

WELCOME TO ADULT BIBLE STUDY

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March-May 2020: JESUS THE MESSIAH

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FROM LAST WEEK...

The Prophecy to Israel...

"Behold, *I will send you Elijah the prophet* before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes."

- *Malachi 4:5*

*The Angel Gabriel to
Zechariah...*

...and *you shall call his name John... and he will go before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah...*to make ready for the Lord a people prepared."

- *Luke 1:13,17*

The Gospel Record...

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. *He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him.* He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

- *John 1:6-9*

The Teaching of Jesus...

"You are the light of the world...let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

- Matthew 5:14-16

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Session 3 – Luke 1,2

Jesus, the Deliverer, is Born

1. Jesus Was Born to be the Promised ***Eternal King***
(Luke 1:26-33)
2. Jesus Was Born to be the Promised ***Mighty Savior***
(Luke 1:51-55)
3. Jesus Was Born to be the Promised ***Humble Servant***
(Luke 2:4-7)

1. JESUS WAS BORN TO BE THE PROMISED ETERNAL KING (Luke 1:26-33)

Luke 1:30 And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.

Luke 1:31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus.

Luke 1:32 He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. *And the Lord God will give to Him the throne of his father David,*

Luke 1:33 and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end."

Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, *on the throne of David and over his kingdom*, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness *from this time forth and forevermore*. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

- *Isaiah 9:7*

FILL IN THE BLANKS

P. 28 – **Virgin Birth**: The virgin birth affirms that the eternal Son of God took on human flesh. The virgin birth is significant in that it serves as a reminder of Old Testament prophecies (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:22-23) while also affirming both the deity and humanity of Christ.

2. JESUS WAS BORN TO BE THE PROMISED MIGHTY SAVIOR (Luke 1:51-55)

Luke 1:51 *“He has shown strength with His arm;
He has scattered the proud in the thoughts of
their hearts;*

Luke 1:52 *He has brought down the mighty from
their thrones and exalted those of humble estate;*

Luke 1:53 He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty.

Luke 1:54 He has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy,

Luke 1:55 as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring forever.”

3. JESUS WAS BORN TO BE THE PROMISED HUMBLE SERVANT (Luke 2:4-7)

Luke 2:4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David,

Luke 2:5 to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child.

Luke 2:6 And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth.

Luke 2:7 *And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.*

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you by His poverty might become rich.

- *2 Corinthians 8:9*

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P. 30 – Christ’s Humiliation: Although God the Son was equal with God and worthy of all the glory God receives, He chose to humble Himself by taking on human flesh. He left His glorious state and came in the likeness of sinful flesh, and He experienced a humiliating death on a cross by becoming sin for us so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

- Philippians 2:5-8

Finally, all of you, have unity of mind,
sympathy, brotherly love, a tender
heart, and a humble mind.

- 1 Peter 3:8

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Session 4 – Luke 2

Jesus is Dedicated

1. Jesus is ***Dedicated to the Lord's Service***
(Luke 2:21-24)
2. Jesus is ***Recognized as the Lord's Messiah***
(Luke 2:25-32)
3. Jesus is ***Exalted as the One to Bring Redemption***
(Luke 2:33-38)

SESSION AT A GLANCE

This session recounts the encounter of Simeon and Anna with the long-awaited Savior of the world. These two saints' responses to beholding Jesus provide us with an example of the evangelistic joy that comes from an encounter with Christ.

1. JESUS IS DEDICATED TO THE LORD'S SERVICE

(Luke 2:21-24)

Luke 2:21 And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

Luke 2:22 And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord

Luke 2:23 (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord")

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Luke 2:24 and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons."

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, *born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law*, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

- *Galatians 4:4-5*

"Consecrate to me all the firstborn.
Whatever is the first to open the womb
among the people of Israel, both of
man and of beast, is mine."

- *Exodus 13:2*

"And when the days of her purifying are completed...And if she cannot afford a lamb, then she shall take two turtledoves or two pigeons, one for a burnt offering and the other for a sin offering. And the priest shall make atonement for her, and she shall be clean."

- Leviticus 12:6-7

2. JESUS IS RECOGNIZED AS THE LORD'S MESSIAH (Luke 2:25-32)

Luke 2:25 Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him.

Luke 2:26 And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

Luke 2:27 And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law,

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Luke 2:28 he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

Luke 2:29 "Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word;

Luke 2:30 *for my eyes have seen your salvation*

Luke 2:31 *that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,*

Luke 2:32 *a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel."*

FILL IN THE BLANKS

P. 37 – God is Faithful: God's faithfulness means He keeps His word and always fulfills His promises. God's faithfulness is demonstrated in His fulfillment of the promises He made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. We reflect God by keeping the promises we make to Him and to others.

"I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. Your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and *in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed.*"

- *Genesis 28:13-14*

He who calls you is faithful; He will
surely do it.

- *1 Thessalonians 5:24*

3. JESUS IS EXALTED AS THE ONE TO BRING REDEMPTION (Luke 2:33-38)

Luke 2:33 And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him.

Luke 2:34 And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, *this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed*

Luke 2:35 (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed."

Luke 2:36 And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She

3. JESUS IS EXALTED AS THE ONE TO BRING REDEMPTION (Luke 2:33-38 cont'd)

was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin,

Luke 2:37 and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day.

Luke 2:38 And coming up at that very hour *she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.*

But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession, and *through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere.*

- 2 Corinthians 2:14

NEXT WEEK

March 29, 2020

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The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the
love of God, and the communion of the
Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.

– *2 Corinthians 13:14*