

Life Group Notes – w/c Sunday 3rd January 2010

On Sunday we started a new series where over 13 Sundays between now and the end of April we will be working our way through all but the birth, death and resurrection narratives of Luke's gospel.

During the series we will be looking at **the works and words of Jesus**.

[NB. The discussion part of this section of the evening should last no more than about 30 minutes. Also, the notes below are by no means meant to be prescriptive. Please feel free to adapt or ignore them as best fits the group you are a part of – don't feel you need to cover every question!!]

Key Passage: Luke 3:1 – 4:30

It would be worth taking the 5-10 minutes necessary to read through the whole of this part of Luke's gospel together as a group.

1. What do you think Luke wants us to understand about who Jesus is from the passage above?

What are the implications of this for us?

2. In this passage all the action happens when God speaks (e.g. In 3:2 the word of the Lord comes to John – John subsequently emerges from the desert and starts his public ministry. In 3:22 a voice from heaven speaks to Jesus – He subsequently ends up having a duel with the devil in the wilderness. In 4:18-19 Jesus speaks to the people in the synagogue – they subsequently drive him out of town!)

How crucial is it to you to hear the voice of God in your day-to-day life? What action have you seen as a result?

3. What big issues are you facing in your workplace (or at home) at the start of this New Year? Where are the pressure points for you?

What temptation do you face and how will you overcome it?

This coming Sunday we will be covering Luke 4:31 – 5:39. It would be good to encourage the group to take the time to read this section of Luke before pitching up on Sunday.

Have a great time together!

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