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- 1. Why do you think this was important enough for Luke to write this down?
- What did he want us to know?
- Why include this?
- 2. What do we learn about God?
- What beliefs are reinforced?
- How are you surprised by God in this narrative?
- What beliefs are being reframed or even dismantled?
- 3. What do we learn about people?
- How are they like us?
- How are they different?
- 4. What does this tell us about the central story of Jesus and his resurrection?
- 5. What do we learn about following Jesus?

Resources:

- Advent scripture readings
- Advent candle: "Stay with us, Jesus."
- Watch episode 1 from The Bible Project's Luke-Acts video series.



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Who was Luke?

- A PHYSICIAN who assisted the Apostle Paul.
- The only GENTILE author of a book in the New Testament.
- Author of LUKE & ACTS.
- By volume, Luke is the BIGGEST CONTRIBUTOR (almost 1/3) of the New Testament.
- His other book, Acts, is the ONLY BIBLICAL HISTORY of the first-century church.

Luke contains stories NO OTHER GOSPEL does.

Luke's Gospel is unique in HOW and WHY it was written.

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every DETAIL I could possibly find,
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Luke is for DOUBTERS

Luke reveals that the Bible has both HUMAN and DIVINE origins.

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