

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

OT/NT: New Testament

SECTION: The Four Gospels (3 of 4)

TRADITIONAL AUTHOR: Luke

KEY PEOPLE: Herod the Great, Jesus Christ, Jewish Leaders, John the Baptist, Joseph, Mary, Pontius Pilate, Twelve Disciples.

SUMMARY: Canonically, the Gospel of Luke is the forty-second book of the [Word of God](#) (1), the third of [the four Gospels](#) narratives (2) and the third book of the [New Testament](#) (3). Eyewitness accounts in the Gospel of Luke show how [Jesus Christ](#) (4) fulfills Old Testament [prophecies](#) (5) relating to the [Covenant](#) (6) between God and Israel.

Luke documents how Jesus expands God's Kingdom and covenant by creating a new Israel that includes the poor, outcasts and others to whom Jesus brings restoration and reverses their life circumstances as He gives them freedom and release from the tyranny of evil and sin.

Throughout the book, we see that Jesus is indeed the [Messianic](#) (7) king, but He will reign over Israel by [suffering](#) (8). His actions usher in an upside down kingdom marked by self-giving love, and He challenges His [Disciples](#) (9) to follow His example and [share](#) (10) in His ministry.

COMING UP: Next up is the Gospel of John (11). Click [HERE](#) to explore!

FOOTNOTES:

- (1) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/the-word-of-god>
- (2) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/the-four-gospels>
- (3) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/new-testament>
- (4) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/jesus-christ>
- (5) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/jesus-ot-prophecies>
- (6) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/covenants>
- (7) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/jesus-the-messiah>
- (8) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/obituary-of-jesus>
- (9) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/jesus-the-apostles>
- (10) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/called-to-evangelize>
- (11) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/john>

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