

Blessedness of Belief

Luke Part 1

Lesson 1

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1 John 2:4-6

We are going to learn and understand how to wear the coat of Jesus well.

The way to do this: the blessedness of belief

Luke 1:1-14

- 1- Luke was faithful in what was handed down to him. He did not keep it to himself.
- 2- Luke is not an eyewitness but he has investigated it carefully
- 3- Luke made an orderly account
- 4- So we can know the exact truth

Is Luke Jew or Gentile

Probably Gentile

Very familiar with Jewish rites, customs, opinions, and prejudices

Luke wrote in a Jewish dialect similar to Matt and Mark

He opens the book in a classical Greek way and shows he was probably educated by

Gentiles

Luke is mentioned 3X's in the NT in the writing of Paul

Col 4:9-14- Paul separates Luke from the circumcised

Philemon 1:23-24

2 Tim 4:11

Luke published in the time of Peter, John and Paul

Acts 1:1-2

What lessons for us:

The gospel is in the OT

- 1- The gospel is for Jew and Gentile
- 2- We need to investigate this thoroughly

Luke 1:68-69

Horn- a symbol of power

Gal 4:4-6

When the fullness of time came God sent His Son..

- 3- We need to impart God's Word to others

Luke 1:5-7, 24-25

Zacharias means God has remembered

We see Elizabeth walking blameless and R+ before the Lord even though she was barren. This did not keep her from being blameless and R+ before the Lord.

Ex 30:7-8, 1 Chronicles 24:1-9

The Priest were divided into different divisions – morning and night by lot. Who is in charge of the lot- God. Zacharias is allowed to enter into the holy of holies to hear God speak after 400 years.

Luke 1:45 –

Blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what has been spoken to her by the Lord.

In Luke 1:13-17 the angel told Zacharias what his child would do

Luke 1:18, 20

Zacharias asked, How will I know this----

Well God just told him

Vs 20- God says you did not believe, even though Zacharias was R+ he did not believe what God had said.

Contrast this with what Mary said

Luke 1:30-33, 34-37

What is her question---How will this be?

Vs 38-Behold, the bondservant of the Lord; may it be done to me according to your word.

Vs 45- And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what had been spoken to her by the Lord.

Luke 1:48, 51-52

Mary is humble

Scattered those who are proud

Brought down rulers

Exalted those who are humble

Luke 1:53

He has filled the hungry with good things; and sent away the rich empty-handed

Luke 1:17. 76-77

What John did we are to be doing in the world

- 1- Turn the hearts of the fathers back to the children
- 2- The disobedient to the attitude to the R+
- 3- To make ready a people for the Lord

Luke 1:78-79

Because of the tender mercy of our God, with which the Sunrise from on high will visit us, to shine upon those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Mercy- eleos: Mercy, compassion, active pity, kindness, goodwill toward the miserable and afflicted.

Luke 1:16

Sons of Israel back to the Lord

Is 9:1

Is 7:9, 12-14

Is 9:6-7

Questions to us:

Do you know that unbelief is sin

Do you live in and extend to others tender mercy

Do you walk in peace