did Jesus weep over the city of Jerusalem?

C. Conflict at Jerusalem (19:45-21:4)

1. What did Jesus do in the temple?
2. What question did the chief priest and scribes ask Christ? Why did they not answer the question He asked them?
3. Why were the chief priests and scribes so upset by the parable of the vineyard owner?

4. Why did the spies ask Jesus about paying taxes to Caesar?
5. Why question did the Sadducees ask Christ? Why did they pose the question in the first place?
6. What question did Jesus ask His detractors? Why did He ask it?
7. What prompted the poor widow to give the two mites?

#### D. Predictions Concerning Jerusalem (21:5-38)

1. What signs would be given prior to the destruction of the temple?
2. What were they to do when Jerusalem was surrounded by armies?
3. When would they see “the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory”?
4. When were the events of Luke 21 going to take place?
5. What admonition did Jesus give to His disciples?

#### E. The Last Supper (22:1-38)

1. What agreement did Judas make with the chief priests?
2. Where did Jesus and His disciples eat the Passover meal?
3. What items from the Passover meal did Jesus use as He instituted the Lord’s Supper?
4. Why were the disciples arguing among themselves?
5. What did Jesus warn Peter about? Did Peter believe Jesus?

#### F. The Betrayal (22:39-53)

1. What happened as Jesus prayed to His Father?
2. Why did Judas betray Jesus with a kiss?
3. What rebuke did Jesus give to the chief priests, captains of the temple, and the elders?

#### G. The Arrest and Trial (22:54-23:25)

1. Where was Jesus taken after He was arrested?
2. What happened in the courtyard?
3. Who were the ones who treated Jesus with contempt?
4. What did the Jewish council charge Jesus with?

5. When members of the Jewish council took Jesus to Pilate, what did they accuse Him of? Why did they change their accusation?
6. Why did Pilate send Jesus to Herod? What did Herod do?
7. What were the circumstances that led to the release of Barabbas?

#### H. The Crucifixion (23:26-49)

1. Describe what happened on the way to Calvary.
2. Describe the scene around the cross of Christ.
3. What caused one of the thieves to defend Jesus?
4. What happened when Jesus died?

#### I. The Burial (23:50-56)

1. What did Joseph of Arimathea request of Pilate?
2. What did the women from Galilee plan to do?

### VII. The Resurrection of the Savior (24:1-53)

#### A. The Empty Tomb (24:1-12)

1. What did the women find at the tomb on the first day of the week?
2. What did the two men by the tomb tell these women?
3. What did these women do with the knowledge they just gained?

#### B. The Appearance of Emmaus (24:13-35)

1. Why did the two men on the road to Emmaus not recognize Jesus?
2. What did Jesus tell these two men?
3. How did these two men finally recognize Jesus?

#### C. The Manifestation to the Disciples (24:36-43)

1. How did the eleven apostles react when Jesus appeared to them?
2. Why does Luke tell us that Jesus ate a meal on this occasion?

#### D. The Commission (24:44-49)

1. What did Jesus tell the apostles about the fulfillment of prophecy?

2. Why were the apostles told to tarry in Jerusalem?

E. The Ascension (24:50-53)

1. What did Jesus do for the apostles at Bethany?

2. What did the apostles do once they got back to Jerusalem?