



# THE ORIGINAL JESUS

*LIFEGroup Study Guide*



## Luke 4:16-19 // Social Gospel Jesus

### Getting Started

- *Larger LIFEGroups may consider splitting into same gender groups in order to facilitate more meaningful discussion.*
- *Groups will not have enough time to discuss every question. Leaders are encouraged to skip questions and make substitutions based on what's best for their group.*

### Warm Ups (15 Min)

- Everyone go around and share a “High” from the week and a “Low” from the week.
- Who were the “oppressed” in your hometown growing up?

### Scripture Study (30 Min)

- **HEAD - These questions help us examine what the Word shows.**
- Read Luke 4:16-19
- Jesus teaches that He has come to proclaim good news to the poor and set free those who are in bondage to addiction, sickness and demon possession. How does this passage proclaim good news to you?
- Who were the “outcasts” that Jesus came to save in the Gospels?
- While Jesus had compassion on the outcasts, he also taught personal responsibility. Read Matthew 10:40-42 and 25:29. How does Jesus’ teaching on rewards challenge those who do not believe in a merit-based economic system?

- Read 2 Thessalonians 3:10-12. How does this passage challenge those who desire redistribution of wealth, but will not work to produce wealth?
- **HEART - These questions help us wrestle with what we believe.**
- How do the above passages challenge your views?
- Who are the oppressed in our country today?
- **HANDS - These questions help us bring truth and beliefs to our everyday.**
- What is one thing God is calling on you to do differently as a result of this passage?

## Group Prayer (15 Min)

## Trios (20 Min)

*Same gender groups of three. If numbers are uneven, go to groups of two.*

- **Spiritual Velocity:**
  - How did you see God at work in your life this week?
  - What has God been teaching you in His Word as you've encountered it in this week's Life Journal readings, Sunday message, or LIFEGroup study?
  - What's an area of your life in which you know you need to repent or grow? How can we encourage you?
- **Joining Jesus on His Mission:**
  - What kind of conversations are you having with non-Christians? How's your 3-2-1 challenge going? Share about connections you're building and spiritual conversations you're having with non-believing neighbors and friends.
  - List the names of non-Christians in your life that you can pray for:  


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  - What good can we do around here? (Missional party? Service project?)
  - How can we help each other, our neighbors, and our city in prayer?