



What if we could step back in time and uncover the headlines about Jesus—His teachings, miracles, and life-changing impact? "Knowing Jesus" takes us through the Gospel of Luke like a historical archive, revealing the truth of who Jesus is and what He came to do. Each week, we'll explore His story, moving beyond familiarity into a deeper understanding of the Savior who lived, loved, and gave His life for us all.

A Story You Can Trust – January 5, 2025

1. **Reflect on this question:** How does Luke's commitment to careful investigation (Luke 1:1-4) challenge the way we approach our own faith? Why is it important to understand the foundation of what we believe? *Read 2 Timothy 2:15. How can we similarly approach our understanding of the Gospel with care and diligence?*
2. **The Certainty of the Gospel:** Luke's Gospel is grounded in the testimony of eyewitnesses (Luke 1:2-4). How does knowing that the Gospel is based on historical truth impact your trust in it? *Read 1 John 1:1-4. How do these verses confirm the reliability of the message about Jesus?*
3. **Healing Beyond the Physical:** Luke's background as a physician led him to search for deeper healing—spiritual healing. How does Jesus' work of healing, both physically and spiritually, address the deepest needs of humanity? *Read Matthew 9:12-13. How does Jesus' focus on spiritual healing challenge our understanding of what it means to be whole?*
4. **The Gospel Story Continues:** Luke describes how the story of Jesus extends beyond his earthly life, with the Gospel continuing through the work of the apostles (Acts 1:1-8). How does this emphasize our role in continuing the work of spreading the Gospel? *Read Matthew 28:18-20. How does the Great Commission challenge us to be active participants in sharing the message of Jesus?*
5. **The Kingdom of God:** Luke emphasizes that Jesus' story is the story of the Kingdom of God (Luke 4:43). What does it mean to live as a part of God's Kingdom here and now? *Read Romans 14:17. How can we reflect the values of God's Kingdom in our daily lives?*
6. **Responding to Jesus' Story:** Luke wrote his Gospel to help us "know the certainty of the things you have been taught" (Luke 1:4). How can you respond to the certainty of the Gospel with greater faith and trust in Jesus? *Read Hebrews 10:23. How does this verse encourage you to hold fast to your confession of faith in Jesus?*