

# SESSION TWO

LUKE: PREPARE THE WAY



Bible study is not a class you take but a rhythm you keep as a believer.

## HEAR THE WORD

Watch the Session 2. Take notes on overview of the book to use as you dive into personal study this week.



The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.

Luke 4:18–19

## READ THE WORD

Read Luke 4 each day this week. Read at least three times from the ESV and read from other translations of your choosing on the remaining days. (You can find access to additional translations at [biblegateway.com](http://biblegateway.com) if you don't have physical copies of the Bible.) On one day this week, also read Isaiah 61. On two days this week, also read Mark 1.

## STUDY THE WORD

Pray and ask God to supernaturally help you retain what you have read through and learned as you answer the following questions:

1. **Recall, if you can, a season of isolation and temptation in your life. Do you feel this season was spiritual warfare? Why or why not?**
2. **How was Jesus uniquely prepared to withstand 40 days of tempting in the wilderness? How can we, as Christians, be prepared to withstand similar seasons?**
3. **Summarize Jesus' first sermon, in Luke 4:18–21**
4. **Why were those who heard His sermon so enraged?**

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. **Discuss the patterns of temptation you've observed in your life. How do you determine if they are spiritual attacks, or self-inflicted consequences? How can Scripture prepare us to withstand seasons of temptation and isolation?**
2. **Have you ever heard a pastor or teacher share a message that was shocking to you? How did you respond? How do we know when our leaders are speaking truth or speaking heresy?**
3. **Jesus aligned His preparation to His purpose by getting alone to pray – remembering who He was and to whom He belonged – and by protecting His time (Luke 4:42–44). Discuss what this model looks like for us, as modern-day followers of Christ. What is hard about this? Why?**