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LUKE

ORDER IN NEW TESTAMENT

3

NUMBER OF CHAPTERS

24

TYPE

GOSPEL, SYNOPTIC

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.

OVERVIEW



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

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.

2
TEACHINGS OF CHRIST SINGULAR OR CENTRAL TO THIS GOSPEL

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).

3
THE MIRACLES OF CHRIST SINGULAR TO THIS GOSPEL

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.

4
THE PROPHECIES OF CHRIST SINGULAR TO THIS GOSPEL

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.

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

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.

INTRODUCTION TO LUKE

Use your study Bible or our online resource guide at nwhills.com/hub and discover the background of this book!

Timeline & Key Surrounding Events

Note key events and dates surrounding this book on the timeline below.

Author, Date, and Recipients

Who wrote the book? When was it written? To whom was it written? Was it written in a specific style (poetry, law, letter, history...)?

Theme of the Book

What are some of the main points or key themes in this book?

Purpose & Background

Why was this book written? What is the historical scene that this book is being written in? How does this book fit into the bigger story of what God is doing?

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WEEKLY READING

Plan A:

Day 1: Luke 1 – 4

Day 4: Luke 12 – 16

Day 2: Luke 5 – 8

Day 5: Luke 17 – 20

Day 3: Luke 9 – 11

Day 6: Luke 21 – 24

Plan B:

Day 1: Luke 1 – 4

Day 4: Luke 12 – 16

Day 2: Luke 5 – 8

Day 5: Luke 17 – 20

Day 3: Luke 9 – 11

Day 6: Luke 21 – 24

Plan C:

Day 1: Luke 1

Day 4: Luke 22

Day 2: Luke 2

Day 5: Luke 23

Day 3: Luke 5

Day 6: Luke 24

BIBLE MEMORY

Luke 9:23 - 25 “And he said to all, ‘If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it. For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself?’”

PERSONAL REFLECTION

What does this book teach me about God?

What does this book teach me about mankind?

How should what God says through this book change me?
