



Prescription for Life

The Gospel of Luke



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Practical Lessons in Discipleship: How to Drink Living Water

Luke 11



Announcements

1. Welcome back! Or welcome for the first time!
If you need a small group, see Shannon and Lynn in the back.
2. “Homework”—share in your small group.
3. An opportunity to drill a well—lead a monthly women’s Bible study at Texas Reach Out



Trust and Obey

When we walk with the Lord
in the light of his Word,
what a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will,
he abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.

Trust and obey,
for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus,
but to trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear,
not a sorrow we share,
but our toil he will richly repay;
not a grief nor a loss,
not a frown nor a cross,
but is blest if we trust and obey.

Trust and obey,
for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus,
but to trust and obey.

But we never can prove
the delights of his love
until all on the altar we lay;
for the favor he shows
and the joy he bestows
are for them who will trust and obey.

Trust and obey,
for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus,
but to trust and obey.

Then in fellowship sweet
we will sit at his feet,
or we' ll walk by his side in the way;
what he says we will do,
where he sends we will go –
never fear, only trust and obey.

Trust and obey,
for there' s no other way
to be happy in Jesus,
but to trust and obey.





PRACTICAL LESSONS IN DISCIPLESHIP: HOW TO DRINK LIVING WATER

Luke 11

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| 1. Prayer | Luke 11:1-13 |
| 2. Power and Light | Luke 11:14-36 |
| 3. The Heart | Luke 11:37-53 |



Review

Rx for Life = the character of God and
a characteristic of a disciple

“life as it is designed to function best”



“Faith in the gospel restructures our motivations, our self-understanding, our identity, our view of the world. *Behavioral compliance to rules without a complete change of heart will be superficial and fleeting.*”

Tim Keller, Counterfeit Gods



Prayer—Luke 11:1-13

- A pattern, not a formula
- Persistence
- Promised provision



Prayer—the pattern

- Papa—relationship
- Praise
- Petition

greatest desire

specific needs—daily food; forgiveness;
protection



Prayer—persistence

Persistence – “boldness” or “shamelessness”
won’t take “no” for an answer



Prayer—the promised provision

A – ask (not “beg”). Take needs to the Father.

S – seek. Ask and take action.

K – knock. Ask + action + persistence.

The promise—we will receive what we need; we will find what we need; the door will be opened.



Prayer

Take an inventory of your prayer life. What adjectives describe it?

Purpose: not to get hold of answers but to get hold of God!



Power and Light—Luke 11:14-36

Jesus' power and authority are from God; He will defeat Satan; He has brought God's Kingdom.

“If you're not for Me, you are against Me.”

“See to it”—light, not darkness, in our hearts



The Heart—Luke 11:37-53

- External actions vs. internal attitudes
- “Woes” are gracious warnings to save
- Sins of greed and pride
- Sins of arrogance, rejection of the Word, causing others to stumble
- The sin of hypocrisy



Practical Lessons in Discipleship

How to drink from the Living Water?

- Listen to God's Word
- Pray
- Rely on the power of the Holy Spirit
- Examine our hearts
- Choose to obey



