



North Church Message Notes

Something to Believe In
Week #1 — Skeptics Welcome
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“...so that you may know the CERTAINTY of the things you have been taught.” — Luke 1:4

What do we know about Luke, the author?

1. He was a 2nd generation Christian
2. He was a close companion of the Apostle Paul
3. He was a physician, not a pastor

What do we know about Luke, the gospel?

1. Written between 60-70 AD
(Mark 55 AD, Matthew 55-70, John 80-90)
2. Written with skeptics & new converts in mind
3. Was written alongside the book of Acts
4. It was written to a person named Theophilus

BIBLE Luke 1:1-4 NIV 2011

Certainty = exactly, completely, through and through.

But these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

-John 20:31

What we want skeptics to know...

1. We're glad you're here.
2. We don't want to "fix" you...we want to walk with you.
3. We encourage everyone to "carefully investigate."
4. We really want you to give the real Jesus a second chance.

Because even when life is coming undone, He is the only one able to hold it all together.