THE GOSPEL OF

SESSION OBJECTIVE: THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE To reflect on the takeaways from Luke's Gospel.

A Recap of Luke: Week 1

Every week, at the end of our study, I have included some takeaways in order to summarize the scope of the text at hand. As we wrap up our study in The Gospel According to Luke, I thought it would be helpful to include all of the takeaways in two documents. This is the first of two. As you read these takeaways, my prayer for you is that you will recall all of the wonderful aspects of this study, and be blessed again by God's goodness to His people.

WEEK 1: LUKE 1:1-4

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WEEK 3: LUKE 1:26-38

- 1. Gabriel revealed to Mary that Jesus' birth would be unlike any other birth that has ever happened.
- 2. Gabriel revealed to Mary that Jesus would be unlike any other person that has ever lived, and that He would fulfill a great number of Messianic expectations.

WEEK 4: LUKE 1:39-56

1. Mary goes to see Elizabeth, and John the Baptizer leaps at the sound of her voice.

- 2. Elizabeth receives the Holy Spirit.
- 3. Mary's *Magnificat* is not only about how God chose her, but how God chooses the most unexpected and least qualified individuals for His purposes.

WEEK 5: LUKE 1:57-80

- 1. Elizabeth gives birth, and she and Zechariah recognize that his name is John in spite of their community's opinion.
- 2. Zechariah receives the Holy Spirit, and prophesies about John and Jesus, making several Old Testament allusions.

WEEK 6: LUKE 2:1-7

- 1. Joseph and Mary return to Joseph's family home in Bethlehem because of a census.
- 2. While they were there, Mary gave birth to Jesus in the lower level of the home.

WEEK 7: LUKE 2:8-21

- 1. Angels come to a group of shepherds and announce to them the birth of the Savior.
- 2. The first visitors to the newly born Lord are the lowly and unlikely shepherds.

WEEK 8: LUKE 2:22-40

- 1. Mary and Joseph came to the Temple to offer sacrifices in fulfillment of two Old Testament laws.
- 2. Both Simeon and Anna, two Godly people in the Temple, rightly recognized Jesus while they were there and glorified God as a result.

WEEK 9: LUKE 2:41-52

- 1. Joseph and Mary travel to Jerusalem by caravan to observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread according to Deuteronomy 16:16.
- 2. Jesus stays behind in the Temple, and His parents come looking for Him, and find Him astonishing everyone with His wisdom.

WEEK 10: LUKE 3:1-20

- 1. John came proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.
- 2. John called everyone to repentance, including those in power, and Herod in particular did not like this and imprisoned him for it.

WEEK 11: LUKE 3:21-22

- 1. Jesus was baptized by John the Baptizer.
- 2. During Jesus' baptism the heavens opened, the Holy Spirit came down onto Jesus in bodily form like a dove, and the voice of the Father was heard commending His Son.
- 3. All three persons of the Trinity are in view during Jesus' baptism.

WEEK 12: LUKE 3:23-28

- 1. Jesus' genealogy is both similar and different to Matthew's genealogy, but for specific reasons.
- 2. Jesus is connected not only to David and Abraham, but Adam, making Him both theologically and genealogically the Son of God.

WEEK 13: LUKE 4:1-13

- 1. Jesus supernaturally fasts for forty days without food or drink.
- 2. Jesus is tempted by Satan, and fights this temptation by rightly quoting Scripture.

WEEK 14: LUKE 4:14-30

1. Jesus came back to Nazareth after His baptism and temptation and taught in the synagogue.

2. The hometown crowd was offended by Him to the point that they tried to kill Him.

WEEK 15: LUKE 4:31-44

- 1. Jesus came to preach in the synagogues in Capernaum, a city of Galilee.
- 2. Jesus performed exorcisms and healings as a means to give strength to His preaching.
- 3. Jesus heals Simon Peter's mother-in-law, indicating that Simon Peter was married.

WEEK 16: LUKE 5:1-11

- 1. Jesus taught from a boat on the lake of Gennesaret and then supernaturally made Simon and his fishermen friend's catch so big it almost sank their boats and broke their nets.
- 2. Jesus called Simon, James, and John to follow Him, and they gave up everything to do so.

WEEK 17: LUKE 5:12-26

- 1. Jesus healed leprosy, paralysis, and even sin.
- 2. The religious leaders and crowds were amazed at His divine power.

WEEK 18: LUKE 5:27-32

- 1. Jesus called Levi (Matthew), a tax collector, to follow Him.
- 2. Jesus' call to repentance is for the sinner, not the self-righteous.

WEEK 19: LUKE 5:33-39

- 1. Jesus teaches about when fasting is necessary, and when it isn't.
- 2. Jesus is the standard by which all other practices and traditions conform.

WEEK 20: LUKE 6:1-11

- 1. Jesus allows for his disciples to eat on the Sabbath, and He also heals on the Sabbath.
- 2. Jesus appeals to a story about David to affirm that the value of life is greater than the observance of the Sabbath.

WEEK 21: LUKE 6:12-16

- 1. Jesus chose from His disciples twelve men that would become His apostles.
- 2. Of the twelve men, three of them (Peter, James, and John) were given special attention.

WEEK 22: LUKE 6:17-26

- 1. Jesus came down to teach a large crowd after selecting His twelve apostles.
- 2. The Beatitudes begin with contrasting statements about people who are either in need or self-serving, and what they can expect in the future.

WEEK 23: LUKE 6:27-36

- 1. Jesus commands His disciples to love even the most unlovable and undeserving people in our lives.
- 2. In order to be merciful to our enemies, we must be in touch with the mercy of God for us.

WEEK 24: LUKE 6:37-42

- 1. Jesus warns His disciples against being critical of others, lest they be met with some kind of criticism.
- 2. Living by the Golden Rule shapes the way we treat others in profoundly helpful ways.

WEEK 25: LUKE 6:43-49

- 1. Jesus teaches that good trees bear good fruit, and bad trees bear bad fruit, and that the heart dictates whether a person is a good tree or bad tree.
- 2. Jesus teaches that a person with no foundation will be destroyed in life, but the one who hears His words and obeys will be firm even when things get difficult.

WEEK 26: LUKE 7:1-17

- 1. Jesus heals the servant of a centurion from a distance, and marvels at the centurion's faith.
- 2. Jesus has compassion for a widow who lost her son and raises him from the dead.
- 3. Jesus often demonstrates compassion on the outcast of society.

WEEK 27: LUKE 7:18-27

- 1. John's messengers ask Jesus whether He really is the Messiah, and He answers in the affirmative with Scripture.
- 2. Jesus reveals that John is not only a prophet, but more than a prophet since he is the one who is the forerunner of the Messiah.

WEEK 28: LUKE 7:28-35

- 1. Jesus declares John the greatest that humanity has to offer based on his role in human history.
- 2. Jesus reveals that though Jesus and John are different, they have both been rejected nonetheless.

WEEK 29: LUKE 7:36-50

- 1. Jesus is invited to dinner by a Pharisee named Simon.
- 2. A sinful woman anoints and washes Jesus' feet.
- 3. Jesus teaches that greater love for and faith in God will result in greater acts of worship.

WEEK 30: LUKE 8:1-15

- 1. Jesus went proclaiming the kingdom with "the twelve" and some other disciples, including three women.
- 2. Jesus told the parable of the sower which explains how different kinds of people respond to hearing the Gospel.

WEEK 31: LUKE 8:16-21

- 1. Jesus explained that parables serve as a kind of litmus test to reveal who truly believes and who doesn't.
- 2. Jesus explained that the true family are those who "hear the words of God and do it" (Lk. 8:21).

WEEK 32: LUKE 8:22-56

- 1. Jesus healed the weather, a demon-possessed man, a sick woman, and a dead girl.
- 2. Jesus demonstrated power that belongs to God and Him alone to show that He is God.

WEEK 33: LUKE 9:1-17

- 1. Jesus sent the apostles to go and proclaim the kingdom with His power and authority.
- 2. Jesus, in an act of compassion, fed five thousand people with five loaves and two fish.

WEEK 34: LUKE 9:18-27

- 1. Jesus asked the disciples who people said He was, and who they thought He was.
- 2. Jesus described the sacrificial posture that every disciple of His must possess.

WEEK 35: LUKE 9:28-36

- 1. Jesus brings Peter, James, and John onto the mountain to pray.
- 2. Jesus is transformed in the presence of Moses, Elijah, and God the Father.

WEEK 36: LUKE 9:37-48

- 1. Jesus casts out a demon from a young boy and chides the crowd for being faithless.
- 2. Jesus teaches His disciples the importance of ministering to the least among them.

WEEK 37: LUKE 9:49-62

- 1. Jesus and His disciples are rejected by the Samaritans on their way to Jerusalem.
- 2. Jesus teaches about the importance of proclamation over the proclaimer, and what it takes to follow Him.

WEEK 38: LUKE 10:1-16

- 1. Jesus sends out an additional 72 disciples to go on mission.
- 2. Jesus gives them practical instruction on what to do in both scenarios they would likely face.

WEEK 39: LUKE 10:17-24

- 1. The seventy two disciples returned from their mission and were amazed that even demons fleed from them in Jesus' name.
- 2. Jesus teaches them that the Gospel mission is act of war that brings the downfall of Satan's kingdom.

WEEK 40: LUKE 10:25-37

- 1. Jesus tells the parable of the good Samaritan.
- 2. Jesus would rather us consider what kind of neighbor we can instead of who are neighbors are.

WEEK 41: LUKE 10:38-42

- 1. Jesus is invited into the house of Mary and Martha.
- 2. Martha chooses to busyness while Mary chooses to sit at Jesus' feet; Jesus addresses Martha.

WEEK 42: LUKE 11:1-13

- 1. Jesus teaches us what Christian prayer should include.
- 2. Jesus teaches us that the persistence in prayer is important.