THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

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DATE	LESSON	TITLE
August 2	1	Introduction to Luke; Preface, Birth of John Promised (1:1-25)
August 5	2	Annunciation to Mary, Mary's visit to Elizabeth, Birth of John the Baptist (1:25-80)
August 9	3	Birth of Jesus, Shepherd's visit, Presentation at Temple Flight into Egypt, Return To Nazareth, Jerusalem at 12, Growth (2:1-52)
August 12	4	Ministry of John, Genealogy, Visit to Nazareth (3:1-19, 23-38; 4:16-30)
August 16	5	Call of the Four, Healing a Centurion's Servant, Raising son of widow of Nain, Support of women, Final departure from Galilee (5:1-11; 7:1-17; 8:1-3; 9:51-56)
August 19	6	Mission of the Seventy, Good Samaritan, Martha & Mary (10:1-42)
August 23	7	Discourse on Prayer, Against the Pharisees, The Rich Fool (11:1-13, 27-32; 12:13-21)
August 26	8	Galileans slain by Pilate, Woman healed on Sabbath, Question whether few are saved, Reply to Herod, Discourse at Pharisee's table (13:1-14:14)
August 30	9	The Great Supper, Counting the Cost, Parables of Lost Things (14:15 – 15:32)
September 2	10	Parable of Unjust Steward, Law & Prophets, Divorce & Remarriage, Rich Man and Lazarus (16:1-31)
September 6	11	Concerning Forgiveness and Faith, The ten lepers, The coming of the Kingdom, Persistence in Prayer, The Pharisee and the Publican, Persistence in Prayer, The Pharisee and the Publican, Zacchaeus (17:1-21, 18:1-14, 19:1-10)
September 9	12	Parable of the Minas, Weeping over Jerusalem, The Lord's Supper, Trial before Herod, Women Lamenting, The Thieves, Women at the Burial (19:11-28, 19:41-44, 22:14-30, 23:4-16, 23:26-32, 23:39-43, 23:55-56)
September 13	13	The Resurrection, Two Men on Road to Emmaus, Appearances to disciples in Jerusalem, The Ascension (24:1-50)

<u>Lesson 10 Parable of the Unjust Steward, Law & Prophets, Divorce & Remarriage, Rich Man and Lazarus (16:1-31)</u>

Introduction: The teaching in the early part of this chapter was to His disciples (16:1), but it was heard by the Pharisees as (vs. 14) and it was doubtless intended for them as well.

16:1-13 Parable of the Unjust Steward

Many hold this parable to be the most confusing teaching done by Jesus. In understanding it, one must not suppose that Jesus was praising the steward's dishonesty. Jesus actually calls him "unjust" (vs. 8). What was commended, both by the master and by Jesus, was the steward's shrewdness in using his window of opportunity to prepare for the future. This is what Jesus is encouraging His disciples to do.

- 1. In what sense are Christians stewards of everything they possess?
- 2. List some things of which Christians are stewards.
- 3. How long will our stewardship last?
- 4. List the wise things this steward did that Christians should imitate.
- 5. What do you think Jesus referred to as "unrighteousness mammon" (vs. 9) and why would He refer to it with these words?
- 6. How can Matthew 25:34-40 and 1 Timothy 6:17-19 help us to understand Luke 16:9?
- 7. How much wealth must one have in order to practice what is taught in this parable?
- 8. There are many examples of individuals serving two employers. Why is it impossible for any slave to serve two masters?
- 9. Who are the two masters no Christian can serve?

16:14-15

- 1. Why did the Pharisees deride Jesus because of this teaching?
- 2. How do you think they would have explained their love of money?
- 3. List some things that are "highly esteemed among men" that are an abomination to God.

16:16-17 Law & Prophets,

- 1. Had the kingdom been established when these words were spoken? Can you think of ways that some were "pressing into it" before its time?
- 2. When was the law to pass away as the rule of faith for God's people? (See Matthew 5:18)

16:18 Divorce & Remarriage

- 1. What does Jesus state as the God's law of Marriage?
- 2. What is the value of considering Matthew 4:4 and 2 Timothy 3:16-17 in viewing this scripture?

16:19-31 Rich Man and Lazarus

Jesus is apparently still speaking to the Pharisees (See verses 14-15).

1. Compare <u>THE RICH MAN</u> <u>LAZARUS</u>

- a. Their appearance
- b. Their diet
- c. Their treatment at death
- d. Their destination
- e. Their condition
- 3. How would this refute the Pharisee's erroneous idea that wealth indicated God's approval?
- 4. List some evidences of the Rich Man's total selfishness and disregard for Lazarus.
- 5. Why could Lazarus not go and cool the rich man's tongue?
- 6. Why was there no need for Lazarus to go and preach to the rich man's brothers?

 What does this say about the value of miracles once revelation is complete?
- 7. What event in John 11 proves that the brothers would not hear Lazarus if he were raised?

 What did the Pharisees want to do to the Lazarus who was raised (John 12:10-11)?