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Saint Luke, Evangelist, historian, "The Beloved Physician" (early first century AD)



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Saint Luke records The Good News of our Redeemer JESUS CHRIST in The Book of LUKE and the birth of The Church, CHRIST's Body, in The Book of ACTS. He is a Gentile and writes in Greek, evangelizing with Saint Paul, not only the Jewish world, but also the Gentile world.

"...a native of Antioch [in present day Turkey] and a physician by training, Luke authored The Gospel that bears his name [The Gospel of Saint Luke], as well as The Acts of The Apostles.

Luke accompanied Paul in his journeys and likely suffered martyrdom in Boeotia [Greece]. The three daily Gospel canticles in The Liturgy of The Hours - the Canticle of Zechariah (LUKE 1:68-79), The Magnificat (LUKE 1:46-55) and Simeon's Nunc Dimittis [The Song of Simeon] (LUKE 2:29-32)... are all found in his Gospel.

Luke is The Patrion Saint of artists, based on the tradition that he painted an Image of The Blessed Mother [and of physicians].

Saint Luke highlights JESUS' Proclamation of GOD's healing Word to all sorts of sinners and sufferers, from the grieving widow of Nain to the... tax collector, Zacchaeus, to the dramatic and anonymous woman who washed His feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair." \*

Saint Luke's Gospel is often represented as an ox, a symbol of sacrifice in the ancient world, testifying of The Divine Sacrifice of The Son of GOD, JESUS CHRIST, to redeem mankind back from sin and death and back to GOD The Father.

Saint Luke proclaims to all mankind, whatever our station and state in life, that The Kingdom of GOD is at hand, to repent, and believe in The Gospel of our Lord.

## LUKE 10:1-9

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6f6xFoFH\_Ck&list=RDd\_Ahm3jDvdQ &index=3

- 1 After these things The Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before His Face into every city and place, whither He Himself would come.
- 2 Therefore said He unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore The Lord of The Harvest, that He would send forth labourers into His harvest.
- 3 Go your ways: behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves.
- 4 Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes: and salute no man by the way.
- 5 And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say, Peace be to this house.

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6 And if The Son of Peace be there, your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn to you again.

7 And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: for the labourer is worthy of his hire. Go not from house to house. 8 And into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you:

9 And heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The Kingdom of GOD is come nigh unto you.

"LORD GOD, Who chose Saint Luke to reveal by his preaching and writings, inspired by The HOLY SPIRIT, The Mystery of Your Love for the poor of spirit, grant that those who already Glory in Your Name may persevere as one heart and one soul in Your Church, and that all nations may merit to see Your Salvation. Through our Lord JESUS CHRIST, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in The Unity of The HOLY SPIRIT, GOD, for ever and ever." \* AMEN.

\*["Saint Luke." The Magnificat, 10/18/2021. Introduction, p 278. Feast of Saint Luke, p 280. Adaptation of the Collect, p 280.]