

The Gospel of Luke

a verse-by-verse study

Session 14

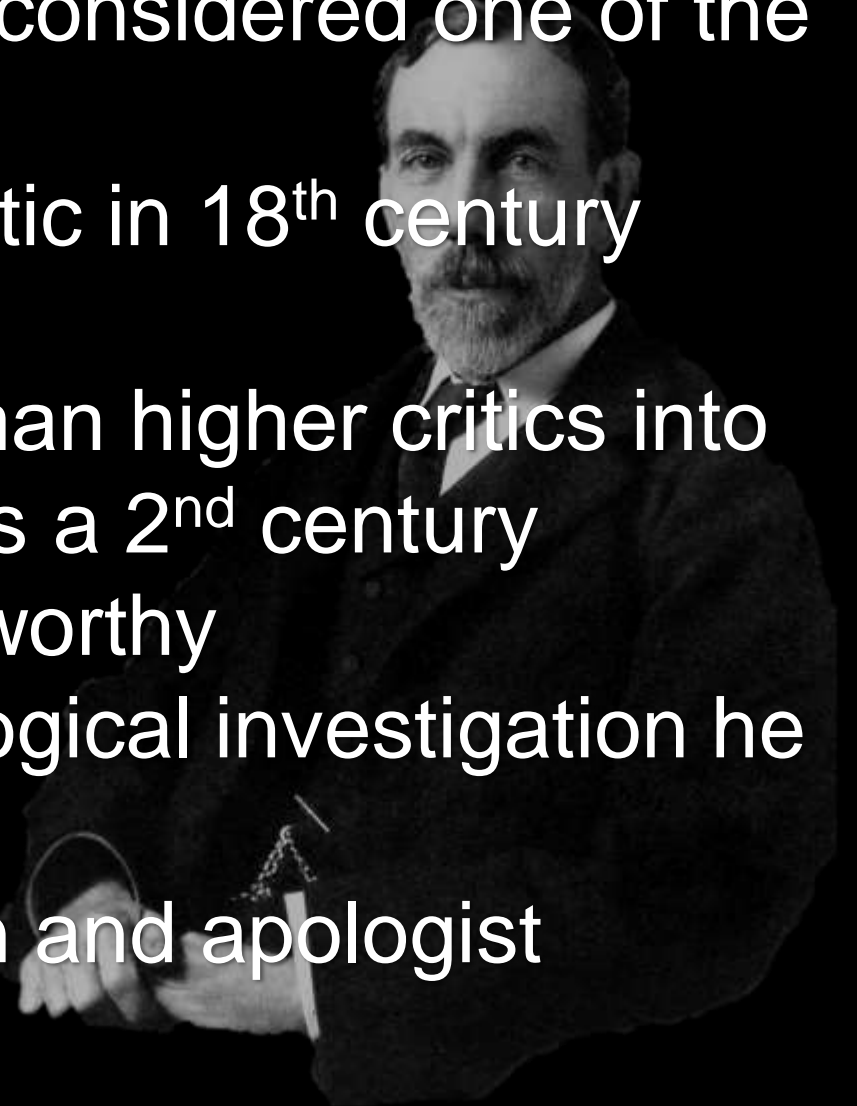
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Historicity of Luke's Accounts

- Sir William Ramsey is considered one of the greatest of historians
- He was a Biblical sceptic in 18th century England...
- ...swayed by the German higher critics into believing that Luke was a 2nd century document and untrustworthy
- After diligent archaeological investigation he did a complete U-turn
- He became a Christian and apologist



Historicity of Luke's Accounts

- *“Luke is a historian of the first rank; not merely are his statements of fact trustworthy, this author should be placed along with the very greatest of historians”* Sir William Ramsey
- *“Luke’s history is unsurpassed in respect of its trustworthiness”* Sir William Ramsey
- *“Luke’s reliability as an historian is unquestionable”* Josh McDowell

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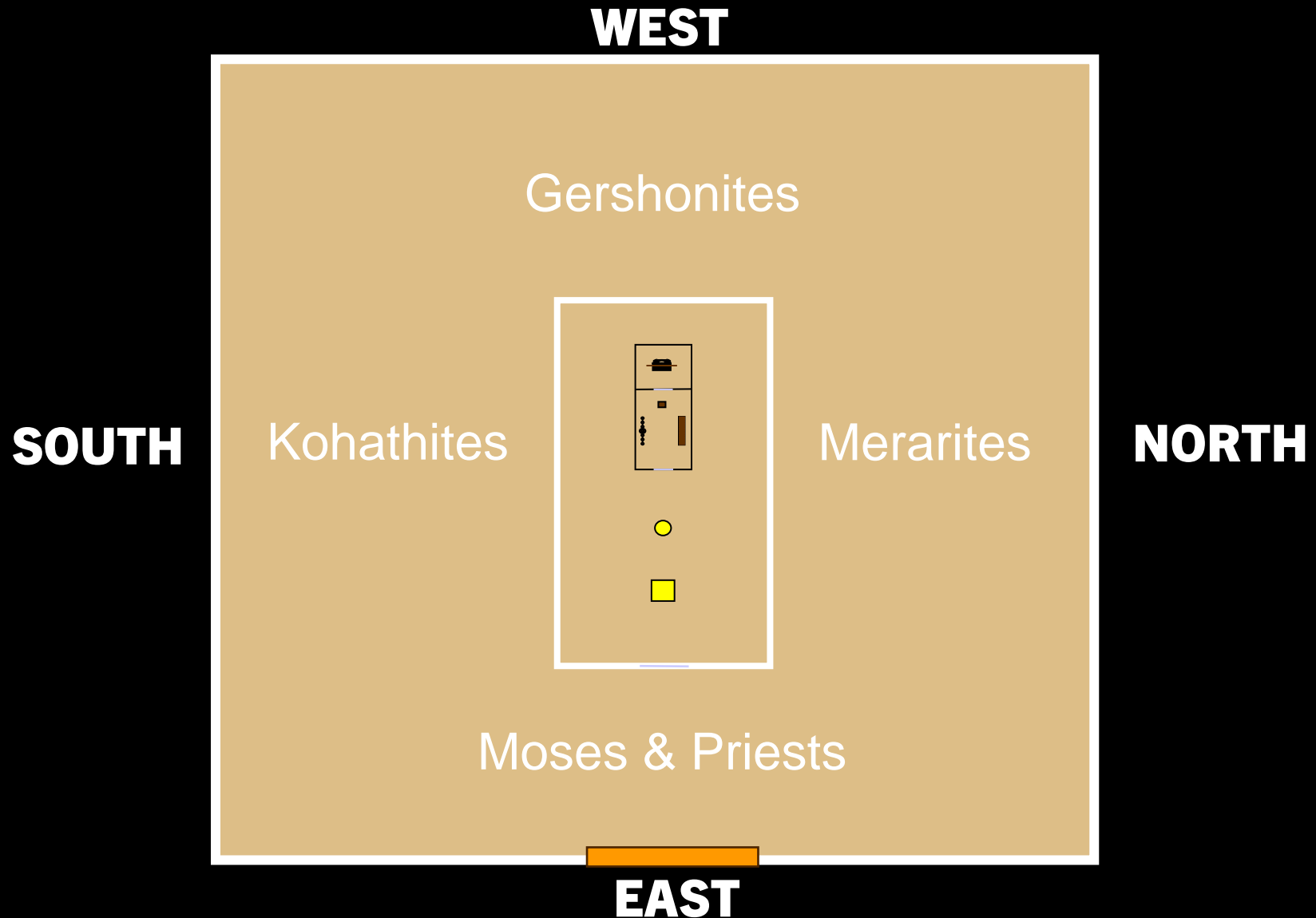
- Luke uses more medical terms than Hypocrates
 - considered the father of medicine
- Luke shows himself as an historian in his method
- *“The most beautiful book that exists”*
 - French critic & sceptic, Renan

The Design of the Gospels

	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Presents as:	Messiah	Servant	Son of Man	Son of God
Genealogy:	Abraham (Legal)	--	Adam (Blood line)	Eternal (Preexistence)
What Jesus	Said	Did	Felt	Was
To the:	Jew	Roman	Greek	Church
1st Miracle:	Leper cleansed (Jew = sin)	Demon expelled	Demon expelled	Water to Wine
Ends with	Resurrection	Ascension	Promise of Spirit: Acts	Promise of Return: Revelation
Camp Side:	East	West	South	North
Ensign:	Judah	Ephraim	Reuben	Dan
Face:	Lion	Ox	Man	Eagle
Style:	Groupings	Snapshots	Narrative	Mystical

Numbers Ch2

Arrangement of the Levites



Numbers Ch2

Arrangement of the Camp

Ephraim	40,500
Manasseh	32,200
Benjamin	35,400

108,100

Ephraim

Dan	62,700
Asher	41,500
Naphtali	53,400

Reuben

151,450

Reuben	46,500
Simeon	59,300
Gad	45,650

Levites

Gershonites 7,500

Kohathites
8,600

Merarites
6,200

Moses & Priests

22,300

Dan

157,600

Judah

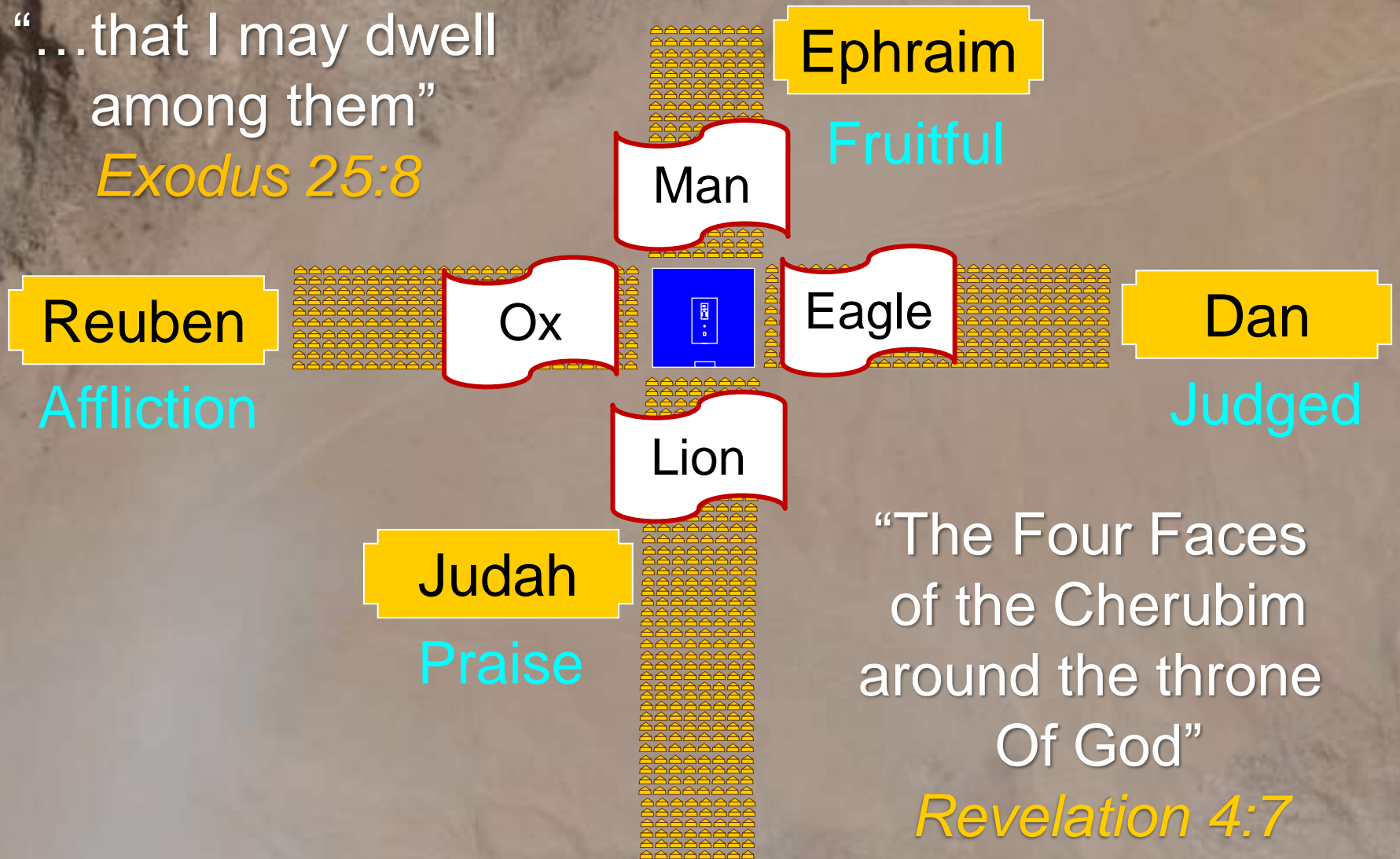
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Judah	74,600
Issachar	54,400
Zebullun	57,400

Numbers Ch2

Arrangement of the Camp

“...that I may dwell
among them”
Exodus 25:8



“The Four Faces
of the Cherubim
around the throne
Of God”
Revelation 4:7

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¹ Then he called his twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases.

² And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick.

Luke 9:1-2

- *“Note also that the authority of exorcism and healing was given only to the twelve apostles; it was a unique power that came with apostolic authority and was not given to believers in general”*

The Great Commission

¹⁵ Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. ¹⁶ He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. ¹⁷ And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; ¹⁸ They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

Mark 16:15:18

The Work of the Holy Spirit

⁸ For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; ⁹ To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; ¹⁰ To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues: ¹¹ But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.

1 Corinthians 12:8-11

The Church's Prayer

²⁹ ...grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word, ³⁰ By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thy holy child Jesus.

³¹ And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.

Acts 4:29-31

The Church's Prayer

¹⁴ And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women.) ¹⁵ Insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them.

¹⁶ There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one.

Acts 5:14-16

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“The Bible does not authorize us, either by the words of the Lord or His apostles, to believe that the gifts of healing were granted only to the early times of the Church; on the contrary, the promises which Jesus made to the apostles when He gave them instructions concerning their mission, shortly before His ascension, appear to us applicable to all times. cf Mark 16:15-18

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“Paul places the gift of healing among the operations of the Holy Spirit.

James gives a precise command on this matter without any restriction of time.

The entire Scriptures declare that these graces will be granted according to the measure of the Spirit and of faith.”.

The Gospel

¹⁸ The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor;

...he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, ¹⁹ To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

Luke 4:18-19

The Suffering Servant

4 Surely he hath borne our **griefs**, and carried our **sorrows**: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and **with his stripes we are healed.**

Isaiah 53:4-5

- ‘Griefs’ **Heb. *Kholee*** = ‘sickness, affliction’
- ‘Sorrows’ **Heb. *Makob*** = ‘pain’
 - *kholee* translated ‘sickness’ Deut 28:61, 1Kings 17:17, 2 Kings 1:2; 8:8
 - *Makob* translated ‘pain’ Job 33:19 / Jeremiah 51:8

By His Strips We Are Healed

*“In this chapter (Isaiah 53), the expression ‘**to bear**’ occurs twice, but in relation to two different things. It is said not only that the Lord the righteous Servant bore our sins (v12), but also that He bore our sicknesses (v4).*

*Thus, His bearing our sicknesses **as well** as our sins forms an integral part of the Redeemer's work.*

Although He was without sin, He has borne our sins, and has done the same with our sicknesses.

By His Strips We Are Healed

“As soon as a sick believer understands the meaning of the words, ‘Jesus has borne my sins’, he is not afraid to say ‘I no longer need to bear my sins’.

In the same way, as soon as he fully believes that Jesus has borne our sicknesses, he is not afraid to say ‘I no longer need to bear my sicknesses.’

By His Strips We Are Healed

“Jesus, in bearing sin, bore sickness also, which is its consequence.

He has made payment for both, and He delivers us from both. In Jesus, we have both pardon and healing.

They are two sides of His redemptive work.”

Andrew Murray “Divine Healing”

By His Strips We Are Healed!

¹⁶ When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick:

¹⁷ That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.

Matthew 8:16-17

- Matthew 'translates' Isaiah 53:4-5 in exactly this way... by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit!

The Thief of Unbelief!

- One of the greatest hindrances to the work of the Holy Spirit is the thief of unbelief!
- The Devil will immediately try to snatch the Word away...
- Or he will allow you to receive it with joy, only to then subtly come and ask '*did God really say?*'
- Or he will have you so busy that, it might be true, but you just don't have the time to find out!
- But the Word that is received by faith will bring forth a harvest!

The Promises of God

The tap root, out of which sprouts all the weeds of sin, is the tap root of unbelief in the promises of God.

When you trust, or believe in a promise of God, you glorify God.

In fact, trusting somebody's promise is the most fundamental honour you can do that person

The Promises of God

The reverse is also true:

The greatest contempt that you can bring down upon a person, is to say to them, 'I can't trust you'

So, when we don't trust a promise of God, we bring contempt upon Him, ... we give Him a vote of 'no confidence'

- John Piper

Andrew Murray

“Oh, that we could learn to believe in the promises of God! God has not gone back from His promises; Jesus is still He who heals both soul and body; salvation offers us even now healing and holiness, and the Holy Spirit is always ready to give us some manifestations of His power.

Even when we ask why this divine power is not more often seen, He answers us: ‘Because of your unbelief’”

Andrew Murray “Divine Healing” Ch2

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The more we give ourselves to experience personally 'sanctification by faith', the more we shall also experience healing by faith. These two doctrines walk abreast.

The more the Spirit of God lives and acts in the soul of believers, the more will the miracles multiply by which He works in the body. Thereby the world can recognize what redemption means.”.

³ And he said unto them, Take nothing for your journey, neither staves, nor scrip, neither bread, neither money; neither have two coats apiece.

Luke 9:3

- All you need is faith in Jesus...
- Not your ability, not your confidence or wisdom, or knowledge or anything that is of you...
- It has to be all of Jesus

4 And whatsoever house ye enter into, there abide, and thence depart.

5 And whosoever will not receive you, when ye go out of that city, shake off the very dust from your feet for a testimony against them.

Luke 9:4-5

- When faced with unbelief...
- There will be those who do not want to believe in Jesus even if miracles were done in front of them

6 And they departed, and went through the towns,
preaching the gospel, and healing every where.

Luke 9:6

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Verses 7-17



7 Now Herod the tetrarch heard of all that was done by him: and he was perplexed, because that it was said of some, that John was risen from the dead;

8 And of some, that Elias had appeared; and of others, that one of the old prophets was risen again.

9 And Herod said, John have I beheaded: but who is this, of whom I hear such things? And he desired to see him.

Luke 9:7-9

¹⁰ And the apostles, when they were returned, told him all that they had done. And he took them, and went aside privately into a desert place belonging to the city called Bethsaida.

¹¹ And the people, when they knew it, followed him: and he received them, and spake unto them of the kingdom of God, and healed them that had need of healing.

Luke 9:10-11

12 And when the day began to wear away, then came the twelve, and said unto him, Send the multitude away, that they may go into the towns and country round about, and lodge, and get victuals: for we are here in a desert place.

13 But he said unto them, Give ye them to eat. And they said, We have no more but five loaves and two fishes; except we should go and buy meat for all this people.

14 For they were about five thousand men. And he said to his disciples, Make them sit down by fifties in a company.

Luke 9:12-14

15 And they did so, and made them all sit down.

16 Then he took the five loaves and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed them, and brake, and gave to the disciples to set before the multitude.

17 And they did eat, and were all filled: and there was taken up of fragments that remained to them twelve baskets.

Luke 9:15-17

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