## The Gospel of Luke

Proving That Jesus Christ Is the Man-Savior, Coming to Save Us with the Highest Standard of Morality

I. To show that Jesus is a genuine man, the gospel of Luke begins with the conceptions of John the Baptist and Jesus: Luke 1

- Luke 1:24 And after these days Elizabeth his wife conceived and stayed in seclusion for five months, saying,
- Luke 1:31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus.
- Luke 1:42 And she lifted up her voice with a loud cry and said, Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!
- Luke 2:5 To be registered with Mary, who was engaged to him and was pregnant.
- Luke 2:6 And while they were there, the days were fulfilled for her to bear.
- In the gospel of Luke, Jesus' genealogy does not start from Abraham to Jesus as in Matthew, but starts from Jesus to Adam to prove His origin as a man: Luke 3:23-38
  - Luke 3:23 And He, Jesus, when He began to minister, was about thirty years old, being, so it was thought, the son of Joseph, the son of Heli,
  - Luke 3:38 The son of Enosh, the son of Seth, the son of Adam, the son of God.

II. Luke does not stress the turning of the age or the Jewish background as Matthew does. The Gospel of Luke is the gospel written to mankind in general, announcing the good news to all people.

- Luke 2:10 And the angel said to them, Do not be afraid; for behold, I announce to you good news of great joy, which will be for all the people,
- Luke 10:30 Jesus, taking up the question, said, A certain man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who having both stripped him and beaten him, went away, leaving him half dead.
- Luke 10:31 And by coincidence a certain priest was going down on that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side.
- Luke 10:32 And likewise also a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the opposite side.
- Luke 10:33 But a certain Samaritan, who was journeying, came upon him; and when he saw him, he was moved with compassion;

- Luke 10:34 And he came to him and bound up his wounds and poured oil and wine on them. And placing him on his own beast, he brought him to an inn and took care of him.
- Luke 10:35 And on the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper and said, Take care of him; and whatever you spend in addition to this, when I return, I will repay you.

Q: Who does "a certain man" in Luke 10:30 represent?

Q: Who do the priest, the Levite, and the Samaritan represent?

Q: What does the inn represent?

III. In the gospel of Luke, Jesus not only expressed God's love, but all of God's attributes (love, light, holiness, and righteousness.) Therefore, in the gospel of Luke we see a man living, behaving, and working by a standard much higher than that of human morality.

- Luke 10:30-35 see above
- Luke 7:36 Now a certain one of the Pharisees asked Him to eat with him. And He entered into the Pharisee's house and reclined at table.
- Luke 7:37 And behold, there was a woman in the city who was a sinner, and when she learned that He was reclining at table in the Pharisee's house, she brought an alabaster flask of ointment.
- Luke 7:38 And she stood behind Him at His feet weeping and began to wet His feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head, and she kissed His feet affectionately and anointed them with the ointment.
- Luke 7:39 But when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he said within himself, This man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what sort of woman this is who is touching Him, because she is a sinner.
- Luke 7:40 And Jesus answered and said to him, Simon, I have something to say to you. And he said, Teacher, say it.
- Luke 7:41 A certain moneylender had two debtors: one owed five hundred denarii and the other fifty.
- Luke 7:42 But since they had nothing with which to repay, he graciously forgave them both. Which of them therefore will love him more?
- Luke 7:43 Simon answered and said, I suppose the one whom he
  graciously forgave the more. And He said to him, You have judged
  correctly.
- Luke 7:47 For this reason I say to you, Her sins which are many are forgiven, because she loved much; but to whom little is forgiven, he loves little.
- Luke 19:1 And He entered and was passing through Jericho.

- Luke19:2 And behold, there was a man whose name was called Zaccheus; and he was a chief tax collector, and he was rich.
- Luke19:3 And he was seeking to see Jesus, who He was, and could not because of the crowd, for he was small in stature.
- Luke19:4 And he ran on ahead and climbed up in a sycamore tree in order to see Him, for He was about to pass through that way.
- **Luke19:5** And as He came to the place, Jesus looked up and said to him, Zaccheus, hurry and come down, for today I must stay in your house.
- Luke19:6 And he hurried and came down, and received Him, rejoicing.
- **Luke19:7** And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying, He has gone in to lodge with a sinful man.
- Luke 19:8 And Zaccheus stood and said to the Lord, Behold, the half of my possessions, Lord, I give to the poor, and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore four times as much.
- Luke 19:9 And Jesus said to him, Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham.
- Luke 19:10 For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which
  is lost.
- Luke 15:3 And He told them this parable, saying,
  - Luke 15:4 Which man of you, who has a hundred sheep and has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one which is lost until he finds it?
    - Luke 15:5 And when he finds it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing.
    - Luke 15:6 And when he comes into his house, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.
    - Luke 15:7 I tell you that in the same way there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner repenting than over ninety-nine righteous persons who have no need of repentance.
  - Luke 15:8 Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one silver coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek carefully until she finds it?
    - Luke 15:9 And when she finds it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin which I lost.
    - Luke 15:10 In the same way, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner repenting.
  - Luke 15:11 And He said, A certain man had two sons.
    - Luke 15:13 And not many days after, the younger son, having gathered everything together, went abroad to a distant country and there squandered his estate by living dissolutely.

- Luke 15:17 But when he came to himself, he said, How many of my father's hired servants abound in bread, but I am perishing here in famine!
- Luke 15:18 I will rise up and go to my father, and I will say to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you.
- Luke 15:20 And he rose up and came to his own father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with compassion, and he ran and fell on his neck and kissed him affectionately.
- 15:22 But the father said to his slaves, Bring out quickly the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet.
- **15:23** And bring the fattened calf; slaughter it, and let us eat and be merry,
- 15:24 Because this son of mine was dead and lives again; he was lost and has been found. And they began to be merry.

Q: How do we see the Triune God reaching man in Luke 15?

Q: What do the robe, the ring, the sandals, and the fattened calf represent?

IV. Even after His death and resurrection, Jesus is still a real and genuine man. Luke 24:36 And as they were speaking these things, He Himself stood in their midst and said to them, Peace to you. Acts 7:55-56

- Luke 24:37 But they were terrified and became frightened and thought they beheld a spirit.
- Luke 24:38 And He said to them, Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your heart?
- Luke 24:39 See My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself. Touch Me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you behold Me having.