

# THE GOSPEL OF LUKE



*glimpses  
of glory*

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God's Kingdom Develops in our Lives as we grow in Obedience to Jesus  
Review & Use: Luke 4 - 10

## Obeying King Jesus's words...

1. ...roots God's Kingdom in our lives, producing abundant fruit

*Luke 8:15 As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.*

2. ...stems from holding fast to Jesus' identity, character and accomplishments

*Luke 4:18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, 19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."*

*Luke 9:22 "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.*

3. ...produces effects that serve as a litmus test for Kingdom growth in our lives

- a) Increasingly experiencing & exhibiting God's own way of life

*Luke 6: 35 But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil.*

*Galatians 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.*

- b) Stability in a world of uncertainty

*Luke 6:47 Everyone who comes to me and hears my words and does them...48 he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built.*

- c) An abundance of beneficial words and actions

*Luke 6:45 The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.*

**Address your obedience obstacles by refocusing on King Jesus...the person!**

*John 14:21 Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."*

*2 Cor. 3: 18 And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.*

Ignorance	Spend time listening to the King	Luke 6:47, 10:41
Apathy or Mistrust	Spend time admiring the King	Galatians 2:20
Depersonalization	Rekindle your affection for the King and see your obedience as to him personally.	Hebrews 12:1-3 John 14:21
Divided Allegiance	Calculate the contrast between Jesus and all other masters	Luke 8:14, 16:13, 1 John 2:15-17
Distractions of the Enemy	Get angry about being deceived and manipulated and crave the words of life.	2 Cor. 2:11, 2 Tim. 2:25-26, Eph. 4:22,1 Peter 2:1-3

**Reflection and Discussion**

- 1) Evaluate your affection for Jesus in an average week. What helps you see him as a real person who loves you rather than an abstract symbol?
- 2) What's your gut response when you hear words like "obedience", "obey" or "commandment" in the New Testament? What about King Jesus's life, ministry, promises, and death can you focus on to change that heart response?
- 3) What's your #1 obstacle to obeying Jesus? What will you do today to overcome that obstacle?

**SONGS**

"YOUR GRACE IS ENOUGH"

"GOD SO LOVED"

"GOODNESS OF GOD"

"O PRAISE THE NAME (ANASTASIS)"

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WEEKLY NEED: \$36,985.00

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