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Intro: The NT is comprised of 4 different writing *genre*.

- 1.** A *gospel*, of which there is four;
- 2.** A book of *history*,
- 3.** An *apocalyptic* book, and,
- 4.** An *epistle*, of which there are 21.

There are two main reasons we have 4 *gospels*:

- 1.** To get a *complete* picture of Christ,
- 2.** To verify the *truthfulness* of their accounts, **Deut. 19:15**.

Luke was the writer of both his Gospel account as well as *Acts*.

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While his main audience was *Gentile*, his message was to *sinner*s of every kind.

Luke was a *Gentile* who never *met* the Lord personally, and the only *Gentile* to have written a NT *book*.

Two *themes* given to Luke:

- 1.** The Gospel of *prayer*; 9 times we are referred to the *prayers* of Christ,
- 2.** The Gospel of the *Holy Spirit*.

Luke wants us to have *certainty* that the facts he presents in his *Gospel* are *historically* true and thereby, *believable*.

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A. Luke's Declaration

- 1.** By his *prologue* we see that Luke wasn't the *first* to write a Gospel account.
- 2.** Luke used several *sources*; about half of *Mark's* verses are in Luke's account.
- 3.** He used *eyewitnesses* and ministers of the *Gospel*, men who *lived* their faith daily.

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B. Luke's Determination

- 1.** Luke was an *historian* and was careful to *research* all his information.
- 2.** Luke was *guided* by the Holy Spirit, not forced or *manipulated*.
- 3.** His Gospel account is *rooted* in the facts of *verifiable* history.

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C. Luke’s Dedication

- 1.** His Gospel was very *personal*, therefore it was a *universal* gospel.
- 2.** While Luke intended his writing to be *personal*, God intended it for a much wider *audience*.
- 3.** Luke wrote to show us that Jesus is the *eternal* God who came in *human* flesh, in order to *seek* and *save* the lost, **Lk. 19:10**.