



Grace & Forgiveness through the Eyes of Luke

This quarter our focus on *Bringing the Best* is looking at the way we treat others. There is found throughout the N.T. a reciprocal blessing and expectation. We have been taught, so we teach. We have been blessed, so we bless. We have been forgiven, so we forgive. We have been encouraged, so we encourage. God has been patient with us, so we are patient with others. As God has done to us, we do to other. As Jesus is the light of the world, so are we. In this way, we become "The World's Bible," or as Paul put it, "You are our letter, written in our hearts, known and read by all men" (2 Cor 3:2).

1. Some of this reciprocal concept is expressed in the words: "Just As"

- Eph 4:32 _____ just as _____
- Eph 5:2 _____ just as _____
- Eph 5:25 Husbands _____ just as _____
- Lk 6:36 Be _____ just as _____
- 1 Pet 1:16 Be _____, for I am _____

As Jesus described discipleship, He said:

"A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a slave above his master. It is enough for the disciple that he becomes as his teacher..." (Mt 10:24-25a)

Can you explain that statement?

A. This study will emphasize Grace and Forgiveness through the eyes of Luke

1. Why Luke?

The Uniqueness of Luke

- Luke was not _____
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- Luke wrote _____ of the N.T.
- Luke was a _____ (Col 4:14)
- Associated with _____ (Phile 24)
- Traveled with _____ (Acts 20:13; 21:1; 28:11; 2 Tim 4:11)

What perspectives would Luke add to the Gospels?

2. Luke's two volumes (Luke/Acts) were written from a historical standpoint (Lk 1:1-4; Acts 1:1-3)

- the humanity and compassion of Jesus are highlighted in the Gospel
- Jesus is referred to as "Son of Man" 26x in Luke

The genealogy of Jesus is traced to Adam

- Historical footnotes are sprinkled throughout Luke's writings
Augustus (2:1); Tivberius (3:1); Quirinius (2:2);
census (2:3); tetrarch (3:1)

- There are more _____ in Luke than the other gospels

- _____ are the heroes of lessons in Luke

- Wealth and riches are major themes in Luke

After (37x),
days ((30x)

What are some unique stories only found in Luke?

