Luke Lesson 9/10

Ice Breaker- What has been one of the hardest things for you to learn? Or What has been one of the easiest things for you to learn?

I will be referencing for these two lessons JC Ryle Expository Thoughts on the Gospel of Luke- there were such wonderful reflections that I just had to share them with you all.

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Herod- this is the same one that had John the Baptist beheaded. Why would he want to see Jesus? Was it just curiosity? Was his conscience bothering him? Peter references Herod and Pilate in Acts:4:27-48 (Ryle)

It was important for Herod and Pilate to declare Jesus not guilty (1 Peter 1:19)- the spotless lamb of God.R

Remember- it was the Jews who put Jesus to death as Peter preached not the Gentiles (Acts 3:13-15). R

We too deserved death like Barabbas but Jesus died in his place and in ours. (2 Cor 5:21) R

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When Jesus gives His final prophecy to the women of Jerusalem- it was a curse to be barren yet Jesus declares that there will come a day when it will be a blessing...when Jerusalem is destroyed by Rome. R

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Jesus prayed an intercessory prayer on the cross. How many were converted that day? The thief, the centurion, the crowds (they beat their chests as they left)? The two thieves- both were near Christ, same circumstances, same wicked behavior, but one was converted and the other not. The saved thief was never baptized, never did any works or good deeds but that day he went to paradise. **Christ continues to pray for us. Hebrews 7:25 R**

Alistair Begg and the thief on the cross YouTube "The man on the middle cross said I could come"

Christ died on the cross at the same time the Passover Lamb was killed in the temple. He died outside the city. Just as the scapegoat was taken out the camp (Lev 16:1-34)

Jesus laid down His life voluntarily. Into your Hands, **I commit my spirit.** John 10:17-18. R

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Jesus was truly dead- Roman soldiers knew that, Joseph of A knew that. But the women who followed had no faith that Jesus would rise again as they prepared the spices for Sunday.

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1 Peter 1:³ All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by his great mercy that we have been born again, because God raised Jesus Christ from the dead. Now we live with great expectation, ⁴ and we have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay.

I suggest you read through the extra sheet on John MacArthur's writing of all four gospel accounts into one narrative-you can see the abbreviations of which gospel was used for each section. This is very helpful in getting the whole story together.

The women remembered His words!!! Finally!! How do we remember His Words? We remind each other Heb 10:24-25, 1 Thess 5:11, Deut 6:7- we are responsible for each other in the body to do so...Iron Sharpens Iron (Prov 27:17), have continual time in the Word, love Jesus-desire to serve Him. (Heb 2:1) R

Road to Emmaus Only Luke has this account. When Jesus met up with them, can you just imagine the conversation? Why did Jesus scold these two? When has our hearts burned within us? When has our time of studying/ listening to sermons, having conversations about Christ made our hearts burn? Here is a link that will help us know where in every book of the Bible, we see Jesus.

https://jesusplusnothing.com/jesus-books-bible

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His resurrection body, though real and tangible (<u>John 20:27</u>)—and even capable of ingesting earthly food (<u>Luke 24:42–43</u>)—nonetheless possessed certain properties that indicate it was glorified, altered in a mysterious way (cf. <u>1 Cor. 15:35–54</u>; <u>Phil. 3:21</u>). Christ could appear and disappear bodily, as seen in this text. His body could pass through solid objects—such as the grave clothes (see note on <u>Luke 24:12</u>), or the walls and doors of a closed room (<u>John 20:19</u>; <u>26</u>). He could apparently travel great distances in a moment, for by the time these disciples returned to Jerusalem, Christ had already appeared to Peter (<u>Luke 24:34</u>). The fact that he ascended into heaven bodily demonstrated that his resurrection body was already fit for heaven. Yet it was his body, the same one that was missing from the tomb, even retaining identifying features such as the nail wounds (<u>John 20:25–27</u>). He was no ghost or phantom. John MacArthur

Jesus had 11 appearances after his resurrection. Jesus finally comes to all of the disciples. But He doesn't come scolding them or "lecturing" them.

"Peace be to you." We see in this touching saying one more proof that the love of Christ surpasses knowledge. It is His glory to pass over a transgression. He delights to show mercy. He is far more willing to forgive than men are to be forgiven. He is far more ready to pardon than men are to be pardoned. There is in His almighty heart an infinite willingness to put away man's transgressions. Though our sins have been as scarlet, He is ever ready . . . to make them as white as snow, to blot them out, to cast them behind His back, to bury them in the depths of the sea, and to remember them no more! R

The disciples at first couldn't/ wouldn't believe. How might you have reacted? I love the patience Jesus displayed here-letting them touch him, watch him eat, just explaining to them yet again what happened and what would happen next. Verse 45 is the key.

In the book of Acts we see how with their minds opened to the truth and in the power of the Holy Spirit, they were changed. When Jesus went up to heaven, He was blessing them as he ascended. The disciples did not mourn but went rejoicing when the HS came upon them.

A day is coming when Jesus shall return from heaven in like manner as He went. He will not always abide within the holy of holies. He will come forth, like the Jewish high priest, to bless the people, to gather His saints together, and to restore all things. For that day let us wait, and long, and pray. Christ dying on the cross for sinners, Christ living in heaven to intercede, Christ coming again in glory are three great objects which ought to stand out prominently before the eyes of every true Christian. R

What new insights have you gained about the person of Christ? How has your understanding of Him changed? What event has had the greatest impact on you? How has your love for Christ deepened?

So This is the end of our study!! Wow! Where did the time go? Look for the announcement for the study of Acts for the summer. It will be an inductive study...just the text, Holy Spirit and us. It will be every week and we won't finish the book but it will get us into the book. The quizzers are going to memorize Acts this next term and it would be great to talk to the kids about it in the fall.