

Jesus...In the Gospel of Luke

Ordinary People, Extraordinary God!

Luke 5:1-11

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Review:

"Jesus In Luke" Timeline Thus Far			
Baptism Ministry Begins 30 years old Luke 3:21	Tempted Uses Scripture to defeat temptation 40 days Luke 4:1-12	Rejected in Nazareth Messianic prophecies fulfilled in their hearing Luke 4:18-30	Authority In teaching and over evil Luke 4:31-37

Bottom Line:

Jesus begins to call His disciples. They are 12 men who would never have been chosen using worldly wisdom. Jesus, however, allows His truth and power to be seen in their weakness so that ultimately God would get the glory, opening up the door for the redemption of those who believe.

INTRO: Jesus prioritizes getting the Word out not getting the crowd away! Luke 5:1-3

1. God chooses ordinary people to accomplish eternal, extraordinary things! Luke 5:1-11

Key Truth:

He calls ordinary people into an extraordinary purpose.

You do not need to be famous to be useful to God.

You do not need a stage to serve Christ.

You do not need to have everything figured out before you follow Jesus.

You simply need to recognize who He is, respond to His call, and take the next step of obedience.

Ex: The anointing of David. 1 Samuel 16:6-13

2. Prioritize obedience to Christ even when "worldly wisdom" would view it as foolish! Luke 5:4-7

A. Trust and obey as you stand with God, rejecting the world!

- Proverbs 3:5-6 "Trust in the Lord..."
- Walls of Jericho – Joshua 6:20
- Peter walking on water - Matt 14:28-31
- Lazarus and opening the tomb – John 11

B. Trust and obey as you enter into and enjoy the working of God in you and through you! Hebrews 11:8

3. Arriving at a right assessment of who Jesus is will lead to a better understanding of who we are! Luke 5:8-11; Isaiah 6:1-5

This is the Gospel:

We are NOT saved because we more than good enough for Jesus.

We ARE saved because Jesus is more than good enough for us.

That sinners like us can be forgiven because of Jesus' work of salvation on the cross!

Now what?

1. Remember God loves using ordinary, broken, available people to accomplish extraordinary things.
2. Respond to who Jesus is with a right evaluation of yourself, taking steps for godly change.
3. Be passionate for what Jesus is passionate about with wise application of your resources.