

Jesus...In the Gospel of Luke Forgiven!!!

Luke 5:17-26

Pastor Mel Svendsen
September 20, 2026

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	Calling His Disciples Ordinary People Luke 5:1-11

Bottom Line:

Jesus not only teaches with authority but He also has the authority as God in flesh to forgive sins. His main purpose for coming to earth was to solve our sin problem so that we could rejoice in the freedom of true forgiveness.

INTRO: Jesus heals many but still takes time alone to pray (5:16). Balance "being" & "doing"

1. Our greatest need is a spiritual one...
to be forgiven!! Luke 5:17-20; Isaiah 59:2

Key Truths:

- Physical suffering is temporary. Sin has eternal consequences
- A person can be physically healthy and spiritually dead.
- A person can have great wealth and be bankrupt before God.
- A person can have popularity/fame and still be separated from the One who made him.
- A person can have worldly success and be a massive failure in guarding the soul

Important Definitions:

Legal Forgiveness – Sin debt paid in full.

(Justification; Sanctification (standing))

Relational Forgiveness – ongoing growth in

Christ and confessing the sins in our life.

(Sanctification (process))

Related Concepts Theologically:

Saving Faith– Believing that Jesus paid the price for your sins by shedding His blood in the cross for you. (Regeneration)

Living by Faith– Trusting and obeying God no matter what the circumstances, because God is in control and promises a good result.

2. Jesus as God demonstrates His authority to forgive! Luke 5:21-24; Romans 3:25-26

3. Forgiveness produces a new life of worship and obedience! Luke 5:25-26

"Glorifying God" Luke 5:25

Forgiveness...(Romans 6:1-2)

Does not mean we continue comfortably in the old life.

Grace transforms. Grace gives new desires.

Grace produces gratitude. Grace motivates worship.

Now what?

1. Be sensitive to the conviction of the Holy Spirit as you grow.
2. Refuse to allow guilt from the past to paralyze you as you live for and serve Jesus.
3. Be a person who is ready to forgive others when wronged. In doing this, you honor & obey Jesus.