#### Message Notes Ken Wilson - February 18, 2024

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## Luke: Jesus is the Perfect human bringing Salvation to All

### A Survey of the Bible

### Context: Who, Where, When and Why?

- Who composed Luke?
- Who was Luke's original audience?
- When was Luke written?
- Where were Luke and his readers?
- Why was he writing?

### **Content: How and What?**

- *How is Luke organized?*
- Prologue and Purpose of the Gospel (<u>1:1-4</u>)
- Infancy Narratives Demonstrating God's Work from the Start (<u>1:5-2:52</u>)
- Preparation for Ministry: Jesus Anointed as Messianic Son (3:1-4:13)
- Galilean Ministry: The Revelation and Teaching of Jesus (<u>4:14-9:50</u>)
- The Journey to Jerusalem: Jewish Rejection & Training for a New Way (9:51-19:44)
- Jerusalem Ministry: The Innocent Slain & Raised (19:45-24:53)
- What is the message of Luke?

### **Conviction: So What?**

• Where does this fit?

- The Gospel is the first volume of Luke's two-volume work, Luke-Acts, which function together to justify and support the missionary work of his companion, the Apostle Paul.

- Luke ties the work of Paul's Gentile Mission back to Jesus' inclusive offer of Salvation to all people and connects that to Old Testament promises.

- Luke also looks forward to the ministry of Jesus' disciples in taking the message of Jesus saving work to everyone everywhere. Jesus trained his followers for this mission.

- What should we believe?
- Jesus is the Messiah/Christ-the long-awaited Savior promised in the Old Testament.

- Jesus opens the door for all people, especially those who are outcasts in the world and looked down upon by influential and religious hypocrites.

- Jesus' followers have been trained and charged with taking the message of Salvation by grace accomplished by the finished work of Jesus to a world that needs this message.

# How should we behave?

- Accept the provision of Salvation through Jesus.
- Love those around you, especially the outcast and irreligious.
- Share the message of the gospel of grace despite opposition.

## **Next Steps**

- Repent of your sinful self-centered, self-sufficiency and humbly turn to Christ.
- Learn to imitate the lifestyle of Jesus and embrace the call of discipleship and disciple making.

## This Week's Growth Guide

God's Word is both central and critical to your spiritual growth. We invite you to utilize the Growth Guide during the week to further your application of the Truth from the message.

- •. Monday Luke 4:1-13
- Tuesday <u>Luke 4:14-44</u>
- •. Wednesday Luke 6:17-49
- •. Thursday Luke 9:18-50
- •. Friday Luke 10:25-11:13
- •. Saturday <u>Luke 24:1-12</u>
- •. Sunday <u>Luke 24:13-35</u>

## **Home Church**

Our Home Churches meet weekly to facilitate quicker relational depth, study the same passage taught

Sunday to help apply Scripture in the context of community, and pray with one another.

### **Home Church Questions**

• What about Ken's presentation of Luke was most helpful and challenging?

• Among the gospels, Luke alone records the song of Mary (1:46-56). What part of Mary's beautiful song of praise and appreciation captures where you are in your walk right now? Why?

• In verse 53 of Mary's song, the "hungry" are contrasted with the "rich," referring to spiritual hunger. Would you characterize your spiritual hunger right now as "on the increase," "flat," or "waning a bit?" In either case, what is happening in your life that is causing your response?

• Read <u>10:38-42</u>, where Luke tells us of Jesus's visit to the home of Mary and Martha. When have you been "anxious and troubled about many things," and what would be the "good portion" that would stand in contrast?

• Read the parables in 11:5-8 and 18:1-8 in which Jesus taught persistence in prayer. How is this instructive to you in your prayer life? What are you praying for that you are tempted to give up?

• Luke emphasizes that the gospel is for all, with an emphasis on Gentiles and societal outcasts, i.e., the "outsiders" of Judaism. Who are the outsiders in our society and across the world, and how can you be a part of reaching them for Christ?

• What is your personal takeaway from the book of Luke? What steps can you take in response?

## Finances

 Weekly Budget
 32,692

 Giving For 02/04
 31,338

 Giving For 02/11
 97,031

 YTD Budget
 1,078,846

 Giving
 1,200,093

 OVER/(UNDER)
 121,247

### **Grill Out and Silent Auction**

Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 10, 4-6 p.m. for our annual Grill Out + Silent Auction! Bring your whole family for a fun-filled evening with free dinner, games for kids, and an exciting silent auction. All proceeds will

support our student mission trips to Mission Arlington and Czech. The Silent Auction will kick off at 4 PM, followed by a delicious free dinner served at 5:15 PM.

#### New to Fellowship?

We are so glad that you chose to worship with our Fellowship Family to worship this morning. If you are joining us for the first time or have been checking us out for a few weeks, we are excited you are here and would love to meet you. Please fill out the "Connect Card" and bring it to the Connection Center in the Atrium, we would love to say "hi" and give you a gift.

### **Father Daughter Dance**

Guys, enjoy eating dinner with your daughter(s) grades 5-12th, March 2. Then join us at Renewal Ranch from 7-9:30 p.m. for dancing and a night of fun!

### **Downline Preview**

Are you interested in deepening your understanding of God's Word and learning how to guide others through it? Join us for the Preview Night on Thursday, February 29th at 6:30 pm at Fellowship Conway, where you'll get a chance to experience the Downline class session led by Tim Lundy, as he teaches from the book of Romans. You'll also have the opportunity to ask Downline staff and alumni questions. To RSVP for the Preview Night, visit <u>downlineconway.com/preview</u> or send an email to <u>tara@downlineconway.com</u> for more information.

### **Crucifixion Dinner**

Join us on Good Friday for our annual Crucifixion Dinner, where we remember the high price Jesus paid on our behalf. We invite you to fast during the day as you meditate on the life and death of Jesus leading up to a time of worship and remembrance, breaking the fast with a bowl of chicken broth and bread. Join us March 29 at 6:30 PM in the Auditorium. Child care for 6 years and younger.

### Men's Muster

Men, mark your calendar for our retreat on April 19-21. More details to come!

### **Bethlehem House**

Thank you to everyone who made this year's "Souper Sunday" a huge success by bringing canned goods to stock the pantry for Bethlehem House. The generosity of this body and your dedication to serve those who are in need is a blessing. The Bethlehem House extends their appreciation for your efforts!

### **Chris Moore Update**

We are excited for Chris Moore to join the Fellowship family in the role of teaching pastor. Chris and Ken will be a dynamic teaching team leading the charge to equip the body for service. The current plan is for Chris and his family to be with us mid May. Please be praying for their transition.