

God's Beautiful Jesus as told by Luke
Week's Reading: Luke 1:1-25
Discussion Guide: December 4, 2022

CHECK UP:

Memory Work Review: Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love. - 1 Corinthians 16:13-14

In what way did you embrace and engage in the body of Christ this past week?

OPEN:

- In reference to the books of the Bible, what information do you know about the four gospels of the New Testament? (What are they? In what ways are they similar, different, unique etc...)

READ and ASK: Luke 1:1-25

- What do you learn from the opening verses of Luke?
 - o Why did Luke write this account?
 - o Who and what were his sources for writing?
- What stands out to you about Zechariah and Elizabeth?
 - o Is there anything you think we can learn from Zechariah and Elizabeth about handling long term disappointments?
- What are the four parts of the message from Gabriel to Zechariah?
 - o What will be John's role?
- What do you make of Zechariah's unbelief?
- Why do you think this account was important for Luke to record?

APPLY:

- When was the last time you doubted God?
 - o What was the reason for your doubt?
 - o What is one long term frustration you have that you need to entrust to God?
 - o Consider Proverbs 3:3-7, in what direction might these words be of value when you are faced with doubt or disappointment?

- What challenges you by the fact that Zechariah and Elizabeth were struggling with barrenness and yet they were still faithful to God and counted righteous in His eyes?
- What does it mean to you that this great event took place with ordinary people during their ordinary daily circumstances?
 - o In what ways do you expect God to work through you?
- How do you plan to approach this study of the gospel of Luke?
 - o NEXT STEP: What commitment do you need to make to be committed to this study?

Memory Work:

Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. - Proverbs 3:3

Next Week's Reading:

Luke 1:26-56