

4. Sometimes it is difficult to hear strong words even when it is the truth. What do these verses tell us about being willing to listen to difficult truth?

Proverbs 10:17

Proverbs 12:1

Proverbs 15:31

Proverbs 28:23

5. John the Baptist made it clear that our lives should show that we have repented. Our faith needs to show and grow. What do we have going for us in our walk with God and what do we need to add to our faith? - *II Peter 1:3-9*

How does this challenge and encourage you?

6. Extra Credit- Which points from the message on Sunday make you most think, feel or want to do something?

Taking it Home- Honoring Christ

Before you pray with and for each other, give each person an opportunity to share something they are thankful about as they begin the new year. Or, people can share a new year's goal or challenge.

“Knowing the Truth About Jesus”

January 15, 2017

“Are You Ready for the Truth?”

Luke 3:1-17

It is true!

Luke 3:1-2

Everyone Listen Up!

1. If it is true, are you willing to do what you've never done before? - *Luke 3:3*

Get baptized

2. If it is true, are you willing to do whatever it takes to be prepared for Who's coming? - *Luke 3:4-6*

Get paths straight

3. If it is true, are you willing to be humbled by what's really wrong? - *Luke 3:7-9*

Get real

4. If it is true, are you willing to be changed from the

inside out? - *Luke 3:10-14*

Get generous

Get honest

Get kind

5. If it is true, are you willing to see how desperately you

need to come to Him? - *Luke 3:15-17*

Get committed

So What.... A word for the

Head– Repentance changes how you think

Heart– Repentance changes how you feel

Hand– Repentance changes what you do

What was your take-away from Sunday?

Getting Connected– Loving Christ:

A possible interesting question to start your group- As we start up Life groups again, what makes a small group a really good one? What causes it to be a poor one?

Going Further– Growing in Christ:

1. This month's verse is an important one as we begin our series in Luke. Spend some time working on it together!
"For the Son of Man has come to seek and save that which was lost." Luke 19:10

Also this week pray for Wayne and Katheryn Niles in Congo as they reach out to meet physical and spiritual needs and train leaders in ministry.

2. Why does Luke list all the political and religious figures in Luke 3:1-2?

What does this tell us about Luke?

3. With what tone of voice do you think John spoke the words of Luke 3:7-9? Why?

How would you compare his "style" with Jesus in Matthew 22:15-36?

List the names He calls them.