

Jesus as told by Luke  
Week's Reading: Luke 3:1-38  
Discussion Guide: January 8, 2023

**CHECK UP:**

Memory work: *For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all nations: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel.* - Luke 2:30-32

In what way did you choose to be faithful to God this past week?

**OPEN:**

- What is the role of preparation (for anything)?

**READ and ASK: Luke 3:1-23**

- What was the role of John the Baptist?
- What was John's message?
- What is repentance?
  - o Why was repentance vital to preparing for Jesus?
  - o How is repentance still vital in following Jesus? Is it possible to be a follower of Jesus without it?
  - o What does repentance look like in action?
  - o Why does a confrontation with repentance often spur a strong positive or negative response?
- What is the connection between repentance and forgiveness?
- How did John apply the principle that while God is at work changing people, He often does not change their work or their place in life?
- How does John's life teach us about humility?

**APPLY:**

- How should your relationship with God make your work habits differ from those around you?

- NEXT STEP: In what areas of your life do you need to show the fruits of repentance this week?

Memory Work:

*Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.” - Acts 2:38-39*

Next Week's Reading:

Luke 4:1-5:11