

# THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE LIFE, WORK,  
TEACHING AND CLAIMS OF JESUS CHRIST

## What is Expected of Me?

LUKE 3:1-15 | MAY 25 & 26, 2013

In this week's message we are introduced to John the Baptist. After significant time spent with God in the desert, he comes to deeply understand his role and plays a significant part in preparing people for Christ, calling them to repent, be baptized and serve.



Watch this week's summary message from Pastor Mike at <http://luke.christchurchil.org/resources>. (Videos will be live on Sunday afternoon.)

## WITH THE GROUP



### LEARNING | BEGINNING TO CONNECT WITH THE TOPIC

In your work, family, school, are you clear about what is expected of you? How do you know this?



### LEARNING | GETTING CLEAR ON WHAT WAS TAUGHT

What are some things that can be learned by the list of rulers and priests that Luke lists in the opening verses of chapter 3?

Discuss the meaning of the religious words – repentance and baptism? How do you think John's audience felt about his "encouragement" to repent and be baptized?



### LOVING | GROWING OUR HEART FOR A LOVING GOD

What was the most helpful or inspirational part of the sermon for you?

If Christ were to come to you unexpectedly (i.e. "before you prepared the way"), what is something you might be pleased he "is seeing"? What is something you suspect you would have wanted to "fix first"?



### LIVING | STARTING TO LIVE LIKE JESUS DAILY

As a believer and follower of Jesus, what is expected of you? How well does your life reflect those expectations? Is it time to confess or repent? Time to be baptized? Time for some "fruit" to grow?

What would most help you make progress this week? Is there someone who could help you do this?

## ON YOUR OWN



### PRACTICING

Spend a quiet and private time confessing to God and asking Him to restore you and empower you to do His work. (Consider 1 John 1:9 and Psalm 51)



### PRAYING

God, I confess that I often live with an attitude of independence and pride, not in submission and humility. I want to see myself and this world more as you do. I do confess my many sins and ask for strength to submit to you and love and serve others. I thank you that you have promised to forgive. I know without faith it is impossible to please you, but I pray by faith I can live a life that reflects my love for you.



### MEMORIZING

Micah 6:8 "He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."