

# Prescription for Life The Gospel of Luke

Lamplighters Women's Bible Study November 12, 2014



# Lessons in Following

Luke 9



#### **Announcements**

- 1. All class fellowship next week—headcount today; suggested donation of \$6.00; bring a lunch for your child.
- 2. Shaped to Serve—this Sat. See Deb Rieber
- Manos de Cristo—tamales, coffee, chocolate.See Cheryl Banks
- 4. Shout out to our faithful location ladies! Maggie, Martha, Judith, Megan and their small groups

We will glorify the King of kings,
We will glorify the Lamb;
We will glorify the Lord of lords,
Who is the great I AM.

Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty,

We will bow before his throne;

We will worship him in righteousness,

We will worship him alone.

He is Lord of heaven, Lord of earth,

He is Lord of all who live;

He is Lord above the universe,

All praise to him we give.

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Hallelujah to the Lamb;
Hallelujah to the Lord of lords,
Who is the great I AM.

# Luke 9

1.	The First	Mission	Trip	9:1-10

- 2. Feeding the 5000 9:11-27
- 3. The Transfiguration 9:28-36
- 4. Back Down the Mountain 9:37-67



# The First Mission Trip—9:1-10

- 1. Commissions and equips for specific tasks—preaching, healing, casting out demons
- 2. Gives specific instructions—travel light, go quickly and urgently, accept hospitality, don't waste time. "theology of enough"
- 3. Sends them out
- 4. Report back



#### **GOD PROVIDES**

- 1. Preach the good news—that's our calling
- 2. Trust God for provision
- 3. Travel light—jettison what holds us back from declaring God's Kingdom
- 4. Faithfully execute
- 5. "Come apart"—designated time



# Feeding the 5000—9:11-27

- The logical solution vs. God's way
- $5 + 2 \neq 5,000$
- Jesus gives thanks and breaks bread
- 5 + 2 + X > 5,000
- Deny self, pick up cross and follow



# JESUS IS GOD, THE BREAD OF LIFE

- 1. Expect to be asked to do things for which our own resources are completely inadequate
- 2. Add X to the formula
- 3. Bring what we have to Jesus



# JESUS IS GOD, THE BREAD OF LIFE

- 1. Choose the low road
- 2. Deny yourself
- 3. Take up your cross
- 4. Follow Jesus



# The Transfiguration—9:37-67

"This is My son, whom I have chosen. Listen to Him!"



### JESUS IS THE SHEKINAH GLORY

- 1. Don't expect to live on the mountaintop
- 2. Take time to process mountaintop experiences before we share them...then share!
- 3. "This is My son, whom I have chosen. Listen to Him!"
- 4. Spend time in prayer...listening



#### Back Down the Mountain—9:37-67

- Another exorcism
- 2<sup>nd</sup> prediction of Jesus' death
- The disciples behave badly



#### **JESUS IS A SUFFERING SAVIOR**

- 1. Love—ourselves, other believers, those outside the church…our enemies!
- 2. Count the cost
- 3. Follow the Christ of Scripture
- 4. Obey promptly
- No excuses
- 6. Follow without conditions
- 7. All or nothing
- 8. Suffer because we follow Jesus



## V. 51—the turning point

"As the time approached for Him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem."



# THE essential question

"Who do YOU say that Jesus is?"

