

Luke Study Lesson 8

Ice breaker: If you could have someone cook for a month, clean for a month or take care of your kids or organize your house/life for a month, who would you choose? Or Who would you like to thank from your past that helped you along the way?

Trust everyone had a wonderful Easter weekend. This year seemed more thoughtful because of our study in Luke. It felt like we had been spending these last few months getting to know Jesus and walking along side of Him.

Page 101 We don't often think much about Judas but this article puts a lot in perspective. How could he have done such a thing to our Lord and Savior. To be given the seat next to Jesus at the Last Supper and to know Him intimately for three years...Jesus even washed his feet. It is hard to fathom.

<https://unlockingthebible.org/2022/04/four-things-people-miss-about-judas/>

Page 102 Only Peter and John were to go ahead to prepare the Passover, which would mean getting the lamb, getting it sacrificed by a priest at 3:00 and then cooking it as well as preparing the other foods. During the feast, people laid down to remember that in the wilderness during the Exodus there were no tables or chairs to sit. **Why do you think the other disciples (in Bethany) did not know where they setting this up? See Luke 22:6** What was significant about finding a man carrying water?

Page 104 **What do you think about the COMMAND to eat the Lord's Supper? Who is commanded to do so? <https://www.gotquestions.org/Last-Supper.html> Can we partake of the Lord's supper unworthily? <https://renewingyourmind.org/2022/03/18/means-of-grace-the-lords-supper>**

****Notice: Luke does not talk about the foot washing – see John 13:1-20**

What happened that night of the Last Supper? So, it starts with thanks, the first cup, and then the ceremonial cleansing. The next thing is the eating of bitter herbs – bitter herbs symbolizing the bitterness of being in slavery in Egypt for all those centuries. There would be pieces of bread also dipped in a paste made out of fruits and nuts, kind of ground together into a brown paste. They would dip pieces of bread in the herbs and the paste and eat that, reminiscing about the bitterness of the people of God in captivity before God set them free. After that would come the singing of the Hallel. The Hallel is a sequence of psalms from Psalm 113 to 118 – psalms of praise and thanks to God. Here they would sing 113 and 114. They would sing the first two. Then would come the second cup of doubly diluted wine. At this point the father of the family, if it was in a family, or the head of the table in the case of Jesus, would give the Haggadah which is the explanation of the meaning of all of this, the showing forth, the telling forth. After the second cup of wine, an explanation of what this feast was about, they would then eat the lamb with unleavened bread. That's the main meal. After that would come a third cup of doubly diluted wine, followed by the singing of the Hallel 115 to 118. And then a fourth cup of wine and it was over. Now, that would be strung out for hours and intermingled with all conversation. So they ate the Passover, and through it they listened, and they talked, and they acted, and they interacted, and Peter was confronted, and Judas was confronted, and Satan entered Judas, and Jesus dismissed Judas, and He taught and gave warnings and promises and the whole evening <https://www.gty.org/library/sermons-library/42-269/the-final-passover-the-first-communion> long sermon but good ☺

Page 104 **Interesting to note: It was during this time that Jesus "preached" John 14-17**

Arguing who is the greatest seems to have been a common topic of conversation among the disciples ([Matthew 18:1](#), [Matthew 20:20-26](#), [Mark 9:33-34](#), [Luke 9:46](#)). I bet they did not have this conversation after this night... as they ALL left Jesus.

***Jesus also mentioned that the disciples had been with Him during **His trials** on earth. Let's brainstorm from our study of Luke the TRIALS Jesus had? (family had to escape into Egypt, etc)

******Matthew 26:30-35**- Jesus tells them they will all fall away and then to meet Him in Galilee when **He is resurrected**. Looks like they were not listening!

Page 105 only Luke mentions the sweat of blood

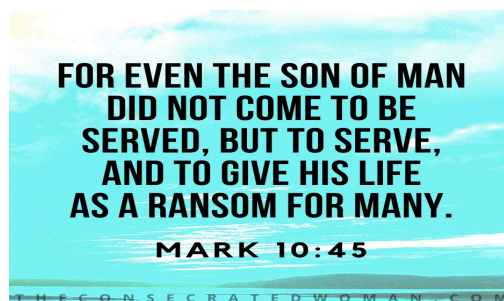
Page 106 see Matt 26:50, John 18:2

Page 107 Second question was hard: Luke 11:47, 13:34, **18:31-34**

Isaiah 53:1-7 NLT 53 **Who has believed our message? To whom has the Lord revealed his powerful arm? ² My servant grew up in the Lord's presence like a tender green shoot, like a root in dry ground. There was nothing beautiful or majestic about his appearance, nothing to attract us to him. ³ He was despised and rejected—a man of sorrows, acquainted with deepest grief. We turned our backs on him and looked the other way. He was despised, and we did not care. ⁴ Yet it was our weaknesses he carried; it was our sorrows^[a] that weighed him down. And we thought his troubles were a punishment from God, a punishment for his own sins! ⁵ But he was pierced for our rebellion, crushed for our sins. He was beaten so we could be whole. He was whipped so we could be healed. ⁶ All of us, like sheep, have strayed away. We have left God's paths to follow our own. Yet the Lord laid on him the sins of us all ⁷ He was oppressed and treated harshly, yet he never said a word. He was led like a lamb to the slaughter. And as a sheep is silent before the shearers, he did not open his mouth.**

Page 108 Good place to discuss what being a true Servant Leader is **What does that mean to you to be a servant/leader?** <https://www.gotquestions.org/servantleadership.html>

This is what the world says is a servant leader **Listening** - listen receptively and nonjudgmentally. They are much more interested in hearing the viewpoints of others than having their voice be the loudest in the room. Seek first to understand, and then to be understood. **Appreciation** - value people and appreciate them for who they are, not just for what they give to the organization. They are committed first and foremost to their people. **Humility** - put other people first. They are humble. They know leadership is not all about them—things are accomplished through others. **Trust** - give trust to others. They willingly take this risk for the people they serve. They are trusted because they are authentic and dependable. **Caring** - have people and purpose in their hearts. They display kindness and concern for others. They are here to serve, not to be served. They truly care for the people they serve.



Some are going to finish May 9 and do the last two chapters on the Crucifixion and Resurrection. We have had some wonderful sermons and you have probably listened to others as well. Since this is our last time together, maybe we could pick a few of the questions from these two lessons to discuss. It will also be a time to have fellowship in each of your groups.

What have you learned from this study of Luke? How has it affected/changed you? If you would be willing to share this, could you write it down and we share it with others in the June newsletter. It could be anonymous unless you put your name on the card. I am sure women in the other groups would love to hear from you.