

# Let's Worship God

29th Oct. - 3rd Nov. 2018

Luke



# THE GOSPEL

## ACCORDING TO LUKE

### Monday - Luke 8:41-48 - The Healer

The woman suffering here is a picture of many. She has suffered with a disease for twelve years, has spent all her money on a variety of physicians, and has not been cured. There are men and women in our town whose souls have suffered for years and years from sin. They have spent their time, their money, and their health trying to find peace and happiness. Perhaps they look to drink, perhaps to drugs, maybe to a good job, more money, or a relationship. But none of these things give them any lasting joy or fulfillment. The unhappiness that comes with sin is always there. Then, when it seems that they have exhausted every other option, they hear of Christ. Like this woman, they come quietly and discreetly to Him. There they find rest and peace for their souls. The burden of their sins is gone, and they rejoice in the forgiveness that only Christ can offer. Men and women are seeking peace with God, but this can only be found through faith in Christ.

Why does Jesus make this woman speak out about something that clearly causes her embarrassment and shame? Because He wants us to tell others of what He has done. He does not want us to be ashamed of Him or count the cost of speaking about Him. There is much that we may not be able to do well for Christ, but all of us can tell others of what He has done for us. We can all testify to His saving us and bringing us from death to life.

### Questions

1. What are men and women looking for?
2. Where is this to be found?
3. What has Christ done for you that you can tell others about today?

### Prayer Points

1. Give thanks for Christ's power to save sinners.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

### Memory Verse

"The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised." Luke 9:22b

**Praise: Psalm 115 - See [www.rpglobalalliance.org](http://www.rpglobalalliance.org) for Psalm tune helps.**

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## **Tuesday - Luke 8:49-56 - Stronger than Death**

Death comes to all people, making no exceptions, showing no favourites. Even this rich synagogue ruler can't keep death from his house and from his daughter. People don't like to think about or talk about death. But when you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, death loses its terror. Christians know that after death, they will be in Heaven with their Lord who loves them so much that He gave His life for them. Death becomes just a means to this eternal happiness rather than an end.

Faith in Christ's love and power is the best remedy in time of trouble. Jesus tells Jairus to not be afraid but to believe. These are words that apply to all of God's people in their time of trouble - they must exercise their faith, they must fall back on the knowledge that Christ who has all power and rules over all things, loves them. We should pray for more and greater faith daily. Many painful things can happen to us in our lives. Without faith we will be constantly upset and depressed. Nothing can give us joy and peace but a constant sense of Christ's love, Christ's wisdom, Christ's care for us, and Christ's control over all that happens.

Christ turns the mourning at Jairus' house into joy. He raises Jairus' daughter from the dead. As strong as death is, as unwavering, as powerful, there is One who has more power than death. Our Lord Jesus Christ, the friend of sinners, is stronger than death, and the time will come when He will unite His people in Heaven with Him.

## **Questions**

1. Why do people not like to talk about death?
2. What do we need what hard times come upon us?
3. How can we prepare for death?

## **Prayer Points**

1. Pray for those in our church grieving the death of someone they loved.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

## **Memory Verse**

"The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised." Luke 9:22b

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## **Wednesday -Luke 9:1-6 - Preaching**

Christ gives His disciples instructions before sending them out. He tells them to resist the devil and care for the sick. This is a part of the minister's job today. He is to resist the devil, to fight against Satan in the congregation. He is to care for the sick, visiting them and pointing them to our Lord Jesus Christ. But the main thing the disciples are to do after leaving Jesus is to preach. God considers preaching to be of the utmost importance. It is His chosen instrument for doing good to the souls of men and women. By the preaching of God's Word, sinners are converted and believers grow in their faith. Preaching is the primary means whereby God brings people to faith. It is absolutely essential for a healthy and growing church. We need to pray for our vacant congregations. We need to pray that God will raise up a constant supply of men to preach His Word in our land. We need to pray for our own minister. We need to free up our ministers to focus more time on their sermons, and we need to invite unbelievers to church to hear God's Word being preached. If we want to see men and women come to Christ, we must use the means God has given us.

Christ also prepares His disciples to meet with unbelief. He doesn't hold out to them a false view of their success. He knows that they will meet opposition, scorn, and apathy. All those who are working for the Lord will encounter this. You must not get discouraged, but accept opposition as part of the job. We fight in a spiritual war, being attacked should not surprise us. If our Lord and His disciples encounter unbelief and apathy, we certainly will.

## **Questions**

1. What is the main job of the disciples?
2. What is the main means God uses to save people?
3. How can we encourage our minister in his preaching?

## **Prayer Points**

1. Pray for our minister as he prepares the sermons.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

## **Memory Verse**

"The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised." Luke 9:22b

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### **Thursday - Luke 9:7-11 - Compassion**

Herod has a guilty conscience. Despite the fact that as king he enjoys luxury and power, his murder of John the Baptist haunts him. When he hears of another preacher of righteousness he is alarmed and reminded of the wrong he has done. Conscience can be a powerful tool in driving men and women to God. We must be careful that our own consciences do not become hardened and callous to sin.

When Christ's disciples return to Him, He takes them away to a private place, so that they can be alone with God. We must be careful that in the middle of all of our work for the Lord, we make time to spend with the Lord. We can become easily caught up in the various ministries of the church and the care of others and neglect our own spiritual health. We can be too busy doing the Lord's work to actually spend time with the Lord. Neglecting our own private worship of God puts us in great danger of a spiritual fall. We must make time to daily read God's Word and pray.

Our Lord Jesus Christ is always ready to receive those who come to Him. Despite the fact that the uninvited crowds have followed Him and His disciples, He does not rebuke them. He does not deal with the crowds as they deserve, but He shows kindness, compassion, and mercy to them. We can come to Christ boldly and tell Him all that is on our hearts. He is a compassionate and kind Saviour who loves His people and will help them. He will not turn us away when we come to Him no matter how undeserving we are. We then should take this kindness, compassion, and mercy, this willingness to be interrupted, and apply it to our relationships with others as we work to imitate Christ.

### **Questions**

1. Why does Herod feel guilty?
2. Why does Christ take the disciples away?
3. How does Christ treat the crowds?

### **Prayer Points**

1. Pray that you would be more faithful in your private worship of God.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

### **Memory Verse**

“The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.” Luke 9:22b

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### Friday - Luke 9:12-17 - Bread of Life

The miracle in these verses is one among many proofs that with Christ nothing is impossible. Five thousand hungry men will not have agreed that they are “all filled”, if they have not received real food. Twelve baskets of fragments will never have been gathered if real loaves and fish have not been miraculously multiplied. Nothing can explain this miracle except for the power of God, and Christ has this power. When He determines a thing, it is done. We can thank and praise God that this is so. We might be despairing that dead souls will never be made alive, if it weren't for the fact that Jesus has all power in heaven and on earth and is able to save to the uttermost.

This miracle is also a picture of the Gospel. Mankind is like a crowd of poor sinners, in the middle of a wicked world, without strength or power to save themselves, and in danger of being lost eternally. Christ looks at the huge multitude of spiritually starving sinners that cover the earth, and He still pities them, cares for them, and understands their need. He gives to these dying sinners the Gospel which is more than enough to satisfy their souls. The faithful preachers and teachers take the Gospel from the hands of Christ and bring it to His people.

### Questions

1. How is Christ able to do this miracle?
2. Why does He do this miracle?
3. What is this miracle a picture of?

### Prayer Points

1. Pray for the salvation of our family and friends.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

### Memory Verse

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### **Saturday - Luke 9:18-22 - Zeal**

There are a variety of opinions about who Christ is. But this should not surprise us as in our own day there are a variety of opinions about who Christ is, what Christianity is, and what the Bible really teaches. There are plenty of people who like to talk and reason and come up with theories to account for Christianity. They spend their lives inventing ideas about who Christ is and never once drawing near to Him. They prefer to talk about what they think Christianity is without ever really finding out what it says it is. They prefer their theories to the truth.

In contrast to this, Peter has an amazing faith. He sees nothing before him but a poor man who often has no place to lay his head. But he boldly believes that Jesus is the Christ of God. Despite his ignorance, despite his imperfection, Peter has a faith that stands alone - a zeal and a love for the things of Christ when all around him are unbelieving and cold. We need many men like this today - men who are not afraid to stand alone and cling to Christ when many are against Him. They may make mistakes like Peter, but in the long run, they will do much good. Knowledge is an excellent and important thing, but knowledge without zeal and warmth will never do much for the world.

Christ tells His disciples that He is going to be killed. All the days of His ministry He knows how it is going to end. He is not caught in a trap at Gethsemane - He volunteers to lay down His life as a substitute for His people, to take the punishment they deserve. But His disciples simply do not understand what He is telling them.

### **Questions**

1. What kind of opinions do people have about Christ?
2. What does Peter believe about Christ?
3. Was Christ forced to go on the cross?

### **Prayer Points**

1. Pray for the preaching and hearing of God's Word tomorrow.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

### **Memory Verse**

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**God tells us that  
Ezra read from  
the book of the Law  
day after day  
and that  
the people of God  
were filled with joy!**

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