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### Luke

The Gospel of Luke

#### *Purpose*

To write a reliable historical account of the life of Jesus that would confirm the truth of the Christian message

#### *Author*

Luke, a physician and occasional companion of the apostle Paul

#### *Date*

Either around AD 59–63, during Paul's imprisonment in Rome, or between AD 70–90, using the Gospel of Mark as a source

#### *Setting*

Written during a time of increasing tension between Jews and Christians, in which Luke sought to demonstrate that those who believed that Jesus was the Messiah, both Jews and gentiles (non-Jewish people), formed the new people of God