

LUKE

AT-A-GLANCE



N.T. BOOK #3



AUTHOR: LUKE
the Historian, Physician, and Gentile



WRITTEN: 60-61 AD

Covering this time period: 7 BC to 26 AD

Old Testament: 39 Books

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New Testament: 27 Books

CLAIMS TO FAME: Contains the special Christmas story of shepherds watching over their flock by night.

FAMOUS STORIES INCLUDED:

- Story of John the Baptist's birth to Elizabeth and Zechariah
- Shepherds watching over their flocks by night, who saw the host of angels at the birth of Jesus
- First miraculous catch of fish on the Lake of Genesaret
- Raising of the widow's son from the dead in Nain
- Parable of the good Samaritan
- The rich man and Lazarus meet different fates after death
- The conversation between Jesus and the robbers as they are dying on the crosses

MOST FAMOUS VERSES:

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost. **Luke 19:10**

Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they divided up his clothes by casting lots. **Luke 23:34**

Important Points about the Book:

- Much of the material in to Luke's gospel involves Jesus' dealings with individuals. Many are not wealthy or part of the acceptable society of their day. They include many sinners. Hence, Luke is considered a gospel of extremely good news—for the common man. This is why stories show up in Luke such as the Good Samaritan (who helps the injured man while religious leaders pass right by him). The conversations between the robbers on the cross with Jesus show the Lord's love for those who have committed crimes.
- While Matthew attempts to prove Christ's kingship, Luke shows him as the one who offers salvation to all humanity—Jew and Gentile alike.