

## COMMUNITY GROUP STUDY GUIDE

**Prince of Peace**

LUKE 19:28-48

**OVERVIEW**

Luke is the longest and most comprehensive of the four Gospels, presenting Jesus as the Perfect Man who came to save sinners. Growing belief and growing opposition develop side by side. Those who believe Jesus' claims are challenged to count the cost of discipleship; those who oppose him will not be satisfied until the Son of Man hangs lifeless on a cross. But the resurrection ensures that his ministry of seeking and saving the lost will continue through his disciples once they have been equipped with the indwelling Holy Spirit. Luke reveals that Jesus is the King, and he has come to inaugurate his Kingdom. (Adapted from *Talk Through the Bible*).

**APPLY // LUKE 19:1-27**

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1. Read Luke 19:1-10.
2. How does the story of Zacchaeus sum up Luke's Gospel to this point?
3. How does the story of Zacchaeus and Jesus statement in verse 10 encourage you?
4. How do verses 1-10 encourage and equip us to make disciples that delight in the supremacy of Jesus Christ?
5. What from the parable of the minas challenges or convicts you?

**OBSERVE & INTERPRET // LUKE 19:28-48**

Study the passage of Scripture aiming to faithfully interpret and apply what you observe. Remember we study God's word not just to increase our knowledge, but to increase our trust in and treasuring of Jesus Christ.

**Overview/Big Idea:** God fulfills his promises offering true and lasting peace to all who truly praise him.

1. Read Luke 19:28-40.
2. In verse 28, we read that Jesus is "going up to Jerusalem." What's the significance of this? See 9:21-22, 44, 51; 18:31.
3. What does Jesus ask his disciples to do? How did Jesus know about the colt and what would happen when they went to retrieve it?
4. What the significance of Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a colt that has never been ridden before? See Zechariah 9:9.
5. What does this text tell us about the faithfulness of God?
6. In verse 38, what are the people shouting? What do they mean saying "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest"?
7. In verse 39, what do the Pharisees do? Why?

8. Discuss Jesus' response. What does he mean "the very stones would cry out"?
  9. What does Jesus' response say about who he claims to be?
  10. Read Luke 19:41-48.
  11. Jesus sees Jerusalem and what does he do in verse 41? Why?
  12. What does Jesus desire in verse 42? Why don't the people know peace?
  13. What do verses 41-42 reveal about the character of Christ?
  14. In verses 43-44, what does Jesus prophesy? Does this come true?
  15. The first thing Jesus does when he enters Jerusalem is enter and clean out the Temple. Why? What's the significance of this?
  16. Why did Jesus say they had made the temple a 'robber's den'?
  17. How do these verses point us to the cross of Christ? How does cross bring about true and lasting peace?
- General Bible study questions:
    - **God:** What does this passage teach me about the character of God?
    - **Humanity:** What does this passage teach me about myself and my need for God?
    - **Christ:** How does this passage teach me that God has met my needs in the person and work of Jesus Christ?
    - **Response:** How should I respond with my affections and my actions?
    - **God:** How does this passage help me hope in heaven?

## ACCOUNTABILITY

Relationships developed and deepened during accountability provide regular encouragement, and when necessary admonition, to spur each other on to delight in the supremacy of Jesus Christ. Ask one another heart-probing, clarifying questions, and help each other apply the gospel to your lives.

**QUESTION:** How does Jesus seeking your personally comfort you during hard times?