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THE GOSPELS

LUKE

LESSON 13

JESUS CHRIST THE PERFECT MAN

Jesus was born of a human mother.
Luke 1:31.



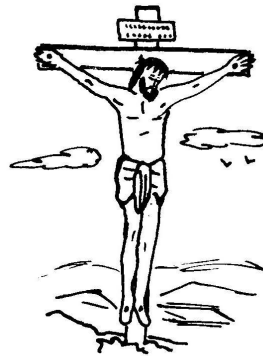
Jesus grew in body and mind as children grow.
Luke 2:52.

Jesus prayed.
Luke 5:16; 6:12.

Jesus cried for Jerusalem.
Luke 19:39-44.

Jesus was the son of Adam.
Luke 3:38.

Jesus was tempted of the devil,
Luke 4:1-13.



Jesus' sweat was like drops of blood in Gethsemane.
Luke 22:44.

Jesus suffered.
Luke 23.

Jesus died and was buried.
Luke 23:46; 23:53.

“For the Son of Man Is Come to Seek and to Save That Which Was Lost.” Luke 19:10.

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THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

I. INTRODUCTION TO THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

A. Who wrote the Gospel of Luke.

The Gospel of Luke was written by a man called Luke. Luke also wrote the book of Acts.

Luke is a short name for Lucanus. Luke was a Greek. He was a Gentile. He was from Antioch in Syria or from Philippi. Luke was a doctor, Colossians 4:14.

Luke travelled much with Paul. Paul had much sickness. It is believed Luke went along to help Paul, 2 Timothy 4:11; Philemon 23,24. In Acts 16:10 Luke says, "We" went to Macedonia. The "we" here is Paul and Luke.

B. When the Gospel of Luke was written.

Luke wrote the Gospel before he wrote the book of Acts. When he wrote Acts, he talked about the “former treatise.” Former treatise means the first writing he had written.

It is believed Luke wrote the Gospel between A.D. 60 and 70.

C. To whom the Gospel of Luke was written.

Luke wrote to Theophilus. Theophilus was a Gentile. The Gospel was written to the Gentiles.

Luke told Theophilus the good news of salvation. Because Luke wrote to the Gentiles, he left out the teachings which were for the Jews. The Gentiles wanted to know how Jesus Christ could help them. The Gentiles knew little about the Old Testament.

D. The main thought in the Gospel of Luke.

The main thought in the Gospel of Luke is that **Jesus Christ is the Son of Man and a perfect man.**

The key verse is Luke 19:10:

“For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.”

Memorize this verse.

**“JESUS CHRIST”
is the son of Man**



and a perfect Man

II. OUTLINE OF THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

- A. The introduction to the Gospel of Luke, Luke 1:1-4.
- B. The birth and childhood of Jesus and John the Baptist, Luke 1:5 - 2:52.
 - 1. The birth of John announced, Luke 1:5-25.
 - 2. The birth of Jesus announced, Luke 1:26-56.
 - 3. The birth of John, Luke 1:57-80.
 - 4. The birth and childhood of Jesus, Luke 2:1-52.

- C. The Son of Man prepared, Luke 3:1 - 4:13.
 - 1. The work of John the Baptist, Luke 3:1-20.
 - 2. The baptism of Jesus, Luke 3:21,22.
 - 3. The genealogy of Jesus, Luke 3:23-38.
 - 4. The temptation of Jesus, Luke 4:1-13.

- D. The work of the Son of Man, Luke 4:14 - 9:50.
 - 1. Jesus returned to Galilee, Luke 4:14,15.
 - 2. Jesus told why He came into the world, Luke 4:16-44.
 - 3. Jesus showed His power, Luke 5:1 - 6:11.
 - 4. Jesus chose His helpers, Luke 6:12-19.
 - 5. Jesus told His helpers how they should live, Luke 6:20-49.
 - 6. Jesus showed His love for people, Luke 7:1 - 9:17.
 - 7. Jesus told of His coming death, Luke 9:18-50.

- E. The Son of Man trained His followers, Luke 9:51 - 19:40.
 - 1. Jesus taught His followers they must leave everything, Luke 9:51-62.
 - 2. Jesus sent the seventy to do the work of God, Luke 10:1-24.
 - 3. Jesus taught about the kingdom, Luke 10:25 - 13:21.
 - 4. Some people doubted Jesus' power, Luke 13:22 - 16:31.
 - 5. Jesus taught the disciples, Luke 17:1 - 19:28.
 - 6. Jesus entered Jerusalem, Luke 19:29-40.

- F. The work of the Son of Man in Jerusalem, Luke 19:41 - 21:38.
 - 1. Jesus wept for Jerusalem, Luke 19:41-44.
 - 2. Jesus cleaned the temple, Luke 19:45,46.
 - 3. Jesus was bothered by His enemies, Luke 19:47 - 21:4.
 - 4. Jesus told what was going to happen in time to come, Luke 21:5-38.

- G. The Son of Man rejected and suffered, Luke 22:1 - 23:56.
 - 1. The Son of Man ate His last supper, Luke 22:1-38.
 - 2. The Son of Man betrayed, Luke 22:39-53.
 - 3. The Son of Man arrested and tried, Luke 22:54 - 23:25.
 - 4. The Son of Man crucified, Luke 23:26-49.
 - 5. The Son of Man buried, Luke 23:50-56.

- H. The Son of Man arose from the dead, Luke 24:1-49.
 - 1. The empty tomb, Luke 24:1-12.
 - 2. Jesus and the two disciples walked to Emmaus, Luke 24:13-35.
 - 3. Jesus and His disciples, Luke 24:36-43.
 - 4. Jesus' last command, Luke 24:44-49.
- I. The Son of Man returned to heaven, Luke 24:50-53.

III. LESSONS FROM THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

READ THE GOSPEL OF LUKE.

- A. Luke and the Gospels of Matthew and Mark.

Luke tells about the work of Jesus Christ in much the same way as Matthew and Mark tell about it. Yet, Luke tells some of the things the other writers left out.

Luke tells about the birth of John the Baptist, Luke 1:5-25, 57-80.

Luke tells about the birth and childhood of Jesus, Luke 1:26-56; 2:1-52.

Luke tells about the visit of the shepherds, Luke 2:8-20. Matthew tells about the visit of the wise men, Matthew 2:1-12.

The genealogy of Jesus goes all the way back to Adam, son of God, Luke 3:23-38. Adam was the first man God created, Genesis 2. Matthew gives the genealogy back to Abraham, Matthew 1:1-17.

Luke tells more of what Jesus said to Peter than the other two Gospels tell.

Luke gives 20 miracles, 6 of them are not found in the other Gospels. Luke gives 35 parables, 19 of these are not found in the other Gospels. Luke, a doctor, tells about 11 healings Jesus did.

Jesus was to bring salvation to all people.

“ . . . behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.” Luke 2:10.

Jesus is called

“ . . . A Savior, which is Christ the Lord.” Luke 2:11.

Luke Shows Jesus Christ as a Man Who Was Perfect.

B. The person of Jesus Christ.

Luke shows three things about Jesus Christ in the first chapter. These are:

1. Jesus Christ is a man.

The angel said to Mary,

“You are to become a mother and have a Son.” Luke 1:31¹



Entrance to the Church of Nativity

Jesus grew up like other children, Luke 2:40,52. Jesus obeyed His parents, Luke 2:51-52.

Jesus healed the sick, Luke 5:15. Jesus spent much time in prayer, Luke 6:12. Jesus cried for Jerusalem, Luke 19:41. Jesus suffered and died, Luke 23.

Jesus, the Perfect Man, Lived like a Man. Jesus, the Perfect Man, Knew How to Suffer.

2. Jesus Christ is to be a king.

“The Lord God shall give unto Him the throne of his father David.” Luke 1:32.

3. Jesus Christ is God.

“The angel said to her, ‘The Holy Spirit will come on you. The power of the Most High will cover you. The Holy Child you give birth to will be called the Son of God.’” Luke 1:35.²

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C. Jesus loved the poor.

Luke gives the parables and stories which tell about the poor and those who had a hard life. Some of these are:

1. The story of the good Samaritan, Luke 10:25-37.
2. The story of the publican, Luke 18:9-14.
3. The story of the boy who ran away from home (prodigal son), Luke 15:11-32.
4. The story of the rich man and Lazarus, Luke 16:20-31.
5. The story of Zacchaeus, Luke 19:1-10.
6. The story of the thief on the cross who believed in Jesus, Luke 23:39-43.



Jesus, the Perfect Man, Had Love for Those Who Had Problems.

D. People in the Gospel of Luke.

Luke tells more about people than he tells about nations. Matthew tells more about nations. Luke shows that salvation is for people. Here are a few of the people in the Gospel of Luke:

1. Zacharias and Elisabeth, Luke 1:5-25.
2. Mary, Luke 1:26-56.
3. Simeon, Luke 2:25-35.
4. Anna, Luke 2:36-38.
5. Simon Peter, Luke 5:1-11.
6. Levi, Luke 5:27-32.
7. The centurion, Luke 7:1-10.
8. The widow at Nain, Luke 7:11-17.
9. John the Baptist, Luke 7:18-35.
10. Mary Magdalene, Luke 8:1-3; 24:9-11.
11. The man from Gadara, Luke 8:26-39.
12. Jairus, Luke 8:40-55.
13. The woman with an infirmity (sickness), Luke 8:43-48.
14. Martha and her sister Mary, Luke 10:38-42.
15. Zacchaeus, Luke 19:1-10.
16. Simon from Cyrenia, Luke 23:26.
17. Joseph of Arimathaea, Luke 23:50-53.
18. Cleopas, Luke 24:18-34.

Luke has much to say about women. The word “women” is found 43 times in Luke. Salvation is also for women. (Often the women were not treated well in those days.)

Luke has much to say about children. Luke tells more about the birth and childhood of John and Jesus than the other Gospels. Luke tells of the miracles Jesus did on the “only child” of three families. (Luke 7:12; 8:41-42; 9:38-40.)

E. Jesus healed the sick.

Luke was a doctor. He tells much of Jesus’ work in healing the sick. Luke tells of eleven healings. (See chart, pages 92, Lesson 10.)

Luke was interested in sick people. He said, “the right hand” of the man was dried up. Jesus put the “right ear” back on Malchus. The woman who was sick a long time “*was bowed together and could in no wise lift herself up.*” Luke says the man in the story of the good Samaritan “was half dead.”

Luke gives the proverb Jesus used, “Physician, heal thyself.”

F. Good News for all people.

The angel said,

“... *I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.*”
Luke 2:10 “. . . . *good will toward men.*” Luke 2:14.

Simeon said,

“*A light to lighten the Gentiles . . .*” , Luke 2:32.

John the Baptist said, using the words from the Old Testament,

“*And all men will see God saving people from the penalty (punishment) of their sins.*” Luke 3:6.³

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Jesus would not let the disciples call fire from heaven on a village of the Samaritans, Luke 9:51-56.

“For the Son of man is not come to destroy men’s lives, but to save them.”
Luke 9:56.

Jesus healed ten lepers. Among these ten was one Samaritan.

“And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan.” Luke 17:15-16.



Jesus came

. . . *“To seek and to save that which was lost.”*

Jesus said, (Luke 24:47)⁴

“It must be preached that men must be sorry for their sins and turn from them. Then they will be forgiven. This must be preached in His name to all nations beginning in Jerusalem.”

Jesus, the perfect man, came to save people from all nations.

G. Forgiveness.

Luke tells about forgiveness.

Jesus forgave the sins of the man who was sick with palsy.
Jesus said,

“Man, thy sins are forgiven thee.” Luke 5:20.



Jesus wants all people to forgive if they want to be forgiven.

“ . . . forgive, and ye shall be forgiven.” Luke 6:37.

“Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Do not let

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us be tempted.” Luke 11:4.⁵

Jesus gave the parable of the two debtors (people who owed money) who were forgiven, Luke 7:36-50.

Jesus told what could be forgiven and what could not be forgiven.

“And whosoever shall speak a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Ghost it shall not be forgiven.” Luke 12:10.

Christians are to forgive many times.

“Watch yourselves! If your brother sins, speak sharp words to him. If he is sorry and turns from his sin, forgive him. What if he sins against you seven times in one day? If he comes to you and says he is sorry and turns from his sin, forgive him.” Luke 17:3,4.⁶

Jesus forgave those who crucified Him.

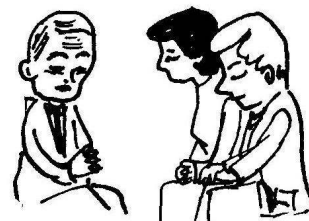
“Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.” Luke 23:34.

Jesus, the Perfect Man, Showed How to Forgive.

H. Prayer.

Luke tells much about prayer.

Luke tells three parables about prayer. The other Gospels do not have these parables Luke 11:5-13; 18:1-8; 18:9-14.



Luke gives the following prayers of Jesus. Most of these prayers are not in the other Gospels.

1. Jesus prayed at His baptism, Luke 3:21.

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2. Jesus prayed after a day of doing miracles, Luke 5:15,16.
3. Jesus prayed before He chose His disciples, Luke 6:12,13.
4. Jesus prayed before He told about His coming suffering, Luke 9:18,22.
5. Jesus prayed on the mountain where He showed the glory He had in heaven (transfiguration), Luke 9:28,29.
6. Jesus prayed when the 70 men came back from the villages they had visited, Luke 10:17-22;
7. Jesus prayed before He taught His disciples to pray, Luke 11:1.
8. Jesus prayed in the garden of Gethsemane, Luke 22:39-46; Matthew 26:36-46; Mark 14:32-42.
9. Jesus prayed on the cross, Luke 23:34,46; Matthew 27:46; Mark 15:34.



Jesus, the Perfect Man, Prayed Often.

I. The Holy Spirit.

1. The Holy Spirit came upon people. The Holy Spirit came upon Mary. Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit. The Spirit caused Jesus to be born as a man, Luke 1:35.
2. The Holy Spirit filled people. Zacharias and Elisabeth were filled with the Holy Spirit, Luke 1:41,67.

The Holy Spirit filled John the Baptist, (took control of him), Luke 1:15.

3. The Holy Spirit spoke to Simeon, Luke 2:25-27. The Holy Spirit told Simeon that Jesus was the Savior.
4. The Holy Spirit filled and led Jesus Christ, Luke 4:1.
5. The Holy Spirit led Jesus to where He would be tested by the devil, Luke 4:1,2.
6. The Holy Spirit gave Jesus power to do miracles, Luke 4:14,18.
7. The Holy Spirit gave the disciples power to finish the work of Jesus. He gave them power to do miracles, Luke 24:49; Acts 1:8.

8. The Holy Spirit gives the Christians power to do the work of Jesus. He also gives them wisdom and guidance. John 14:26; 16:13; Acts 1:8.

J. Songs and poems in the Gospel of Luke.

Luke gives four songs or poems of praise to God. They are:

1. Mary's song of praise when she visited Elisabeth, Luke 1:46-55.
2. Zacharias' song when John was born, Luke 1:67-79.
3. The angels' praise when Christ was born, Luke 2:13,14.
4. Simeon's prayer of praise when he saw Jesus in the temple, Luke 2:28-32.

IV. IMPORTANT IN THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

Luke shows Jesus as the perfect man. Jesus was born of a woman. He grew up in body and knowledge. Jesus' love and concern for people is seen throughout the Gospel. Jesus was always helping someone.

Jesus was a man. Jesus became so tired that the waves which splashed in His face did not waken Him. There was so much work to be done that Jesus spent much time in prayer. Yet, with all the work and all the temptations, Jesus never sinned.

Jesus Was a Perfect Man.

V. WORDS TO LEARN

1. blaspheme - to use wicked words about God or make oneself as God.
2. concern - to have interest in someone or something; to care about someone or something.
3. guidance - leading.
4. indebted - to owe something to someone.
5. rebuke - to tell a person where he is wrong and what he is to do about it.
6. remission - forgiveness.
7. treatise - a writing.
8. trespass - sin.

VI. ASSIGNMENT

READ THE GOSPEL OF LUKE.

1. Who wrote the Gospel of Luke?
2. What other book did Luke write?
3. To whom was the Gospel of Luke written?
4. What did the Gentiles want to know about Jesus Christ?
5. What is the main thought in the Gospel of Luke?

6. What is the key verse in the Gospel of Luke?

Write out this verse.

7. Luke gives miracles, parables, healings.
8. Luke shows 3 things about Jesus Christ in the first chapter of Luke. What are these three things?
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
9. Which verse in Luke 1 tells that Jesus Christ is God?
10. In this lesson there are six things about Jesus Christ, the perfect man. What are four of these things?
 - a. Jesus, the perfect man, had love for those who had problems.

b.

c.

d.

11. In what way do the following verses show that Jesus was a man?

a. Luke 1:31

b. Luke 2:52

c. Luke 5:16

d. Luke 3:38

e. Luke 4:1-13

f. Luke 19:39-44

g. Luke 23

h. Luke 23:46

i. Luke 23:53

12. Write out four verses from Luke which show that the Good News is for all people.

a.

b.

c.

- d.

- 13. Write out two things you found important about forgiveness.
 - a.
 - b.

- 14. Tell of five times when Jesus prayed.
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
 - d.
 - e.

- 15. Tell three things the Holy Spirit does.
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.

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