



SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY



# TRIUMPH OF THE KING

LUKE 19:28-24:53

CORNERSTONE - AUTHORITY - FULFILLMENT

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**TRIUMPH OF THE KING – CORNERSTONE – AUTHORITY – FULFILLMENT (LUKE 19:28-24:53)** is designed and written for the Kingston Community Church family and its associated small group ministry.

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# LUKE 19:28-24:53: CORNERSTONE, AUTHORITY, & FULFILLMENT

## Cornerstone

A key context in our series is Jesus versus the religious leaders in Jerusalem. Expressed in Jesus' claim to be the 'cornerstone'.

In Isaiah 28:16, speaking of the leaders of Israel, we read...

So this is what the Sovereign Lord says:

"See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation; the one who relies on it will never be stricken with panic."

There is a nearly identical repeating of this Isaiah passage in Luke 20:17-18 when Jesus is talking to the religious leaders.

Jesus looked directly at them and asked, "Then what is the meaning of that which is written:

" 'The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone' ?

Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed."

Again, in Acts 4:11 we see Peter and John challenging the religious leaders.

Jesus is " 'the stone you builders rejected, which has become the cornerstone.' Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

The cornerstone is being established.

## Authority

Jesus' authority is revealed in several ways in our series.

His authority over the disciples to make Passover arrangements as we see Jesus directing events.

Jesus' authority in Instituting a new covenant when establishing the Lord's Supper and so superseding the ancient Passover.

His control throughout the trials he faced. Jesus was a composed figure. As events unfolded, Jesus was not blindsided by his betrayal, his arrest, or Peter's denial.

We also see Jesus' authority in the way he thought and responded to others. When confronted by the weeping women, and the distraught disciples. He calmed them and prayed for them.

Ultimately, we see Jesus' authority over the power of darkness. Even when it might seem that the world is doing its own thing, they are still under the Sovereign rule of God. Good has the final word, not evil.

## **Fulfillment**

At the heart of our series is certainty. A certainty promised by the writer (Luke 1:4) and a certainty revealed in the person and work of Jesus.

We see the fulfillment of Old Testament scriptures and can see how the Old Testament points to Christ.

There is a cumulative nature to the final days when it comes to all of Jesus' previous teaching and actions.

The Kingdom is fulfilled. The kingdom has come.

# LUKE

19:45-20:19

SERMON NOTES

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Jesus arrives in Jerusalem and enters the temple; driving out sellers he exclaims that they have turned the house of prayer into a den of robbers. Jesus then responds to questions about His authority with an unanswerable question followed by the parable of the tenants which points to the chief priests being the ones who will kill the Son of God.

### Open in prayer

### Opening question

Where do you go first when you visit a town?

### Read scripture

Luke 19:45-20:19

### Provide opportunity to share

What were the main truths you heard from the message on Sunday?

### Use the following questions to guide your discussions

- Describe Jesus' response to the sellers in LUKE 19:45- 48. Why do you think he confronted the sellers this way?
- Why do you think the Pharisees ask Jesus this question while he was teaching in the temple? LUKE 20:1-2
- Why do you think Jesus responds this way? LUKE 20:3-8
- Who is Jesus directing LUKE 20:9-19 at?

- What 9 things does the landowner do in this parable?
- In this parable who is the landowner, the vineyard, the tenants, the servants, the son and the cornerstone? LUKE 20:9-18
- What is the death of the land owner's son linked to?
- When it comes to taking responsibility of God's vineyard, what has God given us responsibility to care for?
- What are the range of ways people respond to Jesus today?
- How are we responding to Jesus daily?



# LUKE

**20:20-21:4**

SERMON NOTES

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The sadducees, pharisees and teachers of the law attempt to trick Jesus about questions regarding taxes and marriage according to the law. Jesus' responses outwit them and show his superiority and divinity. Jesus then challenge's them regarding His identity, and warns those in earshot about the religious leaders. Jesus emphasises the generosity of a poor woman who gives all she has in an offering.

### Open in prayer

### Opening question

How do you respond to argumentative people?

### Read scripture

Luke 20:20-21:4

### Provide opportunity to share

What were the main truths you heard from the message on Sunday?

### Use the following questions to guide your discussions

- How do the religious leaders hope to trap Jesus?  
LUKE 20:19-20
- How does Jesus respond in each instance of opposition?
- What does Jesus mean in LUKE 20:25?
- How does Jesus give substantial evidence for the resurrection? LUKE 20:34-38

- Why does Jesus warn people about the teachers of the law?  
LUKE 20:45-47
- Why are each group of people in the narrative opposing Jesus?
- How does Jesus show His superiority and divinity in the way He engages with those who oppose Him?
- How does Jesus reframe our perspective on giving in LUKE 21:1-4?
- What does this passage reveal about Jesus' authority?

# LUKE

**21:15-38**

SERMON NOTES

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In response to a comment from the disciples about the beauty of the temple, Jesus warns them about the impending destruction (70 AD). He then emphasizes that Kingdoms will come and go, many events will unfold but they are to remain strong in persecution, be His witnesses, read the signs of the times and hold strong to His words.

### Open in prayer

### Opening question

How do you feel about the world ending?

### Read scripture

Luke 21:15-38

### Provide opportunity to share

What were the main truths you heard from the message on Sunday?

### Use the following questions to guide your discussions

- Why was the temple so important to Israel and the disciples?  
How would they feel knowing it would be flattened?
- What are the two questions asked in LUKE 21:7?
- Knowing that many catastrophic events and wars will unfold, how are the disciples invited to find confidence and assurance? LUKE 21:14-15; 18-19; 27; 31; 34.
- What are the disciples called to do in LUKE 21:13 ?  
Cf: Mathew 28:18

- How do we 'bear witness' today and what opposition do we face?
- The disciples' confidence and assurance could have come from the role of the temple. How is Jesus inviting them to trust in something more significant and preparing them for what is to come?

# LUKE

**22:1-23**

SERMON NOTES

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The entire narrative of the bible points to the imminent death of Jesus which is historically celebrated with the passover meal now re-instituted with the remembrance of Christ through the bread and the wine.

### Open in prayer

### Opening question

Where is one of your favorite places to meet as a family? Why?

### Read scripture

Luke 22:1-23

### Provide opportunity to share

What were the main truths you heard from the message on Sunday?

### Use the following questions to guide your discussions

- What is the feast of the unleavened bread, and how does it fit into the passover?  
Cf: Leviticus 23:4-8
- Which two parts of the supper does Jesus single out to give new, symbolic meaning? Luke 21:14-21
- What is the connection between the Passover and Jesus' death and resurrection?  
Cf: Exodus 12



- What impact does Jesus' comment about his betrayer have on the disciples? LUKE 22:22-23
- What place does communion have in your understanding of who Jesus is and what he has done?

# LUKE

**22:24-38**

SERMON NOTES

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Even in the face of death and betrayal, Jesus continues to teach the disciples about leadership and servanthood. He emphasises that even the the Son of God came to serve. Jesus warns Peter of his upcoming denial.

### Open in prayer

### Opening question

Describe a temptation in your life?

### Read scripture

Luke 22:24-38

### Provide opportunity to share

What were the main truths you heard from the message on Sunday?

### Use the following questions to guide your discussions

- What does Jesus say about servanthood in this passage?
- How has Jesus' life been an example of servanthood?
- Who is the greatest in God's Kingdom?
- Explain LUKE 22:29 in your own words.
- If you were Simon in LUKE 22:31 and Jesus said to you, *"Satan has asked to sift you as wheat. But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail,"* how would you respond?

- What is Satans's strategy for "getting to you" or causing you to cave in ?
- What does it mean that "*what is written about me is reaching its fulfillment*"? LUKE 22:37

# LUKE

**22:39-53**

SERMON NOTES

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Jesus invites his disciples to join Him in prayer at the Mount of Olives where He pours His heart out to the Father, praying that the Father would take this cup from Him. He returns to find the disciples asleep then is arrested by Judas and his mobsters.

### Open in prayer

### Opening question

Where do you go to get away from it all?

### Read scripture

Luke 22:39-53

### Provide opportunity to share

What were the main truths you heard from the message on Sunday?

### Use the following questions to guide your discussions

- What is the significance of the place where Jesus and his disciples go? LUKE 21:39
- What is the cup Jesus is praying about? LUKE 21:42
- How does God strengthen him ? LUKE 21:43?
- What does Jesus reveal to us about prayer? LUKE 21:41-44
- The lynch mob came with many armed men. Why are their fears unfounded? LUKE 21:52-53

- What does Jesus mean by “your hour”? LUKE 21:53
- What strikes you about Jesus’ response to the mob?
- In times of crisis, how do you respond?

# LUKE

**22:54-71**

SERMON NOTES



## SMALL GROUP STUDY

Peter wrestles with guilt after denying Jesus three times. Jesus is brought before Pilate and Herod for interrogation with a range of false claims laid against Him.

### Open in prayer

### Opening question

Describe a time when you've felt like crawling into a hole and hiding?

### Read scripture

Luke 22:54-71

### Provide opportunity to share

What were the main truths you heard from the message on Sunday?

### Use the following questions to guide your discussions

- How are the three accusations made against Peter, and the subsequent denials, similar and different? LUKE 22:54-60
- At day break where does Jesus find Himself? LUKE 22:66
- In LUKE 22:67; 70 what do you notice about what they ask Jesus?
- What does Jesus' response mean in Luke 22:67; 70?
- What evidence have we seen across the book of Luke that proves this claim to be true in LUKE 22:70?

- What does it mean that Jesus is the Son of God?
- Why is an affirmative response to this question enough grounds to crucify Jesus? LUKE 22:71
- Who do you believe Jesus is, and how did you reach this conclusion?

# LUKE

**23:1-24:12**

SERMON NOTES

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After an unlawful and unjust prosecution before Pilate, then Herod, and upon the demands of the pharisee's and the teachers of the law, Jesus is taken by Roman soldiers and crucified between two criminals. One Criminal asks Jesus to remember him upon entrance to the kingdom; one soldier is confronted by the identity of Jesus. Jesus dies and is buried. The women visit the tomb the following day to find Jesus is not there.

### Open in prayer

### Opening question

Describe a time when you witnessed an unfair judgement or sentencing?

### Read scripture

Luke 23:1-24:12

### Provide opportunity to share

What were the main truths you heard from the message on Sunday?

### Use the following questions to guide your discussions

- What is the accusation against Jesus? LUKE 23:2
- How would you describe Jesus' tone and behavior across this passage?
- How would you describe the motives of those present?
  - Jesus
  - Chief Priests

- Pilate
- Herod
- Crowd
  
- How do you view the crucifixion?
  - Necessary evil?
  - Common tragedy?
  - Cruel and unusual punishment?
  - Triumph or justice?
  - ????
  
- Is Jesus' death for you a more dispassionate fact or an emotional experience?
  
- Describe how the different disciples respond?
  
- What hope does Jesus' death and resurrection give to you?

# LUKE

**24:13-53**

SERMON NOTES

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Jesus hides His identity as He converses with two disciples on the road to Emmaus. He expounds how the entire law and prophets point to Him as the Messiah. After revealing His identity, He vanishes then reappears in the midst of the disciples; eating fish to prove He is the risen Saviour.

### Open in prayer

### Opening question

Have you been to a surprise party? Describe what happened.

### Read scripture

Luke 24:12-53

### Provide opportunity to share

What were the main truths you heard from the message on Sunday?

### Use the following questions to guide your discussions

- Who is going where in this story?
- What are they discussing on the road?
- How does Jesus interrupt their discussion?
- Why does Jesus ask the questions He does? LUKE 24:17-19
- How does Jesus give them clarity in Luke 24:25-27, and why is this important?

- Why are the disciples having such difficulty believing?  
LUKE 24:36-41
- What was required for the disciples to understand?  
LUKE 24:42-45
- Describe the mission assigned to the disciples in LUKE 24:48?
- What is the difference between the absence caused by the crucifixion and the absence caused by the ascension?