

The Book of Luke

This Week:

Lesson Intro: Introduction to the Book of Luke

Scripture: Luke 1:1-4, Acts 1:1-3

Next Week:

Homework Scripture Read: Luke 1:1 - 2:38 (118 verses or about 6 pages)



Introduction to Notebooks:

- Contact Info
- Handouts
- Luke
- Prayer Log

Who is Luke:

- Only Gentile author of the entire Bible
- Physician, known as “The Great Historian”
- Loyal companion to Paul from Syrian Antioch (Paul’s 2nd)
- Wrote more of the New Testament by volume (Luke, Acts) than any other author

Who is Luke written to:

- “most excellent Theophilus”
- Probably a ruler of Syria, living in Luke’s home town
- Possible a legal treatise for the benefit of Paul

How does Luke compare to other Gospels:

- Written AD 62-65
- Chronologically after Mark, with Matthew, before John
- *See Chronological Gospel Parallels*
- Theme or Purpose is to provide an ordered historical account of the events concerning the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
 - Mark – First gospel account, focusing on the final week of Christ
 - Matthew – Written to prove to Jews that Jesus is the promised Messiah
 - John – Jesus presented as God, much more personal accounts of Jesus and the disciples.

Questions?