

Week 3

Small Group

_____ was the Author and Paul's Disciple

Written in the 50's and 60's

Place of writing: Believed to be written in Rome or Greece.

Original intended Audience: Theophilus and Gentiles

Luke was a _____.

Theme: Jesus is the Savior of all _____.

Luke is the only _____ author of any book in the Bible.

Identifying Jesus as God's unique Son:

- His unique fulfillment of scripture, unique birth, unique qualifications for ministry, unique power and authority, unique titles.

An Outline of the Book of Luke:

- Introduction of the Son of Man (1:1-4:13)
- Ministry of the Son of Man (4:14-9:50)
- Rejection of the Son of Man (9:51-19:27)
- Passion of the Son of Man (19:28-23:56)
- Victory of the Son of Man (24:1-24:53)

Luke emphasized the universality of Christ's ministry, especially to the poor and social outcasts.

Ministry to:

1. _____: Genealogy from Adam, dates tied to secular history
2. _____: Parable of the Good Samaritan, Ten Lepers (only Samaritan returned to thank Jesus)
3. _____: Story of Nazareth and the rich man; the "poor" inherit the earth, Jesus' birth in a manger, Angels appear to the shepherds.

4. _____: The thief on the cross, immoral woman who anointed Jesus' feet; The Pharisee and the tax collector at prayer and the Prodigal Son.
5. _____: Witness of Elizabeth, Mary and Anna to the birth of Jesus widow of Nain's son healed, the importance of the widow, Jairus' daughter healed, Mary and Martha.

Emphasis on Prayer

- Luke records _____ prayers of Jesus (7 unique to his Gospel) while Matthew reports 3 prayer, Mark records 4 prayers and John also has 4 prayers of Jesus.
- Luke includes teaching on prayer that the others don't.

Emphasis on Praise and Thanksgiving:

1. The Ave Maria (1:28) – Gabriel's greeting to Mary.
2. The Magnificat (1:46-56) – Mary's praise song for God's Mercy and deeds.
3. The Benedictus (1:68-79) – Zechariah's praise and prophesy about God's Salvation.
4. The Gloria Excelsus (2:14) – The Angels song of praise at the birth of Jesus.
5. The Nunc Dimitis (2:29-32) – Simon's praise for having lived to see the Messiah.