

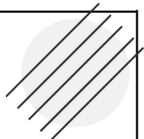
LUKE

PART TWO



DAILY JOURNAL

INTRODUCTION



Welcome to TFA Spring Life Groups! We are excited about this season. Our prayer is that as a church family and as individuals, we will grow in Biblical community and in our own personal walk with Jesus. This study journal is a tool to help you do just that.

We want to encourage you to jump into Life Group with joy and determination to be intentional about your time with God, in prayer and in the Word, and your contribution to your own life group.

Absolutely nothing can take the place of time in prayer and time in the Word when it comes to growing in our relationship with Jesus.

Missionary Dick Brogden talks about “tithing your time.” That’s 2 hours and 40 minutes of time daily abiding in the Lord. That is the formation of a powerful prayer life!

A **modified version** of that is a **devotional hour** with the Lord, daily.

It can easily look something like this:

- 10 minutes in worship
- 20-30 minutes in Bible Reading (& journaling)
- 20-30 minutes in Prayer
- 3 minutes in waiting and reflection

As you go through this journal, you’ll see that it is specifically created to help you establish meaningful time with the Lord most days of your week with prayer, Bible reading, worship song ideas, journal entries, and reflection questions in preparation for your life group.

We are believing for great things this life group season. May the Lord unify our hearts and draw us closer to Him!

In Christ,
Life Group Leader Team

WEEK

READING: Luke 12:1-48

ONE

Video Session 1: Do Not Be Anxious

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

“But seek his kingdom, and these things will be
given to you as well.” - Luke 12:31

WORSHIP SONG

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TIME IN PRAYER

TFA LIFE GROUPS

DAY THREE

Luke 12: 22-34

DAY FOUR

Luke 12:35-48

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1. What makes you anxious?
2. Pastor Greear will talk about “storing” & “spending,” that some people “store” out of fear of an unknown future, and some people “spend” to gain material things & seek significance. Anxiety is the root of both.
 - Do you struggle with either of these & how does it make you feel to know as verse 24 says, “Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable are you than birds!”?
3. Have you ever considered the truth of Jesus’ statement, “Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life?” How does this perspective help us to better trust the Lord?
4. Finally, in verses 31, & 34 Jesus says, “But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well....For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” Why do you think he has put these verses here in the middle of teaching on worry or anxiety?
5. Personal Application: How will I surrender anxiety to God this week?

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WEEK TWO

READING: Luke 12:49-14:35

Video Session 2: Not Peace, but a Sword

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

“I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.” -Galatians 2:20

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TIME IN PRAYER

Luke 12: 49-59

Luke 13:1-17

Luke 13: 18-35

Luke 14:1-14

Luke 14:15-35

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THEMES JESUS, CENTER OF IT ALL LUKE 12:49-14:35

1. Has your faith in Jesus ever caused tension within your family or friend circle? If so, why do you think that is?
2. What are some sacrifices you have made as you “take up your cross and follow Jesus”?
3. What does it mean to make Jesus the highest priority in our lives?
4. Pastor Greear talks about how Jesus deserves the highest priority in our lives, that He is exclusively Lord, and that Jesus suffered, motivated by incredible love for us. How does the fact that Jesus took up His cross motivate you to take up yours & follow Him daily?
5. Personal Application: How can I demonstrate a greater level of commitment to the Lord?

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WEEK

READING: Luke 15:1-17:37

THREE

Video Session 3: God's Reckless Love

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

“For the Son of Man came to seek and to save
the lost.” – Luke 19:10

WORSHIP SONG

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Reckless Love by Bethel

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TIME IN PRAYER

TFA LIFE GROUPS

DAY FOUR

Luke 16:16-31

DAY FIVE

Luke 17:1-10

DAY SIX

Luke 17:11-37

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THREE

THEMES: THE EXTRAVAGANT LOVE OF
GOD LUKE 15:11-32

1. When you read the parable of the Prodigal Son, who is the “star” of the story, and why?
2. Pastor Greear teaches that the parable of the Prodigal Son is where we see the heart of God for the lost. Even when we were far from Him, God loved us and desired us to be reconciled to Him. When you reflect on the incredible love of God, what is your response?
3. The consequences of sin can be used to bring us back to God. Do you have moments in your life where the consequences of sin were painful, but God restored you, as you returned to Him? How have these lessons and the grace of God shaped your life?
4. Pastor Greear warns not only about the younger son’s rebellion but also against the older son’s religious sense of self-righteousness. He notes that the older son was resentful of the father’s grace towards the younger son because he didn’t realize how much he needed grace himself. How can we avoid a prideful and self-reliant, religious heart?
5. Personal Application: For this week, let’s reflect on two things: Ask the Lord to reveal and remove things from our lives that are not pleasing to Him & to help us to rest in His grace with a heart of gratitude.

WEEK

FOUR

READING: Luke 18:1-20:40

Video Session 6: One Last Chance

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

“Above all else, guard your heart, for
everything you do flows from it.”

– Proverbs 4:23

WORSHIP SONG

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TIME IN PRAYER

TFA LIFE GROUPS

DAY FOUR

Luke 19:28-48

DAY FIVE

Luke 20:1-19

DAY SIX

Luke 20:20-40

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FOUR

JESUS, THE CORNERSTONE LUKE 20:9-19

1. In this week's lesson, Pastor Greear hits on the hypocrisy of the Pharisees & how our DESIRES can shape our BELIEFS, if we are not careful. Have you ever found yourself struggling to believe what the Bible says because it goes against your own desires? If so, explain. How do we submit our desires to God's truth?

2. The Bible says that "...now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation" (2 Corinthians 6:2). There is a sense of urgency to surrender to God's will today. We are fortunate to rest in His grace, but how can this urgency motivate us to keep our hearts penitent before the Lord and to stay focused on His will & His mission?

3. In the Parable of the Vineyard (Luke 20:9-19), the owner sends his own son to meet with the farmers, who kill him. And the owner says that he will give the vineyard to others to farm. It's a metaphor for the Father sending Jesus to Israel, who eventually rejected Him, which caused the Gospel to become accessible to the Gentiles. What can we learn about God's salvation, judgment and grace through this metaphor?

4. Personal Application: What can I do this week to lay down my own self-will & say, "Yes," to Jesus?

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WEEK

READING: Luke 21:1-23:31

FIVE


Video Session 9: Humanity on Trial

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

“...But as for me and my household, we will
serve the Lord.” – Joshua 24:15b

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TIME IN PRAYER

TFA LIFE GROUPS

DAY FOUR

Luke 22:63-71

DAY FIVE

Luke 23:1-31

Luke 22:39-62

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1. In this week's session, Pastor Greear discusses 5 people and their responses to Jesus in the final moments before the cross: Pilate, Herod, the Chief Priests, Barabas & Simon of Cyrene. Each encountered Jesus and either had a response to Him or was the beneficiary of Jesus' circumstances. When you think of Jesus and His journey to the cross, what is your initial response?
2. Pilate was preoccupied or indifferent to Jesus. Jesus tells Pilate that He (Jesus) is the King of the Jews & Pilate believes that Jesus is innocent, yet Pilate was more interested in keeping the peace than in TRUTH. Have you ever been tempted to keep the peace rather than pursue or stand for truth? What should our response be in the face of this temptation?
3. The Chief Priests were the proud. Sometimes the greatest resistance to Jesus comes from within the religious community, those who look good on the outside but don't recognize their need for Jesus' forgiveness. Our culture praises self-sufficiency. How can we maintain an awareness of our need for Jesus & not fall into the trap of self-reliance & pride?
4. Barabas is the guilty. He is literally set free at the expense of Jesus, and we can recognize that, spiritually speaking, we are all Barabas, deserving of punishment, but the beneficiaries of Jesus' sacrifice. How does this thought impact your thinking?
5. Personal Application: Practice daily living in the light of the cross. Allow it to generate gratitude for Jesus' sacrifice, peace and rest because of His grace, and a motivation to take up our cross daily and follow Him.

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WEEK SIX

READING: Luke 23:32-56, Is., Ps., Phil.

Video Session 10: Three Crosses

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

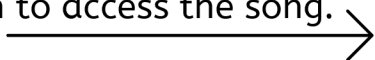
“But he was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on Him, and by His wounds we are healed.”

– Isaiah 53:5

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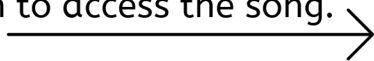
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TIME IN PRAYER

Psalm 22

Philippians 2:1-11

Isaiah 53:1-12

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1. When we are confronted with the cross of Jesus Christ, we come to a place of decision: will we reject Him or will we repent of our sins? In the light of the cross, we cannot stay indifferent. Why does a true picture of the cross compel us to either reject Christ or repent of our sins?
2. Our need for Jesus' salvation is universal, whether we've lived a notorious life of sin or have lived a moral life by the world's standards. Psalm 51:3-5 David, the Psalmist says, "For I recognize my rebellion; it haunts me day and night. Against you, and you alone, have I sinned; I have done what is evil in your sight. You will be proved right in what you say, and your judgment against me is just. **For I was born a sinner—yes, from the moment my mother conceived me.**" How does this truth (that we are all sinners in need of grace) change your perspective of God's grace for your life as well as God's grace for others?
3. The cross is what theologians call "The Great Exchange," where Jesus took on our sin, faced death & hell, so that we could take on His righteousness & never have to face the eternal judgment for our sin if we put our trust in Him. What kind of a response does this powerful truth create in your life & how does it change the way we live?
4. Grace is the undeserved acceptance of God poured out on all who put their trust in Jesus. The thief who repented on the cross only had hours to live. He had no way to "prove his worthiness," and yet Jesus said to him, "Today you will be with me in Paradise." Why? Because the thief BELIEVED that Jesus was the Savior and put his faith in Him. Grace covered all of the man's sin, as it does ours, too. How can we **rest** in the grace of God?
5. Personal Application: Daily prayer for this week: "Thank you, Lord, for Your grace that has been poured out upon me. I will walk with a heart of gratitude and remember what You have done for me. I will declare, 'The Lord is my light and my salvation - Whom shall I fear?' Help me to rest in Your grace, repent quickly, and rely upon You."

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WEEK SEVEN

READING: Luke 24:1-35, PS., Rom.

Video Session 11: If the Resurrection is True

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

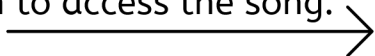
“Jesus said to her, ‘I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die...”

– John 11:25-26

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TIME IN PRAYER

DAY FOUR

Romans 5:1-11

DAY FIVE

Romans 6:1-14

Psalm 16

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WEEK SEVEN

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

THE RESURRECTION LUKE 24:1-35

1. Luke 24, verse 11 says that when the women told Jesus' disciples that He had risen from the dead, "...they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense." The disciples were not expecting the resurrection of Jesus, and yet their disbelief did not change God's plan. Have you ever experienced the grace of God in a moment when your faith was weak, you were unable to understand what God was doing, and yet He performed a miracle in your life? Explain.
2. The resurrection of Jesus is a cornerstone of the Christian faith. Paul says in I Corinthians 15:17, "And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins." We believe by faith that Jesus resurrected, but also what evidence do you see in Luke 24:1-12 that Jesus did in fact raise from the dead?
3. Where the women expected to find death, they found life. 2 Corinthians 5:17 says, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" Jesus makes all things new! How has He made your life new?
4. Jesus didn't resurrect the next day, but the third day. In the "in between," the disciples found themselves in a state of mourning & uncertainty. But Pastor Greear teaches that what we learn from this is that "those who wait upon the Lord will not be disappointed." How can we encourage ourselves and one another in the faith as we wait upon the Lord?
5. Personal Application: What can I do this week to practice waiting on the Lord or practice trusting Him in a season of uncertainty?

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WEEK READING: Luke 24:36-53 Acts, Joel, Is..

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Video Session 12: You Are Sent

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be My witnessess...” -Acts 1:8a

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TIME IN PRAYER

DAY FOUR

Joel 2:28-32

DAY FIVE

Isaiah 61

Acts 2:1-41

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THE MISSION LUKE 24:36-53

1. Jesus explains to His disciples in Luke 24: 36-49 that He has risen and has fulfilled the Old Testament prophecies. He tells His disciples to not be afraid. Have you ever been in the middle of God's will or plan where it was both wonderful and also a little bit frightening? Did you move forward in faith, and if so, what was the result?
2. Jesus leaves His disciples with a command to wait for power from on high, speaking of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Jesus was returning to Heaven, but He did not leave the disciples unequipped for the mission ahead. We, too, are called to be on mission. How can we walk daily in the power of the Holy Spirit? Is there something that keeps you from walking in the power of the Spirit?
3. All believers, not just some, are called to the mission of Christ – to make disciples. So it's not "if" I'm called, but rather where and how am I called? Are you living on mission; Is there anyone in your life that you're discipling? How can we be more intentional to live "on mission"?
4. Personal Application: What can I do this week to yield myself to the leading of the Holy Spirit and the mission of God?

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