



THE JESUS TOUR

He who listens to you listens to me; he who rejects you rejects me; but he who rejects me rejects him who sent me... Do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.

Luke 10:16, 20



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Luke 10-13

INTEGRATED BIBLE STUDY GUIDE



How to get best value out of these studies...

Welcome to a new series of New Testament studies in the book of **Luke**. These Study Guides are designed in a three part format...

- 1 Opening questions to get you thinking are listed as **Appetisers**.
- 2 Those which get you to investigate the text are contained in the **Main Course**.
- 3 The **Dessert** section prompts you to reflect on what you've looked at and consider how it will change you and those in your group.

If you're using these Guides in a Small Group, it is vital that you have done preparatory work *before* you get to your meeting. This will be of great benefit not only to you, but to the other members of your group.

If you're doing these studies individually, make sure you let someone know you are doing so, and arrange a time to meet with them when you've finished (or even before) to let them know how your life is being changed by God's Word.

If you're after good commentaries or resources to complement your looking into the bible, speak to your Small Group Leader or one of the staff, and we'll try to be as helpful as possible. Most people aren't going to spend lots of dollars on theological works, so we're constantly on the look out for good quality titles that will result in money well spent.

We trust you'll find the guides helpful, and we welcome any feedback you can give us as you use them.

Always surround your time looking into God's Word with **prayer**, asking God to change your heart and life so that you – with God's people – might become more and more like our Lord Jesus Christ.

Recommended Reading:

Leon Morris	<i>Luke – Tyndale NT Commentaries</i>	(IVP)
Michael Wilcock	<i>The Message of Luke BST Commentaries</i>	(IVP)
ed: Joel Green	<i>Dictionary of Jesus and the Gospels</i>	(IVP)

Notes

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Luke 13:10-34**Appetiser**

- 1 This passage is packed with images (eg- a mustard seed) Make a list of the different images used.

- 2 Discuss the main point of each image used.

Main Course

- 1 Why does Luke put these incidents together?

- 2 What is the point he is making?

Dessert

- 1 In what areas do we need to repent:
 - as a whole church?

 - individually?

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Introduction

Luke 9:51-19:44 charts Jesus' journey to Jerusalem. It is not a chronological straight line, rather it is a journey in time within the context of the necessity of God's plan. From the time "Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem" (9:51), the tension increases. Journey notes punctuate the section (9:51,13:22,17:11, 18:31, 19:28,44). Jesus travels to meet his appointed destiny in Jerusalem.

In the context of this journey, Jesus has much to say about the reality of being His disciple. Jesus highlights the opposition to be expected and the joy of being part of His kingdom; He shows how love, prayer and listening to God are marks of discipleship; Jesus also warns us of the pitfalls of discipleship – the distractions or hard heartedness that would turn us aside from following Him.

This will be a challenging tour!

1

Luke 9:51-10:24**Appetisers...**

- Read the passage
- Draw up the following table

Identify the different people or groups in the passage, how they interact with others and why they do so. Fill in the table.

Participants	Action/Reaction	Reason

Main Course...

According to the passage...

- 1 What are the challenges and difficulties of following Jesus?
- 2 What are the joys of following Jesus?

- abilities

- 2 What changes need to be made in your priorities? How will it happen?

3

Luke 12:1-34**Appetiser**

- 1 Read the passage.
- 2 Write down 5 questions about the passage that puzzle you, intrigue you, you don't understand?
- 3 As a group, make a list of peoples' questions.
- 4 Discuss the questions people have raised.

Main Course

According to the passage, what should and shouldn't cause us fear or worry?

Dessert

- 1 What priorities are reflected in the way you use your:-
 - time
 - money

- 3 How does the passage shape our thinking about how people get to know God (see esp v21-24)?

Dessert

- 1 How should we think about Christian mission work both here in Adelaide and overseas?
- 2 Pray for those persecuted for their faith.
- 3 Use Luke 10:2 as the basis for prayer.

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Luke 10:25 – 11:13**Appetiser**

- 1 Using a big piece of butchers paper, get one person to lie down on the paper. Trace around them so you finish with an outline of the person.
- 2 Ask the group to write on the outline all the characteristics of a mature Christian person they can think of. No bibles allowed.
- 3 Read Lk 10:25 – 11:13.

Main Course

- 1 What does this passage tell you about God's character? Discuss.
- 2 What qualities should be part of following Jesus according to the passage?
- 3 How does your answer to the above question compare with the outline you drew?

Dessert

- 1 How passionate are your prayers? Why?
- 2 How do attitudes like the priest and Levite (v31 & 32) show themselves in our context?
- 3 Should a disciple be busy?