

**Jesus Turns Toward Jerusalem (Luke 9:37-62) – Jesus' Ministry #6**

**Sunday, May 17, 2026**

**Are they ready?**

**Luke 9:37-62**

Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up, that He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem, Luke 9:51 NKJV

**What is the Spirit teaching you about Jesus?**

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**Jesus gently & patiently taught people to know Him better**

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**Jesus' majesty**

And as he was still coming, the demon threw him down and convulsed him. Then Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the child, and gave him back to his father. Luke 9:42 NKJV

And they were all amazed at the **majesty** of God. But while everyone marveled at all the things which Jesus did, He said to His disciples, Luke 9:43 NKJV

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### **Jesus' betrayal**

Let these words sink down into your ears, for the Son of Man is about to be **betrayed** into the hands of men." Luke 9:44 NKJV

But they did not understand this saying, and it was hidden from them so that they did not perceive it; and they were afraid to ask Him about this saying. Luke 9:45 NKJV

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### **Jesus' humility**

And Jesus, perceiving the thought of their heart, took a little child and set him by Him, Luke 9:47 NKJV

and said to them, "Whoever receives this little child in My name receives Me; and whoever receives Me receives Him who sent Me. For he who is **least** among you all will be great." Luke 9:48 NKJV

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### **Jesus' side**

Now John answered and said, "Master, we saw someone casting out demons in Your name, and we forbade him because he does not follow with us." Luke 9:49 NKJV

But Jesus said to him, "Do not forbid him, for he who is not against us is **on our side**." Luke 9:50 NKJV

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### **Jesus' mercy**

But He turned and rebuked them, and said, "You do not know what manner of spirit you are of. Luke 9:55 NKJV

For the Son of Man did not come to destroy men's lives but to **save** them." And they went to another village. Luke 9:56 NKJV

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### **Jesus' kingdom**

And another also said, “Lord, I will follow You, but let me first go *and* bid them farewell who are at my house.” Luke 9:61 NKJV

But Jesus said to him, “No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the **kingdom of God.**” Luke 9:62 NKJV

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**Are you ready for the next step God has for you?**

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### **This Week’s Gospel of Luke Reading Plan:**

May 17 - Luke 15 + Luke 10:1-24

May 18 - Luke 16 + Luke 10:1-24

May 19 - Luke 17 + Luke 10:1-24

May 20 - Luke 18 + Luke 10:1-24

May 21 - Prayer & Reflection

May 22 - Luke 19 + Luke 10:1-24

May 23 - Luke 20 + Luke 10:1-24

May 17

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In this series, we will be learning the story of David and Goliath. We will learn that even though we are small, God is always with us!

Memory Verse: "God is with us" Matthew 1:23 (Adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: God Is with Us All the Time

Parent Connect: Today we learned that David took 5 smooth stones with him to fight Goliath. Practice counting to 5 with your toddler through the week. Remind your toddler that just like with David God is with us because He loves us.



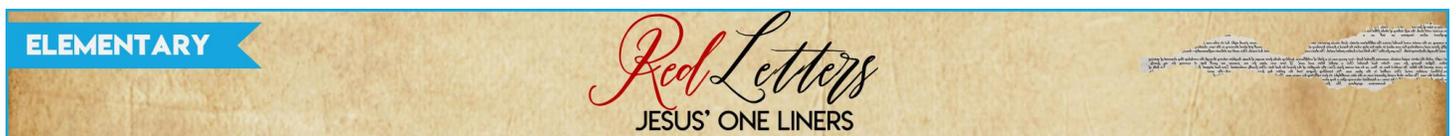
In this series, we are learning to Tell Everyone about Jesus! We will learn the stories of Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch, Saul becoming a Christian, Timothy and Paul and Silas in the earthquake.

Memory Verse: "Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son, and the Holy Spirit." Matthew 28:19

Heart of the Lesson: Tell Everyone About Jesus | Acts 16:11-40

Parent Connect: This week we learned about the story of Paul and Silas in prison! This week as you remind your kid what they learned from Acts 16:11-40, make this yummy jail snack together.

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Jesus had some drop the mic one liner, unforgettable moments. He said things that were so counter-cultural and life changing in just one sentence. In this series we will unpack four of those one-liners.

Memory Verse: He replied, "What is impossible for people is possible with God." Luke 18:27

Heart of the Lesson: He who is the least among you is the greatest | Luke 9:48

Parent Connect:

- Read: Luke 9:37–62
- Talk: Following Jesus means choosing him first. What is something we can work on putting second as a family so Jesus comes first?
- Do: Brainstorm together and set a goal for this week to work on putting Jesus first. Post it on your fridge or somewhere else you can review it together every day.

## DAY IN THE LIFE

Over the next seven weeks we are stepping back into A Day in the Life of Jesus from calling his disciples to sending out the 70. He prepared others to carry the message forward, and that includes us! As we spend this time walking through a day in Jesus' life we will ask what it looks like to follow Him daily.

Memory Verse: **“But he replied, ‘I must preach the Good News of the Kingdom of God in other towns, too, because that is why I was sent.’” Luke 4:43**

Heart of the Lesson: Jesus values greatness different than the world does – Luke 9:46-48

Parent Connect: This week in G56 we talked about the kingdom of God and how it is different than the world we live in today. Your student is about to transition into middle school for their first year or walk into a new year of 7th grade. Take time to talk about how this coming school year will be different and consider doing a prayer walk around your student's current school and their new one. Bonus exercise: you can also compare God's kingdom to this world and talk about how it will be different.