

## The Book of Luke

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## Morning Devotions

Select a passage in God's Word. Talk with the Lord as you read the passage, then go back and find one or two verses which the Lord has impressed on your heart and meditate on them.

## Morning Study

Today we continue our study of the book of **Luke**, this time reading **chapters 17-24**.

In this last third of Luke, the focus shifts from Christ's ministry outside of Jerusalem to his final week in Jerusalem, his trial, crucifixion and resurrection.

Throughout **Luke**, we see Jesus portrayed as the perfect man, and thus the model of a perfect humanity. As a doctor, Luke was also in the ideal position to record many physiological aspects of Christ's suffering (see, for example, **22:44**). And as "the beloved physician" (**Colossians 4:14**), he also shows considerable interest and sympathy for the poor and sick, which he emphasizes strongly in his descriptions of Christ's ministry.

Here is a breakdown of this last third of Luke:

- ☞ **17:1-19:27** – Jesus' teaching and ministry before entering Jerusalem
- ☞ **19:28-21:38** – Jesus' ministry in Jerusalem
- ☞ **22:1-53** – Jesus' betrayal and arrest
- ☞ **22:54-62** – Peter's three denials
- ☞ **22:63-23:25** – Jesus on trial
- ☞ **23:26-32** – Jesus carries his cross
- ☞ **23:33-43** – The crucifixion of Jesus
- ☞ **23:44-49** – The death of Jesus
- ☞ **23:50-56** – The burial of Jesus
- ☞ **24:1-12** – The empty tomb
- ☞ **24:13-35** – Jesus appears on the road to Emmaus
- ☞ **24:36-49** – Jesus appears to his disciples
- ☞ **24:50-53** – Jesus ascends to heaven

Let's now read the last portion of this remarkable book, and follow Luke's meticulous record of the climax of Jesus' ministry and redemptive work.

# Memory Verse

God made him who had no sin  
to be sin for us, so that in him we might  
become the righteousness of God.

2 Corinthians 5:21

## Your Fishing Kit

This is the thirty-second verse in your fishing kit. In the last verse, we saw how a person becomes a new creation when he believes in Christ. In this verse, we saw why that is so. God swaps our sin for Christ's righteousness. This "Great Exchange" is the key to salvation in Christ.

Here are the other verses in your "fishing kit":

<b>John 3:16</b>	<b>Isaiah 55:6-7</b>	<b>John 1:12</b>	<b>2 Corinthians 5:17</b>
<b>John 3:18</b>	<b>Romans 5:8</b>	<b>John 3:3</b>	<b>2 Corinthians 5:21</b>
<b>John 3:36</b>	<b>1 John 4:10</b>	<b>John 5:24</b>	<b>Matthew 10:32-33</b>
<b>Ephesians 1:7-8</b>	<b>Acts 2:38</b>	<b>John 6:37</b>	<b>Romans 2:4-5</b>
<b>Romans 3:23</b>	<b>Acts 3:19</b>	<b>John 8:32</b>	<b>Acts 17:30</b>
<b>Romans 6:23</b>	<b>Acts 4:12</b>	<b>John 8:36</b>	<b>1 John 5:10</b>
<b>Isaiah 53:5</b>	<b>John 14:6</b>	<b>John 10:10</b>	<b>1 John 5:11-12</b>
<b>Isaiah 53:6</b>	<b>1 John 1:8</b>	<b>John 10:28</b>	<b>John 14:1-3</b>
<b>Isaiah 59:1-2</b>	<b>1 John 1:9</b>	<b>Romans 10:9</b>	<b>John 16:33</b>
<b>Isaiah 64:6</b>	<b>1 John 1:10</b>	<b>Romans 10:13</b>	<b>Revelation 3:20</b>

Store these verses in your heart. Memorize them until they have an "on the tip of your tongue" familiarity. You will find them of immeasurable value as you cooperate with the Lord in his mission of bringing the Gospel to this lost world.