

PERSONAL BIBLE STUDIES

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

Study Number 1

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THE PERSON OF JESUS CHRIST

All that is necessary to respond to the questions in this course is to read the Gospel according to Luke.

In this text, Luke recounts the life of our Lord Jesus Christ. Beginning with the account of the **Miraculous Conception** of Christ, by the Holy Spirit, in the womb of the Virgin Mary, he tells of His **Childhood**, His **Adolescence**, His irreproachable **LIFE** through **Adulthood**, His agonizing **Death** on the cross, His glorious **Resurrection** and finally His **Ascension** to God the Father.

Read the entire Gospel of Luke, carefully, before beginning to answer the questions. There you will meet Him who, being the Son of God, calls Himself **“the Son of Man ... come to earth to seek and to save that which was lost” (Luke 19:10)**.

Note: The number 19 indicates the chapter of the Bible text; the number 10 refers to the small portion of several lines called the verse.

Son of God, Jesus Christ was also the Son of Man, Luke tells us. How can these two apparently contradictory titles be explained? The Bible text is going to clarify this for us. Luke, an inspired author, wrote at the beginning of the first chapter **“it seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write an orderly account for you ... that you may know the truth concerning the things of which you have been informed” (Luke 1:3,4)**.

In order to respond to the following questions, re-read the passages as indicated.

1. **Who would be the mother of Jesus? (Luke 1:27)**
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2. **Who was Joseph? (Luke 1:27; Matt. 1:18-25)**

3. **What was the miracle of the birth of Jesus, and how would it happen? (Luke 1:34, 35).**

4. **Why can Jesus be called the “Son of Man”? (v. 31)**

5. **Why can He be called the “Son of God”? (v. 35)**

6. **How can we believe such a miracle? (v. 37)**

The truth about the birth of Jesus is very important. If we doubt it, we make the author a liar and we lose confidence in all the teaching he gives on the person of Christ.

During His entire life on earth, the Son of God displayed supernatural characteristics: He was endowed with supernatural KNOWLEDGE, knowledge of even the most secret thoughts; He had supernatural POWER; and His DEATH, the CROSS, the RESURRECTION and the ASCENSION, were supernatural.

Wouldn't it have been strange for Him to come into the world in a natural way? It was necessary that the life of the Son of God on this earth should begin by a miracle! And this miracle happened:

He was conceived by the Holy Spirit: He was the Son of God; He had a divine nature.

He was born of a virgin: He was the Son of Man: He had a human nature.

7. What name did the angel give Him? (1:31 and 2:21)

8. In what town was He born? (2:4-7)

9. Was He born in poverty or in wealth? (v. 7)

10. Tell the four great things that were announced by the angel. (1:32, 33)

11. How did the angels show their joy at the birth of Christ? (2:13)

We are going to see now, in the remaining passages, the numerous titles that were given to Jesus during the course of His life, by many different people.

12. What was the title given to Him by the angel, before His birth? (1:32)

13. What title did He receive from Anna at the time of His birth? (2:38)

From Elizabeth? (1:43)

From Simeon? (2:26)

**14. During His childhood, in what way was He different from other children?
(2:52)**

**15. What title did the people give Him when He raised a young man from the
dead? (7:16)**

16. The demons recognized Him. What titles do they give Jesus?

(4:34)

(8:28)

Why do they fear Him? (8:31)

17. What title does Peter give Jesus in response to His question? (9:20)

18. What title is given to Jesus by God Himself at the transfiguration? (9:35)

19. During the trial of Jesus, what does Pilate say about Him? (23:4)

20. What title was inscribed on the cross? (23:38)

21. After the crucifixion, what did the centurion say about Him? (23:47)

22. What title did His disciples give Him after His death? (24:19)

23. Back in Jerusalem, what did they say about Him? (24:34)

24. Go back to Chapter 9 and verse 44. What title did Jesus give to Himself?

What was the purpose of His coming to earth?

According to the same verse, what does Jesus Christ want to do for you?

Do you believe that Jesus Christ can save you?

We read in another gospel: "For God so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

According to the verse cited above, for whom did God give His Son?

What was God's purpose in giving Him?

What must we do in order to have eternal life?

In whom must you believe to receive eternal life?

Accept the gift of God now: His only Son, Jesus Christ. Receive Him. Did He come in vain? No, He came to seek you, in order to save you from the loss of your soul and to give you eternal life. Let Him find you today.

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