JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE
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Luke 10-Study Notes

About the Composer:

⇒ The Gospel of Luke begins with the birth of Christ and ends in Jerusalem
⇒ Luke introduces the Kingdom of God across social lines; Jesus interacting with different classes of people that others considered to be outcast
⇒ Luke was a Gentile who had a heart for the needs of lost people
⇒ Luke reveals the humanity of Jesus…the Jesus who made salvation available to all (Luke 19:10); Jesus, Deliverer of the Jew and Savior of the world

About the Book, The Characters and Location:

⇒ Most of chapter 10 is in RED; Luke is focusing on the words and message from Jesus
⇒ Jesus, 70 Disciples, Lawyer, Priest/Levite/Good Samaritan, Mary and Martha
⇒ Chorazin, Bethsaida, Capernaum, the road from Jerusalem to Jericho and Bethany

Outline:

⇒ **Vs. 1-12** The Seventy Sent Out
⇒ **Vs. 13-16** Woe to the Impenitent Cities
⇒ **Vs. 17-20** The Seventy Return with Joy
⇒ **Vs. 21-24** Jesus Rejoices in the Spirit
⇒ **Vs. 25-37** The Parable of the Good Samaritan
⇒ **Vs. 38-42** Mary and Martha Worship and Serve

Overview:

⇒ **Vs.1-24** Jesus empowers and sends out 70 to teach and heal. The 70 return with a report of success

⇒ **Vs. 25-37** Jesus uses the parable of the Good Samaritan to teach an expert in the law, what it means to be compassionate towards others

⇒ **Vs. 38-42** Jesus visits Mary and Martha; He teaches Martha that she should be more concerned about learning from Him than getting housework done.

Luke 10
New King James Version
Vs. 1-12 The Seventy Sent Out-Jesus Sends Out His Disciples-Mission of the Seventy

10 After these things the Lord appointed [a]seventy others also,
and sent them two by two before His face into every city and
place where He Himself was about to go. 2 Then He said to
them**,** "The harvest truly *is* great, but the laborers *are* few;
therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into
His harvest.3 Go your way; behold, I send you out as lambs among
wolves.4 Carry neither money bag, knapsack, nor sandals;
and greet no one along the road.5 But whatever house you enter,
first say, 'Peace to this house.'6 And if a son of peace is there,
your peace will rest on it; if not, it will return to you.7 And remain
in the same house, eating and drinking such things as they give,
for the laborer is worthy of his wages. Do not go from house to
house.8 Whatever city you enter, and they receive you, eat such
things as are set before you.9 And heal the sick there, and say to
them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'10 But whatever
city you enter, and they do not receive you, go out into its streets
and say,11 'The very dust of your city which clings to[b]us we wipe
off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God
has come near you.'12 [c]But I say to you that it will be more
tolerable in that Day for Sodom than for that city.

Summary:

⇒ Jesus picks and sends the disciples to minister to the lost, sick, broken, needy….there lies the harvest

⇒ Jesus instructs the disciples to offer peace, proclaim the Kingdom, bless households and heal the sick; acts of mercy and kindness

⇒ Jesus assures the disciples of provision; travel light; needs will be provided by those who accept the message
⇒ Jesus admonishes the disciples to stay focused; move on from those who reject the message

- **Vs. 1 Appointed-**Identified ones to get the job done
- **Vs. 1 Sent-**Gave direction; set apart for a special service; apostolic=sent one
- **Vs. 1 Instructed-**Prepare the way
- **Vs. 1 Organized-**Seventy, two by two; note some translations say 70 and others say 72
  Note: Jews consider the number to be '70' to correspond to the number of nations identified in Genesis 10 and the number of Elders appointed by Moses in Numbers 11
- **Vs. 2 Revealed-**Laborers Are Few
  - Luke 9:1, the 12 were sent out; Luke 10:1, 70 were sent out….implication of urgency for the word to go forth
- **Vs. 3 Cautioned-**To be forewarned is to be forearmed, you are going into a dangerous and hostile environment; it is not going to be easy;
  - Luke 10:3… send forth as lambs among wolves;
  - Matthew 10:16 …send forth as sheep in the midst of wolves; be wise as serpents (alert, cautious) and harmless as doves (pure, kind, peaceful, refuse to fight back)

Note: In Matthew Jesus tells them how to survive the environment

- **Vs. 4 Unincumbered-**Carry minimal, (greet no one; don't be distracted; Near Eastern greetings were long and drawn out)
- **Vs. 5 Bless Households-**First speak a blessing over the house entered
- **Vs. 6-7 Work-**Where received, Be satisfied and do the work
- **Vs. 8 Be Non-Legalistic-** Eat what is placed before you
- **Vs. 9 Minister-**Be God focused (heal the sick; the kingdom and healing work together…. manifestation of healing confirms the power of the kingdom, glorifying the King
- **Vs. 11 Be Obedient to the Calling-**Even if rejected (before going into another Jewish territory, remove the

unclean, defilement of those that rejected the message (to visibly show complete separation of spiritual impurity from the people and place that rejected the message)
    - Matthew 10:14…shake off the dust from your feet
    - Acts 13:51….Paul and Barnabas shook off the dust of their feet against those that brought persecution against them
    - Acts 18:6…when the Jews rejected the message
- **Vs. 12 <u>Judgement</u>-**Those that reject will be judged worse than Sodom (most wicked of Gentile cities)

Vs. 13-16 Woe to the Impenitent Cities

13 “Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty
works which were done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon,
they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and
ashes.14 But it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the
judgment than for you.15 And you, Capernaum,[d] who are exalted
to heaven, will be brought down to Hades.16 He who hears you
hears Me, he who rejects you rejects Me, and he who rejects Me
rejects Him who sent Me.”

Summary:

⇒ Works of Jesus were seen in these cities; Chorazin and Bethsaida (close to Capernaum near the Sea of Galilee); Tyre and Sidon (Phoenician cities on the shores of the Mediterranean)

⇒ These cities rejected the miracles seen and the message spoken

⇒ Rejecting the message meant rejecting the one who sent them, Jesus and rejecting the one who sent Him, God

⇒ Condemnation pronounced

- **Vs. 13-14** Greater judgement will fall on those who know but reject
    - Ezekiel 26-28 speaks of the destruction of Tyre and Sidon to be compared to a dead person in a grave
- **Vs. 15** Total desolations will come upon Capernaum-today no longer an inhabited city or town

Vs. 17-20 The Seventy Return with Joy-Return of the Seventy

17 Then the [e]seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the
demons are subject to us in Your name.” 18 And He said to
them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven.19 Behold, I give
you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over
all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt
you.20 Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are
subject to you, but[f] rather rejoice because your names are
written in heaven.”

Summary:

⇒ Disciples amazed at works in Jesus name, spiritual victory on the mission fields
⇒ Jesus acknowledges the authority given and carried out’ is from Him (warning against pride)
⇒ Joy in Satan’s defeat
⇒ Jesus stresses that the greater joy is in their place in heaven

- **Vs. 17** Speaks of the authority in the name-Lord
- **Vs. 18** Jesus speaks of the present defeat of Satan; He saw Satan cast out of heaven
- **Vs. 19** Serpents and Scorpions symbolize spiritual enemies and demonic power…which Jesus gave the disciples authority
  - Luke 10:19 and Matthew 10:16 serpent used on both accounts same meaning-Greek ophis (of-is) sharpness of vision, sly and cunning
- **Vs. 20** Rejoice in the authority given to do the works but rejoice even more in salvation that heaven is their eternal destiny…their names are recorded there

Vs. 21-24 Jesus Rejoices in the Spirit-Jesus’ Prayer of Thanksgiving

21 In that hour Jesus rejoiced in the Spirit and said, “I thank You,
Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these
things from *the* wise and prudent and revealed them to babes.
Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight.22 All[g] things

have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, and who the Father is except the Son, and *the one* to whom the Son wills to reveal *Him.*"
[23] Then He turned to *His* disciples and said privately, "Blessed *are* the eyes which see the things you see;[24] for I tell you that many prophets and kings have desired to see what you see, and have not seen *it,* and to hear what you hear, and have not heard *it.*"

Summary:

⇒ Jesus rejoiced (Hebrew-jumped, exceedingly glad; Greek-shouting, leaping) because the disciples understood what they heard
⇒ Disciples had the ability to pass the wisdom, and what they had learned, on in such a way that not only the wise understood but also the simple
⇒ There is a demonstration that Jesus can reveal Himself and His Father to whoever He wants
⇒ Rejoice in salvation

- **Vs. 21** rejoice-Greek-shouting and leaping…because God's revelation is not only given to scribes but to the simple
- **Vs. 22** Jesus can reveal the Father to whomever He chooses
- **Vs. 23-24** Disciples' have been positioned to see and experience events that were not seen by the prophets and kings

Vs. 25-37 How to Inherit Eternal Life-The Parable of the Good Samaritan-The Most Important Commandment-

[25] And behold, a certain [h]lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?"
[26] He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading *of it?*" [27] So he answered and said, " 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, 'and 'your neighbor as yourself.'"
[28] And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live."

29 But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”
30 Then Jesus answered and said: “A certain *man* went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among[i] thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded *him,* and departed, leaving *him* half dead.31 Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.32 Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side.33 But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion.34 So he went to *him* and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.35 On the next day,[j] when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave *them* to the innkeeper, and said to him, ‘Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.’36 So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?”
37 And he said, “He who showed mercy on him. Then Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

- **Vs.25-28** ‘Do and live’, was the promise of the law; no one could follow the law perfectly
- **Vs.29** Self-justification steps in (only love the righteous and not the outcast/wicked)**….**Are there some we are not obligated to love; are we looking at the object deserving our love instead of our attitude to love; love is a matter of practice/demonstration; the Samaritan while considered lowly and despised demonstrated and practiced love; love does not consider the worth but responds to the need; genuine love grieves and heart-broken over the state of a sinner
- **Vs. 30** Jerusalem to Jericho was not a safe road to travel
- **Vs. 32-33** The priest, the Levite (assisted the priest in temple work) and the Samaritan put their life at risk traveling the road
- **Vs. 34** Oil (sooth and heal) and Wine (antiseptic) was First-Aid Kit
- **Vs. 36** We each have a responsibility to those in need

Summary:

⇒ Vs. 25-37 is called in some versions a 'parable' in others an illustration Jesus gives to answer the lawyer's question

⇒ Jews hated the Samaritans; Are there some who we are not obligated to love or meet there need? Who is our neighbor

David Guzik….

"The Samaritan is the illustration of Jesus:
He was despised by others.
He came after others failed to meet the need.
He came before it was too late.
He came with everything necessary.
He came to where the afflicted was.
He gave tender care.
He provided for future needs."

⇒ Greatest commandment is to love God and love our neighbor

⇒ We are to love Unconditionally, **NOT:**
Conditionally (under certain terms) or Transactionally (if getting something in return)
Opportunistically (only when it benefits) or Meretriciously (based on outward appearance)
Discriminatory (who is worthy) or Fickly (love on a whim)
Note: Selectively-when it sets healthy positive boundaries

Vs. 38-42 Mary and Martha Worship and Serve-Jesus Visits Martha and Mary

38 Now it happened as they went that He entered a certain village;
and a certain woman named Martha welcomed Him into her
house. 39 And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at [k]Jesus'
feet and heard His word. 40 But Martha was distracted with much
serving, and she approached Him and said, "Lord, do You not care
that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore tell her to
help me." 41 And [l]Jesus answered and said to her, "Martha,
Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things.42 But
one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which
will not be taken away from her."

- **Vs. 38-**Certain village is Bethany on the slope of the Mt. of Olives; the home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus

- **Vs. 39-42** Balance is preferring to sit at His feet as Mary and having a heart to serve as Martha; don't let our works be a distraction from sitting at our Father's feet

Summary:

⇒ 'Also' means in addition, alongside, as well as; this may imply that Mary did help but at this given time chose to sit at Jesus feet

⇒ Timing is important in all we do as well as our attitude; while Martha was fussing Mary was listening to the heart of Jesus

⇒ Martha's part was needed and important, but her timing was off, and she was missing a blessing

⇒ Biblical scholars state when a name was repeated twice in the bible it was a call to come closer

- Abraham, Abraham- Genesis 22:11
- Moses, Moses- Exodus 3:4
- Jerusalem, Jerusalem- Matthew 23:37; Luke 13:34

⇒ God desires balance in our lives; Spiritual things should take priority

"If you sit today at Jesus feet, you can stand in the time of trails tomorrow." "Sitting is better than standing." "Action without Adoration results in aggravation" ……Skip Heitzip

Closing Thoughts:

Luke's gospel teaches….

⇒ **Serve**-be obedient to the call; God has appointed us and anointed us to go forth; take every opportunity to share the love of God; bring God's presence in every situation; let go of prejudices and go beyond cultural boundaries to be kind, tenderhearted, loving and forgiving…. where are you serving in the Kingdom/for the Kingdom?

⇒ **Listen**-be sensitive to the heart and voice of God that enables us to go forth in faith, trust and humility sharing the love and grace of God; be eager to learn and understand God's word so we can share it with confidence…. what is He calling you to do?

⇒ **Care**-show compassion and love to all, demonstrate love and mercy, especially to those in need; as we love God, His love

will flow through us to love others; reach out in peace…. how are you meeting another's need?

"Peace opens the door to the heart" Skip Heitzip

⇒ **Grow**-spend time in God's presence; prioritize spiritual growth; it is in God's presence we gain wisdom to navigate through lives challenges…..when is your focused time with the Lord?

Prayer:

Lord, give us the desire to sit at your feet and learn from your work. Empower us and give us boldness to reach others. Raise us up as laborers for the harvest to reach out with compassion, mercy and love. Open our hearts to receive your word and share your word with humility, love and compassion speaking a word of healing and hope, in Jesus' name. Amen

Resources Bible:	**Websites:**	**Commentaries:**
Spirit Filled Life	Enduringword.com	David Guzik
Pocket Bible Handbook	2BELIKECHRIST.com	Skip Heitzip
New King James	Devotion Hub	
Easy To Read Version	Goggle	
The Macarthur Study Bible		
Strong's Exhaustive Concordance		

Song: What About You-Cece Winans