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Luke

Luke 1

Luke 1:1

ULT:

Since many have attempted to compile an account concerning the things that have been fulfilled among us,

UST:

Many people have already been writing about the things that happened among us.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:2

ULT:

just as the ones having been from the beginning eyewitnesses and servants of the word handed them down to us,

UST:

They have been recording what the people who saw these things happen told us about them. Those people were there from the time when everything first started happening, and they have been sharing the story ever since.

Who were the “eyewitnesses” that Luke mentions?

The “eyewitnesses” were the ones who were with the apostles from the beginning of Jesus’ ministry.

What did some of the eyewitnesses do after they saw what Jesus did?

They wrote down an account or story of what Jesus did.

Luke 1:3

ULT:

it seemed good to me also, having carefully investigated everything from the beginning, to write for you an orderly account, most excellent Theophilus,

UST:

I myself have carefully investigated everything that happened from the very beginning. So I decided that I should also write an accurate account for you. Your Excellency, Theophilus,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:4

ULT:

so that you might know the certainty concerning the things that you have been taught.

UST:

I want you to know that what people have told you about Jesus is true.

Why did Luke decide to write his own account of what Jesus said and did?

He wanted Theophilus to know the certainty concerning the things he had been taught.

Luke 1:5

ULT:

In the days of Herod, king of Judea, there was a certain priest named Zechariah, from the division of Abijah. And his wife {was} from the daughters of Aaron, and her name {was} Elizabeth.

UST:

When Herod was the ruler of Judea, there was a Jewish priest named Zechariah. He was a descendant of Abijah, and so he took his turn serving in the temple with other priests who were also descendants of Abijah. His wife was named Elizabeth. She was a descendant of Aaron{, and so she was also from the priestly line}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:6

ULT:

And they were both righteous in front of God, walking blamelessly in all the commandments and statutes of the Lord.

UST:

God considered that both of them were righteous because they always obeyed everything that the Lord had commanded.

Why did God consider Zechariah and Elizabeth to be righteous?

God considered them to be righteous because they walked blamelessly in his commandments.

Luke 1:7

ULT:

But they did not have a child, because Elizabeth was barren, and they were both advanced in their days.

UST:

But they did not have any children, because Elizabeth had been unable to bear children. And now she and her husband were too old to have children.

Why did Zechariah and Elizabeth have no children?

They did not have children because Elizabeth was unable to bear a child. Now she and Zechariah were very old.

Luke 1:8

ULT:

And it happened that in his performing as priest before God, in the order of his division,

UST:

The time came for Zechariah's group of priests to take its turn {serving in Jerusalem}. So Zechariah was there working as a priest for God.

What work was Zechariah doing before God?

Zechariah was serving as a priest.

Luke 1:9

ULT:

according to the custom of the priesthood, he came up by lot to enter into the temple of the Lord to burn incense.

UST:

The priests chose Zechariah to go into the Lord's temple and burn incense there. They chose him in their usual way, by casting lots {to determine whom God wanted to perform a particular task}.

What did Zechariah do in the temple?

He burned incense to God.

Luke 1:10

ULT:

And the whole crowd of the people was praying outside at the hour of the incense offering.

UST:

When it was time to burn the incense, many people were praying {in the courtyard} outside {the temple}.

What did the people do while Zechariah was in the temple?

The people stayed outside the temple and were praying.

Luke 1:11

ULT:

Then an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing at the right side of the altar of incense.

UST:

Just then, an angel of the Lord came to Zechariah. He stood at the right side of the altar where he was burning incense.

Who appeared to Zechariah while he was in the temple?

An angel of the Lord appeared to Zechariah in the temple.

Luke 1:12

ULT:

And Zechariah was troubled, having seen {him}, and fear fell on him.

UST:

When Zechariah saw the angel, he became agitated and terrified.

How did Zechariah act when he saw the angel?

When Zechariah saw the angel, he was troubled and became very afraid.

Luke 1:13

ULT:

But the angel said to him, “Do not be afraid, Zechariah, because your prayer has been heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you will call his name John.

UST:

But the angel said to him, “There is no reason to be afraid {of me}, Zechariah. You have been praying, and God is going to answer your prayer. Your wife Elizabeth will give birth to a son for you. Give him the name John.

What did the angel say to Zechariah?

The angel told Zechariah not to be afraid and that his wife Elizabeth would have a son. His son's name would be John.

Luke 1:14

ULT:

And there will be joy and gladness to you, and many will rejoice at his birth.

UST:

You will be very happy, and many other people will also be happy when he is born.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:15

ULT:

For he will be great before the Lord, and he must never drink wine or strong drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit even from his mother's womb.

UST:

You and they will be happy because your son will be very influential for God. He must never drink wine or any other alcoholic drink. The Holy Spirit will begin to influence him even before he is born.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:16

ULT:

And he will turn many of the sons of Israel back to the Lord their God.

UST:

Your son will persuade many of the Israelites to stop sinning and to start obeying the Lord their God again.

What did the angel say John would do for the sons of Israel?

The angel said John would turn the sons of Israel back to the Lord their God.

Luke 1:17

ULT:

And he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of fathers back to their children and the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous—to make ready for the Lord a people prepared.”

UST:

Your son will go in advance of the Lord and he will be powerful in his spirit like the prophet Elijah was. He will cause parents to love their children again. He will cause many people who do not obey God to want to obey him and to live wisely and righteously. He will do this so that the Lord's people will be ready for him when he comes.”

What kind of people would John's deeds make ready?

John's deeds would make ready a people prepared for the Lord.

Luke 1:18

ULT:

Then Zechariah said to the angel, "How will I know this? For I am an old man, and my wife is advanced in her days."

UST:

Then Zechariah said to the angel, "How can I be sure that the things you have said will really happen? I am very old, and my wife is also very old{, so it is difficult for me to believe that they will happen}."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:19

ULT:

And answering, the angel said to him, "I am Gabriel, the one standing before God, and I was sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news."

UST:

Then the angel replied to him, "I am Gabriel! I stand in God's presence! God sent me to tell you this good news about what will happen to you."

What was the angel's name and where did he normally stay?

The angel's name was Gabriel and he normally stood in the presence of God.

Luke 1:20

ULT:

And behold, you will be silent and not able to speak until that day when these things take place, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time.”

UST:

Now listen! What I have told you will certainly happen at the time that God has decided. But since you did not believe my message, God will keep you from talking. You will not be able to speak until the day that your son is born!”

What did the angel say would happen to Zechariah because he did not believe the angel’s words?

Zechariah would not be able to speak until the child was born.

Luke 1:21

ULT:

And the people were waiting for Zechariah, and they were wondering at his delaying in the temple.

UST:

{While Zechariah and the angel were talking in the temple,} the people in the courtyard were waiting for Zechariah to come out. They wondered why he was staying in the temple for such a long time.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:22

ULT:

But having come out, he was not able to speak to them and they perceived that he had seen a vision in the temple; and he was making signs to them and remained unable to speak.

UST:

Then he came out of the temple, but he was not able to speak to them. Because he could not talk, he made motions with his hands to try to explain what had happened. This made the people conclude that he had seen a vision from God while he was in the temple.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:23

ULT:

And it happened that, when the days of his priestly service were fulfilled, he went away to his home.

UST:

When Zechariah finished the time he needed to work as a priest in the temple, he left Jerusalem and went back to his home.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:24

ULT:

And after these days, his wife Elizabeth conceived, and for five months she hid herself, saying,

UST:

Some time after this, his wife, Elizabeth, became pregnant, and she did not go out in public for five months. She said to herself,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:25

ULT:

“Thus the Lord has done for me, in the days in which he looked upon {me}, to take away my disgrace among men.”

UST:

“The Lord has enabled me to become pregnant. In this way, he has shown compassion to me. Thanks to him, I no longer have to feel ashamed around other people.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:26

ULT:

And in the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city in Galilee whose name {was} Nazareth,

UST:

When Elizabeth had been pregnant for six months, God sent the angel Gabriel to a town called Nazareth in the district of Galilee.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:27

ULT:

to a virgin engaged to a man whose name {was} Joseph, of the house of David, and the name of the virgin {was} Mary.

UST:

God sent him there to speak to a virgin whose name was Mary. {Her parents had promised that} she would marry a man named Joseph, who was a descendant of King David.

Sixth months after Elizabeth's conception, who was Gabriel sent by God to see?

He was sent to a virgin named Mary, who was engaged to Joseph, a descendant of David.

Luke 1:28

ULT:

And coming to her, the angel said, "Rejoice, favored one! The Lord {is} with you."

UST:

The angel came to where Mary was and said to her, "Hello, blessed one! You are very special to the Lord!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:29

ULT:

But she was troubled by the words and she was considering what kind of greeting this might be.

UST:

But when he said this, she was confused. She had to try to understand what this greeting could mean.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:30

ULT:

And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.

UST:

Then the angel said to her, "God desires to bless you, Mary, so do not be afraid!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:31

ULT:

And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will call his name Jesus.

UST:

Now listen. You will become pregnant, and you will give birth to a son. Give him the name Jesus.

What did the angel say would happen to Mary?

The angel said that Mary would become pregnant and bear a son, whom she would call Jesus.

Luke 1:32

ULT:

He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David.

UST:

He will be great, and he will be the Son of God Most High. God the Lord will make him king over his people, just as his ancestor David was.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:33

ULT:

And he will reign over the house of Jacob to eternity, and there will be no end of his kingship.”

UST:

He will always be the king over the people of Israel. He will rule over them forever!”

What would the child do?

The child would reign over the descendants of Jacob forever, and there would be no end to his kingdom.

Luke 1:34

ULT:

But Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I have not known a man?"

UST:

Then Mary said to the angel, "But I am a virgin. So how can this happen?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:35

ULT:

And answering, the angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore, the holy one being born will be called the Son of God."

UST:

The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you. The power of God Most High will be like a shadow falling on you. So the baby you give birth to will be holy. He will be the Son of God."

How did the angel say this would happen since Mary was a virgin?

The angel said that the Holy Spirit would come upon Mary and the power of the Most High would overshadow her.

The angel said that this holy child would be whose son?

The angel said that the child would be called the Son of God.

Luke 1:36

ULT:

And behold, your relative Elizabeth—she also has conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her, the one called barren.

UST:

Also listen to this. Your relative Elizabeth is also pregnant, and she is going to have a son. Because she is very old, people thought that she could not bear children. But she has been pregnant now for almost six months.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:37

ULT:

For every word will not be impossible for God.”

UST:

So you see, God can do anything!”

What did the angel say is not impossible for God?

Every word is not impossible for God.

Luke 1:38

ULT:

Then Mary said, "Behold, the female servant of the Lord. May it happen to me according to your word." Then the angel went away from her.

UST:

Then Mary said, "All right. I am willing to obey the Lord. God can make the things you have described happen to me." Then the angel left her.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:39

ULT:

Then Mary arose in those days {and} went with haste into the hill country, to a city of Judah,

UST:

Very soon after that, Mary got ready and traveled as quickly as she could to the city where Zechariah lived, which was in the highlands of Judea.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:40

ULT:

and she entered into the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

UST:

She entered Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth, his wife.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:41

ULT:

And it happened that, when Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby in her womb leaped, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.

UST:

As soon as Elizabeth heard Mary greet her, the baby inside Elizabeth suddenly moved. Immediately the Holy Spirit inspired Elizabeth to speak.

When Mary greeted Elizabeth, what did Elizabeth's baby do?

The baby leaped in her womb for joy.

Luke 1:42

ULT:

And she exclaimed in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

UST:

She exclaimed loudly to Mary, "God has blessed you more than he has blessed any other woman, and he has blessed the baby you will bear!"

Who did Elizabeth say was blessed?

Elizabeth said that Mary and her baby were blessed.

Luke 1:43

ULT:

And from where {is} this to me, that the mother of my Lord would come to me?

UST:

I am not worthy of this, that you, the mother of my Lord, should come to visit me!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:44

ULT:

For behold, as soon as the sound of your greeting was in my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy.

UST:

I know all of this because as soon as I heard you greet me, the baby in my womb started moving around because he was so excited!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:45

ULT:

And blessed {is} the one having believed that there would be a fulfillment of the {things that} had been spoken to her from the Lord.”

UST:

You are blessed because you believed that what the Lord told you would come true.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:46

ULT:

And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord,

UST:

Then Mary praised God by saying: "Oh, how I praise the Lord

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:47

ULT:

and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior.

UST:

and I feel very joyful about God, the one who saves me!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:48

ULT:

For he has looked upon the low condition of his female servant. For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed,

UST:

I am happy because he was gracious to me, even though I was not very important. Just imagine this—from now on, people living at all times in the future will say that God has blessed me.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:49

ULT:

for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and his name {is} holy,

UST:

They will say this because God, the Powerful and Holy One, has done great things for me.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:50

ULT:

and his mercy {is} unto generation and generation to the ones fearing him.

UST:

He acts mercifully throughout all time periods to the people who revere him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:51

ULT:

He has done mighty deeds with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

UST:

He has shown people that he is very powerful. He has routed those who think proudly within themselves.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:52

ULT:

He has thrown down rulers from their thrones and he has raised up the lowly.

UST:

He has made rulers stop ruling, but he has honored people who are lowly.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:53

ULT:

He has filled the hungry with good things, but the rich he has sent away empty.

UST:

He has let people who were hungry eat good food until they were full, but he has sent rich people away without giving them anything.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:54

ULT:

He has helped Israel his servant, to remember his mercy,

UST:

He has helped Israel, the people who serve him. Long ago he promised our ancestors that he would be merciful to them. He has kept that promise and has always acted mercifully toward Abraham and all who descended from him.” (vv54-55)

Why did God help his servant Israel?

God remembered his mercy.

Luke 1:55

ULT:

as he spoke to our fathers—to Abraham and to his seed in the ages {past}.”

UST:

He has helped Israel, the people who serve him. Long ago he promised our ancestors that he would be merciful to them. He has kept that promise and has always acted mercifully toward Abraham and all who descended from him.” (vv54-55)

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:56

ULT:

And Mary stayed with her about three months, and returned to her house.

UST:

Mary stayed with Elizabeth for about three months. After that, she went back home.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:57

ULT:

And the time was fulfilled for Elizabeth for her to deliver, and she gave birth to a son.

UST:

When it was time for Elizabeth to give birth to her child, she bore a son.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:58

ULT:

And her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had magnified his mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her.

UST:

When her neighbors and relatives heard about how kind the Lord had been to her by giving her a son, they were very happy along with Elizabeth.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:59

ULT:

And it happened that, on the eighth day, they came to circumcise the child, and they were going to call {him} after the name of his father, Zechariah.

UST:

Eight days later, people gathered together for the ceremony to circumcise the baby {to show that he belonged to God}. {This was also the time to give the baby a name.} The people wanted to name the baby Zechariah because that was his father's name.

On the day of circumcision, what would they normally have named Elizabeth's son?

Normally, they would name him Zechariah, after his father.

Luke 1:60

ULT:

But answering, his mother said, "No. Rather, he will be called John."

UST:

But his mother said, "No, {his name will not be Zechariah.} His name will be John!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:61

ULT:

But they said to her, "There is no one among your relatives who is called by this name."

UST:

So they said to her, "But John is not the name of any of your relatives!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:62

ULT:

Then they made signs to his father as to what he wanted to call him.

UST:

Then they made motions with their hands to his father, asking him to indicate what name he wanted to give to his son.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:63

ULT:

And asking for a writing tablet, he wrote, saying, "His name is John." And they all were astonished.

UST:

So he signaled that they should give him a tablet to write on. {When they gave him one,} he wrote on it, "His name is John." This amazed all of the people who were there!

What did Zechariah write when asked what the name of the child should be?

Zechariah wrote "His name is John."

Luke 1:64

ULT:

Then immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue, and he spoke, blessing God.

UST:

Immediately, Zechariah was able to speak again, and he began praising God.

What happened to Zechariah immediately after he wrote the child's name?

Immediately after he wrote the child's name, Zechariah spoke and praised God.

Luke 1:65

ULT:

And fear came on all the ones living around them, and all these matters were being talked about throughout all the hill country of Judea.

UST:

{When} the people who lived nearby {heard about these things, they} felt a deep reverence for God. {They told many other people about what had happened,} and this news spread to people throughout the highlands of Judea.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:66

ULT:

And all the ones having heard stored in their hearts, saying, “What then will this child become?” For indeed the hand of the Lord was with him.

UST:

Everyone who heard about these things kept thinking about them. They thought, “Certainly this child will grow up to be someone very special!” {They thought this} because {they could see that} the Lord was present in his life in a powerful way.

Because of all these events, what did everyone realize about the child?

They realized that the hand of the Lord was with him.

Luke 1:67

ULT:

And his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying,

UST:

After the child's father, Zechariah, could speak again, the Holy Spirit inspired Zechariah and he spoke these words from God:

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:68

ULT:

"Blessed {be} the Lord, the God of Israel, for he has visited and has accomplished redemption for his people.

UST:

"Praise the Lord, the God whom we people of Israel worship, because he has come to set us, his people, free.

What had God now accomplished that caused Zechariah to praise God?

God had now accomplished redemption for his people.

Luke 1:69

ULT:

And he has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David

UST:

He has sent someone who will powerfully save us, someone who is descended from David, whom he chose to be king.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:70

ULT:

(as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from eternity),

UST:

(Long ago God inspired his prophets to say that he would do these things.)

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:71

ULT:

salvation from our enemies and from the hand of all the ones hating us;

UST:

{God is sending this deliverer} to save us from our enemies, and {he will rescue us} from the power of everyone who hates us.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:72

ULT:

to show mercy to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant,

UST:

God has done this because he is faithful to our ancestors and so he is keeping the holy promise that he made to them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:73

ULT:

the oath that he swore to Abraham our father, to grant us

UST:

This is the promise that he solemnly swore to our ancestor Abraham about what he would do for us.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:74

ULT:

to serve him fearlessly, having been delivered out of the hand of our enemies,

UST:

He promised that he would rescue us from the power of our enemies so that we could serve him without being afraid of them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:75

ULT:

in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.

UST:

As a result, we could live in the right way, as people who completely belong to him, for as long as we live.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:76

ULT:

And indeed, you, child, will be called a prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his paths;

UST:

{Then Zechariah said to his baby son,} “And as for you, my child, you will be a prophet of the Most High God. You will begin your work before the Lord comes so that you can prepare the people to be ready for him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:77

ULT:

to give the knowledge of salvation to his people through forgiveness of their sins,

UST:

You will tell God's people that he wants to save them by forgiving their sins.

What was it Zechariah prophesied that his child John would help the people to know?

John would help the people know how they could be saved through the forgiveness of their sins.

Luke 1:78

ULT:

because of the tender mercy of our God, by which the sunrise from on high will visit us,

UST:

God wants to save us because he is compassionate and merciful. That is why he is sending this Savior from heaven to help us.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:79

ULT:

to shine on the ones sitting in darkness and a shadow of death; to guide our feet into a path of peace.”

UST:

This Savior will show the truth to those who do not know it, even to those who do not know it at all. He will show us how to live in a way that pleases God.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 1:80

ULT:

And the child was growing and was being strengthened in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day of his public appearance to Israel.

UST:

Over time, Zechariah and Elizabeth's baby boy grew up and became spiritually strong. Then he went to live in a desolate region. He was still living there when he began to preach publicly to God's people, Israel.

Where did John grow up and live until he began to appear publicly?

John grew up and lived in the wilderness.

Luke 2

Luke 2:1

ULT:

And in those days, it happened that a decree went out from Caesar Augustus for all the world to register.

UST:

Also during that time, Caesar Augustus{, who ruled over the whole Roman Empire,} commanded that every person living in his empire had to register {his name in an official list of the people who lived there}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:2

ULT:

This first registration happened {while} Quirinius was governing Syria.

UST:

This was the first time that the Romans recorded the names of everyone living in their empire. They did this during the time when Quirinius was the governor of the province of Syria.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:3

ULT:

And everyone was traveling to register himself, each one to his own city.

UST:

So everyone had to go to his family's hometown to register.

Where did the people go to be registered for the census?

The people went to their own town to be registered.

Luke 2:4

ULT:

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family line of David.

UST:

Joseph also traveled to his family's hometown, along with Mary, who was engaged to him and was pregnant. Because Joseph was a descendant of King David, they left the town of Nazareth in the region of Galilee and traveled to the region of Judea, to the town of Bethlehem, which is also known as the city of David. Joseph and Mary went there to be registered in the public record. (vv4-5)

Why did Joseph go to Bethlehem with Mary to be registered there?

Joseph and Mary went to Bethlehem because Joseph was a descendant of David.

Luke 2:5

ULT:

He registered himself with Mary, the one that had been engaged to him, being pregnant.

UST:

Joseph also traveled to his family's hometown, along with Mary, who was engaged to him and was pregnant. Because Joseph was a descendant of King David, they left the town of Nazareth in the region of Galilee and traveled to the region of Judea, to the town of Bethlehem, which is also known as the city of David. Joseph and Mary went there to be registered in the public record. (vv4-5)

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:6

ULT:

And it happened that, while they were there, the days were fulfilled for her to deliver.

UST:

When they arrived in Bethlehem, there was no place for them to stay in a place where visitors usually stayed. So they had to stay in a place where animals slept overnight. While they were there the time came for Mary to give birth and she gave birth to her first child, a son. She wrapped him in wide strips of cloth and laid him down where the food was kept for the animals inside the barn. (vv6-7)

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:7

ULT:

And she delivered her firstborn son, and she wrapped him in strips of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

UST:

When they arrived in Bethlehem, there was no place for them to stay in a place where visitors usually stayed. So they had to stay in a place where animals slept overnight. While they were there the time came for Mary to give birth and she gave birth to her first child, a son. She wrapped him in wide strips of cloth and laid him down where the food was kept for the animals inside the barn. (vv6-7)

When Mary gave birth to her son, where did she place him?

When the child was born, Mary placed him in a manger.

Luke 2:8

ULT:

And there were shepherds in that area, staying in the open and keeping watch over their flock at night.

UST:

There were some shepherds camping out in the open country near Bethlehem that night. They were there taking care of their sheep.

What were the shepherds doing that night?

They were staying in the open and keeping watch over their flocks.

Luke 2:9

ULT:

And an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they feared a great fear.

UST:

Suddenly they saw an angel from the Lord standing in front of them. A glorious light from the Lord shone all over them. They became very afraid.

How did the shepherds react when they saw the angel?

The shepherds were very afraid.

Luke 2:10

ULT:

And the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy, which will be to all the people.

UST:

But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid! Listen carefully, because I have come to tell you very good news! This news is for all people, and should make everyone rejoice!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:11

ULT:

For today has been born for you in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord!

UST:

They will rejoice because today, in Bethlehem, King David's hometown, the person was born who will save you {from your sins}! He is the Messiah, the Lord!

What good news did the angel give to the shepherds?

The angel told the shepherds that the Savior had been born, the one who is Christ the Lord.

Luke 2:12

ULT:

And this {will be} the sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in strips of cloth and lying in a manger.”

UST:

And here is a sign for you. {If you go to Bethlehem,} you will find a baby there wrapped in strips of cloth and lying in a feeding place for animals.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:13

ULT:

And suddenly a multitude of the heavenly army was with the angel, praising God, and saying,

UST:

Suddenly a large group of angels from heaven appeared with the other angel. They were all praising God by saying,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:14

ULT:

“Glory in the highest to God, and on earth, peace among men of good pleasure.”

UST:

“In the highest heaven may all the angels praise God! And on the earth may all the people who please God be peaceful {with God and each other}!”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:15

ULT:

And it happened that, when the angels had gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to each other, "Let us indeed go over as far as Bethlehem, and let us see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us."

UST:

When the angels left them and returned to heaven, the shepherds said to each other, "We should go right now to Bethlehem and see this wonderful thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about!"

What did the shepherds decide to do after the angels left them?

The shepherds decided to go to Bethlehem to see the child that had been born.

Luke 2:16

ULT:

And they went hastening and found both Mary and Joseph, and the baby, lying in the manger.

UST:

So they went quickly, and when they had found {the place where} Mary and Joseph {were staying}, they saw the baby lying in a feeding place for animals.

What did the shepherds find in Bethlehem?

The shepherds found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.

Luke 2:17

ULT:

And having seen him, they made known about the message that had been told to them about this child.

UST:

After they had seen him, they told everyone what the Lord had revealed to them about this baby.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:18

ULT:

And all the ones having heard {it} were amazed concerning the things that were spoken to them by the shepherds.

UST:

All the people who were listening thought that what the shepherds told them was amazing.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:19

ULT:

But Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart.

UST:

But Mary carefully remembered all of these things and thought about them continually.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:20

ULT:

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for everything that they had heard and seen, just as it had been spoken to them.

UST:

The shepherds returned {to the fields where their sheep were}. They kept talking about how great God is and praising him for all of the things that they had heard and seen. Everything had been exactly as the angel had told them it would be.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:21

ULT:

And when eight days had been fulfilled to circumcise him, then his name was called Jesus, {which} he had been called by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

UST:

On the eighth day after the baby was born, they circumcised him and gave him the name Jesus. This was the name that the angel had told them to give him even before Mary had become pregnant with him.

When was Jesus circumcised?

Jesus was circumcised on the eighth day after his birth.

Luke 2:22

ULT:

And when the days of their purification had been fulfilled, according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present {him} to the Lord

UST:

Mary and Joseph waited the number of days that the law of Moses required for her to become ceremonially clean again after having a baby. Then they brought him to Jerusalem so that they could dedicate him to the Lord {in the temple}.

Why did Joseph and Mary bring the baby Jesus to the temple in Jerusalem?

They brought him to the temple to present him to the Lord and to offer a sacrifice that was commanded in the Law of Moses.

Luke 2:23

ULT:

(just as it is written in the law of the Lord, “Every male who opens the womb will be called holy to the Lord”),

UST:

They did this to obey the law of the Lord, which says, “You must set apart for the Lord every male offspring who is the first to be born.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:24

ULT:

and to offer a sacrifice according to {what} had been said in the law of the Lord, “a pair of doves or two young pigeons.”

UST:

There they offered the sacrifice that the law of the Lord told the parents of a newborn son to offer, “two turtledoves or two young pigeons.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:25

ULT:

And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name {was} Simeon, and this man {was} righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him.

UST:

At that time there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. He did what was pleasing to God and obeyed God's laws. He was eagerly waiting for God to send the Messiah to encourage the people of Israel. The Holy Spirit was directing him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:26

ULT:

And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

UST:

The Holy Spirit had previously revealed to him that before he died, the Lord would send the Messiah and he would get to see him.

What did the Holy Spirit reveal to Simeon?

The Holy Spirit revealed to Simeon that he would not die before he saw the Lord's Christ.

Luke 2:27

ULT:

And he came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus for them to do according to the custom of the law concerning him,

UST:

So the Holy Spirit led Simeon to go into the temple courtyard. He was there when Joseph and Mary brought in the baby Jesus so that they could perform the ceremony for him that God had commanded in the law.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:28

ULT:

and he took him into his arms and blessed God, and he said,

UST:

{When Simeon saw Jesus,} he picked him up in his arms and thanked God, and then he said,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:29

ULT:

"You are now dismissing your servant in peace, Lord, according to your word."

UST:

"Lord, you have kept your promise to me, and now I am content for you to let me die."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:30

ULT:

For my eyes have seen your salvation,

UST:

Because I have seen the one whom you have sent to save people,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:31

ULT:

which you have prepared before the face of all the peoples:

UST:

the one whom you have prepared for all people to see.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:32

ULT:

A light for revelation to the Gentiles and glory to your people Israel.”

UST:

He will be like a light that will reveal your truth to the other nations. He will show how glorious your plan is for Israel, your people.”

What did Simeon say that Jesus would do for the Gentiles and for Israel?

Simeon said that Jesus would be a light for revelation to the Gentiles and glory to God’s people, Israel.

Luke 2:33

ULT:

And his father and mother were amazed at what is being said about him.

UST:

Jesus' father and mother marveled at what Simeon said about him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:34

ULT:

And Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary, his mother, “Behold, this one is appointed for the downfall and rising up of many in Israel and for a sign that is spoken against—

UST:

Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Jesus’ mother, Mary, “Note well what I say: God has determined that, because of this child, many people in Israel will reject God and many will submit themselves to God. He will be a sign {from God} that many people will oppose.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:35

ULT:

and a sword will also pierce your own soul—so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.”

UST:

As for you, {the cruel things that people will do to him will make you so sad that} it will feel as if a sword is piercing through your very soul. {But this is necessary} so that he can reveal the secret thoughts of many people.”

What did Simeon say would happen to Mary as a result of Jesus?

Simeon said that a sword would pierce her own soul.

Luke 2:36

ULT:

And Anna was there, a prophetess, a daughter of Phanuel from the tribe of Asher. She had advanced much in days, having lived with her husband for seven years after her virginity,

UST:

A prophetess named Anna was also there {in the temple courtyard}. She was very old. She was the daughter of Phanuel, who was from the tribe of Asher. As a young woman, she had been married for seven years{, and then her husband had died}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:37

ULT:

and she {was} a widow for 84 years who never left the temple, serving with fastings and prayers night and day.

UST:

After that, she had lived as a widow for 84 more years. It seemed as if she was always in the temple, worshiping God by fasting and praying, {at all times of the} night and day.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:38

ULT:

And coming up at that very hour, she began giving thanks to God and speaking about him to all the ones waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.

UST:

At that same time, Anna approached {Joseph and Mary and the baby}. Anna began thanking God {for the baby}. Afterwards, she kept speaking about Jesus to many other people who were also expecting {God to send} the Messiah who would set the people of Israel free.

What did the prophetess Anna do when she came up to Mary, Joseph, and Jesus?

Anna began to thank God and to talk about the child to everyone.

Luke 2:39

ULT:

And when they had completed everything {that was} according to the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth.

UST:

After Joseph and Mary had finished doing everything that the law of the Lord required {for parents of a first son}, they returned to their own town, Nazareth, in the district of Galilee.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:40

ULT:

And the child grew and was strengthened, being filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him.

UST:

As the child grew up, he became strong and very wise, and God was present in his life.

What happened to the child Jesus after he returned to Nazareth?

Jesus grew and became strong, increasing in wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him.

Luke 2:41

ULT:

And his parents went every year to Jerusalem to the Feast of the Passover.

UST:

Every year Jesus' parents traveled to Jerusalem to celebrate the Passover festival.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:42

ULT:

And when he was 12 years old, they went up according to the custom of the feast.

UST:

So when Jesus was 12 years old, they all traveled to Jerusalem together when it was time for the {Passover} festival.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:43

ULT:

And the days having been completed, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know {it}.

UST:

When the days for celebrating the festival ended, Jesus' parents started to return home, but their son, Jesus, stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know {that he was still there}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:44

ULT:

But thinking that he was with the group of travelers, they went a day's journey and they sought him among their relatives and friends.

UST:

They thought that he was with the other people who were traveling with them. But after walking for one day, they started to look for him among their relatives and friends.

Why did Jesus' parents not realize he had stayed behind in Jerusalem during the Festival of the Passover?

They did not realize because they assumed that he was in the group that was traveling with them.

Luke 2:45

ULT:

And not finding {him}, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him.

UST:

When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:46

ULT:

And it happened that, after three days, they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers and listening to them and asking them questions.

UST:

Three days after {Mary and Joseph had left Jerusalem}, they found Jesus at the temple. He was sitting among the Jewish religious teachers. He was listening to them teach and he was asking them questions.

Where did his parents find Jesus and what was he doing?

His parents found him in the temple, sitting in the middle of the teachers and listening to them and asking them questions.

Luke 2:47

ULT:

And all the ones hearing him were amazed at his understanding and his answers.

UST:

All the people who heard what he said were amazed at how much he understood and how well he answered {the questions that the teachers asked}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:48

ULT:

And having seen him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us thus? Behold, your father and I have been tormented searching for you."

UST:

When his parents saw him, they were very surprised. His mother said to him, "My son, you should not have done this to us. Listen to me! Your father and I have been very worried as we have been searching for you!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:49

ULT:

And he said to them, “Why {is it} that you were searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in the things of my Father?”

UST:

He said to them, “I am surprised that you needed to search for me. I thought you would know that I needed to be at my Father’s house{, learning about him}.”

What did Jesus answer when Mary said to him that they had been anxiously searching for him?

“Did you not know I must be in my Father’s house?”

Luke 2:50

ULT:

But they did not understand the word that he spoke to them.

UST:

But they did not understand the meaning of what he said to them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 2:51

ULT:

Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was subjected to them. But his mother kept all these things in her heart.

UST:

Then he returned with them to Nazareth, and he always obeyed them. His mother kept thinking deeply about all the things that had happened.

What was Jesus' attitude toward his parents when they returned to Nazareth?

He was subjected to them.

Luke 2:52

ULT:

And Jesus was increasing in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.

UST:

As the years passed, Jesus continued to become wiser, and he grew taller. God and people continued to approve of him more and more.

As Jesus grew up, what kind of young man was he?

He grew in wisdom and stature, and increased in favor with God and people.

Luke 3

Luke 3:1

ULT:

And in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar—Pontius Pilate governing Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip being tetrarch of the region of Iturea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias being tetrarch of Abilene,

UST:

{This next part of the history happened} when Tiberius Caesar had been ruling {the Roman Empire} for about fifteen years. At that time, Pontius Pilate was the governor of the province of Judea, Herod Antipas was ruling the district of Galilee, his brother Philip was ruling the regions of Iturea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was ruling the region of Abilene.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:2

ULT:

during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas—the word of God came to John, the son of Zechariah, in the wilderness.

UST:

The high priests {at the temple in Jerusalem} were Annas and Caiaphas. During that time, God spoke to Zechariah's son John {while he was living} out in the desolate area.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:3

ULT:

And he went into all the region around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for forgiveness of sins.

UST:

John traveled all around the area near the Jordan River. He kept announcing {to the people who came to hear him}, “If you want God to forgive your sins, you must reject wrong ways of living. Then I will baptize you!”

What message did John preach throughout the region around the Jordan River?

John preached a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

Luke 3:4

ULT:

As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, “A voice of one calling out in the wilderness, ‘Make ready the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

UST:

{When John preached like this,} the words came true that the prophet Isaiah wrote on a scroll long ago: “In the desolate place, someone will be calling out {to the people}: ‘Prepare yourselves to receive the Lord! Make yourselves ready for when he comes!’

For whom did John say he was making ready the way?

John said he was making ready the way of the Lord.

Luke 3:5

ULT:

Every valley will be filled, and every mountain and hill will be made low, and the crooked roads will become straight, and the rough roads {will become} smooth,

UST:

{When an important person is going to arrive by a certain road,} people fill in all the ravines and level off all the steep places in it. They make the road straight wherever it is crooked, and they smooth out all the bumps. {In the same way, God will make sure that there will be people who are ready for the Messiah.}

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:6

ULT:

and all flesh will see the salvation of God.’”

UST:

Then everyone will recognize God’s way of saving people.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:7

ULT:

So he said to the crowds coming out to be baptized by him, "Offspring of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath?"

UST:

Large groups of people were coming out {to the desolate place where John was} so that he would baptize them. So John said to them, "You people are sneaky and dangerous like poisonous snakes! You think that if I baptize you, God will spare you when he punishes sinners. {But I did not say that!}"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:8

ULT:

Therefore, produce fruits worthy of repentance, and do not begin to say within yourselves, 'We have Abraham {as} father.' For I say to you that God is able to raise up children for Abraham from these stones.

UST:

You need to do the things that show that you have truly rejected your previous sinful way of living! And do not even begin to say to yourselves, '{Certainly God will not punish us, because} we are descendants of Abraham!' {That does not impress God.} Let me assure you, God could turn these stones into descendants of Abraham!

What did John tell the people to do instead of trusting in the fact that Abraham was their father?

John told them to produce fruits that come from repentance.

Luke 3:9

ULT:

But indeed, the ax is already set against the root of the trees. So, every tree not producing good fruit is chopped down and thrown into a fire."

UST:

You are like fruit trees that do not produce good fruit. God is like a man who is positioning the head of his axe at the base of those trees, ready to chop them down and throw them into the fire. God is ready to punish you like that if you continue sinning."

What did John say happens to the tree that does not produce good fruit?

John said that it is chopped down and thrown into the fire.

Luke 3:10

ULT:

And the crowds kept asking him, saying, "What therefore should we do?"

UST:

Then {several of the people in} the crowd asked him, "What kinds of things, then, does God want us to do?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:11

ULT:

So answering, he said to them, "The one having two tunics must share with the one not having, and the one having food, let him do the same."

UST:

He answered them, "If any of you has two shirts, you should give one of them to someone who does not have a shirt. If any of you has plenty of food, you should give some to those who do not have food."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:12

ULT:

Then tax collectors also came to be baptized, and they said to him, "Teacher, what should we do?"

UST:

Some tax collectors also came, wanting John to baptize them. They asked him, "Teacher, what {does God want us} to do?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:13

ULT:

So he said to them, "Collect nothing more than {what} you have been ordered."

UST:

He said to them, "Do not collect more money {from the people} than the Roman government tells you to collect!"

What did John tell the tax collectors they must do to show true repentance?

John said that they must not collect more money than they were ordered to collect.

Luke 3:14

ULT:

Then soldiers also asked him, saying, “And us, what should we do?” And he said to them, “Take nothing by force, and do not accuse falsely, and be contented with your wages.”

UST:

There were also some men there who were soldiers. Even they asked him, “And what about us? What does God want us to do?” He said to them, “Do not force people to give you money by threatening to harm them or by falsely accusing them {of doing something wrong}. Be content with the amount of money that you earn as a soldier.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:15

ULT:

And the people were expecting and were all wondering in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ.

UST:

People had been waiting {for a long time for the Messiah to come. But now they were getting very hopeful about John}. They thought that he might be the Messiah.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:16

ULT:

John answered, saying to them all, "I indeed baptize you with water, but one more powerful than I is coming, of whom I am not worthy to untie the strap of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire,

UST:

But John said to all of them, "{I am not the Messiah.} He is coming, and he is far greater than I am. He is so great that I am not worthy even to be like the slave who would untie the straps of his sandals {when he comes in the house}! When I baptized you, I used only water. But {when the Messiah comes,} he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit, who will judge and purify you.

John told the people that he baptized with water. With what did he say that someone was coming would baptize?

John said someone was coming who would baptize with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

Luke 3:17

ULT:

whose winnowing fork {is} in his hand to thoroughly clear off his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his storehouse, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”

UST:

{The Messiah is ready to do this, just like} a farmer who has his winnowing fork ready to use. A farmer separates all the good grain from the useless chaff. He stores the grain safely in his barn, but he burns the chaff until it is all gone. {That represents how the Messiah will gather up the people who are pleasing to God, and he will punish the people who are displeasing to God.}”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:18

ULT:

Therefore, also exhorting many other things, he preached good news to the people.

UST:

In many different ways like this, John urged the people {to stop sinning and to submit themselves to God}, as he kept telling them the good news {from God}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:19

ULT:

But Herod the tetrarch, having been rebuked by him concerning Herodias, the wife of his brother, and concerning all the evil things that Herod had done,

UST:

John even rebuked King Herod for all of the many evil things that Herod had done. But when John rebuked Herod for marrying his brother's wife, Herodias, while his brother was still alive,

Why did John rebuke Herod?

John rebuked Herod because Herod had married his own brother's wife and had done many other evil things.

Luke 3:20

ULT:

added even this to {them} all: He locked John up in prison.

UST:

Herod did another evil thing. He had his soldiers put John in prison.

Who put John into prison?

Herod put John into prison.

Luke 3:21

ULT:

And it happened that when all the people were being baptized, Jesus also was baptized and, {as} he was praying, heaven was opened,

UST:

But before Herod did that, while John was still baptizing many people, John also baptized Jesus. Afterwards, while Jesus was praying, the sky opened.

What happened right away after John baptized Jesus?

After John baptized Jesus, the heavens opened up.

Luke 3:22

ULT:

and the Holy Spirit in bodily form came down on him like a dove, and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son. With you I am well pleased."

UST:

Then the Holy Spirit, in the form of a dove, came down and landed on Jesus. Then God spoke {to Jesus} from heaven. He said, "You are my Son, the one whom I love dearly. I am very pleased with you!"

Who came down from heaven after John baptized Jesus?

The Holy Spirit came down on Jesus like a dove.

What did the voice from heaven say?

The voice from heaven said, "You are my beloved son. I am very pleased with you."

Luke 3:23

ULT:

And Jesus himself was beginning about 30 years old, being the son (as it was assumed) of Joseph, of Heli,

UST:

At that time Jesus began his work for God. He was about 30 years old. This is Jesus' lineage: People considered Jesus to be the son of Joseph. Joseph was the son of Heli.

About how old was Jesus when he began to teach?

Jesus was about 30 years old when he began to teach.

Luke 3:24

ULT:

of Matthat, of Levi, of Melchi, of Jannai, of Joseph,

UST:

*Heli was the son of Matthat. Matthat was the son of Levi. Levi was the son of Melchi.
Melchi was the son of Jannai. Jannai was the son of Joseph.*

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:25

ULT:

of Mattathias, of Amos, of Nahum, of Esli, of Naggai,

UST:

Joseph was the son of Mattathias. Mattathias was the son of Amos. Amos was the son of Nahum. Nahum was the son of Esli. Esli was the son of Naggai.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:26

ULT:

of Maath, of Mattathias, of Semein, of Josech, of Joda,

UST:

Naggai was the son of Maath. Maath was the son of Mattathias. Mattathias was the son of Semein. Semein was the son of Josech. Josech was the son of Joda.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:27

ULT:

of Joanan, of Rhesa, of Zerubbabel, of Salathiel, of Neri,

UST:

Joda was the son of Joanan. Joanan was the son of Rhesa. Rhesa was the son of Zerubbabel. Zerubbabel was the son of Shealtiel. Shealtiel was the son of Neri.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:28

ULT:

of Melchi, of Addi, of Cosam, of Elmadam, of Er,

UST:

Neri was the son of Melchi. Melchi was the son of Addi. Addi was the son of Cosam. Cosam was the son of Elmadam. Elmadam was the son of Er.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:29

ULT:

of Joshua, of Eliezer, of Jorim, of Matthat, of Levi,

UST:

*Er was the son of Joshua. Joshua was the son of Eliezer. Eliezer was the son of Jorim.
Jorim was the son of Matthat. Matthat was the son of Levi.*

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:30

ULT:

of Simeon, of Judah, of Joseph, of Jonam, of Eliakim,

UST:

Levi was the son of Simeon. Simeon was the son of Judah. Judah was the son of Joseph. Joseph was the son of Jonam. Jonam was the son of Eliakim.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:31

ULT:

of Melea, of Menna, of Mattatha, of Nathan, of David,

UST:

Eliakim was the son of Melea. Melea was the son of Menna. Menna was the son of Mattatha. Mattatha was the son of Nathan. Nathan was the son of David.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:32

ULT:

of Jesse, of Obed, of Boaz, of Salmon, of Nahshon,

UST:

David was the son of Jesse. Jesse was the son of Obed. Obed was the son of Boaz. Boaz was the son of Salmon. Salmon was the son of Nahshon.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:33

ULT:

of Amminadab, of Admin, of Arni, of Hezron, of Perez, of Judah,

UST:

Nahshon was the son of Amminadab. Amminadab was the son of Admin. Admin was the son of Arni. Arni was the son of Hezron. Hezron was the son of Perez. Perez was the son of Judah.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:34

ULT:

of Jacob, of Isaac, of Abraham, of Terah, of Nahor,

UST:

*Judah was the son of Jacob. Jacob was the son of Isaac. Isaac was the son of Abraham.
Abraham was the son of Terah. Terah was the son of Nahor.*

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:35

ULT:

of Serug, of Reu, of Peleg, of Eber, of Shelah,

UST:

Nahor was the son of Serug. Serug was the son of Reu. Reu was the son of Peleg. Peleg was the son of Eber. Eber was the son of Shelah.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:36

ULT:

of Cainan, of Arphaxad, of Shem, of Noah, of Lamech,

UST:

Shelah was the son of Cainan. Cainan was the son of Arphaxad. Arphaxad was the son of Shem. Shem was the son of Noah. Noah was the son of Lamech.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:37

ULT:

of Methuselah, of Enoch, of Jared, of Mahalaleel, of Cainan,

UST:

Lamech was the son of Methuselah. Methuselah was the son of Enoch. Enoch was the son of Jared. Jared was the son of Mahalalel. Mahalalel was the son of Cainan.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 3:38

ULT:

of Enos, of Seth, of Adam, of God.

UST:

Cainan was the son of Enos. Enos was the son of Seth. Seth was the son of Adam. Adam came from God.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4

Luke 4:1

ULT:

Then Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness,

UST:

After John baptized him, Jesus came back out of the Jordan River. The Holy Spirit was fully empowering him. Then the Holy Spirit led him into the wilderness.

Who led Jesus into the wilderness?

The Holy Spirit led Jesus into the wilderness.

Luke 4:2

ULT:

for 40 days being tempted by the devil. And he did not eat anything during those days, and he was hungry {when} they were completed.

UST:

Jesus was in the wilderness for 40 days. While he was there, the devil kept tempting him. During that entire time, Jesus did not eat anything. So when the 40 days were over, he was very hungry.

How long did the devil tempt Jesus in the wilderness?

The devil tempted Jesus in the wilderness for 40 days.

Luke 4:3

ULT:

Then the devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, speak to this stone so that it might become bread."

UST:

Then the devil said to Jesus, "If you really are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread {for you to eat}!"

What did the devil challenge Jesus to do with the stones on the ground?

The devil told Jesus to turn the stones into bread.

Luke 4:4

ULT:

And Jesus answered to him, “It is written, ‘Man will not live on bread alone.’”

UST:

Jesus replied, “{No, I will not do that, because} the Scriptures say, ‘People need more than just food in order to live.’”

What was Jesus’ response to the devil?

Jesus said that it was written that man shall not live on bread alone.

Luke 4:5

ULT:

Then he led him up {and} showed him all the kingdoms of the world in an instant of time.

UST:

Then the devil took Jesus up {to the top of a high mountain} and showed him all the nations of the world in an instant.

What did the devil show to Jesus from a high place?

The devil showed Jesus all of the kingdoms of the world.

Luke 4:6

ULT:

And the devil said to him, "I will give to you all this authority and their glory, for it has been handed over to me, and I can give it to anyone I want."

UST:

Then the devil said to Jesus, "I will make you the ruler over all of these nations and you will possess all of their wealth. I can do this because God has permitted me to control all of them, and so I can give them to whomever I wish."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:7

ULT:

So then, if you will bow in worship before me, it will all be yours.”

UST:

All you have to do is bow down and worship me. Then I will let you rule them all!”

What did the devil want Jesus to do?

The devil wanted Jesus to bow down before him.

Luke 4:8

ULT:

But answering, Jesus said to him, “It is written, ‘You will worship the Lord your God, and you will serve only him.’”

UST:

But Jesus replied, “{No, I will not worship you, because} the Scriptures say, ‘You must only worship the Lord your God. He is the only one you may serve!’”

What was Jesus’ response to the devil?

Jesus said that it was written that you must worship the Lord your God, and you must serve him only.

Luke 4:9

ULT:

Then he led him to Jerusalem and set {him} on the highest point of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here.

UST:

Then the devil took Jesus to Jerusalem. He set him on the highest part of the temple and said to him, "If you really are the Son of God, jump down from here.

What did the devil tell Jesus to do when he took him to the highest point of the temple?

He told Jesus to jump down from there.

Luke 4:10

ULT:

For it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,'

UST:

You will not be hurt, because the Scriptures say, 'God will command his angels to protect you.'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:11

ULT:

and, 'They will lift you up in their hands, lest you strike your foot against a stone.'"

UST:

And the Scriptures also say, 'The angels will hold you up in their hands when you are falling, so that you will not get hurt.'"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:12

ULT:

But answering, Jesus said to him, “It is said, ‘You will not test the Lord your God.’”

UST:

But Jesus replied, “{No, I will not do that, because} the Scriptures also say: ‘Do not test the Lord your God’.”

What was Jesus’ response to the devil?

Jesus said that it was written that you must not test the Lord your God.

Luke 4:13

ULT:

And having finished every temptation, the devil went away from him until an opportune time.

UST:

Then, after the devil had finished trying to tempt Jesus in all of these ways, the devil left Jesus to wait until another time {when he could try to tempt Jesus again}.

What did the devil do after Jesus refused to jump from the temple?

The devil left Jesus until another time.

Luke 4:14

ULT:

And Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him went out throughout the entire surrounding region.

UST:

After this, Jesus {left the desolate area and} returned to the district of Galilee. The Holy Spirit was empowering him. Throughout that whole region, people heard about Jesus and told others about him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:15

ULT:

And he began to teach in their synagogues, being glorified by all.

UST:

He taught people in their Jewish meeting places. {As a result,} all of the people praised him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:16

ULT:

And he came to Nazareth, where he had been raised, and according to his custom, he entered into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read aloud.

UST:

Then Jesus went to Nazareth, the town where he had grown up. As he usually did on the Jewish day of rest, he went to the Jewish meeting place. {At the appropriate time,} he stood up to read {something aloud from the Scriptures}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:17

ULT:

And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him and, opening the scroll, he found the place where it was written,

UST:

{Jesus wanted to read some of the words that} the prophet Isaiah {had spoken long ago. So he asked for} the scroll that contained these words, and a synagogue attendant handed it to him. Jesus unrolled the scroll and found the place from which he wanted to read. {He read these words:}

From which book of the scriptures did Jesus read when he stood up in the synagogue?

Jesus read from the prophet Isaiah.

Luke 4:18

ULT:

"The Spirit of the Lord {is} upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim the gospel to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free the oppressed,

UST:

"The Spirit of the Lord is empowering me, because he has specially appointed me to declare God's good news to people who are poor. He has sent me to declare to people who are in prison that they will go free, and to tell those who are blind that they will see again. He has sent me to release people whom others are oppressing,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:19

ULT:

to proclaim the favorable year of the Lord.”

UST:

and to announce that now is the time when the Lord will act favorably toward people.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:20

ULT:

*And having rolled up the scroll {and} having given it back to the attendant, he sat down.
And all the eyes in the synagogue were gazing on him.*

UST:

Then he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant, and he sat down {to teach the people}. Everyone in the Jewish meeting place was looking intently at him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:21

ULT:

Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your ears."

UST:

He began to teach them by saying, "I have made this Scripture passage come true right now, as you heard me read it."

What did Jesus say was being fulfilled on that day?

Jesus said that the scripture he had just read from Isaiah was being fulfilled that day.

Luke 4:22

ULT:

And everyone spoke well of him and they were amazed at the gracious words that were coming out of his mouth, and they said, "Is this not the son of Joseph?"

UST:

Everyone there approved of him and they were amazed at the wonderful things that he said. Many of them said to each other, "{It is surprising that he can speak like this!} This man is only Joseph's son!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:23

ULT:

And he said to them, "Surely you will say this proverb to me, 'Doctor, heal yourself. Whatever we heard happened in Capernaum, also do here in your hometown.'"

UST:

He said to them, "Surely some of you will quote to me the proverb that says, 'Doctor, heal yourself!' {What you will mean by it is, 'People told us that} you did miracles in the town of Capernaum. {If you want us to believe that you are a prophet, then} do the same kind of miracles here in your hometown!'"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:24

ULT:

But he said, "Truly I say to you that no prophet is accepted in his hometown."

UST:

Then he said, "It is certainly true that the people in a prophet's own hometown do not accept that he is a prophet."

What kind of reception did Jesus say a prophet receives in his own country?

Jesus said that no prophet is accepted in his own country.

Luke 4:25

ULT:

But in truth I say to you that there were many widows in Israel during the days of Elijah, when the sky was shut up for three years and six months, when a great famine came upon all the land.

UST:

Think about this: There were many widows in Israel during the time when the prophet Elijah lived. At that time there was no rain for three and a half years. This caused a great famine throughout the whole country.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:26

ULT:

But Elijah was sent to none of them except to Zarephath in Sidon, to a widow woman.

UST:

And yet God did not send Elijah to help any of the widows in Israel. Instead, God sent him to the town of Zarephath near the city of Sidon, to help a {non-Israelite} widow there.

In Jesus' first example to the people in the synagogue, where did God send Elijah to help someone?

God sent Elijah to Zarephath, near the city of Sidon, to help a widow woman.

Luke 4:27

ULT:

And there were many lepers in Israel during {the time of} Elisha the prophet, but none of them were cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.”

UST:

There were also many lepers in Israel during the time when the prophet Elisha lived. But Elisha did not heal any of them. Instead, he healed only Naaman, {a non-Israelite man} from the country of Syria.”

From what country was the person God had Elisha help in Jesus’ second example to the people in the synagogue?

God had Elisha help Naaman, who was from Syria.

Luke 4:28

ULT:

And all in the synagogue were filled with rage, having heard these things.

UST:

When all the people in the Jewish meeting place heard him say those things, they became very angry.

How did the people in the synagogue respond when they heard these examples from Jesus?

They were filled with rage.

Luke 4:29

ULT:

And rising up, they drove him out of the town, and they led him to the edge of the hill on which their town was built, so as to throw him off.

UST:

So they stood up, grabbed Jesus, and dragged him out of the city. They took him to the edge of the cliff outside of their city in order to throw him off of the cliff and kill him.

How did the people in the synagogue try to kill Jesus?

They planned to throw him off the cliff on which their town was built.

Luke 4:30

ULT:

But he, passing through the midst of them, went on his way.

UST:

But Jesus simply walked through the crowd and went away.

How did Jesus avoid being killed by the people from the synagogue?

Jesus walked right through their midst.

Luke 4:31

ULT:

And he went down to Capernaum, a city in Galilee, and he was teaching them on the Sabbaths.

UST:

From there Jesus went down to Capernaum, a city in the district of Galilee. On each Jewish day of rest, he taught the people {in the Jewish meeting place there}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:32

ULT:

And they were astonished at his teaching, because his word was with authority.

UST:

The things that Jesus taught the people amazed them, because he spoke as someone who knew what he was talking about.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:33

ULT:

And in the synagogue there was a man having a spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice,

UST:

Now in that Jewish meeting place there was a man whom an evil spirit controlled. He shouted very loudly,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:34

ULT:

“Ha! What to us and to you, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!”

UST:

“Aah! Jesus, from Nazareth! What do you want with us? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are! You are the Holy One from God!”

In the synagogue, what did the demon speaking through the man know about Jesus?

The demon said that he knew Jesus was the Holy One of God.

Luke 4:35

ULT:

And Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silenced, and come out of him!" And having thrown him down in their midst, the demon came out of him, not hurting him.

UST:

But Jesus spoke sternly to the evil spirit. He said, "Be quiet and come out of him!" The evil spirit threw the man down on the ground in the middle of the people. But then he came out of the man, without harming him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:36

ULT:

And astonishment came upon everyone, and they were talking to one another, saying, "What {is} this word, that he commands the unclean spirits with authority and power, and they come out?"

UST:

All of the people {in the Jewish meeting place} were amazed. Many of them said to each other, "We have never seen anything like this! His words are so powerful! He commands the evil spirits as if they must obey him, and {when he commands them,} they come out {of people}!"

How did the people react after Jesus cast out the demon?

The people were astonished and kept talking about it with one another.

Luke 4:37

ULT:

And a report about him went out into every place of the surrounding region.

UST:

In every place throughout the surrounding region, people kept talking about what Jesus had done.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:38

ULT:

Then arising from the synagogue, he entered into the house of Simon. And Simon's mother-in-law was suffering with a high fever, and they asked him concerning her.

UST:

Then Jesus left the Jewish meeting place and went to the house of a man named Simon. His mother-in-law was there. She was sick and had a high fever. The people there asked Jesus to heal her.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:39

ULT:

And standing over her, he rebuked the fever, and it left her, and immediately having gotten up, she began to serve them.

UST:

So Jesus went over to where she was and stood next to her. He commanded the fever to leave her, and it did! She immediately got up and served them some food.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:40

ULT:

And {as} the sun was setting, everyone having ones being sick with various diseases brought them to him and, laying his hands on each of them, he was healing them.

UST:

When the sun was setting{, which ended the Jewish day of rest}, many people whose friends or relatives were sick with various diseases brought them to Jesus. He put his hands on each one of them and healed them.

What did Jesus do for the sick who were brought to him?

Jesus laid his hands on each of them and healed them.

Luke 4:41

ULT:

And demons also were coming out from many, crying out, and saying, "You are the Son of God!" But he was rebuking them, not permitting them to speak, because they knew he was the Christ.

UST:

{As Jesus put his hands on the sick people,} evil spirits also came out from many of them. {As the evil spirits came out,} they shouted {to Jesus}, "You are the Son of God!" But he commanded those evil spirits not to tell people about him, because they knew that he was the Messiah.

What did the demons say as they were cast out, and why did Jesus not let them speak?

The demons said that Jesus was the Son of God, and Jesus did not let them speak because they knew he was the Christ.

Luke 4:42

ULT:

And day having come, having gone out, he went to a desolate place, but the crowds were looking for him and came to him, and they restrained him not to go away from them.

UST:

Early the next morning, Jesus went out to an uninhabited place. Crowds of people went looking for him. When they came to where he was, they tried to keep him from leaving them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 4:43

ULT:

But he said to them, "It is necessary for me to proclaim the gospel about the kingdom of God also to other cities, because for this I was sent."

UST:

But Jesus said to them, "I must also tell people in other cities the good news that they can have God rule their lives, because that is what God sent me here to do."

What did Jesus say was the reason he was sent?

Jesus said he was sent to preach the gospel about the kingdom of God to many cities.

Luke 4:44

ULT:

And he was preaching in the synagogues in Judea.

UST:

So he went on preaching in the Jewish meeting places throughout the province of Judea.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5

Luke 5:1

ULT:

And it happened that the crowd was pressing in on him and listening to the word of God, and he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret.

UST:

One day while many people were crowding around Jesus and listening to him teach God's message, he was standing next to Lake Gennesaret.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:2

ULT:

And he saw two boats standing by the lake, but the fishermen had gotten out of them {and} were washing their nets.

UST:

He saw two fishing boats there at the edge of the lake. The fishermen had left the boats and were washing their fishing nets.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:3

ULT:

Then he got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, {and} asked him to put out a little from the land. Then he sat down {and} was teaching the crowds from the boat.

UST:

Jesus stepped into one of the two boats, the one that belonged to Simon. Jesus asked him to move the boat out a short distance away from the shore. Then Jesus sat down in the boat and continued to teach the crowds from there.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:4

ULT:

Then when he stopped speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.”

UST:

After he finished teaching them, he said to Simon, “Take the boat out to deeper water and let your nets down into the water to catch some fish.”

After using Simon’s boat as a place to teach the people, what did Jesus ask Simon to do with his boat?

Take the boat out to deeper water and let his nets down into the water to catch some fish.

Luke 5:5

ULT:

But answering, Simon said, "Master, we worked through the entire night {and} caught nothing, but at your word, I will let down the nets."

UST:

Simon replied, "Master, we worked hard through the whole night and yet we did not catch any fish. But I will let down the nets again because you told me to."

Even though Peter had caught nothing the previous night, what did he do?

He obeyed and let down the nets.

Luke 5:6

ULT:

And having done this, they caught a very large number of fish, and their nets began to break.

UST:

So Simon and his crew let down their nets and they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break.

What happened when they let down the nets?

They gathered so many fish that their nets began to break.

Luke 5:7

ULT:

And they signaled to their partners in the other boat that they should come to help them, and they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink.

UST:

They motioned to their fishing partners in the other boat to come and help them. So they came and filled both boats so full with fish that the boats began to sink.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:8

ULT:

But Simon Peter, having seen {it}, he fell down at the knees of Jesus, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, Lord."

UST:

Seeing this, Simon Peter bowed down before Jesus and said, "Please leave me, because I am a sinful man, Lord."

What did Simon then want Jesus to do? Why?

Simon wanted Jesus to go away from him because Simon knew that he (Simon) was a sinful man.

Luke 5:9

ULT:

For amazement had seized him and all the ones with him at the catch of fish that they had taken,

UST:

{He said this} because he marveled at the huge number of fish that they had caught. All the men who were with him also marveled.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:10

ULT:

and likewise also James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.”

UST:

James and John, the two sons of Zebedee, who were Simon’s partners, were just as amazed. But Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid! {Until now you gathered in fish, but} from now on you will gather in people to become my disciples.”

What did Jesus say to Simon about his future work?

Jesus said that from now on Simon would be catching men.

Luke 5:11

ULT:

And having brought the boats to the land, they left everything {and} followed him.

UST:

So after the men brought the boats to the shore, they left their fishing business and everything else and went with Jesus.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:12

ULT:

And it happened that he was in one of the cities, and behold, a man full of leprosy. And seeing Jesus, he fell on his face {and} begged him, saying, "Lord, if you are willing, you are able to make me clean."

UST:

Jesus went to one of the towns nearby. There was a man there who was covered with a skin disease. When he saw Jesus, he bowed down to the ground in front of him. He pleaded with him, "Lord, {please heal me!} I know that you are able to heal me if you are willing!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:13

ULT:

And having reached out his hand, he touched him, saying, "I am willing. Be clean." And immediately the leprosy departed from him.

UST:

Then Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. He said, "I am willing to heal you, and I heal you now!" Immediately the man was healed. He no longer had leprosy!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:14

ULT:

And he commanded him to tell no one, but, "Go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing as Moses commanded, for a testimony to them."

UST:

Then Jesus told him, "Do not tell anyone that I healed you. First, go and show yourself to a priest so that he can examine you and see that you no longer have leprosy. Bring the sacrifice that Moses commanded you to offer to become ceremonially clean again."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:15

ULT:

But the word about him spread even more, and large crowds came together to hear him and to be healed from their sicknesses.

UST:

But instead even more people heard {about how Jesus had healed the man}. As a result, large crowds came to hear {Jesus teach} and to have him heal them from their sicknesses.

At this time, who was coming to hear Jesus teach and to be healed of their sicknesses?

Large crowds of people were coming to Jesus.

Luke 5:16

ULT:

But he was withdrawing into the deserted places and praying.

UST:

But he would often go away from them to isolated areas and pray.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:17

ULT:

And it happened on one of those days that he was teaching, and there were Pharisees and law teachers sitting there who had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem, and power of the Lord was upon him to heal.

UST:

One day when Jesus was teaching, some men from the Pharisee sect and some expert teachers of the Jewish law were sitting nearby. They had come from many villages in the district of Galilee and also from Jerusalem and other cities in the province of Judea. At that same time, the Lord was giving Jesus the power to heal people.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:18

ULT:

And behold, men carrying on a mat a man who was paralyzed, and they were seeking to bring him inside and to set him before him.

UST:

While Jesus was there, several men brought him a man who was paralyzed{. They were carrying the man} on a sleeping pad and trying to bring him into the house to lay him down in front of Jesus.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:19

ULT:

And not finding a way to bring him in because of the crowd, having gone up to the housetop, they let him down through the tiles on his mat into the midst before Jesus.

UST:

But because there was such a large crowd of people in the house, they were not able to bring him in. So they went up {the outside steps} onto the flat roof. {They removed some of the tiles from the roof to make an opening.} Then they lowered the man on his sleeping pad through the opening into the middle {of the crowd}. He came down right in front of Jesus.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:20

ULT:

And having seen their faith, he said, "Man, your sins are forgiven you."

UST:

When Jesus perceived that they believed that he could heal the man, he said to him, "Friend, I forgive your sins!"

What did Jesus say to the paralyzed man whose friends let him down through the housetop?

Jesus told him that his sins were forgiven him.

Luke 5:21

ULT:

And the scribes and the Pharisees began to debate, saying, "Who is this who speaks blasphemies? Who is able to forgive sins except God alone?"

UST:

The teachers of the law and the Pharisees began to think to themselves, "This man insults God by saying that! Nobody except God can forgive sins!"

Why did the scribes and the Pharisees think that this statement was blasphemy?

They said Jesus' words were blasphemy because God alone can forgive sins.

Luke 5:22

ULT:

But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, answering said to them, "Why are you debating in your hearts?"

UST:

Jesus knew what they were thinking. So he said to them, "You should not question what I said within yourselves!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:23

ULT:

Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Get up and walk?'

UST:

Here is something I want you to think carefully about. Which is easier to say, 'I forgive your sins,' or, 'Get up and walk'? {You might think that saying 'I forgive your sins' is easier because it does not require any visible proof.}

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:24

ULT:

But in order that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on the earth to forgive sins,”—he said to the one that had been paralyzed—“I say to you, get up, and picking up your mat, go to your house.”

UST:

But I want you to know that God has given me, the Son of Man, authority to forgive people on earth their sins. {To demonstrate that, I will also tell this man to get up.}” Then he said to the man who was paralyzed, “To you I say, get up, pick up your sleeping pad, and go home!”

What authority on earth did Jesus demonstrate that he had when he healed the paralytic man in this way?

Jesus healed the man so they would know that he had authority on earth to forgive sins.

Luke 5:25

ULT:

And immediately he got up before them, picked up that on which he had been lying, and went away to his house glorifying God.

UST:

Immediately {the man was healed!} He got up in front of them all. He picked up the sleeping pad on which he had been lying, and he went home, praising God.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:26

ULT:

And amazement seized them all, and they glorified God, and they were filled with fear, saying, "We have seen astonishing things today."

UST:

All the people there were astonished! They praised God and were completely amazed {at what they had seen Jesus do}. They kept saying, "We have seen wonderful things today!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:27

ULT:

And after these things, he went out and saw a tax collector named Levi sitting at the tax collector's office, and he said to him, "Follow me."

UST:

Then Jesus left that place and saw a man named Levi who collected taxes {for the Roman government}. He was sitting in the booth {where the people came to pay him the taxes that the government required}. Jesus said to him, "Come with me and be my disciple!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:28

ULT:

And having left everything behind, having gotten up, he began to follow him.

UST:

So Levi left his work and went with Jesus.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:29

ULT:

And Levi made a great banquet in his house for him, and there was a large crowd of tax collectors and others, who were reclining to eat with them.

UST:

Later on Levi prepared a big feast in his own house for Jesus {and his disciples}. There was a large group of tax collectors and others eating together with them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:30

ULT:

But the Pharisees and their scribes were murmuring to his disciples, saying, “Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?”

UST:

Then some men who belonged to the Pharisee sect, including some of them who taught Jewish laws, complained to Jesus’ disciples. They said, “You should not be having a banquet with tax collectors and {other} sinners.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:31

ULT:

And answering, Jesus said to them, "The ones being well do not have need of a physician, but the ones having sickness.

UST:

Then Jesus said to them, "People who are well do not need a doctor. People who are sick need a doctor.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:32

ULT:

I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.”

UST:

Similarly, I did not come from heaven to invite those who think they are righteous to come to me. On the contrary, I came to invite those who know that they are sinners to turn from their sinful behavior and come to me.”

When Jesus was eating and drinking at Levi’s house, what did Jesus say that he came to do?

He came to call sinners to repentance.

Luke 5:33

ULT:

Then they said to him, "The disciples of John often fast and make prayers, and likewise the ones of the Pharisees. But the ones of yours eat and drink."

UST:

Those Jewish leaders responded to Jesus, "The disciples of John the Baptizer often abstain from food and pray. The disciples of the Pharisees do that too. But your disciples keep on eating and drinking! Why do they not fast like the others?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:34

ULT:

Then he said to them, "You are not able to make the sons of the bridal chamber fast while the bridegroom is still with them, are you?"

UST:

Jesus answered, "No one tells the friends of the bridegroom to fast while the wedding celebration is still going on!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 5:35

ULT:

But days will indeed come when the bridegroom will be taken away from them. Then, in those days, they will fast."

UST:

But some day the bridegroom will no longer be with his friends. Then, at that time, they will abstain from food."

When did Jesus say that his disciples would fast?

Jesus said his disciples would fast after he (Jesus) was taken away from them.

Luke 5:36

ULT:

Then he also spoke a parable to them. “No one, having torn a piece of cloth from a new garment, puts it onto an old garment. But if not, the new will tear, and the old will not match the piece that is from the new.

UST:

Then Jesus gave other examples to explain what he meant. He said, “People never tear a piece of cloth from a new garment and attach it to an old garment to mend it. If they did that, they would ruin the new garment by tearing it, and the piece of cloth from the new garment would not match the old garment.

In Jesus’ parable, what will happen if a new piece of cloth is used to mend an old garment?

The new will tear, and the old will not match the piece that is from the new.

Luke 5:37

ULT:

And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. But if not, the new wine will burst the wineskins, and it will be spilled out, and the wineskins will be destroyed.

UST:

And no one puts newly squeezed wine into old skin bags {to store it}. If anyone did that, the skin bags would tear open {because they would not stretch when the new wine fermented and expanded}. Then the skin bags would become useless, and the wine {would also become useless because it} would spill out.

In Jesus' second parable, what will happen if new wine is put into old wine skins?

A. the new wine will burst the wineskins, and it will be spilled out, and the wineskins will be destroyed.

Luke 5:38

ULT:

But one must put new wine into new wineskins.

UST:

On the contrary, new wine must be put into new skin bags.

What did Jesus say must be done to keep new wine properly?

New wine must be put into fresh wine skins.

Luke 5:39

ULT:

No one, having drunk the old, wants the new, for he says, 'The old is better.'"

UST:

Those who have only drunk old wine do not want to try new wine, because they think, 'The old wine is good enough!'"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6

Luke 6:1

ULT:

And it happened that, on a Sabbath he was going through grainfields, and his disciples were picking and eating the heads of grain, rubbing them in their hands.

UST:

One Sabbath day, as Jesus and his disciples were walking through some grain fields, the disciples picked some heads of grain. They rubbed them in their hands to separate the grain from the husks. Then they ate the grain.

What were Jesus' disciples doing on the Sabbath that the Pharisees said was against the law?

They were picking heads of grain, rubbing them between their hands, and eating the grain.

Luke 6:2

ULT:

But some of the Pharisees said, “Why are you doing what is not lawful on the Sabbaths?”

UST:

Some Pharisees {were watching this. They} said {to them}, “You should not be doing work like that! Our law forbids us to do work on the Sabbath day!”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:3

ULT:

And answering them, Jesus said, "Have you not read this, what David did when he was hungry, he and the ones being with him:

UST:

Jesus replied to the Pharisees, "Consider what the Scriptures say about what David did when he and the men who were with him were hungry.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:4

ULT:

how he went into the house of God and took the loaves of the presence, ate it, and gave it to the ones with him, which is not lawful to eat except only for the priests?"

UST:

As you know, David entered the tabernacle {and asked for some food}. The priest gave him the bread that had been on display before God. David ate some, and he also gave some to the men who were with him, even though the law said they could not do that. Only priests could eat that bread."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:5

ULT:

And he said to them, "The Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath."

UST:

Jesus also said to them, "I, the Son of Man, have the authority {to determine what is right for people to do} on the Sabbath!"

What title did Jesus claim for himself that gave him the authority to say what was lawful to do on the Sabbath?

Jesus claimed the title, Lord of the Sabbath.

Luke 6:6

ULT:

And it happened that, on another Sabbath, he entered into the synagogue and taught, and there was a man there, and his right hand was withered.

UST:

On another Sabbath day Jesus went to the synagogue and taught {the people}. A man was there who could not move his right hand.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:7

ULT:

But the scribes and the Pharisees were watching him closely, if he will heal on the Sabbath, so that they might find to accuse him.

UST:

Some teachers of the Jewish laws and some Pharisees {were there. They} were watching Jesus closely. They wanted to see whether he would heal the man. If he did, then they would accuse him {of disobeying their laws about not working on the Sabbath}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:8

ULT:

But he knew their thinking and he said to the man having the withered hand, "Get up, and stand in the midst." So he got up {and} stood.

UST:

But Jesus knew what they were thinking. So he said to the man with the withered hand, "Come and stand here in front of everyone!" So the man got up and stood there.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:9

ULT:

Then Jesus said to them, "I ask you if {it is} lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save a life or to destroy?"

UST:

Then Jesus said to them, "I want to ask you a question. Do the laws that God gave Moses command people to do good on the Sabbath, or to do harm? Do they command people to save a life on the Sabbath, or to destroy it?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:10

ULT:

And having looked around at them all, he said to him, "Stretch out your hand." And he did, and his hand was restored.

UST:

{No one answered him, so} he looked around at them all and then said to the man, "Stretch out your withered hand!" The man did that, and his hand became completely well again!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:11

ULT:

But they were filled with rage and they were talking to each other about what they might do to Jesus.

UST:

But the religious leaders were very angry, and they discussed with one another about what they could do to {get rid of} Jesus.

When Jesus healed the man with the shriveled hand on the Sabbath, how did the scribes and Pharisees react?

They were filled with rage and talked about what they might do to Jesus.

Luke 6:12

ULT:

And it happened that, in those days, he went out to the mountain to pray, and he was spending the whole night in prayer to God.

UST:

Around that time, Jesus went up into the hills to pray. He prayed to God all night there.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:13

ULT:

And when day came, he called his disciples, and he chose 12 from them, whom he also named apostles:

UST:

The next day he called all his disciples to come to him. From among them he chose 12 men and made them his representatives.

What name did Jesus give to the 12 men that he chose on the mountain?

Jesus called them “apostles.”

Luke 6:14

ULT:

Simon (whom he also named Peter) and his brother Andrew; and James and John; and Philip and Bartholomew;

UST:

{These are their names:} Simon, to whom Jesus gave the new name Peter; Andrew, Peter's brother; James and his brother, John; Philip; Bartholomew;

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:15

ULT:

and Matthew and Thomas; and James son of Alphaeus; and Simon, the one called the Zealot;

UST:

Matthew{, whose other name was Levi}; Thomas; another man named James whose father was named Alphaeus; Simon the Zealot;

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:16

ULT:

and Judas son of James; and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

UST:

Judas, the son of a different man named James; and Judas Iscariot, who later betrayed Jesus.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:17

ULT:

And having come down with them, he stood on a level place with a large crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of the people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon.

UST:

Jesus came down from the hills with his disciples and stood on a level area. There was a great crowd of his disciples there. There was also a large group of people who had come from Jerusalem and from many other places in the region of Judea, and from the coastal areas near the cities of Tyre and Sidon.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:18

ULT:

They had come to listen to him and to be healed from their diseases. And the ones being troubled by unclean spirits were being healed.

UST:

They came to hear Jesus {teach them} and heal them from their diseases. He also healed those whom evil spirits had troubled.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:19

ULT:

And the whole crowd was seeking to touch him because power was coming out from him and healing everyone.

UST:

Everyone in the crowd tried to touch him, because he was healing everyone by his power.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:20

ULT:

And he, having lifted up his eyes upon his disciples, said, "Blessed {are} the poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

UST:

Then he looked at his disciples and said, "It is very good for you who are poor, because God is ruling you.

What kind of people did Jesus say are blessed?

Those who are poor are blessed.

Luke 6:21

ULT:

Blessed {are} the ones being hungry now, for you will be fed. Blessed {are} the ones weeping now, for you will laugh.

UST:

It is very good for you who are hungry now, because God will give you everything you need. It is very good for you who are grieving now, because God will someday make you laugh with joy.

What kind of people did Jesus say are blessed?

Those who are weeping are blessed.

Luke 6:22

ULT:

Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil because of the Son of Man.

UST:

It is very good when other people hate you, when they reject you and insult you and say that you are bad because you follow me, the Son of Man.

What kind of people did Jesus say are blessed?

Those who are hated, insulted, and rejected because of the Son of Man are blessed.

Luke 6:23

ULT:

Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for behold, your reward {is} great in heaven. For their fathers did according to the same things to the prophets.

UST:

When that happens, rejoice! Jump up and down because you are so happy! Keep in mind that God is going to give you a great reward in heaven! Do not forget that the ancestors of the people who are treating you this way did similar things to God's prophets {long ago}.

According to Jesus, why should such people rejoice and leap for joy?

They should rejoice because they will have a great reward in heaven.

Luke 6:24

ULT:

But woe to you, the rich, for you have received your comfort.

UST:

But how sad it is for you who are rich. You have {already} received all the comfort you are going to get {from your riches}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:25

ULT:

Woe to you, the ones being filled now, for you will be hungry. Woe to the ones laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

UST:

How sad it is for you who can stuff yourselves with food now. Later you will go hungry. Woe to the ones who are laughing now. Later you will be very unhappy.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:26

ULT:

Woe to you when all men speak well of you, for their fathers did according to the same things to the false prophets.

UST:

How sad it is for you when everyone says good things about you. In the same way, their ancestors used to say good things about people who falsely claimed to be God's prophets.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:27

ULT:

But I say to you, the ones listening, love your enemies {and} do good to the ones hating you.

UST:

But I say this to each of you who are listening to what I say: Love your enemies{, not only your friends}! Do good things for those who hate you!

How did Jesus say his disciples should treat their enemies and those who hate them?

They should love their enemies and do good to those who hate them.

Luke 6:28

ULT:

Bless the ones cursing you {and} pray for the ones mistreating you.

UST:

Ask God to bless those who curse you! Pray for those who treat you badly!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:29

ULT:

To the one striking you on the cheek, offer also the other, and from the one taking away your cloak, also do not withhold your tunic.

UST:

If someone {insults you by} striking you on one of your cheeks, turn your face so that he can strike the other cheek also. If someone wants to take away your coat, let him also have your shirt.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:30

ULT:

Give to everyone asking you, and from the one taking away what {is} yours, do not ask for it back.

UST:

Give something to everyone who asks you. If someone takes things that belong to you, do not make him return them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:31

ULT:

And as you desire that men would do to you, do the same to them.

UST:

In whatever way you want others to act toward you, that is the way that you should act toward them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:32

ULT:

And if you love the ones loving you, what credit is that to you? For even the sinners love the ones loving them.

UST:

If you love {only} those who love you, do not expect God to reward you for doing that. Even sinners love those who love them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:33

ULT:

For if indeed you do good to the ones doing good to you, what credit is that to you? Even the sinners do the same.

UST:

Do not expect God to reward you because you do good things for people who do good things for you. After all, even sinners do that.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:34

ULT:

And if you lend to {the ones} from whom you expect to receive back, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, so that they may receive back the same things.

UST:

If you lend {money or property} only to those who will give it back to you, do not expect God to reward you for doing that. Even sinners lend to other sinners who will give everything back to them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:35

ULT:

But love your enemies and do good to {them}, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind toward the ungrateful and evil.

UST:

Instead, love your enemies! Do good things for them! Lend to them, and do not expect them to pay anything back! Then God will give you a great reward. And you will be children of God the Most High, since God is kind even to people who are unthankful and wicked.

What is the Most High Father's attitude toward unthankful and evil people?

He is kind and merciful toward them.

Luke 6:36

ULT:

Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

UST:

So you should act mercifully toward other people, just as God, your Father, acts mercifully toward people.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:37

ULT:

And do not judge, and you will certainly not be judged. And do not condemn, and you will certainly not be condemned. Release, and you will be released.

UST:

Do not harshly criticize {other people}. Then God will not harshly criticize you. Do not condemn {other people}. Then God will not condemn you. Forgive {others for the wrong things they have done to you}. Then God will forgive you.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:38

ULT:

Give, and it will be given to you: a good measure—pressed down, shaken together, spilling over—they will pour into your lap. For with the measure by which you measure, it will be measured back to you.”

UST:

Give {to others}. Then God will give to you. It will be as if he is trying to give you as much grain as possible in a container you have. He will press the grain down. He will shake it together. He will keep filling the container until it overflows. So when you give to others, it should be as if you are using a big scoop, because God will use the same size scoop to give to you.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:39

ULT:

*Then he also told them a parable. "A blind one is not able to guide a blind one, is he?
Would not both fall into a pit?"*

UST:

He also gave his disciples this example: "A blind person should not try to lead another blind person {down the road}. If he did, they both would fall into the ditch {on the side of the road}!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:40

ULT:

A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone having been fully trained will be like his teacher.

UST:

A disciple is not greater than his teacher. But once the teacher has finished training him, he will become like his teacher.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:41

ULT:

And why do you look at the speck of wood that {is} in the eye of your brother, but you do not notice the log that {is} in your own eye?

UST:

{None of you should be concerned about the small faults of another person. You should be concerned about your own serious faults.} Otherwise, that would be like noticing a speck in the eye of that person while not noticing a huge wooden plank in your own eye.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:42

ULT:

How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me take out the speck of wood that {is} in your eye,' you yourself not seeing the log in your eye? You hypocrite! First take out the log from your eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck of wood {that is} in the eye of your brother.

UST:

You should not tell another believer, 'Friend, let me help you correct your faults,' when you have not dealt with your own faults yet. If you do that, you are a hypocrite! You should first {stop committing your own sins. That will be like} removing a large plank from your own eye. Then, as a result, you will have the spiritual insight you need to help others get rid of the {smaller faults that are like} little specks in their eyes.

Before removing the speck from our brother's eye, what did Jesus say we must do?

First, we must remove the log from our own eyes so that we can see clearly to take the spec out of our brother's eye.

Luke 6:43

ULT:

For there is no good tree that produces rotten fruit, nor, on the other hand, any rotten tree that produces good fruit.

UST:

Everyone knows that healthy trees do not produce bad fruit and unhealthy trees do not produce good fruit.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:44

ULT:

For each tree is known by {its} own fruit. For they do not gather figs from a thornbush, nor do they gather grapes from a briar bush.

UST:

You can tell what a person is like inside by the things that they do. {Then you know what to expect from them. You would not look for kindness or good advice from someone who does bad things.} That would be like looking for figs on a thornbush or looking for grapes on a bramble vine.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:45

ULT:

The good man from the good treasure of his heart produces {what is} good, and the evil man from evil produces {what is} evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

UST:

Good people do good things because they think good things. Evil people do evil things because they think evil things. This is because people speak and act based on what they are thinking about."

What comes forth from the good treasure in a good man's heart?

From the good treasure of a good man's heart, what comes forth is good.

What does an evil man produce?

An evil man produces what is evil.

Luke 6:46

ULT:

And why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' but not do what I say?

UST:

{Jesus said to the people,} "Why do you call me 'Lord' when you do not obey what I tell you to do?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:47

ULT:

Everyone coming to me and hearing my words, and doing them, I will show you what he is like.

UST:

Let me tell you what people are like who come to me, hear my teachings, and obey them.

What does Jesus say the person who hears and does Jesus' words is like?

He is like a man who builds a house on the solid rock, so that his house survives the flood.

Luke 6:48

ULT:

He is like a man building a house, who dug down and dug deep and laid a foundation on the rock. Then a flood having come, the torrent of water flowed against that house, but it could not shake it, because it had been built well.

UST:

Such people are like a person who dug deep into the ground to prepare to build his house. He made sure to build the foundation {for the house} on solid rock. Then there was a flood. A torrent of water was beating against that house. But it could not destroy it, because the person had built the house on a solid foundation.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 6:49

ULT:

But the one having heard and not having done, he is like a man having built a house on the ground without a foundation, against which the torrent of water flowed, and immediately it collapsed, and the ruin of that house was great. ”

UST:

But some people who hear my teachings do not obey them. They are like a person who built a house on top of the ground without digging a foundation first. When the floodwaters came, it collapsed immediately. The waters destroyed that house completely. ”

What is the person like who hears Jesus’ words and does not obey them?

He is like a man who builds a house without a foundation, so that it collapses when the flood comes.

Luke 7

Luke 7:1

ULT:

When he had finished all his words in the hearing of the people, he entered into Capernaum.

UST:

After Jesus finished saying all these things to the people who were listening, he went to the town of Capernaum.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:2

ULT:

And a certain servant of a centurion, who was highly regarded by him, being sick, was about to die.

UST:

In that town there was a centurion in the Roman army who had a slave who was dear to him. This slave was so sick that he was about to die.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:3

ULT:

And having heard about Jesus, he sent elders of the Jews to him, asking him to come so that he might save his servant.

UST:

When the centurion heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to Jesus to ask him to come and heal his slave.

What did the centurion first ask Jesus to do when he sent the Jewish elders to Jesus?

He asked Jesus to come and heal his slave.

Luke 7:4

ULT:

And the ones having come to Jesus asked him earnestly, saying, "He is worthy that you will grant this to him,

UST:

When they came to Jesus, they earnestly asked him {to help the centurion's slave}. They said, "He deserves to have you do this for him,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:5

ULT:

because he loves our nation, and he built the synagogue for us.”

UST:

because he loves our people and he built our synagogue for us.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:6

ULT:

And Jesus went with them. But he already not being far away from the house, the centurion sent friends, saying to him, "Lord, do not trouble yourself, because I am not worthy that you might enter under my roof."

UST:

So Jesus went with them {to the officer's house}. When he was almost there, the officer sent some friends to give this message to Jesus: "Lord, do not go to the trouble {of coming here}, since I am not worthy to have you come into my house."

Why did the centurion then send friends to tell Jesus that he did not have to come to the house?

The centurion said he was not worthy that Jesus should come to his house.

Luke 7:7

ULT:

Therefore I did not even consider myself worthy to come to you. But speak with a word and let my servant be healed.

UST:

That is why I did not feel that I was worthy to come to you in person. I knew that you could heal my dear slave just by speaking {a command}.

How did the centurion then want Jesus to heal the slave?

The centurion then wanted Jesus to heal the slave by just saying a word.

Luke 7:8

ULT:

For I also am a man placed under authority, having soldiers under me, and I say to this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another one, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does {it}."

UST:

{I know that you can do this} because I myself am a man who must obey the orders of my superiors. I also have soldiers who must obey my orders. When I say to one of them, 'Go!' he goes. When I say to another one, 'Come!' he comes. When I say to my slave, 'Do this!' he does it."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:9

ULT:

And Jesus, having heard this, marveled at him, and turning to the crowd following him, he said, "I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such faith."

UST:

When Jesus heard what the officer had said, he was amazed at him. Then he turned to the crowd that was with him and said, "Let me tell you, I have not met any Israelite who trusts me as much as this Gentile does!"

What did Jesus say about the faith of the centurion?

Jesus said that not even in Israel had he found anyone with such faith.

Luke 7:10

ULT:

And having returned to the house, the ones having been sent found the servant was well.

UST:

When the friends who had come from the centurion returned to his house, they found that the slave was in good health again.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:11

ULT:

And it happened on the next day that he went into a city called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd were going with him.

UST:

Soon after that Jesus traveled to the town of Nain. His disciples and a large crowd went with him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:12

ULT:

And as he approached the gate of the city, and behold, one that had died was being carried out, the one and only son of his mother (and she was a widow), and a rather large crowd from the city was with her.

UST:

As Jesus came near to the town gate, he saw a large crowd coming out of the town. A man had just died, and they were carrying him out to bury him. His mother was in the crowd. She was a widow, and he had been her only son. {He had taken care of her while he was alive.}

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:13

ULT:

And having seen her, the Lord felt compassion for her, and said to her, "Do not weep."

UST:

When Jesus saw her, he had compassion for her and said to her, "Do not cry!"

What was Jesus' attitude toward the widow whose only son had died?

He was moved with compassion.

Luke 7:14

ULT:

And having approached, he touched the bier, and the ones carrying it stood still. Then he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise."

UST:

Then he came close {to them} and touched the stretcher {on which the body was lying}. The men carrying it stood still. He said, "Young man, I say to you, get up!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:15

ULT:

And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and he gave him to his mother.

UST:

Then the man who had died sat up and began to talk! And Jesus led him back to his mother.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:16

ULT:

Then fear seized all {of them}, and they were glorifying God, saying, “A great prophet has been raised among us” and “God has visited his people.”

UST:

Everyone there was awestruck. They praised God and said {to each other}, “A great prophet has come among us!” and “God has come to care for his people!”

What did the people say about Jesus after he raised the widow’s son from the dead?

They said that a great prophet had been raised among them, and that God had visited his people.

Luke 7:17

ULT:

And this word about him went out throughout the whole of Judea and all the surrounding region.

UST:

Then this news about {what} Jesus {had done} spread throughout the region of Judea and all the other areas nearby.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:18

ULT:

And his disciples reported to John concerning all these things. And calling two of his disciples, John

UST:

The disciples of John the Baptizer told him about all these things. So John called for two of his disciples and told them to go to the Lord and ask him: "Are you the one whom God promised would come, or should we be expecting someone else?" (vv18-19)

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:19

ULT:

sent to the Lord to say, "Are you the one coming, or should we expect another?"

UST:

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(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:20

ULT:

And having come to him, the men said, "John the Baptist has sent us to you to say, 'Are you the one coming, or should we expect another?'"

UST:

When those two men came to Jesus, they told him, "John the Baptizer sent us to ask you, 'Are you the one whom God promised would come? Or should we wait for someone else?'"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:21

ULT:

In that hour he healed many from sicknesses and afflictions and evil spirits, and to many blind {people} he granted to see.

UST:

At that same time Jesus was healing many people from sicknesses and serious diseases, and he was delivering them from evil spirits. He also gave many blind people the ability to see again.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:22

ULT:

And answering, he said to them, "Having gone, report to John what you have seen and heard: the blind see again, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor are being told the gospel.

UST:

So he answered those two men, "Go back and report to John what you have seen and heard. People who were blind are now seeing. People who were lame are now walking. People who had skin diseases no longer have them. People who were deaf can now hear. People who were dead have come back to life. I am proclaiming good news to poor people."

How did Jesus demonstrate to John's disciples that he was the one who was coming?

Jesus healed the blind, lame, lepers, and deaf, and he raised the dead.

Luke 7:23

ULT:

And blessed is whoever is not caused to stumble on me.”

UST:

{And also tell him,} “God will bless anyone who {sees what I do and hears what I teach and} continues to believe in me.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:24

ULT:

Then after the messengers of John had gone away, he began to say to the crowds concerning John, "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind?"

UST:

When the men whom John had sent left, Jesus began to talk to the crowd of people about John. He said, "What did you go into the wilderness to see? A thin stalk of a plant shaken by the wind?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:25

ULT:

But what did you go out to see? A man dressed in soft clothes? Behold, the ones in expensive clothing and living in luxury are in kings' palaces.

UST:

But what did you go out to see? A man wearing fancy clothing? Listen, those who wear splendid clothes and who have the best of everything live in kings' palaces.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:26

ULT:

But what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I say to you, and more than a prophet.

UST:

Then what did you go out there to see? A prophet? Yes{, that is who John is}! But I tell you that John is more significant than an ordinary prophet.

What did Jesus say that John was?

Jesus said John was much more than a prophet.

Luke 7:27

ULT:

This is he concerning whom it is written, 'Behold, I am sending my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way before you.'

UST:

He is the one about whom the prophet wrote long ago: 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you. He will prepare people for your coming.'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:28

ULT:

I say to you, among those born of women, no one is greater than John, but the least in the kingdom of God is greater than he.”

UST:

I tell you that of all the people who have ever lived, there is no one greater than John. Yet the most insignificant people whose lives God is ruling are greater than John.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:29

ULT:

(And all the people having heard, including the tax collectors, declared God to be righteous, having been baptized with the baptism of John.

UST:

When all the people whom John had baptized heard what Jesus said—including the tax collectors—they agreed that God had done the right thing {by sending John}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:30

ULT:

But the Pharisees and the lawyers rejected the purpose of God for themselves, not having been baptized by him.)

UST:

But the Pharisees and the experts in the Jewish law, whom John had not baptized, rejected God's will for them.

What did the Pharisees and the experts in Jewish law do to themselves when they refused to be baptized by John?

They rejected God's purpose for themselves.

Luke 7:31

ULT:

"To what, then, will I compare the men of this generation? And what are they like?"

UST:

{Then Jesus also said, "I will tell you} what you people living in this time period are like.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:32

ULT:

They are like children sitting in a marketplace and calling to one another, who say, 'We played a flute for you, and you did not dance. We sang a funeral song, and you did not wail.'

UST:

You are like children playing games in an open area. They call out to each other, saying, 'We played happy music for you on the flute, but you did not dance! Then we sang sad funeral songs for you, but you did not cry!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:33

ULT:

For John the Baptist came neither eating bread nor drinking wine, and you say, 'He has a demon.'

UST:

Similarly, when John came to you and did not eat ordinary food or drink wine, you {rejected him and} said, 'A demon is controlling him!'

What accusation was made against John the Baptizer because he did not eat bread or drink wine?

They said, "He has a demon."

Luke 7:34

ULT:

The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and you say, 'Behold, a man, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!'

UST:

But when the Son of Man came to you and he ate {ordinary food} and drank {wine as others do}, then you {rejected him and} said, 'Look! This man eats too much food and drinks too much wine, and he associates with tax collectors and other sinners!'

What accusation was made against Jesus because he came eating and drinking?

They said, "He is a gluttonous man and a drunkard."

Luke 7:35

ULT:

But wisdom has been justified by all her children.”

UST:

But those who are wise themselves recognize that what John and I do is also wise.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:36

ULT:

Then one of the Pharisees requested him to eat with him. So entering into the house of the Pharisee, he reclined to eat.

UST:

One day a certain Pharisee named Simon invited Jesus to eat a meal with him. So Jesus went to the man's house and reclined at a table to eat.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:37

ULT:

And behold, a woman who was in the city {was} a sinner. And having found out that he was reclining to eat in the house of the Pharisee, she brought an alabaster jar of perfumed oil

UST:

There was also a woman in that city who had a bad reputation. When she heard that Jesus was eating in the Pharisee's house, {she went there,} bringing a stone jar that contained perfume.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:38

ULT:

and stood behind him near his feet, weeping. She began to wet his feet with her tears, and she was wiping them with the hair of her head and kissing his feet and anointing {them} with the perfumed oil.

UST:

{As Jesus was reclining to eat, the woman stood behind him at his feet.} She was crying, and her tears fell on Jesus' feet. She continually wiped his feet with her hair. She kept kissing them and anointing them with the perfume.

What did the woman of the city do to Jesus in the Pharisee's house?

She wet Jesus' feet with her tears, wiped them with her hair, kissed his feet, and anointed his feet with perfumed oil.

Luke 7:39

ULT:

And the Pharisee who had invited him, having seen this, he said to himself, saying, "If this {man} were a prophet, he would know who and of what type {is} the woman who is touching him, that she is a sinner."

UST:

When the Pharisee who had invited Jesus saw {what the woman was doing}, he thought, "If this man really were a prophet, he would have known who this woman is who is touching him. He would have known what kind of person she is, that she is a sinner."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:40

ULT:

And answering, Jesus said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." And he says, "Say it, Teacher!"

UST:

In response, Jesus said to him, "Simon, there is something I want to tell you." He replied, "Teacher, what is it?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:41

ULT:

“There were two debtors to a certain moneylender. The one owed 500 denarii, and the other 50.

UST:

{Jesus told him this story:} “Two people owed money to a man who had a business lending money. One of these people owed him 500 silver coins. The other one owed him 50 silver coins.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:42

ULT:

{When} they did not have enough to repay, he forgave {them} both. Therefore, which of them will love him more?"

UST:

Neither of them was able to pay back what he owed, so the man very kindly said that they both did not have to pay back anything. So, which of those two men will love that man more?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:43

ULT:

Simon answering said, "I suppose that the one to whom he forgave the most." Then he said to him, "You have judged correctly."

UST:

Simon replied, "I assume that the one who had owed him the larger amount will love him more." Jesus said to him, "You are correct."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:44

ULT:

And turning to the woman, he said to Simon, “Do you see this woman? I entered into your house. You did not give me water for my feet, but she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair.

UST:

Then he turned toward the woman and said to Simon, “Think about what this woman has done! When I entered your house{, you did not do what hosts usually do to welcome their guests.} You did not give me any water to wash my feet. But this woman has washed my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:45

ULT:

You did not give me a kiss, but from when I came in, she has not stopped kissing my feet.

UST:

You did not greet me with a kiss. But from the moment I came in, she has not stopped kissing my feet!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:46

ULT:

You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with perfumed oil.

UST:

You did not anoint my head with olive oil, but she has anointed my feet with fragrant perfume.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:47

ULT:

Therefore I say to you, her sins, the many, have been forgiven—for she loved much. But the one to whom little is forgiven loves little.”

UST:

So I tell you that God has forgiven her many sins, and that is why she loves me very much. But a person who thinks that God has only had to forgive him for a few sins will love me only a little bit.”

What did Jesus say was the reason the woman loved much?

She loved much because her sins, which were many, have been forgiven.

Luke 7:48

ULT:

Then he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."

UST:

Then Jesus said to the woman, "I have forgiven your sins."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 7:49

ULT:

And those reclining with {him} to eat began to say among themselves, “Who is this who even forgives sins?”

UST:

Then those who were eating with him said among themselves, “Who is this man who says that he can even forgive sins?”

How did those reclining at the table react when Jesus told the woman that her sins were forgiven?

They asked, “Who is this who even forgives sins?”

Luke 7:50

ULT:

Then he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you. Go in peace."

UST:

But Jesus said to the woman, "Because you have believed in me, God has saved you. May God give you peace as you go!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8

Luke 8:1

ULT:

And it happened that soon afterward, he also began traveling through city and village, preaching and proclaiming the gospel {about} the kingdom of God, and the Twelve {were} with him,

UST:

After that, Jesus and his 12 representatives traveled around through various cities and villages. As they went, Jesus preached to people, telling them the good news that they could have God rule their lives.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:2

ULT:

and certain women who had been healed from evil spirits and diseases: Mary called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out;

UST:

{Also traveling with them were} several women whom he had delivered from evil spirits and healed from sicknesses. These included Mary from the village of Magdala. Jesus had forced seven evil spirits to leave her.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:3

ULT:

and Joanna, the wife of Chuza, Herod's manager; and Susanna; and many others; who were ministering to them out of their possessions.

UST:

{Another of these women was} Joanna. She was the wife of Chuza, who was a manager for King Herod. {These women also included} Susanna and many others. They were using their own money to support Jesus and his disciples.

What did a large group of women do for Jesus and his disciples?

The women served them from their own possessions.

Luke 8:4

ULT:

And {when} a large crowd was gathering, and coming to him from each city, he spoke in a parable:

UST:

One day a very large crowd was gathering. People were traveling from many different towns to see Jesus. He told them this story:

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:5

ULT:

“The sower went out to sow his seed, and as he sowed, some fell beside the road, and it was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the sky devoured it.

UST:

“A farmer went out to plant some grain seeds. As he was scattering them over the soil, some of the seeds fell onto the hard pathway. People stepped on those seeds, and birds ate them all up.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:6

ULT:

And other seed fell on the rock, and having grown up, it withered, because it had no moisture.

UST:

Some of the seeds fell on {shallow soil above a layer of} rock. As soon as those seeds grew, the plants dried up because their roots could not get past the rock to reach to the moisture.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:7

ULT:

And other seed fell in the midst of the thorns, and having grown up with {it}, the thorns choked it.

UST:

Some of the seeds fell on ground where thorn plants had left their own seeds. The new thorn plants grew up together with the young grain plants. The {stronger} thorns crowded out the grain plants, so that the grain did not grow well.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:8

ULT:

And other seed fell on the good soil, and having grown up, it produced fruit a hundred times greater.” Saying these things, he called out, “The one having ears to hear, let him hear.”

UST:

But some of the grain seeds fell on fertile soil. They grew so well that they produced a crop that had a hundred times as many seeds.” After saying these things, Jesus called out to the crowd, “You should think carefully about what you just heard me say!”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:9

ULT:

Then his disciples questioned him, "What is this parable?"

UST:

Then Jesus' disciples asked him, "What does that story mean?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:10

ULT:

And he said, "To you has been given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest in parables, so that, 'Seeing, they may not see; and hearing, they may not understand.'

UST:

And he said, "God has given you the privilege of knowing hidden things about how God will rule as king. But {I speak} to everyone else only in parables, so that, 'Although they see, they may not perceive, and although they hear, they may not understand.'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:11

ULT:

And the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

UST:

Now, this is what the story means: The seeds represent what God wants people to understand.

In Jesus' parable, what is the seed that is sown?

The seed is the word of God.

Luke 8:12

ULT:

And the ones along the path are the ones having heard, but then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so they may not believe {and} be saved.

UST:

The seeds that fell on the pathway {show what happens when} people understand the message from God only superficially. This makes it easy for the devil to come and take that message away from their minds. As a result, they do not believe it, and so God does not save them.

Who are the seeds that fall by the wayside, and what happens to them?

They are people who hear the word, but then the devil comes and takes it away so that they may not believe and be saved.

Luke 8:13

ULT:

And the ones on the rock {are} the ones, when they hear, receive the word with joy. But they have no root; they believe for a time, and in a time of testing they go away.

UST:

The seeds that fell on the rocky ground {show what happens when} people hear the message from God and receive it joyfully, but they do not commit themselves seriously. They only believe for a short time. As soon as difficult things happen to them, they stop trusting in God.

Who are the seeds that fall on the rocky ground, and what happens to them?

They are people who receive the word with joy, but then fall away during a time of testing.

Luke 8:14

ULT:

And the ones having fallen among the thorns, these are the ones having heard, but as they go on their way, they are choked by worries and riches and pleasures of this life, and they do not produce mature fruit.

UST:

The seeds that fell among the thorny plants {show what happens to some other} people who hear the message from God. As they go on in life, they allow the worries, riches, and pleasures of this life to occupy all their attention. As a result, they do not become spiritually mature.

Who are the seeds that fall among the thorns, and what happens to them?

They are people who hear the word, but then it is choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and they do not produce mature fruit.

Luke 8:15

ULT:

But the ones on the good soil, these are the ones who, having heard the word with an honest and good heart, hold it securely and bear fruit with endurance.

UST:

But the seeds that fell on the fertile ground {show what happens when} people hear the message about God and accept it with great sincerity. They make a firm commitment, and because they keep this commitment, they become spiritually mature.

Who are the seeds that fall on the good ground, and what happens to them?

They are people who hear the word, hold onto it, and produce fruit with endurance.

Luke 8:16

ULT:

And no one, having lit a lamp, covers it with a bowl or puts {it} under a bed. Rather, he puts {it} on a lampstand so that those who enter may see the light.

UST:

Think about this. When people light a lamp, they do not cover it with a basket. They do not put it under a bed. Instead, they put it on a lampstand. That way everyone who enters the room can see by its light.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:17

ULT:

For nothing is hidden that will not become visible, nor secret that will certainly not be known and come into visibility.

UST:

This illustrates that someday everyone will be able to see everything that is now hidden. And someday everyone will see in the open everything that is now secret.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:18

ULT:

So be careful how you listen, for whoever has, it will be given to him, but whoever does not have, even what he thinks he has will be taken away from him.”

UST:

So make sure that you are listening carefully {to what I tell you}, because if someone believes God’s truth, God will enable him to understand even more. But if someone does not believe God’s truth, God will cause him not to understand even {the little} he thinks he has understood.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:19

ULT:

Then his mother and brothers came to him, but they were not able to get near him because of the crowd.

UST:

One day Jesus' mother and brothers came to see him, but they could not get near him because there was {such} a {large} crowd {around him in the house where he was}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:20

ULT:

Then it was reported to him, "Your mother and your brothers have stood outside, wanting to see you."

UST:

Then people told him, "Your mother and your brothers are standing outside, wanting to see you."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:21

ULT:

But answering, he said to them, "My mother and my brothers are those hearing and doing the word of God."

UST:

But he replied to them, "Those who hear the message from God and obey it are as dear to me as my mother and my brothers."

Who did Jesus say are his mother and brothers?

Jesus said that the people who hear the word of God and obey it are his mother and brothers.

Luke 8:22

ULT:

And it happened that, on one of those days, both he and his disciples got into a boat, and he said to them, "Let us go over to the other side of the lake." So they put out.

UST:

On another day Jesus got into a boat with his disciples. He said to them, "I would like us to go across to the other side of the lake." So they started to sail across the lake.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:23

ULT:

But as they voyaged, he fell asleep. Then a windstorm came down on the lake, and they were being filled and were in danger.

UST:

But as they were sailing, Jesus fell asleep. Then a powerful windstorm began on the lake. Soon the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:24

ULT:

Then they approached {and} woke him up, saying, "Master! Master! We are perishing!" But awaking, he rebuked the wind and the waves of the water, and they ceased, and there was a calm.

UST:

So Jesus' disciples came over to wake him up. They said to him, "Master! Master! We are all going to die!" He woke up and scolded the wind and the violent waves. The wind stopped blowing, the waves stopped hitting the boat, and everything became calm.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:25

ULT:

Then he said to them, “Where {is} your faith?” Then having become afraid, they marveled, saying to one another, “Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?”

UST:

Then he said to them, “You acted as if you had no faith!” The disciples were alarmed and amazed {because of what had just happened}. They kept asking each other, “Who could Jesus be? He is able to command even the winds and the waves, and they obey him.”

What did the disciples say when Jesus calmed the winds and water?

They said, “Who is this that commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?”

Luke 8:26

ULT:

And they sailed to the region of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee.

UST:

Jesus and his disciples continued sailing and came to the region where the Gerasene people lived. It was on the opposite side of the lake from the district of Galilee.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:27

ULT:

And {when} he came out onto the land, a certain man from the city, having demons, met him. And for a long time he had not worn clothes, and he did not live in a house, but in the tombs.

UST:

When Jesus came out of the boat onto the land, a certain man from the town in that area met him. This man had demons in him. For a long time this man had not worn clothes and had not lived in a house. Instead, he lived in the burial caves.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:28

ULT:

And having seen Jesus, he cried out, fell down before him, and said in a loud voice, "What to me and to you, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me."

UST:

When the man saw Jesus, he cried out and lay facedown before him. He shouted, "What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:29

ULT:

For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out from the man. For many times it had seized him, and he was bound with chains and shackles {and} kept under guard, and breaking his bonds, he would be driven by the demon into the wilderness.

UST:

{The man said this because} Jesus had just commanded the evil spirit to come out of him. In the past, people had bound him with chains and shackles and kept a close watch on him. Even so, many times the evil spirit would suddenly seize him by force. Then the man would break free, and the demon would make him go out into deserted places.

What did the demons cause the man from the region of the Gerasenes to do?

They made him live without clothes in the tombs, they made him break chains and shackles, and they often drove him into the wilderness.

Luke 8:30

ULT:

Then Jesus questioned him, "What is your name?" and he said, "Legion," for many demons had entered into him.

UST:

Then Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" The demon replied, "{My name is} Thousands." He said that because many demons had entered the man.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:31

ULT:

And they were begging him that he would not command them to go away into the abyss.

UST:

The demons kept begging Jesus not to command them to go into the deep pit where God punishes demons.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:32

ULT:

And a large herd of pigs was there feeding on the hillside, and they begged him to permit them to go into them. And he permitted them.

UST:

There was a large herd of pigs grazing on the hillside nearby. The demons begged Jesus to allow them to enter the pigs, and he allowed them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:33

ULT:

Then the demons, having come out from the man, entered into the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep slope into the lake and was drowned.

UST:

So the demons left the man and entered the pigs, and the herd of pigs rushed down the steep bank into the lake and drowned.

Where did the demons go after Jesus commanded them to leave the man?

The demons entered into a herd of pigs, which rushed into the lake and drowned.

Luke 8:34

ULT:

And having seen what had happened, the ones tending the pigs ran away and reported it in the city and in the countryside.

UST:

When those who were taking care of the pigs saw what happened, they ran away! They reported what they had seen to all the people who lived around them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:35

ULT:

Then they went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone out sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and being sound-minded, and they were afraid.

UST:

Then the people went out to see what had happened. When they came to where Jesus was, they saw that the man from whom the demons had gone out was sitting at the feet of Jesus. They saw that he had clothes on and his mind was normal again. {They realized how powerful Jesus must be,} and they became afraid.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:36

ULT:

Then the ones having seen reported to them how the one having been possessed by demons had been saved.

UST:

Those who had seen what had happened told the people who had just arrived how Jesus had rescued the man who had been controlled by demons.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:37

ULT:

And all the multitude of the region of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized by great fear. Then he got into the boat to return.

UST:

Then many people from that place where the Gerasenes lived asked Jesus to leave their area, because they were very afraid. So Jesus and his disciples got into the boat to go back across the lake.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:38

ULT:

And the man from whom the demons had gone out begged him to be with him, but he sent him away, saying,

UST:

Before they left, the man from whom the demons had gone out begged Jesus, saying, "Please, let me go with you!" But instead, Jesus sent him away by saying to him,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:39

ULT:

“Return to your house and describe all that God has done for you.” So he went on his way, proclaiming throughout the whole city all that Jesus had done for him.

UST:

“No, go back to your home and tell {everyone} how much God has done for you!” So the man went away and told people throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

What did Jesus tell the man to go and do?

Jesus told him to go to his house and describe all that God had done for him.

Luke 8:40

ULT:

Then when Jesus returned, the crowd welcomed him, for they were all expecting him.

UST:

And when Jesus and his disciples got back across the lake to Capernaum, a crowd of people welcomed them. They had all been waiting for him there.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:41

ULT:

*And behold, a man came whose name {was} Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue.
And falling at the feet of Jesus, he begged him to come to his house,*

UST:

*Just then a man named Jairus, who was one of the leaders of the synagogue there, came
near to Jesus, and he lay facedown before him. He pleaded with Jesus to come to his house.*

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:42

ULT:

because he {had} a one and only daughter, who was about 12 years old, and she was dying. And as he was going, the crowds were crowding around him.

UST:

He did this because he had an only daughter, who was about 12 years old, and she was dying. {He wanted Jesus to heal her.} Now as Jesus went {with him}, many people were crowding around him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:43

ULT:

And a woman, being with a flow of blood for 12 years, who, having spent all her living on doctors, was not able to be healed by anyone,

UST:

Now in the crowd there was a woman who had been suffering for 12 years from a disease that caused continual bleeding. She had spent all her money to pay doctors to help her, but none of them was able to heal her.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:44

ULT:

having approached from behind, touched the edge of his cloak, and immediately her flow of blood stopped.

UST:

She came up behind Jesus and touched the edge of his robe. At once her bleeding stopped.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:45

ULT:

And Jesus said, "Who {is} the one having touched me?" But {when} all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the crowds are crowding around and pressing against you."

UST:

Jesus said, "Who touched me?" Everyone {around Jesus} said that they had not touched him. Peter said, "Master, there are many people crowding around you and pressing up against you. {So any one of them might have touched you!}"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:46

ULT:

But Jesus said, "Someone touched me, for I know power has gone out from me."

UST:

But Jesus said, "I know that someone {deliberately} touched me, because power has gone out from me {to heal that person}."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:47

ULT:

Then the woman, having seen that she could not hide, came trembling and having fallen down before him, she declared before all the people for what reason she had touched him, and how she had been healed immediately.

UST:

Then the woman realized that she could not hide. She came trembling to Jesus and {respectfully} lay facedown on the ground before him. As the other people were listening, she explained why she had touched Jesus and how she gotten better immediately.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:48

ULT:

Then he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace."

UST:

And Jesus said to her, "My dear woman, because you believed {that I could heal you}, you are now well. Now go on your way, and may God's peace be with you."

According to Jesus, what had caused the woman with bleeding to be healed?

She was healed because of her faith in Jesus.

Luke 8:49

ULT:

He still speaking, someone comes from the synagogue leader, saying, "Your daughter has died. Do not trouble the Teacher any longer."

UST:

While Jesus was still speaking {to the woman}, a man from Jairus' house came and said to Jairus, "Your daughter has died. So do not take up any more of the teacher's time."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:50

ULT:

But Jesus, having heard this, answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she will be saved."

UST:

But when Jesus heard that, he said to Jairus, "Do not be afraid. Just believe {in me}, and she will live again."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:51

ULT:

And having come to the house, he did not allow anyone to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father of the child, and the mother.

UST:

When he arrived outside the house, Jesus did not allow anyone to go in the house with him except for Peter, John, and James, and the girl's father and mother.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:52

ULT:

And they were all mourning and beating their breasts for her, but he said, "Do not wail, for she has not died, but sleeps."

UST:

And all the people there were loudly demonstrating how sad they were that the girl had died. But Jesus said to them, "Stop crying! She is not dead! She is only sleeping!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:53

ULT:

And they were laughing at him, knowing that she had died.

UST:

And the people laughed at him because they knew that the girl was dead.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:54

ULT:

But he, having taken her hand, called out, saying, "Child, arise!"

UST:

But Jesus took hold of her hand and called {to her}, saying, "Child, get up!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 8:55

ULT:

And her spirit returned, and she rose up immediately, and he ordered something to be given to her to eat.

UST:

And immediately she came back to life and she got up. Jesus told them to give her something to eat.

What did Jesus do at Jairus' house?

Jesus raised Jairus' daughter from the dead.

Luke 8:56

ULT:

And her parents were astonished, but he commanded them to tell no one what had happened.

UST:

And her parents were amazed, but Jesus told them not to tell anyone else {yet} what had happened.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9

Luke 9:1

ULT:

And having called the Twelve together, he gave them power and authority over all the demons, and to cure diseases,

UST:

Then Jesus called together his 12 representatives and gave them the right and power to drive out all kinds of demons and to heal {people's} diseases.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:2

ULT:

and he sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal the sick.

UST:

He sent them out to announce {the good news about} how God would rule as king. He told them to heal people who were sick.

What did Jesus send the Twelve out to do?

Jesus sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal the sick.

Luke 9:3

ULT:

And he said to them, “Take nothing for the road—neither staff, nor bag, nor bread, nor silver—nor have two tunics.

UST:

{Before they left,} he said to them, “Do not take anything with you for your journey. Do not take a walking stick or a traveler’s bag or food or money. Do not bring an extra tunic.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:4

ULT:

And whatever house you enter into, stay there and go out from there.

UST:

Whatever house you enter, stay in that house until you leave that area.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:5

ULT:

And wherever they do not receive you, going out from that city, shake off the dust from your feet for a testimony against them.”

UST:

If the people in any town do not welcome you, you should not stay there. Instead, leave that town and, as you go, shake its dust off your feet. That will be a warning to them {for rejecting you}.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:6

ULT:

Then they went out {and} were going through the villages, proclaiming the gospel and healing everywhere.

UST:

Then Jesus' disciples left and traveled through many villages. Everywhere they went, they talked to people about the good news from God, and they healed sick people.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:7

ULT:

And Herod the tetrarch heard about all that was happening, and he was perplexed, because it was said by some that John had risen from the dead,

UST:

Herod, the ruler over the district of Galilee, heard about everything that was happening, and he was perplexed. Some people were saying that John the Baptizer had become alive again.

Why was Herod perplexed when he heard about what was happening?

He was perplexed because some said that John the Baptizer had risen from the dead.

Luke 9:8

ULT:

and by some that Elijah had appeared, but by others that one of the ancient prophets had risen.

UST:

Other people were saying that the prophet Elijah had appeared again. Still others were saying that one of the other prophets from long ago had become alive again.

Who else did people think might be causing the things that were happening?

Some said Elijah had appeared, and some said an ancient prophet had risen.

Luke 9:9

ULT:

But Herod said, "I beheaded John, but who is this about whom I hear such things?" So he was seeking to see him.

UST:

But Herod said, "It cannot be John, because I had his head cut off. So who is this man? I keep hearing such amazing things about him!" And he kept looking for a way to see Jesus.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:10

ULT:

And the apostles, having returned, described to him as much as they had done. Then taking them, he withdrew by himself to a city called Bethsaida.

UST:

When Jesus' representatives returned from their trip, they told Jesus everything that they had done. Then he took them aside to go by themselves with him to the town of Bethsaida.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:11

ULT:

But the crowds, having come to know, followed him. And he welcomed them {and} spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and he was healing the ones having need of healing.

UST:

But when the crowds learned where Jesus had gone, they followed him there. He welcomed them and spoke to them about how God was going to rule as king. He also healed those who were sick.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:12

ULT:

And the day began to end, and the Twelve, having come, said to him, "Send the crowd away so that, going into the surrounding villages and countryside, they may find lodging and food, because we are here in a desolate place."

UST:

Now it was getting late in the day, so Jesus' 12 representatives came to him and said, "Please send this large crowd of people away so that they can go to the surrounding villages and farms to get some food and find places to stay, since we are out here in this isolated place."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:13

ULT:

But he said to them, “You give them to eat.” But they said, “There are not more than five loaves and two fish with us—unless we go {and} buy food for all these people.”

UST:

But he said to them, “You must give them something to eat!” They replied, “All we have are five small loaves of bread and two small fish. We could never go buy enough food for all these people!”

What food did the disciples have to feed the crowd?

They had five loaves of bread and two fish.

Luke 9:14

ULT:

(For there were about 5,000 men.) Then he said to his disciples, "Have them recline to eat in groups of about 50 each."

UST:

{They said this} because there were about 5000 men there. Then Jesus said to the disciples, "Have the people sit down in groups. Put about 50 people in each group."

How many men were following Jesus in the crowd that was in the desert place?

About 5000 men were in the crowd.

Luke 9:15

ULT:

And thus they did, and made {them} all recline to eat.

UST:

So the disciples did that, and the people all sat down.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:16

ULT:

Then having taken the five loaves and the two fish, having looked up to heaven, he blessed them and broke {them} into pieces, and he was giving them to the disciples to set before the crowd.

UST:

Then Jesus took the five loaves of bread and the two fish. He looked up toward heaven and praised God for them. Then he divided the bread and fish into pieces and gave them to the disciples for them to distribute to the people.

What did Jesus do with the five loaves and two fish?

He looked up to heaven, blessed them, broke them into pieces, and gave them to the disciples to give to the crowd.

Luke 9:17

ULT:

And they all ate and were satisfied, and what was left over to them was picked up—12 baskets of broken pieces.

UST:

They all ate, and everyone had enough to eat. Then the disciples collected the leftover pieces of food, which filled 12 baskets!

How many baskets of leftover food were there?

There were 12 baskets full of leftover food.

Luke 9:18

ULT:

And it happened that, while he was praying alone, the disciples were with him, and he questioned them, saying, "Who do the crowds say that I am?"

UST:

One day while Jesus was praying in private, with his disciples nearby, he asked them, "Who do the crowds say that I am?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:19

ULT:

So answering, they said, "John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and others that one of the ancient prophets has risen."

UST:

They replied, "{Some people say that you are} John the Baptizer, but others say that you are the prophet Elijah, and still others say that you are one of the other prophets from long ago who has come back to life again."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:20

ULT:

Then he said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Then Peter answering said, "The Christ of God."

UST:

He asked them, "What about you? Who do you say that I am?" Peter replied, "You are the Messiah, who has come from God."

When Jesus asked the disciples who he was, what did Peter answer?

He said, "The Christ from God."

Luke 9:21

ULT:

But he, strongly warning them, commanded {them} to tell this to no one,

UST:

Then Jesus warned them strongly not to tell that to anyone yet.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:22

ULT:

saying, "It is necessary for the Son of Man to suffer many things and to be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and to be killed, and to be raised on the third day."

UST:

Then he said, "I, the Son of Man, must suffer many things: The elders, chief priests, and teachers of the Jewish laws will reject me and kill me. Then, on the third day after that, I will come back to life again."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:23

ULT:

Then he said to {them} all, "If anyone wants to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me.

UST:

Then he said to them all, "If any one of you wants to be my disciple, you must not do only what you want to do. Rather, every day you must be willing to suffer, even to the point of giving up your life. That is how to be my disciple.

Jesus said that if anyone wants to come after him, he must do what?

He must deny himself, take up his cross daily, and follow Jesus.

Luke 9:24

ULT:

For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake, this one will save it.

UST:

{You must do that} because those who try to save their own lives will lose them eternally, but those who give up their lives in order to become my disciples will save their lives eternally.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:25

ULT:

For what does a man benefit, having gained the whole world, but losing or forfeiting himself?

UST:

After all, how does it benefit you if you gain everything in this world but you then end up losing, or even destroying, your own self?

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:26

ULT:

For whoever is ashamed of me and my words, the Son of Man will be ashamed of this one when he comes in his own glory, and of the Father and of the holy angels.

UST:

Suppose someone is afraid to say that they believe in me and that they follow my teaching. Then, I, the Son of Man, will say that such a person does not belong to me. This will happen when I come back in my glory and in the glory of God the Father and of the holy angels.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:27

ULT:

But I say to you truly, there are some of the ones standing here who will certainly not taste death until they see the kingdom of God.”

UST:

But you can be sure of this: Some of you who are standing here now will not die until you see God ruling as king!”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:28

ULT:

And it happened that, about eight days after these words, taking along Peter and John and James, he went up on the mountain to pray.

UST:

About eight days after Jesus said those things, he took Peter, John, and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray {there}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:29

ULT:

And it happened that, as he was praying, the appearance of his face became different, and his clothing flashed white like lightning.

UST:

While he was praying, the appearance of his face became very different, and his clothes began to shine brightly.

What happened to Jesus' appearance on the mountain?

The appearance of his face became different, and his clothing flashed as bright as lightning.

Luke 9:30

ULT:

And behold, two men began talking with him, who were Moses and Elijah,

UST:

All at once, two {prophets from long ago} were there talking with Jesus. They were Moses and Elijah.

Who appeared with Jesus?

Moses and Elijah appeared with Jesus.

Luke 9:31

ULT:

who were seen in glory, speaking about his departure, which he was about to fulfill in Jerusalem.

UST:

These men appeared surrounded in glory. They spoke with Jesus about how he was going to die. This was something that was going to happen soon in Jerusalem.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:32

ULT:

And Peter and the ones with him were weighted with sleep, but having become fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him.

UST:

Peter and the other disciples who were with him were very sleepy. But when they woke up fully, they saw how brightly Jesus was shining. They also saw Moses and Elijah standing with him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:33

ULT:

And it happened that, as they were going away from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here, and let us make three tents, one for you, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah" (not knowing what he says).

UST:

As Moses and Elijah were starting to leave Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here! We should make three shelters, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah!" But he really did not realize what he was saying.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:34

ULT:

But as he was saying these things, a cloud appeared and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered into the cloud.

UST:

As he was saying these things, a cloud formed and covered them. The disciples were afraid as the cloud surrounded them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:35

ULT:

And there was a voice from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, the chosen one; listen to him."

UST:

God's voice spoke to them from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him!"

What did the voice say from the cloud that overshadowed them?

The voice said, "This is my Son, the one who is chosen; listen to him."

Luke 9:36

ULT:

And when the voice had happened, Jesus was found alone. Then they were silent and told no one in those days anything of {the things} they had seen.

UST:

When the voice had finished speaking, {the three disciples saw that} only Jesus was there. They kept all this to themselves. For a long time they did not tell anyone what they had seen.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:37

ULT:

And it happened that, on the next day, they having come down from the mountain, a large crowd met him.

UST:

The next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a large crowd of people met Jesus.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:38

ULT:

And behold, a man from the crowd cried out, saying, "Teacher, I beg you to look upon my son, for he is my one and only {child}.

UST:

Suddenly a man from the crowd called out, "Teacher, I plead with you, do something to help my son! He is my only child.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:39

ULT:

And behold, a spirit seizes him and he suddenly cries out, and it throws him into convulsions with foam. And it departs from him with difficulty, crushing him.

UST:

Here is what is happening. An evil spirit suddenly seizes him and causes him to scream. It shakes him violently and causes him to foam at the mouth. This spirit hardly ever leaves my child and, when it does, it injures him severely.

Before Jesus cast out the demon, what did it cause the man's son to do?

The demon caused him to cry out and have convulsions with foam.

Luke 9:40

ULT:

And I begged your disciples so that they would cast it out, and they were not able.”

UST:

I pleaded with your disciples to command the evil spirit to come out of him, but they were not able to do it!”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:41

ULT:

But answering, Jesus said, “O unbelieving and perverted generation, until when will I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here.”

UST:

In response, Jesus said, “This generation of people does not believe, and so its thinking is corrupt! How much longer must I be with you before you believe?” {Then he said to the boy’s father;} “Bring your son here to me!”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:42

ULT:

And while he was coming, the demon threw him down and shook {him} with convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit and healed the boy and gave him back to his father.

UST:

While they were bringing the boy to him, the demon threw the boy down to the ground and shook him severely. But Jesus rebuked the evil spirit and healed the boy. Then he returned him to his father.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:43

ULT:

Then they were all amazed at the majesty of God. But {while} all were marveling at everything that he was doing, he said to his disciples,

UST:

Then all the people there were completely amazed at the great power God had shown. While they were all still marveling at all the miracles Jesus was doing, he said to his disciples,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:44

ULT:

"You put these words in your ears: For the Son of Man is about to be handed over into the hands of men."

UST:

"Listen carefully to what I am about to tell you, because someone will soon hand me, the Son of Man, over to my enemies."

What statement did Jesus make to the disciples that they did not understand?

He said, "The Son of Man would be handed over into the hands of men."

Luke 9:45

ULT:

But they were not understanding this word, and it was hidden from them, so they could not understand it, and they were afraid to question him about this word.

UST:

But the disciples did not understand what he meant by this. God prevented them from understanding it so that they would not know yet what he meant, and they were afraid to ask him about what he had said.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:46

ULT:

Then an argument started among them as to which of them might be the greatest.

UST:

Sometime later, the disciples began to argue among themselves about which one of them would be the most important.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:47

ULT:

But Jesus, knowing the reasoning in their hearts, having taken a little child, set him next to him,

UST:

But Jesus knew what they were thinking, so he brought a young child over and had the child stand beside him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:48

ULT:

and said to them, "Whoever receives this child in my name, receives me, and whoever receives me, receives the one having sent me. For the one being least among you all, he is great."

UST:

He said to them, "If someone welcomes a little child like this one because of me, it is the same as welcoming me. And if someone welcomes me, it is the same as welcoming God, who sent me. Remember that those among you who seem to be the least important are the ones whom God considers to be most important."

Who did Jesus say is the one who is great among the disciples?

The one who is least among them is the one who is great.

Luke 9:49

ULT:

Then answering, John said, "Master, we saw someone casting out demons in your name and we were preventing him, because he does not follow with us."

UST:

John replied to Jesus, "Master, we saw a man who was using your name to command demons to come out of people. But we told him to stop doing that, because he was not working closely with you the way we are."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:50

ULT:

But Jesus said to him, "Do not prevent {him}, for whoever is not against you is for you."

UST:

But Jesus told John, "Do not stop him from doing that! If someone is not doing something that is harmful to you, then what he is doing is helpful to you!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:51

ULT:

And it happened that, when the days of his being taken up were being fulfilled, then he set his face to go to Jerusalem.

UST:

When it was getting close to the time when God would take him back up to heaven, Jesus firmly resolved to go to Jerusalem.

As the days were approaching when Jesus would go up to heaven, what did he do?

He set his face to go to Jerusalem.

Luke 9:52

ULT:

And he sent messengers before his face, and they went {and} entered into a Samaritan village so as to prepare for him.

UST:

He sent some messengers ahead of him. They traveled on and went into a village in the region of Samaria to try to arrange for him to stay there.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:53

ULT:

But they did not welcome him, because his face was going to Jerusalem.

UST:

But the Samaritans would not let Jesus stay in their village, because he was on his way to Jerusalem.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:54

ULT:

And the disciples James and John, having seen this, said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?"

UST:

Two of his disciples, James and John, {got angry when they} saw {that the Samaritans were not going to welcome them}. So they asked Jesus, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and destroy these people?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:55

ULT:

But having turned, he rebuked them,

UST:

But Jesus turned {to them} and sternly told them they were wrong to say that.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:56

ULT:

and they went on to another village.

UST:

So they went to a different village.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:57

ULT:

And as they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go."

UST:

As Jesus and the disciples were walking along the road, someone said to him, "I will go with you wherever you go!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:58

ULT:

And Jesus said to him, "The foxes have dens, and the birds of the sky, nests, but the Son of Man does not have {a place} where he might lay his head."

UST:

Jesus replied, "Foxes have holes in the ground to live in, and birds have nests, but I, the Son of Man, do not have a home to sleep in!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:59

ULT:

Then he said to another, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, permit me to go first to bury my father."

UST:

Jesus said to a different person, "Come with me!" But that person said, "Lord, let me first go home and bury my father."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:60

ULT:

But he said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead. But you, go {and} proclaim the kingdom of God."

UST:

But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead. I want you to go and tell people everywhere that they can have God rule their lives."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:61

ULT:

Then still another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but first permit me to say goodbye to the ones in my home."

UST:

Someone else said, "Lord, I will come with you and be your disciple, but first let me go home to say goodbye to my family."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 9:62

ULT:

But Jesus replied, “No one, having put his hand on a plow, yet looking to the things behind, is fit for the kingdom of God.”

UST:

Jesus said to him, “Anyone who is like a farmer who tries to plow his field while looking behind him is not able to serve God as his ruler.”

To be fit for the kingdom of God, what must a person not do once he has “put his hand to the plow”?

That person must not look back.

Luke 10

Luke 10:1

ULT:

And after these things, the Lord also appointed 72 others, and sent them out by twos before his face to every city and place where he himself was about to go.

UST:

After that, Jesus appointed 72 other disciples {to go and prepare people to hear him}. He sent them out in pairs to go ahead of him to every town and village where he was intending to go himself.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:2

ULT:

And he said to them, "Indeed the harvest {is} plentiful, but the laborers {are} few. Therefore, earnestly ask the Lord of the harvest, so that he would send out laborers into his harvest."

UST:

He said to them, "Many people are ready to believe in me, but there are only a few of you whom I can send out to help them. So pray to God{, who wants all of those people to believe,} and plead with him for more disciples who can go and help them."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:3

ULT:

Go. Behold, I send you out as lambs in the midst of wolves.

UST:

Go now, but remember that I am sending you out to tell my message to people who will be hostile to you.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:4

ULT:

Do not carry a money bag, nor a sack, nor sandals, and greet no one on the road.

UST:

Do not bring along any money. Do not bring {a lot of things with you in} a pack. Do not bring {extra shoes}. Do not {stop and} talk with people along the way.

What did Jesus tell the 70 not to carry with them?

He told them not to carry a money bag, a sack, or sandals.

Luke 10:5

ULT:

Whatever house you enter into, first say, 'Peace {be} to this house!'

UST:

Whenever you enter a house, first say to the people who live there, 'May God bless everyone in this house with peace!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:6

ULT:

And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him; but if not, it will return to you.

UST:

If the people who live there desire God's peace, then they will experience the peace you are offering them. But if they do not desire God's peace, then you will experience that peace yourselves.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:7

ULT:

And remain in that house, eating and drinking {what is} from them, for the laborer {is} worthy of his wages. Do not move around from house to house.

UST:

Stay in that same house until you leave that village. Do not move around from one house to another. Eat and drink whatever they provide for you, because a worker deserves to receive payment for his work.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:8

ULT:

And whatever city you enter into, and they receive you, eat {what} is served to you,

UST:

If you enter any town and the people there welcome you, eat whatever food they provide for you.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:9

ULT:

and heal the sick in it, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come close to you.'

UST:

Heal the people in that city who are sick. Tell everyone, 'You are seeing close up what it will be like when God rules everywhere as king.'

What did Jesus tell the 70 to do in each city?

He told them to heal the sick and to say to the people, "The kingdom of God has come close to you."

Luke 10:10

ULT:

And into whatever city you enter, and they do not receive you, go out into its streets {and} say,

UST:

But if you enter any town and the people there do not welcome you, go into its main streets and say,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:11

ULT:

'Even the dust that clings to us from your city on our feet we wipe off against you! But know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.'

UST:

'{As a warning} against you, we will wipe off even the dust that sticks to our feet {as we are leaving your town}. But you must realize that you have seen close up what it will be like when God rules everywhere as king!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:12

ULT:

I say to you that on that day it will be more tolerable for Sodom than for that city.

UST:

I want you to know that at the time when God judges everyone, God will punish the people of that town even more severely than the wicked people who lived long ago in the city of Sodom!

If a city did not receive those whom Jesus sent to them, what would the judgment be like for that city?

It would be worse for them than the judgment on Sodom.

Luke 10:13

ULT:

Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles had happened in Tyre and Sidon which happened in you, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes.

UST:

How terrible it will be for you people who live in the cities of Chorazin and Bethsaida! I say this because I did great miracles while I was in your cities. If I had performed those same miracles in {the ancient cities of} Tyre and Sidon, the {wicked} people who lived there would have been very sorry for their sins. They would have shown this by sitting on the ground wearing coarse clothing and putting ashes on their heads.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:14

ULT:

But it will be more tolerable for Tyre and for Sidon at the judgment than for you.

UST:

So when God judges everyone, he will punish you more severely than the wicked people who lived in Tyre and Sidon.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:15

ULT:

And you, Capernaum, you will not be exalted to heaven, will you? You will be brought down as far as Hades.

UST:

I also have something to say to you people who live in the town of Capernaum. You may think that God is going to give you great rewards. No, God is not going to reward you at all!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:16

ULT:

The one listening to you listens to me, and the one rejecting you rejects me, and the one rejecting me rejects the one having sent me.”

UST:

{Jesus also said to the disciples,} “Whoever listens to your message is{, in effect,} listening to me. Whoever rejects your message is{, in effect,} rejecting me. And whoever rejects me is{, in effect,} rejecting God who sent me.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:17

ULT:

Then the 72 returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subjected to us in your name."

UST:

The 72 people whom Jesus appointed {went and did what he told them to do.} When they returned, they were very joyful. They said, "Lord, even the demons obeyed us when, by your authority, we commanded them to leave people!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:18

ULT:

And he said to them, "I was watching Satan fall from heaven like lightning.

UST:

Jesus told them, "{While you were away doing that,} I saw Satan lose a position of advantage as suddenly and quickly as lightning comes down!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:19

ULT:

Behold, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will harm you at all.

UST:

Listen! I have given you the power to defeat evil spirits. I have even given you enough power to defeat our enemy, Satan. Nothing will hurt you at all.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:20

ULT:

Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subjected to you, but rejoice that your names are written in the heavens."

UST:

But do not {only} rejoice that the evil spirits must obey you. You should rejoice {even more} that God has written your names in heaven{, because that means you will be with God forever}."

When the 70 returned and reported with joy that they were able to cast out demons, what did Jesus say to them?

He said, "Rejoice that your names are written in the heavens."

Luke 10:21

ULT:

At that hour he rejoiced greatly in the Holy Spirit, and said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you concealed these things from the wise and intelligent and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for thus it was well-pleasing before you.

UST:

Right then, the Holy Spirit gave Jesus great joy. He said, "God my Father, you are Lord over everything in heaven and on earth. I praise you that you have prevented people who think they are smart from understanding things. Instead, you have revealed them to people who accept your truth as readily as little children do. Yes, Father, you have done that because it pleased you to do so.

To whom did Jesus say it was well-pleasing to the Father to reveal the kingdom of God?

It was well-pleasing to the Father to reveal the kingdom of God to those who are untaught, like infants.

Luke 10:22

ULT:

All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, and who the Father is except the Son, and to whomever the Son desires to reveal him."

UST:

God, my Father, has given everything to me. Only my Father really knows me, his Son. And only I, his Son, really know my Father. But I do choose to show some people who he is."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:23

ULT:

And having turned around to the disciples, he said privately, “Blessed {are} the eyes that see what you see!”

UST:

Then Jesus said, just to his disciples, “God has given you a great gift by letting you see the things that I am doing!”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:24

ULT:

For I say to you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, and did not see, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear.”

UST:

I want you to know that many prophets and kings would have liked to see the things that you are seeing me do. But they did not get to see them{, because they lived long ago}. They would have liked to hear the things that you have been hearing me say. But they did not get to hear them{, because they lived long ago}.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:25

ULT:

And behold, a certain lawyer stood up, testing him, saying, "Teacher, doing what, will I inherit eternal life?"

UST:

A man who taught Jewish laws was there. He wanted to test Jesus {by asking him a difficult question}. So he stood up and asked, "Teacher, what do I have to do in order to live with God forever?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:26

ULT:

But he said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read {it}?"

UST:

Jesus said to him, "You have read what Moses wrote in the laws that God gave him. What do those laws say?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:27

ULT:

And answering, he said, "You will love the Lord your God from your whole heart and with your whole soul and with your whole strength and with your whole mind, and your neighbor as yourself."

UST:

The man replied, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind. And love your neighbor as much as you love yourself."

According to Jesus, what does the Jewish law say a person must do to inherit eternal life?

You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.

Luke 10:28

ULT:

And he said to him, "You have answered correctly. Do this, and you will live."

UST:

Jesus told him, "You have answered correctly. If you do all that, you will live {with God forever}."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:29

ULT:

But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

UST:

But the man wanted to show that God would approve of him. So he said to Jesus, “Which people are my neighbors {whom I should love}?”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:30

ULT:

Then answering, Jesus said, "A certain man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among robbers {who}, both having stripped him and having laid on blows, went away, leaving him half dead.

UST:

Jesus replied, "One day, a Jewish man was traveling along the road from Jerusalem to Jericho. Some bandits attacked him. They took away most of the man's clothes and everything else that he had. They beat him until he was almost dead. Then they left him there.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:31

ULT:

Then by coincidence a certain priest was going down on that road, and having seen him, he passed by on the other side.

UST:

It happened that a {Jewish} priest was going along that road. When he saw that man, {instead of helping him,} he passed by on the other side of the road.

In Jesus' parable, what did the Jewish priest do when he saw the half-dead man on the road?

He passed by on the other side of the road.

Luke 10:32

ULT:

And likewise a Levite also, having come to the place and having seen {him}, passed by on the other side.

UST:

Similarly, a Levite {who worked in God's temple} also came to that place and saw the man. But he too passed by on the other side of the road.

What did the Levite do when he saw the man?

He passed by on the other side of the road.

Luke 10:33

ULT:

But a certain Samaritan, as he traveled along, came upon him, and having seen {him}, he felt compassion.

UST:

Then a man from the region of Samaria came along that road to where the man was lying. When he saw that man, he pitied him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:34

ULT:

And having approached, he bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then, having put him on his own animal, he brought him to an inn and took care of him.

UST:

He went over to him and put some olive oil and wine on his wounds {to help heal them}. He wrapped strips of cloth around the wounds. Then he put the man on his own donkey and brought him to an inn and took care of him.

What did the Samaritan do when he saw the man?

He bound up his wounds, put him on his animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

Luke 10:35

ULT:

And on the next day, taking out two denarii, he gave them to the innkeeper and said, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, when I return, I will repay you.'

UST:

The next morning he gave two silver coins to the innkeeper and said, 'Take care of this man. If you need to spend more than this amount to care for him, I will pay you back when I return.'"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:36

ULT:

Which of these three do you think became a neighbor to the one having fallen among the robbers?"

UST:

{Then Jesus asked,} "Three people found the man whom the bandits had attacked. Which one of them would you say was a true neighbor to that man?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:37

ULT:

And he said, "The one having shown mercy to him." Then Jesus said to him, "You go and do likewise."

UST:

The teacher of the law replied, "The one who acted mercifully toward him." Jesus said to him, "{That is correct.} So you should go and act like that toward anyone who needs your help."

After telling the parable, what did Jesus tell the teacher of the Jewish law to go and do?

Go and show mercy like the Samaritan in the parable.

Luke 10:38

ULT:

And as they were traveling along, he entered into a certain village, and a certain woman named Martha welcomed him.

UST:

As Jesus and his disciples continued to travel, they entered a certain village. There a woman whose name was Martha invited them to come to her house.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:39

ULT:

And she had a sister called Mary, and she was sitting at the feet of Jesus, listening to his word.

UST:

Her sister, whose name was Mary, sat near Jesus' feet and listened to what he was teaching.

What did Mary do at the same time?

She sat at Jesus' feet and listened to him.

Luke 10:40

ULT:

But Martha was distracted with much service, and coming up, she said, "Lord, are you not concerned that my sister has left me alone to serve? Therefore, speak to her so that she might help me."

UST:

But Martha was worrying about preparing the meal for all of them. She went to Jesus and said, "Lord, my sister has left me to prepare everything by myself. You must know that is not fair. Please tell her to help me!"

How did Martha act when Jesus came to her house?

She was distracted with her serving.

Luke 10:41

ULT:

But answering, the Lord said to her, “Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things,

UST:

But Jesus replied to her, “Martha, Martha, you are very worried about many things.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 10:42

ULT:

but one thing is necessary. For Mary has chosen the good part, which will not be taken away from her.”

UST:

But the one thing that is really important {is to listen to what I am teaching}. Because Mary has chosen the best thing to do, I will not tell her to do something else.”

Who did Jesus say had chosen the better thing to do?

He said that Mary had chosen the good part that would not be taken away from her.

Luke 11

Luke 11:1

ULT:

And it happened that, when he was praying in a certain place, when he stopped, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John also taught his disciples."

UST:

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us how to pray. John the Baptist did that for his own disciples, and we would like you to do that for us."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:2

ULT:

And he said to them, "When you pray, say, 'Father, let your name be made holy. Let your kingdom come.

UST:

He said to them, "When you pray, say {things like this}: 'Father, may all people honor your name as holy. May you soon rule all people everywhere.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:3

ULT:

Give us our daily bread each day.

UST:

Please give us the food we need each day.

What did Jesus want his disciples to pray would happen to the Father's name?

He wanted them to pray that the Father's name would be made holy.

Luke 11:4

ULT:

And forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone owing us. And do not bring us into temptation. '''

UST:

Please forgive us for the wrong things that we have done. We ourselves will forgive people for the wrong things they have done to us. Help us to not sin when something tempts us. '''

As we ask God to forgive our sins, what should we do about other people who sin against us?

We should forgive them just as God has forgiven us.

Luke 11:5

ULT:

And he said to them, "Which of you will have a friend and will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend three loaves to me,

UST:

Then he said to them, "Suppose that one of you goes to the house of a friend at midnight. You {stand outside and} call to him, 'My friend, please lend me three loaves of bread!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:6

ULT:

since my friend has come to me from the road, and I do not have anything to serve to him'?

UST:

Another friend of mine who is traveling has just arrived at my house. But I do not have any food ready to serve him!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:7

ULT:

And answering from inside, he may say, 'Do not cause me trouble. The door has already been shut, and my children are in the bed with me. I am not able to get up to give to you.'

UST:

And suppose that he responds from inside the house, 'Do not bother me! I have already locked the door, and my whole family is in bed. It would be too hard for me to get up and give you something!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:8

ULT:

I say to you, even if he does not get up to give {it} to him because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence, rising up, he will give to him as much as he needs.

UST:

I tell you, he may not want to get up and give his friend any food just because he is his friend. But if he keeps on asking, the man inside will certainly get up and give him everything he needs.

In Jesus' parable, why did the man get up and give his friend bread at midnight?

Because of his friend's persistence.

Luke 11:9

ULT:

I also say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.

UST:

So I tell you: Keep asking God for the things you need, and he will give them to you. Keep seeking those things from God, and you will receive them. Ask God to make things possible for you, and he will act on your behalf.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:10

ULT:

For everyone asking receives; and the one seeking finds; and to the one knocking, it will be opened.

UST:

You should do this because anyone who keeps asking God for the things he needs will receive them. Anyone who seeks those things from God will receive them. If anyone asks God to make things possible for him, God will act on his behalf.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:11

ULT:

And which father among you, his son will ask for a fish, and instead of a fish, he will give him a snake?

UST:

Suppose one of you fathers had a son who asked you for a fish to eat. You certainly would not give him a poisonous snake instead!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:12

ULT:

Or also he will ask for an egg, he will give him a scorpion?

UST:

Suppose he asked you for an egg. You certainly would not give him a scorpion instead!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:13

ULT:

Therefore, if you being evil know to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father from heaven give the Holy Spirit to the ones asking him?"

UST:

Even though you people are sinful, you still know how to give good gifts to your children. So it is even more certain that your Father in heaven will give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him."

What will the Father in heaven give to those who ask him?

He will give them the Holy Spirit.

Luke 11:14

ULT:

And he was casting out a mute demon. And it happened that, the demon having gone out, the mute {man} spoke, and the crowds marveled.

UST:

One day Jesus was forcing out a demon who was keeping a man from speaking. After Jesus forced the demon out, the man began to talk. This amazed the crowd of people that was there.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:15

ULT:

But some of them said, "By Beelzebul, the ruler of demons, he casts out the demons."

UST:

But some of them said, "It is Beelzebul, the ruler of the demons, who enables this man to force out demons!"

When they saw him drive out demons, what did some accuse Jesus of doing?

They accused him of driving out demons by Beelzebul, the ruler of demons.

Luke 11:16

ULT:

And others tested {him}, seeking from him a sign from heaven.

UST:

Other people there questioned his authority. They demanded that he perform a miracle to prove that God had sent him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:17

ULT:

But he, knowing their thoughts, said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is made desolate, and house against house falls.

UST:

But he knew what they were thinking. So he said to them, "If the people in one nation fight against each other, they will destroy their nation. If the people in one household oppose each other, they will destroy their family.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:18

ULT:

But if Satan is also divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say I cast out the demons by Beelzebul.

UST:

Similarly, if Satan and his demons were fighting against each other, his rule over them would certainly not last! I say this because you are saying that I force out demons by the power of the ruler of demons!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:19

ULT:

But if I cast out the demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your sons cast them out? Because of this, they will be your judges.

UST:

If it is true that Beelzebul is enabling me to force out demons, it must also be true that he is enabling your disciples to force out demons. {But you know that is not true.} So your own disciples prove that you are wrong.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:20

ULT:

But if I cast out the demons by the finger of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.

UST:

I must actually be forcing out demons by the power of God. This means that God has begun to rule over you.”

By what power did Jesus answer that he drove out demons?

He said he drove out demons by the finger of God.

Luke 11:21

ULT:

When the strong man {who} has been fully armed is guarding his own courtyard, his possessions are at peace,

UST:

{Jesus continued,} “When a strong man who has many weapons guards his own house, no one can steal the things inside.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:22

ULT:

but when a stronger than he attacks him, he will overcome him, take away his armor in which he trusted, and divide his spoils.

UST:

But when someone else who is stronger attacks that man and subdues him, he takes away the weapons that the man was depending on. Then he can steal anything he wants from that man's house.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:23

ULT:

The one not being with me is against me, and the one not gathering with me scatters.

UST:

Anyone who is not supporting me is opposing me. Anyone who is not bringing people to me is sending them away from me."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:24

ULT:

When the unclean spirit has gone out from the man, it passes through waterless places seeking rest, and not finding any, it says, 'I will return to my house from which I came out.'

UST:

{Then Jesus said,} "An evil spirit might leave someone and wander around in desolate areas looking for someone else to live in. If it does not find anyone there, it may say, 'I am going to go back to the person I used to live in!'"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:25

ULT:

And having come, it finds {it} having been swept out and put in order.

UST:

So it goes back and finds that the person is like a house that someone has swept clean and put in order{, but which has no one living in it}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:26

ULT:

Then it goes and takes along seven other spirits more evil than itself and they having entered, it resides there. And the last things of that man become worse than the first things.”

UST:

Then this evil spirit goes and gets seven other spirits that are even more evil than it is. They all enter that person and begin living in him. That person’s condition was bad before, and it becomes even worse.”

If an unclean spirit leaves a man but then later returns, what will be the final condition of the man?

The final condition of that man will be worse than the first condition.

Luke 11:27

ULT:

And it happened that, as he was saying these things, a certain woman from the crowd, lifting up her voice, said to him, “Blessed {is} the womb that bore you and the breasts that you nursed at.”

UST:

When Jesus said that, a woman in the crowd {who was listening} called out to him loudly, “God is pleased with the woman who gave birth to you and who nursed you!”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:28

ULT:

But he said, "Rather, blessed {are} the ones hearing the word of God and keeping {it}."

UST:

Then he replied, "God is even more pleased with those who hear his message and obey it!"

When the woman cried out, blessing Jesus' mother, who did Jesus say was blessed?

Those who hear the word of God and keep it are blessed.

Luke 11:29

ULT:

And as the crowds were increasing, he began to say, "This generation is an evil generation. It seeks a sign, but a sign will not be given to it except the sign of Jonah."

UST:

More and more people were coming to join the crowd around Jesus. He said, "The people living at this time are evil people. They want me to do a miracle {to prove that I have come from God}. But the only proof they will see is a miracle like the one that happened to Jonah."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:30

ULT:

For as Jonah became a sign to the Ninevites, so also will the Son of Man be to this generation.

UST:

Long ago God did a miracle for Jonah to show the people living in the city of Nineveh that he had sent him. In the same way, God will do a similar miracle for me, the Son of Man, to show the people living now that he has sent me.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:31

ULT:

The Queen of the South will stand up in the judgment with the men of this generation and condemn them, for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon, and behold, something greater than Solomon {is} here.

UST:

Long ago the Queen of Sheba traveled a great distance to hear the wise things that Solomon said. Now someone greater than Solomon is right here with you. {But you have not really listened to what I am saying.} Therefore, at the time when God judges all people, she will stand up and condemn the people who are living now.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:32

ULT:

The men of Nineveh will rise up in the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, something greater than Jonah {is} here.

UST:

The people who lived in the ancient city of Nineveh turned from their sinful ways when Jonah preached to them. And now I, who am greater than Jonah, have come and preached to you. {But you have not turned from your sinful ways.} Therefore, at the time when God judges all people, the people who lived in Nineveh will stand up and condemn the people who are living now.

Jesus said that he was greater than which two Old Testament men?

He is greater than Solomon and Jonah.

Luke 11:33

ULT:

No one, having lit a lamp, puts {it} in a hidden place, nor under the measure, but on the lampstand, so that the ones entering may see the light.

UST:

People who light a lamp do not hide it or put it under a basket. Instead, they put it on a lampstand so that those who enter the room can see the light.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:34

ULT:

The lamp of the body is your eye. When your eye is healthy, your whole body is also illuminated. But when it is evil, your body {is} also dark.

UST:

Your eye lets light into your body. If your eye is working right, then your whole body will be full of light. But if your eye is not working right, then your body will not get any light.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:35

ULT:

Therefore, beware that the light {that is} in you is not darkness.

UST:

Therefore, be careful not to think that your eye is working right and letting in light if it is actually not working right and not letting in any light.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:36

ULT:

If therefore your whole body {is} illuminated, not having any part dark, it will all be illuminated, as when the lamp with {its} brightness illuminates you.”

UST:

So if light is getting into every part of your body, so that no part of it is in the dark, then all of your body will be full of light. Bright light will shine all over you inside, just as the bright light of a lamp shines all over you outside.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:37

ULT:

And when he had spoken, a Pharisee asks him that he would dine with him. And having gone in, he reclined to eat.

UST:

After Jesus finished saying those things, a Pharisee invited him to eat a meal with him. So Jesus went into the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table to eat.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:38

ULT:

And the Pharisee, having seen this, marveled that he did not first wash before the meal.

UST:

The Pharisee was surprised when he saw that Jesus did not ritually wash his hands first before eating.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:39

ULT:

But the Lord said to him, "Now you Pharisees clean the outside of the cup and of the bowl, but the inside of you is full of greed and evil."

UST:

Jesus said to him, "You Pharisees wash the outside of cups and dishes before you eat, but within yourselves you are very greedy and wicked."

What did Jesus say the Pharisees were filled with on the inside?

He said they were full of greed and evil.

Luke 11:40

ULT:

You foolish ones! Did not the one having made the outside also make the inside?

UST:

You foolish people! Surely you know that God not only made the outside, but also made the inside!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:41

ULT:

But give as charity {what} is inside, and behold, all things are clean to you.

UST:

{Instead of worrying about dishes being ritually clean, be merciful and} give whatever is inside the dishes to people in need. Then both the inside and outside of you will be acceptable to God.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:42

ULT:

But woe to you Pharisees, because you tithe the mint and the rue and every garden herb, but you neglect the justice and the love of God. But it was necessary to do these and those not to neglect.

UST:

But how terrible it will be for you Pharisees! You carefully give to God a tenth of all you have, including even the herbs that you grow in your gardens. But then you do not show God's love or fairness toward others. You should make sure that you do that, in addition to giving to God.

What did Jesus say the Pharisees neglected?

They neglected justice and the love of God.

Luke 11:43

ULT:

Woe to you Pharisees, for you love the first seats in the synagogues and the greetings in the marketplaces.

UST:

How terrible it will be for you Pharisees, because you like to sit in the most important seats in the synagogues, and you like people to greet you {with special honor} in the marketplaces.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:44

ULT:

Woe to you, for you are like the unseen graves, and the men walking over them do not know it."

UST:

How terrible it will be for you, because you are like unmarked graves that people walk over without realizing it and so become ceremonially unclean."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:45

ULT:

Then answering, one of the lawyers says to him, "Teacher, saying these things, you insult us too."

UST:

One of the teachers of the Jewish laws who were there complained to Jesus, "Teacher, when you say things like that, you are criticizing us too!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:46

ULT:

But he said, "Woe also to you lawyers! For you burden men with burdens difficult to carry, but you yourselves do not touch the burdens with one of your fingers."

UST:

But Jesus responded, "How terrible it will also be for you who are teachers of the Jewish laws! I say this because you tell people to follow so many rules, yet you will not do even the smallest thing to help them."

What did Jesus say the teachers of the law were doing to other men?

They were burdening men with burdens difficult to carry, but not touching those burdens themselves.

Luke 11:47

ULT:

Woe to you, because you build the tombs of the prophets, but your fathers killed them.

UST:

How terrible it will be for you, because you construct buildings to mark the graves of the prophets, but your ancestors are the ones who killed them!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:48

ULT:

So you testify and consent to the works of your fathers, for they indeed killed them, but you are building.

UST:

So when you build these buildings, you are declaring that you approve of what your ancestors did when they killed the prophets.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:49

ULT:

Because of this, the wisdom of God also said, 'I will send to them prophets and apostles, and some of them they will kill and persecute'

UST:

So God, who is very wise, also said, 'I will send prophets and messengers to guide my people. But they will cause them to suffer greatly. They will even kill some of them.'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:50

ULT:

that the blood of all the prophets having been shed from the foundation of the world may be required from this generation,

UST:

As a result, the people living at this time will be punished for the murder of all the prophets whom people have killed since the world was created.

For what did Jesus say this generation would be held responsible?

They would be held responsible for all the blood of the prophets shed since the foundation of the world.

Luke 11:51

ULT:

from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zechariah, the one having perished between the altar and the house. Yes, I say to you, it will be required from this generation.

UST:

They will be punished for every murder from that of {Adam's son} Abel{, whose brother Cain killed him,} right through to the murder of {the prophet} Zechariah, whom the king's agents killed {in the temple} between the altar and the holy place.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:52

ULT:

Woe to you lawyers, because you have taken away the key of knowledge; you have not entered yourselves, and you have hindered the ones entering."

UST:

How terrible it will be for you teachers of the Jewish laws. You are keeping people from knowing about God! You do not know God yourselves, and you make things difficult for other people who want to know God better."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:53

ULT:

{After} he went out from there, the scribes and the Pharisees began to oppose him fiercely and to argue against him about many things,

UST:

{After Jesus finished saying those things,} he left the Pharisee's house. Then the teachers of the Jewish laws and the Pharisees began to act in a very hostile way toward him. They questioned him intensely about many things.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 11:54

ULT:

lying in wait for him to trap something from his mouth.

UST:

They kept listening for him to say something wrong so that they could accuse him of false teaching.

What did the scribes and Pharisees do after hearing Jesus' words?

They were lying in wait to trap him in his words.

Luke 12

Luke 12:1

ULT:

When myriads of the crowd were gathered together so that they trampled on each other, he began to say to his disciples first, "Guard yourselves from the yeast of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy.

UST:

Meanwhile, many thousands of people gathered {around Jesus}. There were so many that they were stepping on each other. The first thing he said to his disciples was, "Be careful that you do not become like the Pharisees, who act religious in public but do evil things in secret.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:2

ULT:

But nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, and hidden, that will not be known.

UST:

It is useless for people to try to keep their sins a secret. Someday God will let everyone know everything people are trying to hide.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:3

ULT:

Therefore, whatever you have said in the darkness will be heard in the light, and what you have spoken in the ear in the inner rooms will be proclaimed upon the housetops.

UST:

Someday people will hear publicly everything you have said privately. Someday someone will shout for everyone to hear what you have whispered in your room.

According to Jesus, what will happen to everything you say in darkness?

It will be heard in the light.

Luke 12:4

ULT:

But I say to you, my friends, you should not be afraid of the ones killing the body, and after that not having anything more to do.

UST:

My friends, listen carefully! Do not be afraid of people. They can kill you, but they cannot do anything more to you after that!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:5

ULT:

But I will show you whom to fear. Fear the one, after he has killed, having authority to throw into Gehenna. Yes, I say to you, fear him.

UST:

I will tell you whom you should truly be afraid of. You should be afraid of God. Not only does he have the right to cause people to die, he also has the right to throw them into hell afterward! Yes, I tell you, God is the one you should truly be afraid of!

Who did Jesus say that you should fear?

You should fear the one who, after he has killed us, has authority to throw you into hell.

Luke 12:6

ULT:

Are not five sparrows sold for two assaria? Yet not one of them is forgotten before God.

UST:

Think about the sparrows. {They have so little value that} you can buy five of them for only two small coins. And yet God never forgets any of them!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:7

ULT:

But even the hairs of your head have all been numbered. Do not fear: you are more valuable than many sparrows.

UST:

God even knows how many hairs there are on your head. Do not be afraid, because you are more valuable {to God} than many sparrows.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:8

ULT:

But I say to you, everyone who confesses about me before men, the Son of Man will also confess about him before the angels of God,

UST:

I tell you also that if people tell others that they are my disciples, then I, the Son of Man, will say to God's angels that those people are my disciples.

What will Jesus do for everyone who confesses Jesus' name before men?

Jesus will confess that person before the angels of God.

Luke 12:9

ULT:

but the one having denied me before men will be denied before the angels of God.

UST:

But if they tell others that they are not my disciples, then I will say to God's angels that those people are not my disciples.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:10

ULT:

And everyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man, it will be forgiven him, but to the one having blasphemed against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven.

UST:

I also tell you that if people say bad things about me, the Son of Man, God will forgive them for that. But if people say bad things about the Holy Spirit, God will not forgive them for that.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:11

ULT:

And when they bring you to the synagogues and the rulers and the authorities, do not worry about how or what you should speak in your defense or what you should say,

UST:

So when people bring you into the synagogues {to question you before the religious leaders there} and to other people who have power in the country, do not worry about how you will answer them or about what you should say,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:12

ULT:

for the Holy Spirit will teach you in that hour what is necessary to say.”

UST:

because the Holy Spirit will tell you at that very time what you should say.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:13

ULT:

Then someone from the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."

UST:

Then one of the people in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide our father's property with me!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:14

ULT:

But he said to him, “Man, who appointed me a judge or a mediator over you?”

UST:

But Jesus replied to him, “Man, no one made me a judge to settle arguments that people have about property!”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:15

ULT:

Then he said to them, “See and keep yourselves from all covetousness, because one’s life is not in the abounding to him of his possessions.”

UST:

Then he said to the whole crowd, “Be careful not to be greedy in any way! What matters about a person’s life is not how many things he owns.”

According to Jesus, of what does our life not consist?

Our life does not consist in the abundance of our possessions.

Luke 12:16

ULT:

Then he spoke to them a parable, saying, "The land of a certain rich man yielded abundantly,

UST:

Then Jesus told the crowd this story: "The lands of a certain rich man produced abundant crops.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:17

ULT:

and he reasoned with himself, saying, 'What should I do, since I do not have anywhere to gather my crops?'

UST:

He thought to himself, 'I do not know what to do, because I do not have any place {big enough} to store all my crops!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:18

ULT:

And he said, 'I will do this: I will take down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will gather all of my grain and good things.'

UST:

Then he thought to himself, 'I know what I will do! I will tear down my grain bins and build larger ones! Then I can store all my grain and other things in the big new bins.'

In Jesus' parable, what was the rich man going to do because his fields yielded abundantly?

He was going to take down his barns and build bigger ones, and store all his grain and goods there.

Luke 12:19

ULT:

And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many good things lying in store for many years. Relax, eat, drink, be merry."'

UST:

Then I will say to myself, "Now I have stored up enough things to last many years. So I will take life easy. I will eat and drink and be happy"'

What did the rich man tell himself to do since he had much grain stored up?

He told himself to relax, eat, drink, and be merry.

Luke 12:20

ULT:

But God said to him, 'Foolish one, this night they are demanding your soul from you, and what you have prepared, whose will it be?'

UST:

But God said to him, 'You foolish man! Tonight you will die! Then all the things you have saved up for yourself will belong to someone else, not to you!''

What did God say to the rich man?

He said, "Foolish man, tonight your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?"

Luke 12:21

ULT:

Thus {is} the one storing up treasure for himself, and not being rich toward God.”

UST:

Then Jesus ended this illustration by saying, “That is what will happen to those who store up things just for themselves and do not value the things that God considers valuable.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:22

ULT:

Then he said to his disciples, "Because of this I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you might eat, nor about your body, what you might wear.

UST:

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Here is something you should learn from the story. Do not worry about whether you will have enough food to eat to stay alive or enough clothes to wear to stay warm.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:23

ULT:

For life is more than food, and the body {than} clothing.

UST:

After all, your life is more important than the food you eat, and your body is more important than the clothes you put on it.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:24

ULT:

Consider the ravens, that they do not sow nor reap, to whom is neither storeroom nor barn, but God feeds them. How much more valuable you are than the birds!

UST:

Think about the birds. They do not plant seeds, and they do not harvest crops. They do not have rooms or buildings in which to store crops, but God provides food for them. And you are certainly much more valuable than birds.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:25

ULT:

But which of you, being anxious, is able to add a cubit to his lifespan?

UST:

None of you can add even a minute to his life by worrying about it!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:26

ULT:

If then you are not able to do the least, why do you worry about the rest?

UST:

So since you cannot even do that small thing, you certainly should not worry about anything else.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:27

ULT:

Consider the lilies—how they grow. They do not labor, neither do they spin. But I say to you, not even Solomon in all his glory clothed himself like one of these.

UST:

Think about the way that flowers grow. They do not work to earn money, and they do not make their own clothes. But I tell you that King Solomon, who {lived long ago and} wore glorious clothes, never dressed as beautifully as a single flower.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:28

ULT:

And if God thus clothes the grass in the field, existing today and tomorrow being thrown into an oven, how much more you, ones of little faith!

UST:

God makes the plants beautiful, even though they grow for only a short time. Then people cut them down and throw them into the fire. {But you are very precious to God.} He will care for you even more than he cares for the plants. You should trust God more than you do.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:29

ULT:

And you, do not seek what you might eat and what you might drink, and do not be anxious.

UST:

As for you, do not wonder about what you will eat and drink, and do not keep worrying {about those things}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:30

ULT:

For all the nations of the world seek these things, but your Father knows that you need them.

UST:

While the people who do not know God all worry about such things, {you can be confident that} your Father in heaven knows that you need them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:31

ULT:

But seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

UST:

Instead, concentrate on what you can do for the kingdom of God. When you do, you can trust God to provide everything you need.

Instead of being anxious about the things of life, what did Jesus say we should do?

We should seek the kingdom of God.

Luke 12:32

ULT:

Do not fear, little flock, because your Father is very pleased to give you the kingdom.

UST:

So you should not be afraid, my friends. Your Father in heaven wants you to be part of his kingdom {and receive all of its benefits}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:33

ULT:

Sell your possessions and give alms. Make for yourselves purses that do not wear out—unfailing treasure in the heavens, where thief does not come near, nor moth destroy.

UST:

So sell the things you own and give the money to people who need food or clothing or a place to live. Get yourselves wallets that do not wear out. I mean store up treasure in heaven where it will always be safe. There no thief can steal anything and no moths will destroy your clothing.

Where did Jesus say our treasure should be?

Our treasures should be in the heavens.

Luke 12:34

ULT:

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

UST:

After all, whatever it is that you treasure, that is what you will think about and spend your time on.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:35

ULT:

Let your loins be girded, and the lamps be kept burning,

UST:

{Always} be {ready for doing God's work,} like people who have put on their work clothes and are keeping the lights on all night.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:36

ULT:

and you {be} like men waiting for their master when he returns from the wedding feast, so that {when} he comes and knocks, they may immediately open for him.

UST:

Be {ready for me to return,} like servants who are waiting for their master to return after being at a wedding feast. They are waiting to open the door for him as soon as he arrives and knocks at the door.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:37

ULT:

Blessed {are} those servants whom the master will find watching {when} he comes. Truly I say to you that he will gird himself and have them recline to eat, and he will come {and} serve them.

UST:

It will be very good for those servants if they are awake when their master returns. Let me tell you this: He will reward them by dressing like a servant, telling them to sit down, and serving them a meal.

According to Jesus, which servants of God are blessed?

Those are blessed who are found watching when Jesus comes.

Luke 12:38

ULT:

Even if he comes in the second, or even in the third watch, and finds them thus, blessed are those.

UST:

Even if he comes home late in the evening or in the middle of the night, if he finds that his servants are awake and ready for him, he will be very pleased with them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:39

ULT:

But know this, that if the master of the house had known at which hour the thief comes, he would not have let his house be broken into.

UST:

And I want you to consider this: If the owner of a house knew that a thief was coming, and at what time, he would stay awake and not let the thief break into his house.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:40

ULT:

You also be ready, because in that hour you do not think, the Son of Man comes.”

UST:

So be ready, because I, the Son of Man, will come again at a time when you do not expect me.”

Do we know the hour when Jesus will come?

No, he will come when we do not expect him.

Luke 12:41

ULT:

Then Peter said, "Lord, are you speaking this parable to us, or also to everyone?"

UST:

Peter asked, "Lord, are you giving this illustration only for us, your disciples? Or is it for the crowd too?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:42

ULT:

And the Lord said, “Who then is the faithful, wise manager whom the master will appoint over his care to give them their portion of food in time?”

UST:

Jesus replied, “I am saying it for everyone who is like a faithful and wise servant who is a manager in his master’s house. His master puts him in charge of his other servants, to make sure they get their food at the proper time.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:43

ULT:

Blessed {is} that slave whom his master, having come, will find doing thus.

UST:

If his master comes home and sees that he is doing that work, he will reward that servant.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:44

ULT:

Truly I say to you that he will appoint him over all his possessions.

UST:

Let me tell you this: The master will put that servant in charge of all he owns.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:45

ULT:

But if that slave says in his heart, 'My master delays to come,' and he begins to beat the male servants and the female servants, and to eat and drink, and to become drunk,

UST:

But that servant who was put in charge might say to himself, 'My master is going to be away for a long time.' Then he might start to beat the other servants. He might also start to eat and drink a lot and get drunk.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:46

ULT:

the master of that slave will come on a day that he does not expect and at an hour that he does not know, and he will cut him in two and appoint his place with the unfaithful.

UST:

If he does that, his master might return at a time when the servant does not expect him. Then his master will punish him severely and assign him a place with those who do not serve him faithfully.

What happens to the servant who abuses the other servants and is not ready for his master's return?

The master will cut him in two and appoint a place for him with the unbelievers.

Luke 12:47

ULT:

Now that slave, the one having known the will of his master and not having gotten ready or having done according to his will, will be beaten much.

UST:

The servant who knew what his master wanted but did not get ready and do it will be severely punished.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:48

ULT:

But the one not having known and having done things worthy of blows will be beaten little. But everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required from him, and to whom much has been provided, even more will be asked of him.

UST:

But every servant who did not know what his master wanted him to do, and then did something wrong, will only get a mild punishment. The master will expect much from all servants to whom he has given much. And the master will expect even more from servants whom he has entrusted with many responsibilities.

What is required of those to whom much is given?

Much is required of them.

Luke 12:49

ULT:

I came to throw fire upon the earth, and how I wish that it were already kindled!

UST:

I came to stir up spiritual passions in people. I wish that they were already acting on them!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:50

ULT:

But I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how I am distressed until it is completed!

UST:

Soon I must go through terrible suffering. I will continue to be distressed until I finish my suffering.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:51

ULT:

Do you think that I came to give peace on the earth? No, I say to you, but rather division.

UST:

You should know that I did not come so that people would live together peacefully. No, you must understand that instead, people will take sides for and against me.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:52

ULT:

For from now on there will be five in one house divided—three against two and two against three.

UST:

Be prepared, because this is what is going to happen. In a family of five people, some will believe in me and some will not. Three family members will join together against the other two.

According to Jesus, what kind of divisions will he bring on the earth?

There will be people in the same house divided against each other.

Luke 12:53

ULT:

They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against her daughter and daughter against her mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. ”

UST:

Family members will conflict. A father will oppose his son, or a son will oppose his father. A mother will oppose her daughter, or a daughter will oppose her mother. A mother-in-law will oppose her daughter-in-law, or a daughter-in-law will oppose her mother-in-law. ”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:54

ULT:

And he was also saying to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, immediately you say, ‘A shower is coming,’ and it happens thus.

UST:

He also said to the crowds, “When you see a dark cloud forming in the west, you immediately say ‘It is going to rain!’ and that is what happens.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:55

ULT:

And when a south wind is blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens.

UST:

When the wind blows from the south, you say, 'It is going to be a very hot day!' and you are right.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:56

ULT:

Hypocrites! You know how to interpret the face of the sky and of the earth, but how do you not know how to interpret this time?

UST:

You hypocrites! By observing the clouds and the wind, you are able to discern what is happening regarding the weather. You should be able to discern what God is doing at this present time!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:57

ULT:

And why do you not even judge for yourselves {what is} righteous?

UST:

Each of you ought to decide for yourselves what is right!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 12:58

ULT:

For as you are going with your adversary to a magistrate, make an effort on the way to be released from him so that he might not drag you to the judge, and the judge hand you over to the officer, and the officer throw you into prison.

UST:

Here is one thing you should do. You should try to settle things with someone who has accused you while you are still on the way to the court. If he forces you to go to the judge, the judge could decide that you are guilty and turn you over to the court officer. Then that officer will put you in prison.

According to Jesus, what should we do before we go with our adversary before the magistrate?

We should make an effort to be released from our obligation before we arrive at the magistrate.

Luke 12:59

ULT:

I say to you, you will certainly not come out from there until you have paid the very last lepton."

UST:

I tell you that if you go to prison, you will never get out of there until you are able to pay every bit of what the judge says you owe."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13

Luke 13:1

ULT:

And some were present at that time reporting to him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices.

UST:

At that time, some people who were there in the crowd told Jesus about what had recently happened to some Galileans. Pilate, the Roman governor, had ordered soldiers to kill the Galileans while they were offering sacrifices in the temple in Jerusalem.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:2

ULT:

And answering, he said to them, "Do you think that these Galileans were more sinful than all the Galileans because they suffered this?"

UST:

Jesus replied to them, "Do you think that this happened to those people from Galilee because they were more sinful than all the other Galileans?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:3

ULT:

No, I say to you. But if you do not repent, you will all perish in the same way.

UST:

I assure you, that was not the reason! Instead, God will similarly punish all of you if you do not turn from your sinful behavior.

Did the Galileans who were killed by Pilate suffer in this way because they were more sinful than the other Galileans?

No, they were not more sinful.

Luke 13:4

ULT:

Or those 18 on whom the tower fell in Siloam and killed them: Do you think that they were worse debtors than all the men residing in Jerusalem?

UST:

Or what about those 18 people who died when the tower in {the neighborhood of} Siloam fell on them? Do you think that this happened to them because they were worse sinners than everyone else in Jerusalem?

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:5

ULT:

No, I say to you. But if you do not repent, you will all likewise perish.”

UST:

I assure you, that was not the reason! But instead, you need to realize that God will similarly punish all of you if you do not turn from your sinful behavior!”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:6

ULT:

Then he spoke this parable: “Someone had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it, but did not find any.

UST:

Then Jesus told them this story: “A man planted a fig tree in his garden. {Each year} he came to pick the figs, but there were {always} none on it.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:7

ULT:

And he said to the gardener, 'Behold, for three years I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree and have not found any. Cut it down. For what {reason} is it even idling the ground?'

UST:

Then he said to the gardener, 'Look at this tree! I have been looking for fruit on it every year for the past three years, but there have been no figs. Cut it down! It is just using up the nutrients in the soil for nothing!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:8

ULT:

But answering, he says to him, 'Master, leave it this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure.

UST:

But the gardener replied, 'Sir, leave it here for another year. I will dig around it and fertilize it.

In Jesus' parable, what did the servant want to do with the fig tree that did not bear fruit?

He wanted to dig around it and put manure on it so that it might bear fruit.

Luke 13:9

ULT:

If it indeed bears fruit in the coming one ... but if not, you will cut it down!'''

UST:

If it has figs on it next year, we can allow it to keep growing! But if it does not bear any fruit by then, you can cut it down.'''

What would the servant do with the fig tree if it still did not bear fruit after he put manure on it for a year?

If it still did not bear fruit, his master would cut it down.

Luke 13:10

ULT:

And he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbaths,

UST:

On one Jewish day of rest, Jesus was teaching people in one of the synagogues.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:11

ULT:

and behold, a woman having a spirit of weakness for 18 years, and she was bent over and was not able to straighten up to the complete.

UST:

There was a woman there whom an evil spirit had crippled for 18 years. She was always bent over. She could not stand up straight.

In the synagogue, what had caused the woman to be bent over for eighteen years?

A spirit of weakness had caused her to be bent over and unable to stand up straight.

Luke 13:12

ULT:

And having seen her, Jesus called her over and said to her, "Woman, you are released from your weakness."

UST:

When Jesus saw her, he called her over to him. He said to her, "Woman, I have healed you of this illness!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:13

ULT:

And he placed his hands on her, and immediately she was straightened up, and she glorified God.

UST:

He put his hands on her. Immediately she stood up straight and began praising God!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:14

ULT:

But answering, the synagogue ruler, being indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the crowd, "There are six days on which it is necessary to work. Therefore come {and} be healed on them, and not on the day of the Sabbath."

UST:

But the leader of the synagogue was angry because Jesus had healed her on the Jewish rest day. So he said to the people, "There are six days each week on which our laws permit people to work. If you need healing, those are the days to come to the synagogue for someone to heal you. Do not come on our day of rest!"

Why was the synagogue ruler indignant when Jesus healed the woman?

He was angry because Jesus had healed the woman on the Sabbath.

Luke 13:15

ULT:

But the Lord answered him and said, "Hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or donkey from the stall and lead it away to drink?"

UST:

Then Jesus replied to him, "You and your fellow religious leaders are hypocrites! Each of you {also works on the day of rest sometimes! For example, you} untie your ox or donkey to lead it from the stall to a place where it can drink water.

How did Jesus show that the synagogue ruler was a hypocrite?

Jesus reminded him that he would untie his animal on the Sabbath to allow it to drink, yet he was indignant when Jesus released the woman on the Sabbath.

Luke 13:16

ULT:

But this one, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan bound, behold, for 18 years, ought she not to have been released from this bond on the day of the Sabbath?"

UST:

This woman is a Jew, descended from Abraham! But Satan has kept her crippled for 18 years, as though he had tied her up! Certainly you would agree that it is right that I free her from this disabling disease, even if I do it on a day of rest!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:17

ULT:

And {as} he was saying these things, all the ones opposing him were put to shame, but the whole crowd was rejoicing at all the glorious things being done by him.

UST:

After he said that, his enemies were ashamed of themselves. But all the other people were happy about all the wonderful things he was doing.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:18

ULT:

Then he said, "What is the kingdom of God like, and to what will I compare it?"

UST:

Then he said, "I want to explain what it is like when God rules as king. I will give you a picture to help you understand."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:19

ULT:

It is like a mustard seed that a man took {and} threw into his garden, and it grew and became a tree, and the birds of the sky nested in its branches.”

UST:

It is like a tiny mustard seed that a man planted in his field. It grew until it became big, like a tree. It was so big that birds built nests in its branches.”

How is the kingdom of God like a mustard seed?

The kingdom of God starts small like a seed, but then grows into something very large.

Luke 13:20

ULT:

And again he said, "To what will I compare the kingdom of God?"

UST:

Then again he said, "I will tell you in another (way what) it is like when God rules."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:21

ULT:

It is like yeast that a woman, having taken, mixed with three seahs of flour until it was all leavened."

UST:

It is like a little bit of yeast that a woman mixed with about 25 kilograms of flour. That small amount of yeast made the whole batch of dough swell up."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:22

ULT:

And he was traveling through cities and villages, teaching and making his journey toward Jerusalem.

UST:

Jesus continued traveling toward Jerusalem. He stopped in all the towns and villages along the way and taught the people.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:23

ULT:

And someone said to him, "Lord, if the ones being saved {are} few?" And he said to them,

UST:

Someone asked him, "Lord, will God only save a few people?" Jesus replied so that everyone there could hear,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:24

ULT:

“Struggle to enter through the narrow door, because many, I say to you, will seek to enter, but will not be able.

UST:

“You need to try hard to enter, because it is very difficult. I tell you that many people will try to get in, but they will not be able to.

When asked if many would be saved, what did Jesus answer?

He said, “Struggle to enter through the narrow door, because many will seek to enter and will not be able.”

Luke 13:25

ULT:

After the master of the house gets up and closes the door, then you will begin to stand outside and to knock on the door, saying, 'Lord, open for us.' But he will answer {and} say to you, 'I do not know you, where you are from.'

UST:

After the owner of the house gets up and locks the door, you will stand outside and you will knock on the door. And you will beg the owner and say to him, 'Lord, open the door for us!' But he will reply, 'No, I will not open it, because I do not know you, and I do not know where you are from!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:26

ULT:

Then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank before you, and you taught in our streets.'

UST:

Then you will say, '{You must have forgotten that} we ate meals with you, and you taught us in the streets of our towns!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:27

ULT:

And he will speak, saying to you, 'I do not know where you are from. Get away from me, all you workers of unrighteousness!'

UST:

But he will say, 'I tell you again, I do not know where you are from. You are all wicked people! Get away from here!''

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:28

ULT:

In that place, there will be wailing and the grinding of teeth when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, but you are thrown outside.

UST:

{Then Jesus continued by saying,} “You will see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob {in the distance}. All the prophets who lived long ago will also be there where God rules everything as king. But you will be outside, crying and grinding your teeth in sorrow!

What will the people do who are thrown outside and are not able to enter God’s kingdom?

They will wail and grind their teeth.

Who be in the kingdom of God?

Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, the prophets, and many from the east, west, north, and south will be in the kingdom.

Luke 13:29

ULT:

And they will come from east and west and from north and south and will recline to eat in the kingdom of God.

UST:

But inside there will be people from every part of the world{, including many non-Jewish people}. They will all celebrate together where God rules everything as king.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:30

ULT:

And behold, there are last ones who will be first, and there are first ones who will be last.”

UST:

Think about this: Some people who seem the least important now will be the most important then, and others who seem important now will be the least important then.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:31

ULT:

At that hour, certain Pharisees approached, saying to him, "Leave and go away from here, because Herod wants to kill you."

UST:

That same day, some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Leave this area, because the ruler Herod Antipas wants to kill you!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:32

ULT:

And he said to them, “Go {and} tell that fox, ‘Behold, I am casting out demons and performing healings today and tomorrow, and on the third {day} I will be finished.’

UST:

He replied to them, “Go and tell that cunning man{, who thinks he can hurt me but who really cannot,} this message from me: ‘Listen! I am expelling demons and performing miracles now, and I will continue doing so for a short time. After that, I will finish my work.’

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 13:33

ULT:

Nevertheless, it is necessary for me to journey today, and tomorrow, and the following {day}, for it is not possible for a prophet to perish outside of Jerusalem.

UST:

But I must also continue my trip to Jerusalem during the coming days, since {the Jewish leaders have always acted as if} it is not appropriate to kill a prophet in a place other than Jerusalem.

Where did Jesus say a prophet must be killed?

It is not possible for a prophet to be killed anywhere but in Jerusalem.

Luke 13:34

ULT:

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one killing the prophets and stoning the ones having been sent to her! How often I desired to gather your children the way a hen her own brood under her wings, and you were not willing!

UST:

Oh, people of Jerusalem! You killed the prophets who lived long ago. Then you killed others whom God sent to you. You killed them by throwing stones at them. Many times I have wanted to gather you together to protect you, as a hen gathers her young chicks under her wings. But you did not want me to do that.

What did Jesus desire to do with the people of Jerusalem?

He desired to gather them the way a hen gathers her brood of chicks.

How did the people of Jerusalem respond to Jesus' desire for them?

They were not willing to be gathered by Jesus.

Luke 13:35

ULT:

Behold, your house is left to you. And I say to you, you will certainly not see me until it comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one coming in the name of the Lord.'"

UST:

Now look! God will no longer protect you, people of Jerusalem. I will also tell you this: I will enter your city only once more. After that, you will not see me until the time when I return, and then you will say about me, 'May God bless this man who comes with God's authority!'"

What did Jesus prophesy about Jerusalem and its people?

Their house was abandoned, and they would not see Jesus again until they said, "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."

Luke 14

Luke 14:1

ULT:

And it happened that, when he went into the house of one of the rulers of the Pharisees on a Sabbath to eat bread, they were also watching him closely.

UST:

One day, which was a day of rest, Jesus went to eat at the house of one of the leaders of the Pharisees. {This leader had invited other Pharisees to the same meal.} They were all watching Jesus carefully {to try to find grounds to accuse him}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:2

ULT:

And behold, a certain man who was edematous {was} before him.

UST:

Right there in front of Jesus was a man who had a disease that caused his arms and legs to be very swollen.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:3

ULT:

And answering, Jesus spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?"

UST:

Jesus asked the experts in Jewish law and the Pharisees who were present, "Is it permitted in the law to heal people on the day of rest, or not?"

What did Jesus ask the experts in the Jewish law and the Pharisees?

He asked them if it was lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not.

Luke 14:4

ULT:

But they kept silent. And, taking hold of him, he healed him and sent him away.

UST:

They did not reply. So Jesus put his hands on the man and healed him. Then he told him he could go.

What was the experts' and Pharisees' answer to Jesus?

They kept silent.

Luke 14:5

ULT:

And he said to them, "Of which of you will a son or an ox fall into a well, and he will not immediately pull him out on the Sabbath day?"

UST:

And he said to the others there, "If one of you had a son or an ox that fell into a well on the day of rest, you would pull him out immediately."

How did Jesus show that the experts and Pharisees were hypocrites?

Jesus reminded them that they would help their own son or ox that fell into a well on the Sabbath.

Luke 14:6

ULT:

And they were not able to give an answer to these things.

UST:

Again, they were not able to answer him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:7

ULT:

Then he was speaking a parable to the ones that had been invited, noticing how they were choosing the first places, {and} saying to them,

UST:

Jesus noticed that the people who had been invited to the meal were choosing to sit in the places where important people usually sit. So he gave this advice to them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:8

ULT:

“When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not recline to eat in the first place, lest a more honorable than you may have been invited by him,

UST:

“When someone invites one of you to a wedding feast, do not sit in a place where important people sit. It may be that he has invited a person who is more important than you to the feast.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:9

ULT:

and {when} the one having invited you and him arrives, he will say to you, 'Give your place to this one,' and then you will begin with shame to take the last place.

UST:

When the host who invited both of you sees where you are each sitting, he will say to you, 'Let this person have your seat!' Then you will have to take the least important seat, and you will be ashamed.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:10

ULT:

But when you are invited, go {and} recline to eat in the last place, so that when the one that had invited you comes, he will say to you, 'Friend, come up higher.' Then there will be glory to you before all the ones reclining to eat with you.

UST:

Instead, when someone invites you to a feast, go and sit in the least important seat. Then when the host who invited everyone comes, he will say to you, 'Friend, come sit in a better seat!' Then all the people who are eating with you will see that he is honoring you.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:11

ULT:

For everyone exalting himself will be humbled, and the one humbling himself will be exalted.”

UST:

For God will humble those who exalt themselves, and he will exalt those who humble themselves.”

What did Jesus say will happen to whoever exalts himself?

The one who exalts himself will be humbled.

What did Jesus say will happen to whoever humbles himself?

The one who humbles himself will be exalted.

Luke 14:12

ULT:

Then he also said to the one that had invited him, "When you make a lunch or a supper, do not invite your friends, nor your brothers, nor your relatives, nor rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and repayment happen to you."

UST:

Jesus also said to the Pharisee who had invited him to the meal, "When you invite people to a midday or evening meal, do not only invite your friends, relatives, or rich neighbors, since they will later repay you by inviting you for a meal."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:13

ULT:

But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, {and the} blind,

UST:

Instead, when you give a feast, invite poor people, crippled people, lame people or blind people.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:14

ULT:

and you will be blessed, because they do not have to repay you. For it will be repaid to you in the resurrection of the righteous.”

UST:

If you do that, God will reward you, because they will not be able to repay you. You can be sure that God will pay you back at the time when he causes righteous people to become alive again.”

According to Jesus, how will a person be rewarded who invites the poor, crippled, lame, and blind into their home?

They will be repaid at the resurrection of the just.

Luke 14:15

ULT:

And one of the ones reclining to eat, having heard these things, said to him, “Blessed {is} whoever will eat bread in the kingdom of God!”

UST:

One of those who were eating with him heard him say that. He said to Jesus, “God has truly blessed everyone who will get to celebrate where God rules everything as king!”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:16

ULT:

But he said to him, "A certain man made a large supper and invited many.

UST:

Jesus replied to him, "One time a man decided to prepare a large feast. He invited many people to come.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:17

ULT:

And he sent his servant at the hour of the supper to say to the ones that had been invited, 'Come, because it is now ready.'

UST:

When it was time for the feast, he sent his servant to tell those whom he had invited, 'Come now, because everything is ready!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:18

ULT:

And they all from one began to excuse themselves. The first said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I have need to go out to see it. I ask you, have me excused.'

UST:

But when the servant did that, all of the people whom he had invited began to say why they could not come. The first man to whom the servant went said, 'I have just bought a field, and I must go there and see it. Please ask your master to forgive me for not coming!'

In Jesus' parable of the dinner, what did the people do who were originally invited?

They began to make excuses about why they could not come to the dinner.

Luke 14:19

ULT:

And another said, 'I have bought five pairs of oxen, and I am going to try them out. I ask you, have me excused.'

UST:

Another person said, 'I have just bought five pairs of oxen, and I must go to examine them. Please ask your master to forgive me for not coming!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:20

ULT:

And another said, 'I have married a wife, and because of this I am not able to come.'

UST:

Another person said, 'I have just gotten married, so I cannot come.'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:21

ULT:

And the servant came {and} reported these things to his master. Then becoming angry, the master of the house said to his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city and bring in here the poor and crippled and blind and lame.'

UST:

So the servant returned to his master and reported what everyone had said. The owner of the house was angry and said to his servant, 'Go out quickly to the streets and alleys of the city and find poor and crippled and blind and lame people, and bring them here into my house!'

Who did the master then invite to his dinner?

He invited the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame.

Luke 14:22

ULT:

And the servant said, 'Master, what you commanded has happened, and there is still room.'

UST:

{After} the servant {went out and did that, he came back and} said, 'Sir; I have done what you told me to do, but there is still room for more people.'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:23

ULT:

And the master said to the servant, 'Go out into the roads and hedges and compel {them} to come in, so that my house may be filled.'

UST:

So his master said to him, 'Then go outside the city. Search for people along the highways. Search also along the narrow roads with hedges. Strongly urge the people in those places to come to my house. I want it to be full of people!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:24

ULT:

For I say to you that none of those men that had been invited will taste of my supper.'''

UST:

Moreover I tell you this, those men whom I invited first will not get to enjoy my feast{, because they refused to come}'. ''

What did the master then say about those who were first invited to his dinner?

He said that none of them would taste his dinner.

Luke 14:25

ULT:

And large crowds were journeying with him, and he turned {and} said to them,

UST:

A large crowd of people was traveling with Jesus. He turned toward the people and said to them,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:26

ULT:

"If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters and also even his own life, he is not able to be my disciple.

UST:

"If anyone comes to me who loves his father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters more than he loves me, he can not be my disciple. He must even love me more than he loves his own life!

According to Jesus, what must his disciples do?

They must hate their own family and life in order to be Jesus' disciple.

Luke 14:27

ULT:

Whoever does not carry his cross and come after me is not able to be my disciple.

UST:

Whoever does not carry his own cross and does not obey me cannot be my disciple.

According to Jesus, what else must his disciples do?

Each disciple must carry his own cross and come after Jesus in order to be his disciple.

Luke 14:28

ULT:

For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down {and} calculate the cost —whether he has for completion?

UST:

After all, if one of you wanted to build a tower, you would first sit down and determine how much it would cost. That way you would know whether you had enough money to finish it.

In Jesus' example about what it requires to follow him, what must a person do first who desires to build a tower?

That person must count the cost.

Luke 14:29

ULT:

Otherwise, he having laid a foundation and not being able to finish, all who see it will begin to mock him,

UST:

Otherwise, if you laid the foundation and were not able to finish the rest of the tower, everyone who saw it would make fun of you.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:30

ULT:

saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.'

UST:

They would say, 'This man started to build a tower, but he was not able to finish it!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:31

ULT:

Or what king, going to fight with another king in war, will not sit down {and} first determine whether he is able with 10,000 to meet the one coming against him with 20,000?

UST:

Or suppose a king had 10,000 soldiers in his army. And suppose another king who had 20,000 soldiers was coming to attack him. Before sending his army out to battle, that first king would certainly sit down with his advisors to determine whether he could defeat the other king's army.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:32

ULT:

But if not, while he is still far away, sending a delegation, he asks the things for peace.

UST:

Suppose he decided his army could not defeat the other army. Then he would send messengers to the other king while his army was still far away. He would tell the messengers to ask, 'What must I do to have peace with you?'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:33

ULT:

In the same way, then, every one of you who does not renounce all the {things that} he himself possesses is not able to be my disciple.

UST:

So, similarly, if any one of you does not first decide that you are willing to give up all that you have, you cannot be my disciple."

According to Jesus, what must his disciples do?

They must renounce everything that they possess.

Luke 14:34

ULT:

Salt then {is} good, but if the salt indeed is made tasteless, with what will it be seasoned?

UST:

{Jesus also said, “You are like} salt{, which} is very useful. But if salt were to lose its saltiness, no one could ever make it taste salty again.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 14:35

ULT:

It is useful neither for the soil nor for the manure pile. They throw it outside. The one having ears to hear, let him hear.”

UST:

{If salt does not taste salty anymore,} it is no longer any good even for the soil or the manure heap. People just throw it away. You should think carefully about what you just heard me say!”

If salt loses its taste, what is done with it?

It is thrown away.

Luke 15

Luke 15:1

ULT:

And all the tax collectors and the sinners were coming to him to listen to him.

UST:

Now, many tax collectors and other people whom the religious leaders considered to be sinners kept coming to Jesus to listen to him teach.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 15:2

ULT:

And both the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling, saying, "This one receives sinners and eats together with them."

UST:

{When} the Pharisees and teachers of the Jewish laws {saw this, they} began to grumble. They said, "This man welcomes sinners and even eats with them." {They thought Jesus was defiling himself by doing that.}

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 15:3

ULT:

And he spoke this parable to them, saying,

UST:

So Jesus told them this parable:

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 15:4

ULT:

“Which man among you, having 100 sheep and having lost one of them, does not leave the 99 in the wilderness and go after the lost one until he finds it?”

UST:

“Suppose that one of you had 100 sheep and you lost one of them. Certainly you would leave the 99 other sheep in the wilderness and go search for the lost sheep until you had found it.”

In Jesus’ parable, what does the shepherd do who loses one of his 100 sheep?

He leaves the other 99 and goes and finds the lost sheep.

Luke 15:5

ULT:

And having found {it}, he lays {it} on his shoulders, rejoicing.

UST:

When you found it, you would joyfully put it on your shoulders to carry it home.

In Jesus' parable, what does the shepherd do when he finds his lost sheep?

He brings it back, rejoicing.

Luke 15:6

ULT:

And coming to the house, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice together with me, for I have found my lost sheep.'

UST:

Then when you arrived home, you would call together your friends and neighbors and say to them: 'Be joyful with me, because I have found my sheep that was lost!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 15:7

ULT:

I say to you that in the same way, there will be joy in heaven over one sinner repenting, more than over 99 being righteous having no need of repentance.

UST:

You should know that, in a similar way, there is great joy among those in heaven when one sinner repents from his sins. That joy is greater than their joy over many people who are already right with God and do not need to repent.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 15:8

ULT:

Or what woman, having ten drachmas, if she loses one drachma, would not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she has found {it}?

UST:

Or suppose that a woman had ten valuable silver coins but lost one of them. Certainly she would light a lamp and sweep the floor and search carefully until she found it.

In Jesus' parable, what does the woman do who loses one of her ten silver coins?

She diligently searches until she finds it.

Luke 15:9

ULT:

And having found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice together with me, for I have found the drachma that I lost.'

UST:

When she found it, she would call together her friends and neighbors and say to them, 'Be very happy with me, because I have found the coin that I lost!'

In Jesus' parable, what does the woman do when she finds her lost silver coin?

She rejoices with her friends and neighbors.

Luke 15:10

ULT:

In the same way, I say to you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner repenting."

UST:

I tell you that, in a similar way, there is much joy among the angels of God when one sinner repents from his sins."

What happens in heaven when one sinner repents?

There is joy before the angels of God.

Luke 15:11

ULT:

Then he said, "A certain man had two sons,

UST:

Then Jesus continued and said, "There once was a man who had two sons.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 15:12

ULT:

and the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the portion of the wealth that falls to {me}'. And he distributed his livelihood to them.

UST:

One day the younger son said to his father, 'Father, give me now the share of your property that I would otherwise have received when you died.' So the father divided his property between his two sons.

In Jesus' parable, what request did the younger son make to his father?

He asked his father to immediately give him the wealth that he would inherit.

Luke 15:13

ULT:

And after not many days, having gathered everything together, the younger son went to a distant country, and there he wasted his wealth, living recklessly.

UST:

Only a few days later, the younger son gathered together all that he owned and traveled to a country far away. There in that country he spent all his money foolishly in wasteful, immoral living.

What did the younger son do with his inheritance?

He wasted the money by living recklessly.

Luke 15:14

ULT:

And {when} he had spent everything, a severe famine happened throughout that country, and he began to be in need.

UST:

After he had spent all his money, there was a severe famine throughout that country. Soon he did not have anything left to live on.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 15:15

ULT:

And he went {and} attached himself to one of the citizens of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed pigs.

UST:

So he went to a man who lived in that country and asked him to hire him. So the man sent him out to his fields to feed his pigs.

After his money was gone, what did the younger son do in order to live?

He hired himself out to feed another man's pigs.

Luke 15:16

ULT:

And he was longing to be satisfied from the carob pods that the pigs were eating, and no one gave to him.

UST:

{He became so hungry that} he wished he could eat the bean pods that the pigs ate, yet no one gave him anything.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 15:17

ULT:

But coming to himself, he said, 'How many hired servants of my father have more than enough loaves, but I am perishing from hunger here!'

UST:

Finally he began to think clearly about how foolish he had been, and he said to himself: 'All of my father's hired servants have more than enough food to eat, but here I am dying because I do not have anything to eat!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 15:18

ULT:

I will get up {and} go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you.

UST:

So I will leave here and go back to my father. I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against God and against you.

When he began to think clearly, what did the younger son decide to do?

He decided to go and confess his sin to his father.

Luke 15:19

ULT:

I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me as one of your hired servants.””

UST:

I do not deserve to have you consider me your son any more. Please let me work for you as one of your hired servants.””

What did the younger son plan to ask his father to do for him?

He decided ask his father to hire him as one of his servants.

Luke 15:20

ULT:

And having gotten up, he went to his own father. But he being still far away, his father saw him and felt compassion, and he ran, fell upon his neck, and kissed him.

UST:

So he left there and started traveling back to his father's house. But while he was still a great distance from the house, his father saw him and felt deep compassion for him. He ran to his son and embraced him and kissed him on the cheek.

What did the father do when he saw the younger son coming back home?

His father was moved with compassion, ran to him, and hugged and kissed him.

Luke 15:21

ULT:

Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'

UST:

His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against God and against you. So I do not deserve to have you consider me your son any more.'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 15:22

ULT:

But the father said to his servants, 'Quickly, bring the first robe and clothe him, and put a ring on his hand, and sandals on his feet.'

UST:

But his father said to his servants; 'Go quickly and bring my best robe and put it on my son. Also put a ring on his finger and shoes on his feet!'

What did the father quickly do for the younger son?

The father gave him a robe, a ring, and sandals.

Luke 15:23

ULT:

And bring the fattened calf, kill {it}, and let us eat {and} celebrate!

UST:

And bring the calf that we have fattened for a special occasion and kill it, so that we can eat it and celebrate!

How did the father celebrate the return of his younger son?

The father had the servants kill the fattened calf so they could eat and celebrate.

Luke 15:24

ULT:

For this son of mine was dead, and has come back to life; he was lost, and he has been found.' Then they began to celebrate.

UST:

We need to celebrate because this son of mine was like a dead man, but he is now alive again! He was like a lost person, but we have found him again!' So they all began to celebrate.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 15:25

ULT:

And his older son was in the field, and {as} he came {and} approached the house, he heard music and dancing.

UST:

{While all that was happening,} the father's older son was out working in the fields. {After he finished working,} he headed home. As he was getting close to the house, he heard people playing music and dancing.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 15:26

ULT:

And summoning one of the servants, he asked what these things might be.

UST:

He called for one of the servants and asked what was happening.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 15:27

ULT:

And he said to him, 'Your brother has come and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has received him back in good health.'

UST:

The servant said to him, 'Your brother has come home. Your father told us to kill the fattened calf to celebrate because your brother returned safe and healthy.'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 15:28

ULT:

But he became angry and was not willing to go in, and his father came out {and} entreated him.

UST:

But the older brother was angry and did not want to join the celebration. So his father came out and pleaded with him to come in.

What was the older son's reaction when he was told about the feast for the younger son?

He was angry and would not go in to the feast.

Luke 15:29

ULT:

But answering, he said to his father, 'Behold, for so many years I am slaving for you, and I have never disregarded your command, and you never gave a young goat to me so that I might celebrate with my friends,

UST:

But he replied to his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have worked as hard as a slave for you. I have always obeyed everything you told me to do. But you have never given me so much as a young goat that I could use to host a feast for my friends.

What was the older son's complaint to his father?

The older son complained that he had followed his father's rules, but had never been given a goat to have a feast with his friends.

Luke 15:30

ULT:

but when this son of yours came, the one having devoured your livelihood with prostitutes, you killed for him the fattened calf.'

UST:

But now that this son of yours has come back home, after wasting all your money on prostitutes, you have told your servants to kill the fattened calf for a celebration!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 15:31

ULT:

But he said to him, 'Child, you are always with me, and all {that is} mine is yours.

UST:

But his father said to him, 'My son, you are always with me, and all that I own is yours.

What was the father's response to the older son?

He said, "Child, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours."

Luke 15:32

ULT:

But it was proper to celebrate and to rejoice, for this brother of yours was dead, and lived, and he had been lost, and was found. '''

UST:

But it is right for us to celebrate and rejoice, because it is as though your brother was dead and is alive again! It is as though he was lost and we have him found again!'''

Why did the father say it was proper to have a feast for the younger son?

It was proper to feast because the younger son had been lost and was found.

Luke 16

Luke 16:1

ULT:

And he also said to the disciples, “There was a certain rich man who had a manager, and he was reported to him as wasting his possessions.

UST:

Jesus also said to his disciples, “Once there was a rich man who had a household manager. One day someone informed the rich man that the manager was doing such a bad job that the rich man was losing lots of money.

What report did the rich man hear about his manager?

He heard that the manager was wasting the rich man’s possessions.

Luke 16:2

ULT:

And having called him, he said to him, 'What {is} this I hear about you? Give a report of your management, for you are no longer able to manage.'

UST:

So he called the manager to come to him and said to him, 'What I hear you have been doing is terrible! Give me a final written report of the things you have been managing, because you will no longer be my household manager!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 16:3

ULT:

Then the manager said to himself, 'What should I do, since my master is taking away the management from me? I am not strong to dig. I am ashamed to beg.'

UST:

Then the manager said to himself, 'My master is going to dismiss me from being his manager, so I have to think of what to do. I am not strong enough to work by digging ditches, and I am ashamed to beg for money.'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 16:4

ULT:

I know what I will do, so that when I am removed from the management, they will welcome me into their houses.'

UST:

I know what I will do so that people will take me into their houses {and provide for me} after he dismisses me from my management work!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 16:5

ULT:

And having summoned each one of the debtors of his master, he said to the first one, 'How much do you owe to my master?'

UST:

So he asked everyone who owed his master money to come to him one by one. He asked the first one, 'How much do you owe my master?'

What did the manager do just before he was forced to leave his job?

He summoned each one of his master's debtors.

Luke 16:6

ULT:

And he said, '100 baths of olive oil.' Then he said to him, 'Take your bill and, sitting down, quickly write 50.'

UST:

The man replied, '3,000 liters of olive oil.' The manager said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down, and quickly change it to 1, 500 liters!'

What did the manager do for his master's first debtor?

He allowed him to reduced his debt.

Luke 16:7

ULT:

Then to another he said, 'And you, how much do you owe?' And he said, '100 cors of wheat.' He says to him, 'Take your bill, and write 80.'

UST:

He said to another man, 'How much do you owe?' The man replied, '1,000 baskets of wheat.' The manager said to him, 'Take your bill and change it to 800 baskets!'

What did the manager do for his master's second debtor?

He also allowed him to reduced his debt.

Luke 16:8

ULT:

And the master praised the unrighteous manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the sons of this age are shrewder than the sons of the light in their own generation.

UST:

{When} the master {heard what his manager had done, he} praised the dishonest manager for being so clever. The truth is, the people who belong to this world are more clever than the people who belong to God in how they relate to those around them.

What was the rich man's response to his manager's actions?

He praised the manager because he had acted shrewdly.

Luke 16:9

ULT:

And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails, they may welcome you into the eternal dwellings.

UST:

I tell you, use the money you have in this world to make friends for yourselves. Then when that money is gone, those friends will welcome you into their homes, which will last forever.

What did Jesus tell others to do based on this story?

He said, “Make friends for yourselves by means of worldly wealth, so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal dwellings.”

Luke 16:10

ULT:

The one {who is} faithful in very little is also faithful in much, and the one {who is} unrighteous in very little is also unrighteous in much.

UST:

People who faithfully manage small amounts of money will also be honest with much greater amounts. People who are dishonest in the way they manage small amounts of money will also be dishonest with much greater amounts.

What did Jesus say about the person who is faithful with very little?

The person will also be faithful with much.

Luke 16:11

ULT:

If therefore you have not been faithful in unrighteous wealth, who will entrust the true to you?

UST:

So if you have not faithfully handled the money {God has given you} in this world, he will certainly not trust you with the true riches {of heaven}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 16:12

ULT:

And if you have not been faithful in {what} belongs to another, who will give to you {what is} your own?

UST:

If you have not faithfully managed property that belongs to other people, you should not expect anyone to give you property of your own.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 16:13

ULT:

No servant is able to serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and will love the other; or else he will be devoted to one and will despise the other. You are not able to serve God and wealth."

UST:

No servant is able to serve two different masters at the same time. If he tried to do that, he would hate one of them and love the other one, or he would be loyal to one of them and despise the other one. You cannot devote your life to serving God if you are also devoting your life to acquiring money and other material possessions."

Jesus said we cannot serve two masters. To what two masters was he referring?

We must choose between serving God and serving wealth.

Luke 16:14

ULT:

And the Pharisees, being lovers of money, heard all these things, and they were ridiculing him.

UST:

When the Pharisees {who were there} heard what Jesus was teaching, they made fun of him because they loved to acquire money.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 16:15

ULT:

And he said to them, "You are the ones justifying yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For {what is} exalted among men {is} an abomination before God.

UST:

But Jesus said to them, "You try to make other people think that you are righteous, but God knows what you are really like. Keep in mind that God considers to be detestable many things that people praise as very important.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 16:16

ULT:

The Law and the Prophets {were} until John. From then on, the kingdom of God is proclaimed as good news, and everyone is forcing their way into it.

UST:

The laws that God gave Moses and the things that the prophets wrote were in effect until John the Baptizer came. Since then, I have been preaching the good news about how God will rule as king. Many people {are accepting my message and} are very eagerly trying to become part of the kingdom of God.

Since John, the kingdom of God is proclaimed as good news. What two things were in effect before John?

The Law and the Prophets were until John.

According to Jesus, what is now being preached?

The gospel of the kingdom of God is now being preached.

Luke 16:17

ULT:

But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for one stroke of the law to fall.

UST:

All of God's laws, even those that seem insignificant, are more permanent than heaven and earth.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 16:18

ULT:

Everyone divorcing his wife and marrying another commits adultery, and the one marrying one that has been divorced from a husband commits adultery.

UST:

Any man who divorces his wife and marries another woman is committing adultery, and any man who marries a woman whose husband has divorced her is also committing adultery.”

According to Jesus, what sin is committed by one who divorces his wife and marries another?

The one who divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery.

Luke 16:19

ULT:

Now there was a certain rich man, and he was putting on purple and fine linen, feasting sumptuously every day.

UST:

{Jesus also said,} “Once there was a rich man who wore expensive purple and linen clothes. Every day he gave lavish feasts.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 16:20

ULT:

But a certain poor man named Lazarus was laid at his gate, afflicted with sores,

UST:

And {every day} people laid a poor man whose name was Lazarus at the gate of the rich man's house. Lazarus' body was covered with sores.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 16:21

ULT:

and longing to be fed from the things falling from the table of the rich man. But even the dogs were coming {and} licking his sores.

UST:

{He was so hungry that} he wanted to eat the scraps of food that fell from the table where the rich man ate. {While he was lying there,} dogs came and licked his sores.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 16:22

ULT:

Then it happened that the poor man died, and he was carried away by the angels to the bosom of Abraham. Then the rich man also died and was buried,

UST:

Eventually the poor man died. Then the angels took him to be with {his ancestor} Abraham. The rich man also died, and people buried his body.

In Jesus' story, where did the beggar Lazarus go after he died?

The poor man Lazarus was carried by angels to Abraham's bosom.

Luke 16:23

ULT:

and in Hades, lifting up his eyes, being in torment, he sees Abraham from afar, and Lazarus in his bosom.

UST:

In the place of the dead, the rich man was suffering great pain. He looked up and saw Abraham far away and Lazarus sitting very close to Abraham.

What happened to the rich man after he died?

He was tormented in Hades.

Luke 16:24

ULT:

And crying out, he said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am tormented in this flame.'

UST:

So the rich man shouted, 'Father Abraham, I am suffering very much in this fire! So please pity me and send Lazarus here so that he can dip his finger in water and touch my tongue to cool it!'

What was the first request that the rich man made to Abraham?

He asked Abraham to send Lazarus to bring him a little water because he was suffering greatly in the flame.

Luke 16:25

ULT:

But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus likewise bad things. But now he is comforted here, and you are tormented.

UST:

But Abraham replied, 'Child, remember that while you were alive on earth you enjoyed many good things. But Lazarus was miserable. Now he is happy here, and you are suffering.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 16:26

ULT:

And with all these things, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that the ones wanting to cross from here to you may not be able, nor may they go across from there to us.'

UST:

Besides that, God has placed a huge ravine between you and us. So those who want to go from here to you there are not able to. Furthermore, no one can cross from there to where we are, either.'

What was Abraham's answer to the rich man?

He said there was a great chasm between them that no one could cross.

Luke 16:27

ULT:

Then he said, 'I beg you then, Father, that you would send him to the house of my father—

UST:

Then the rich man said, 'If that is so, Father Abraham, I ask you to send Lazarus to my family home.

What was the second request that the rich man made to Abraham?

He asked Abraham to send Lazarus to the house of his father.

Luke 16:28

ULT:

for I have five brothers—in order that he might warn them, so that they may not also come to this place of torment.'

UST:

I have five brothers {who live there}. Tell him to warn them so that they do not also come to this place where we suffer great pain!'

Why did the rich man want Lazarus to go to the house of his father?

He wanted Lazarus to warn his brothers about Hades.

Luke 16:29

ULT:

But Abraham says, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them listen to them.'

UST:

But Abraham replied, '{No, I will not do that because} your brothers have what Moses and the prophets wrote long ago. They should obey what they wrote!'

What was Abraham's answer to the rich man?

He said the rich man's brothers have Moses and the prophets, and they could listen to them.

Luke 16:30

ULT:

But he said, 'No, Father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.'

UST:

But the rich man replied, 'No, Father Abraham{, that will not be enough}! But if someone from those who have died goes back to them and warns them, they will turn from their sinful behavior.'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 16:31

ULT:

But he said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone rises from the dead.'"

UST:

Abraham said to him, 'So they would not obey what Moses and the prophets wrote. Then it would not help even if someone from among the people who have died went and warned them. They would still not believe that they should turn from their sinful behavior.'"

Abraham said that if they would not listen to Moses and the prophets, what else would not persuade them?

They would not be persuaded even if someone rose from the dead.

Luke 17

Luke 17:1

ULT:

Then he said to his disciples, "It is impossible for stumbling blocks not to come, but woe {to the one} through whom they come!"

UST:

Jesus said to his disciples, "Things that tempt people to sin will certainly happen. But how terrible it will be for anyone who causes those things to happen!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:2

ULT:

It would be better for him if a millstone were put around his neck and he were thrown into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to stumble.

UST:

It would be better for that person if someone fastened a huge stone around his neck and threw him into the sea than if he were to cause someone to sin whose faith was weak.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:3

ULT:

Pay attention to yourselves. If your brother sins, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him.

UST:

Be careful how you act. If another believer sins, you should rebuke him. If he says that he is sorry for having sinned and asks you to forgive him, then you should forgive him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:4

ULT:

And if he sins against you seven times in the day, and seven times returns to you, saying, 'I repent, 'you will forgive him.'

UST:

Even if he sins against you seven times in one day, if he comes to you each time and says, 'I am sorry for what I did, 'you must continue forgiving him.'

What did Jesus say we must do if our brother sins against us seven times in a day and returns seven times saying, "I repent"?

We must forgive him each time.

Luke 17:5

ULT:

And the apostles said to the Lord, "Increase faith to us."

UST:

Then the representatives said to Jesus, "Give us more faith!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:6

ULT:

So the Lord said, "If you had faith like a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted, and be planted in the sea,' and it would listen to you.

UST:

Jesus replied, "Even if you had faith that was no bigger than this tiny mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Pull yourself out of the ground, roots and all, and plant yourself in the sea,' and it would obey you!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:7

ULT:

But which of you {is it}, having a servant plowing or tending sheep, who will say to him, having come in from the field, 'Come immediately {and} recline to eat'?

UST:

{Jesus also said,} "Suppose that one of you had a servant who was plowing your fields or taking care of your sheep. After he came into the house from the field, you would not say, 'Come immediately and sit down to eat!'"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:8

ULT:

Instead, will he not say to him, 'Prepare something I may eat and, girding yourself, serve me while I eat and drink, and after these things you will eat and drink'?

UST:

Instead, you would say to him, 'Prepare a meal for me! Then put on your serving clothes and serve it to me so that I can eat and drink! Afterwards you can eat and drink.'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:9

ULT:

He does not have gratitude to the servant because he did the things commanded, does he?

UST:

You would not thank your servant just for doing the work that he had been told to do!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:10

ULT:

Thus also you, when you have done all the things commanded to you, say, 'We are worthless servants. We have done what we ought to do.'

UST:

Similarly, when you have done everything that God has told you to do, you should say, 'We are only God's servants. We do not deserve to have you thank us. We have only done the things that he told us to do.'

As servants, what should we say after we have done everything commanded us by our Master?

We should say, "We are unworthy servants; we have only done what we ought to do."

Luke 17:11

ULT:

And it happened in the journeying to Jerusalem that he was passing through between Samaria and Galilee.

UST:

As Jesus and his disciples were walking along the road to Jerusalem, they were going through the area between the regions of Samaria and Galilee.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:12

ULT:

And {as} he entered into a certain village, ten leprous men, who stood at a distance met {him}

UST:

As Jesus entered a village, ten lepers came toward him, but they stood at some distance away.

Whom did Jesus meet when entering a village in the borderlands of Samaria and Galilee?

He met ten lepers.

Luke 17:13

ULT:

and they lifted up their voice, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.”

UST:

They called out, “Jesus, Master, please have pity on us!”

What did the ten lepers say to Jesus?

They said, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.”

Luke 17:14

ULT:

And having seen {them}, he said to them, "Go show yourselves to the priests." And it happened that, as they went away, they were cleansed.

UST:

When Jesus saw them, he said to them, "Go and have the priests examine you." So they went, and on the way, their leprosy disappeared.

What did Jesus tell the lepers to do?

He told them to go and show themselves to the priests.

What happened to the lepers as they went to the priests?

They were cleansed.

Luke 17:15

ULT:

Then one of them, having seen that he had been healed, returned, glorifying God with a loud voice.

UST:

Then one of them, when he saw that he no longer had leprosy, went back, praising God loudly.

How many of the ten lepers returned to thank Jesus?

Only one returned.

Luke 17:16

ULT:

And he fell on his face at his feet, giving thanks to him. And he was a Samaritan.

UST:

{He came to Jesus and} he lay down on the ground with his face at Jesus' feet, and he thanked him. This man was a Samaritan.

Where was the leper from who returned to thank Jesus?

He was from Samaria.

Luke 17:17

ULT:

Then answering, Jesus said, "Were not ten cleansed? But where {are} the nine?"

UST:

Then Jesus said, "I healed ten lepers! I would have expected the other nine to come back as well!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:18

ULT:

Were they not found returning to give glory to God except this foreigner?"

UST:

This foreign man was the only one who returned to thank God. None of the others came back!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:19

ULT:

And he said to him, "Rise up, {and} go. Your faith has saved you."

UST:

Then he said to the man, "Get up and go on your way. God has healed you because you trusted in me."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:20

ULT:

And having been asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God was coming, he answered them and said, "The kingdom of God is not coming with observation.

UST:

One day some Pharisees asked Jesus, "When will God begin to rule everyone?" He replied, "That will not happen with signs that people can recognize if they watch for them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:21

ULT:

Neither will they say, 'Behold, here!' or 'There!' For behold, the kingdom of God is within you."

UST:

*People will not be able to say, 'Look! God is ruling here!' or 'God is ruling there!'
{Contrary to what you think,} God has already begun to rule within you."*

When asked about the coming of the kingdom, where did Jesus say the kingdom of God is?

He said that the kingdom of God is within them.

Luke 17:22

ULT:

Then he said to the disciples, "Days will come when you will desire to see one of the days of the Son of Man, but you will not see {it}."

UST:

Jesus said to his disciples, "There will be a time when you will want to see me, the Son of Man, ruling powerfully. But you will not see that."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:23

ULT:

And they will say to you, 'Behold, there!' or 'Behold, here!' Do not go out or run after them,

UST:

*People will say to you, 'Look, the Messiah is over there!' or they will say, 'Look, he is here!'
{When they say that,} do not follow them.*

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:24

ULT:

for just as the lightning flashing from a {place} under the sky shines to a place under the sky, thus will be the Son of Man.

UST:

For when the lightning flashes and lights up the sky from one side to the other{, everyone can see it}. Similarly, when I, the Son of Man, come back again, everyone will see me.

What did Jesus say it will be like in his day, when he appears again?

It will be like the lightning flashing from one part of the sky to another.

Luke 17:25

ULT:

But first it is necessary for him to suffer many things and to be rejected by this generation.

UST:

But before that happens, I must suffer in many ways, and people will reject me.

What did Jesus say must happen before he returns?

He must suffer many things and be rejected by that generation.

Luke 17:26

ULT:

And just as it happened in the days of Noah, thus it will be also in the days of the Son of Man.

UST:

But when I, the Son of Man, come again, people will be doing things just like people were doing at the time when Noah lived.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:27

ULT:

They were eating, they were drinking, they were marrying, they were being given in marriage—until that day Noah entered into the ark and the flood came and destroyed {them} all.

UST:

At that time people ate and drank {as usual}, and they got married {as usual}, up until the day when Noah and his family entered the big boat. But then the flood came and destroyed all those who were not in the boat.

What were the people doing in the days of Noah?

They were eating, drinking, marrying, and giving in marriage, unaware that the day of destruction had come.

Luke 17:28

ULT:

Likewise, just as it happened in the days of Lot—they were eating, they were drinking, they were buying, they were selling, they were planting, they were building.

UST:

Similarly, when Lot lived {in the city of Sodom}, people {there} ate and drank {as usual}. They bought things and they sold things. They planted crops and they built houses {as usual}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:29

ULT:

But in the day Lot went out from Sodom, it rained fire and sulfur from heaven and destroyed {them} all.

UST:

But on the day that Lot left Sodom, fire and burning sulfur came down from the sky and destroyed all those who had stayed in the city.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:30

ULT:

It will be according to these things in the day the Son of Man is revealed.

UST:

Similarly, when I, the Son of Man, return to earth, people will be unprepared.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:31

ULT:

In that day, whoever is on the housetop and his goods are in the house, let him not go down to take them; and the one in the field, likewise let him not turn back to the things behind.

UST:

On that day, those who are outside their houses, with all the things that they own inside the houses, must not take the time to go inside and get them. Similarly, those who are out working in a field must not come back home to get anything. {They must flee quickly.}

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:32

ULT:

Remember the wife of Lot.

UST:

Remember what happened to Lot's wife!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:33

ULT:

Whoever seeks to keep his life will lose it, but whoever will lose {it} will preserve it.

UST:

Anyone who continues in his own way of living will die. But anyone who leaves his old way of living {for my sake} will live forever.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:34

ULT:

I say to you, in that night there will be two in one bed. The one will be taken, and the other will be left.

UST:

I tell you this: On the night when I return, there will be two people sleeping in one bed. God will take the one who believes in me and leave the other one behind.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:35

ULT:

There will be two grinding in the same {place}. The one will be taken, but the other will be left."

UST:

Two women will be grinding grain together. God will take one of them and leave the other one behind."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:36

ULT:

[Two in a field; one will be taken and the other will be left.]

UST:

[“There will be two in the field; one will be taken and the other left.”]

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 17:37

ULT:

And answering, they say to him, "Where, Lord?" So he said to them, "Where the body {is}, there also the vultures will be gathered together."

UST:

His disciples said to him, "Lord, where will this happen?" He replied to them, "Wherever there is a dead body, the vultures will gather to eat it."

What example from nature did Jesus use to answer his disciples' question, "Where, Lord?"?

Jesus used the example of a dead body and vultures. He said that where there is a body, there the vultures gather together.

Luke 18

Luke 18:1

ULT:

Then he spoke a parable to them to {show that} it was necessary for them always to pray and not to become discouraged,

UST:

Jesus told his disciples another story to teach them that they should pray continually and not become discouraged {if God did not immediately answer their prayers}.

What did Jesus want to teach his disciples about prayer from this story?

He wanted to teach them that they should always pray and not become discouraged.

Luke 18:2

ULT:

saying, "In a certain city there was a certain judge, not fearing God and not respecting man.

UST:

He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who did not revere God and did not care about people.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:3

ULT:

And there was a widow in that city, and she was coming to him, saying, 'Vindicate me against my opponent.'

UST:

There was a widow in that city who kept coming to that judge, saying, 'Please get justice for me against the man who is opposing me in court.'

What did the widow keep asking for from the unjust judge?

She asked for justice against her opponent.

Luke 18:4

ULT:

And for a time he was not willing, but after these things he said to himself, 'Even if I do not fear God or respect man,

UST:

For a long time the judge refused to help her. But later, he said to himself, 'I do not revere God and I do not care about people.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:5

ULT:

yet because this widow causes me trouble, I will vindicate her, so that she will not beat me up by coming to the end.’’

UST:

But this widow keeps bothering me! So I will judge her case and make sure she is treated fairly. I am concerned that if I do not do that, she will exhaust me by continually coming to me!’’

After a while, what did the unjust judge say to himself?

He said, “Because this widow causes me trouble, I give her justice, so that she will not wear me out by coming continually.”

Luke 18:6

ULT:

Then the Lord said, "Listen to what the unrighteous judge says.

UST:

Then Jesus said, "Think carefully about what the unjust judge said.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:7

ULT:

And will not God do the vindication of his elect, the ones crying out to him day and night, and he delays long over them?

UST:

{Even more} certainly will God{, who is just,} bring about justice for his chosen people, who pray earnestly to him all day long! And he is always patient with them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:8

ULT:

I say to you that he will do the vindication of them quickly. Nevertheless, the Son of Man having come, will he indeed find faith on the earth?"

UST:

I tell you, God will quickly bring about justice for his chosen ones! Nevertheless when I, the Son of Man, come back to earth, there will still be many people who do not believe in me."

What did Jesus want to teach his disciples about how God answers prayer?

He wanted to teach them that God will bring justice to those who cry out to him.

Luke 18:9

ULT:

Then he also spoke this parable to some of the ones having become confident in themselves that they were righteous and disdaining others:

UST:

Then Jesus also told the following story to some people who thought they were righteous and who looked down on other people.

What was the Pharisees' attitude about their own righteousness and about other people?

They thought they were more righteous than other people.

Luke 18:10

ULT:

“Two men went up into the temple to pray—the one a Pharisee, and the other a tax collector.”

UST:

{He said,} “Two men went up to the temple in Jerusalem to pray. One of the men was a Pharisee. The other man was someone who collected taxes from the people for the Roman government.”

In Jesus’ story, which two men went up into the temple to pray?

A Pharisee and a tax collector went up into the temple to pray.

Luke 18:11

ULT:

The Pharisee, standing, was praying these things about himself, 'God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of men—robbers, unrighteous, adulterers—or even like this tax collector.

UST:

The Pharisee stood and prayed about himself in this way, 'O God, I thank you that I am not like other people. Some steal money from others. Some treat others unjustly. Some commit adultery. I do not do any of those things. And I am certainly not like this sinful tax collector who cheats people!

What was the Pharisee's attitude about his own righteousness and about other people?

He thought he was not sinful like other people.

Luke 18:12

ULT:

I fast twice a week. I tithe all that I acquire.'

UST:

I fast on two days during every week, and I give ten percent of all that I earn to the temple!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:13

ULT:

But the tax collector, standing at a distance, did not even want to lift up his eyes toward heaven, but was beating his breast, saying, 'God, have mercy on me, the sinner.'

UST:

But the tax collector stood far away from the other people in the temple courtyard. He would not even look up toward heaven. Instead, he beat on his chest and said, 'O God, please forgive me, because I am a terrible sinner!'"

What was the tax collector's prayer to God in the temple?

He prayed, "God, be merciful to me, the sinner."

Luke 18:14

ULT:

I say to you, this one went down to his house justified rather than that one. For everyone exalting himself will be humbled, but the one humbling himself will be exalted."

UST:

Then Jesus said, "I tell you that as they left to go home, God had forgiven the tax collector, but God had not forgiven the Pharisee. This is because God will humble everyone who exalts himself, and God will exalt everyone who humbles himself."

Which man went back to his house justified before God?

The tax collector was justified before God.

Luke 18:15

ULT:

And they were bringing even the infants to him so that he might touch {them}, but the disciples, having seen {it}, were rebuking them.

UST:

One day people were bringing even their babies to Jesus so that he would put his hands on them and bless them. When the disciples saw this, they told them not to do that.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:16

ULT:

But Jesus summoned them, saying, "Permit the little children to come to me, and do not forbid them. For of such is the kingdom of God.

UST:

But Jesus called for the children to be brought to him. He said, "Let the little children come to me! Do not stop them, because it is {humble and trusting} people like these children who let God rule their lives.

To whom did Jesus say that the kingdom of God belongs?

He said it belongs to those who are as children.

Luke 18:17

ULT:

Truly I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a child will certainly not enter into it."

UST:

Indeed, I say to you that whoever will not humbly and trustingly let God rule over his life will not accept God's rule at all."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:18

ULT:

And a certain ruler asked him, saying, "Good Teacher, doing what will I inherit eternal life?"

UST:

Once a Jewish leader asked Jesus, "Good teacher, what must I do in order to have everlasting life?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:19

ULT:

But Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one {is} good except one—God.

UST:

Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? God is the only one who is truly good!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:20

ULT:

You know the commandments—do not commit adultery, do not kill, do not steal, do not testify falsely, honor your father and mother.”

UST:

{In answer to your question, certainly} you know the commandments {that God gave to Moses for us to obey}: ‘Do not commit adultery. Do not murder anyone. Do not steal. Do not give a false report. Honor your father and mother.’”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:21

ULT:

But he said, "All these things I have kept from my youth."

UST:

The man said, "I have obeyed all those commandments ever since I was young."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:22

ULT:

But Jesus, hearing, said to him, "One thing is still lacking to you. Sell everything, as much as you have, and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in the heavens; and come, follow me."

UST:

When Jesus heard him say that, he replied to him, "You still need to do one more thing. Sell all that you own. Then give the money to people who have very little to live on. The result will be that you will have spiritual riches in heaven. Then come and be my disciple!"

What one thing did Jesus ask the ruler (the one who had obeyed God's commandments from his youth) to do?

Jesus asked him to sell all that he had and to distribute to the poor.

Luke 18:23

ULT:

But he, hearing these things, became deeply grieved, for he was very rich.

UST:

The man became very sad when he heard that, because he was extremely rich.

How did the ruler respond to Jesus' statement and why?

He became extremely sad, for he was very rich.

Luke 18:24

ULT:

Then Jesus, having looked at him,said, “How difficultly do the ones having riches enter into the kingdom of God!

UST:

When Jesus looked at the man and said, “It is very difficult for those who are wealthy to let God rule over them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:25

ULT:

For it is easier for a camel to go through an eye of a needle than for a rich {person} to enter into the kingdom of God.”

UST:

In fact, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for rich people to let God rule their lives.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:26

ULT:

Then the ones having heard said, “And who is able to be saved?”

UST:

Those who heard Jesus say that replied, “Then it seems that God will not consider that anyone should have eternal life!”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:27

ULT:

But he said, "The impossible with men is possible with God."

UST:

But Jesus said, "What is impossible for people is possible for God."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:28

ULT:

Then Peter said, "Behold, we left everything and followed you."

UST:

Then Peter said, "What about us? We have left everything we had in order to become your disciples."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:29

ULT:

So he said to them, "Truly I say to you that there is no one who has left a house or a wife or brothers or parents or children for the sake of the kingdom of God

UST:

Jesus said to them, "I can assure you that those who have left their homes, their wives, their brothers, their parents, or their children in order to let God rule over them

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:30

ULT:

who will by no means not receive much more in this time, and in the age that is coming, eternal life.”

UST:

will receive in this life many times as much as they left behind and, in the coming age, they will receive everlasting life.”

What did Jesus promise those who have left earthly things for the sake of the kingdom of God?

Jesus promised them much more in this world, and eternal life in the age to come.

Luke 18:31

ULT:

Then having taken the Twelve aside, he said to them, “Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and all the {things that} have been written by the prophets about the Son of Man will be accomplished.

UST:

Jesus took his 12 representatives to a place by themselves. He said to them, “Listen carefully! We are on our way to Jerusalem. While we are there, everything that the prophets wrote long ago about me, the Son of Man, will happen.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:32

ULT:

For he will be given over to the Gentiles, and he will be mocked, and will be mistreated, and will be spit on.

UST:

This will happen when my enemies turn me over to the authorities who are not Jews. They will mock me, treat me with disdain, and spit on me.

According to Jesus, what had the Old Testament prophets written about the Son of Man?

That he would be handed over to the Gentiles, mocked and shamefully treated.

Luke 18:33

ULT:

And having whipped {him}, they will kill {him}, and on the third day he will rise.”

UST:

They will whip me and then they will kill me. But two days later I will become alive again.”

What had the Old Testament prophets written that the Son of Man would do on the third day?

They wrote that he would rise again on the third day.

Luke 18:34

ULT:

And they understood none of these things, and this word was hidden from them, and they did not understand the things being spoken.

UST:

But the disciples did not understand any of those things that he said. God prevented them from recognizing their significance, so they did not know what Jesus meant by what he was telling them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:35

ULT:

And it happened that, as he came near to Jericho, a certain blind man was sitting beside the road begging.

UST:

As Jesus and his disciples came near to the city of Jericho, a blind man was sitting beside the road. He was begging for money.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:36

ULT:

And hearing a crowd going by, he was asking what this might be.

UST:

When he heard a crowd of people passing by, he kept asking {those around him}, “What is happening?”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:37

ULT:

And they reported to him, "Jesus the Nazarene is passing by."

UST:

They told him, "{There is a crowd because} Jesus, the man from the town of Nazareth, is coming down the street."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:38

ULT:

And he cried out, saying, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me.”

UST:

He shouted, “Jesus, you who are descended from King David, have pity on me!”

What did the blind man by the road cry out to Jesus?

He said, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me.”

Luke 18:39

ULT:

And the ones walking ahead were rebuking him so that he would be silent. But he was crying out much more, "Son of David, have mercy on me."

UST:

Those who were walking at the front of the crowd scolded him and told him to be quiet. But he shouted even more loudly, "You who are descended from King David, have pity on me!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:40

ULT:

Then having stood still, Jesus commanded him to be brought to him. Then {when} he had come near, he asked him,

UST:

Jesus stopped walking and commanded the people to bring the man to him. When the blind man came near, Jesus asked him,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:41

ULT:

"What do you desire {that} I might do for you?" So he said, "Lord, that I might see again."

UST:

"What do you want me to do for you?" He replied, "Lord, I want you to enable me to see!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:42

ULT:

And Jesus said to him, "See again. Your faith has saved you."

UST:

Jesus said to him, "Then I now restore your sight! Because you have trusted in me, I have healed you!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 18:43

ULT:

And immediately he saw again, and he was following him, glorifying God. And all the people, seeing this, gave praise to God.

UST:

Immediately he was able to see. And he went with Jesus, praising God. And when all the people there saw this, they also praised God.

How did the people respond after seeing the blind man healed?

They glorified and praised God.

Luke 19

Luke 19:1

ULT:

And he entered {and} was passing through Jericho.

UST:

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the city.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:2

ULT:

And behold a man, called Zacchaeus by name, and he was a chief tax collector, and he {was} rich.

UST:

There was a man there named Zacchaeus. He was in charge of collecting taxes, and he was very rich.

Who climbed up a tree to see Jesus, and what was his occupation?

The person who climbed the tree was Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich.

Luke 19:3

ULT:

And he was trying to see Jesus, who he was, but he was not able from the crowd, because he was small in stature.

UST:

He wanted to see Jesus, but he could not see him over the crowd. He was a very short man {and there were many people around Jesus}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:4

ULT:

And running on ahead, he climbed into a sycamore tree so that he might see him, because he was about to pass through that {way}.

UST:

So he ran farther down the road. He climbed a sycamore fig tree so he could see Jesus when he came by.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:5

ULT:

And when he came to the place, looking up, Jesus said to him, "Zacchaeus, hastening, come down, for it is necessary for me to stay in your house today."

UST:

When Jesus got there, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, I have to stay at your house tonight!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:6

ULT:

And hastening, he came down and welcomed him, rejoicing.

UST:

So he came down quickly. He was glad to welcome Jesus into his home.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:7

ULT:

And having seen this, they all complained, saying, “He has gone in to lodge with a sinful man.”

UST:

But the people who saw Jesus go there grumbled, saying, “He has gone to be the guest of a real sinner!”

What complaint did everyone make when Jesus went to Zacchaeus’ house?

They said, “Jesus has gone in to be a guest with a sinful man.”

Luke 19:8

ULT:

But having stood, Zacchaeus said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my possessions I give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anything from anyone, I will restore four-fold."

UST:

Then Zacchaeus stood up while they were eating and said to Jesus, "Lord, I want you to know that I am going to give half of what I own to poor people. And as for the people whom I have cheated, I will pay them back four times the amount I took from them."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:9

ULT:

Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham."

UST:

Jesus said to him, "Today God has saved this household, because this man has shown that he is a true descendant of Abraham."

What did Jesus say about Zacchaeus after Zacchaeus announced his gifts to the poor?

He said, "Today salvation has come to this house."

Luke 19:10

ULT:

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the one that has been lost.”

UST:

Remember this: I, the Son of Man, came to find and save people {like you} who have been disobeying God.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:11

ULT:

And {as} they were listening to these things, he proceeded to speak a parable, because he was near Jerusalem and they thought that the kingdom of God was about to appear immediately.

UST:

The people were listening to everything Jesus said. He was getting close to Jerusalem{, and he knew that the people had a wrong idea}. They thought he would begin to rule as king over God's people as soon as he got to Jerusalem. So Jesus decided to tell them another story {to correct that idea}.

What did the people expect would happen when Jesus reached Jerusalem?

They thought that the kingdom of God would appear immediately.

Luke 19:12

ULT:

Therefore he said, "A certain well-born man journeyed to a distant country to receive for himself a kingdom and to return.

UST:

He said, "A prince was preparing to go to a distant country so that a higher king could give him the right to rule over the country where he lived. After he received it, he would come back to rule his people.

In Jesus' parable, where was the nobleman going to travel?

He was going to a far country to receive a kingdom, and then he would return.

Luke 19:13

ULT:

So calling ten of his servants, he gave them ten minas and said to them, 'Conduct business in that I go.'

UST:

{Before he left,} he summoned ten of his servants. He gave each of them an equal amount of money. He said to them, 'Do business with this money until I return!' {Then he left.}

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:14

ULT:

But his citizens hated him and sent a delegation after him, saying, 'We do not want this one to rule over us.'

UST:

But many people of his country hated him. So they sent some messengers to follow him and say {to the higher king}, 'We do not want this man to be our king!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:15

ULT:

And it happened that, when he returned, having received the kingdom, he then commanded to be called to him those servants to whom he had given the silver, so that he might know what they had gained by doing business.

UST:

{But he was made king anyway. Later} he returned as the new king. Then he called in the servants to whom he had given the money. He wanted to know how much they had gained by doing business with the money he had given them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:16

ULT:

Then the first came {and} said, 'Master, your mina has earned ten minas.'

UST:

The first servant came to him and said, 'Sir, with your money I have earned ten times as much!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:17

ULT:

And he said to him, 'Well done, good servant! Because you were faithful in very little, be having authority over ten cities.'

UST:

He said to this man, 'You are a good servant! You have done very well! Because you have faithfully taken care of a small amount of money, I will give you ten cities to rule over.'

What did the nobleman do for the servant who had been faithful and had earned ten more minas?

The nobleman gave him authority over ten cities.

Luke 19:18

ULT:

And the second came {and} said, 'Your mina, master, has made five minas.'

UST:

Then the second servant came and said, 'Sir, the money you gave me is now worth five times as much!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:19

ULT:

So he also said to this one, 'And you be over five cities.'

UST:

He also said to that servant, '{Well done!} I will put you over five cities.'

What did the nobleman do for the servant who had been faithful and had made five more minas?

He gave them authority over five cities.

Luke 19:20

ULT:

And the other one came saying, 'Master, behold your mina, which I have been keeping put away in a cloth,

UST:

Then another servant came. He said, 'Sir, here is your money. I wrapped it up in a cloth and hid it to keep it safe.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:21

ULT:

for I feared you, because you are a harsh man. You take up what you did not put down, and you reap what you did not sow.'

UST:

I was afraid that you would take everything I earned. I know you are a hard man who takes things from others that do not really belong to you. You are like a farmer who harvests grain that another farmer has planted.'

What kind of man did the wicked servant think the nobleman was?

He knew the nobleman was a demanding man.

Luke 19:22

ULT:

He says to him, 'By your mouth I will judge you, wicked servant! Did you know that I am a harsh man, taking up what I did not put down, and reaping what I did not sow?

UST:

He said to that servant, 'You wicked servant! I will condemn you by the words you just said. You said I am a hard man. You said I take what does not belong to me. You said I am like a farmer who harvests what another farmer has planted.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:23

ULT:

And for what {reason} did you not put my silver in a bank, and I, having returned, would have collected it with interest?'

UST:

So you should at least have given my money to money lenders! Then when I returned I could have collected that amount plus the interest it would have earned!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:24

ULT:

And he said to the ones standing by, 'Take the mina away from him and give it to the one having the ten minas.'

UST:

Then the king said to those who were standing near, 'Take the money from him and give it to the servant who made ten times as much!'

What did the nobleman do with the wicked servant?

He took away the wicked servant's mina.

Luke 19:25

ULT:

And they said to him, 'Master, he has ten minas.'

UST:

They protested, 'But sir, he already has a lot of money!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:26

ULT:

'I say to you that to everyone having, it will be given, but from the one not having, even what he has will be taken away.

UST:

But the king said, 'I tell you this: To the people who use well what they have received, I will give even more. But from the people who do not use well what they have received, I will take away even what they already have.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:27

ULT:

But these enemies of mine, the ones not having wanted me to reign over them, bring {them} here and kill them before me.'"

UST:

Now, as for those enemies of mine who did not want me to rule over them, bring them here and execute them while I am watching!'"

What did the nobleman do with those who did not want him to reign over them?

The nobleman had them killed in front of him.

Luke 19:28

ULT:

And having said these things, he journeyed ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

UST:

After Jesus said those things, he traveled farther along on the road up to Jerusalem.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:29

ULT:

And it happened that, when he had come near to Bethphage and Bethany, to the mount called of Olives, he sent two of the disciples,

UST:

When they got close to the villages of Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples on ahead.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:30

ULT:

saying, "Go into the village opposite, in which, entering, you will find a colt tied up, on which no one of men has ever sat. Having untied it, bring it here.

UST:

He told them, "Go to the village just ahead of you. As you enter it, there you will see a young donkey tied up that no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it to me.

What kind of animal did Jesus ride on as he went into Jerusalem?

He rode on a donkey colt on which no one had ever sat.

Luke 19:31

ULT:

And if anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' thus you will say, 'The Lord has need of it.'"

UST:

If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying the donkey?' say to him, 'Jesus needs it.'"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:32

ULT:

So the ones that had been sent, going away, found {it} just as he had said to them.

UST:

So the two disciples went to the village and found the donkey, just as Jesus had told them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:33

ULT:

And {as} they were untying the colt, the owners of it said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?"

UST:

As they were untying it, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying our donkey?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:34

ULT:

So they said, "The Lord has need of it."

UST:

They replied, "Jesus needs it." And the owners gave them permission to use it.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:35

ULT:

And they brought it to Jesus, and having thrown their cloaks upon the colt, they mounted Jesus on {it}.

UST:

Then the disciples brought the donkey to Jesus. They threw their robes on the donkey's back and helped Jesus get on it.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:36

ULT:

And {as} he was going along, they were spreading their cloaks on the road.

UST:

Then, as he rode along, others spread their robes on the road in front of him to honor him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:37

ULT:

And {as} he was already coming near to the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice {and} praise God with a loud voice concerning all of the mighty works that they had seen,

UST:

As Jesus approached the road that goes down from the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of his disciples began to praise God with loud, joyful shouts for all the great miracles that they had seen him do.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:38

ULT:

saying, “Blessed is the king coming in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”

UST:

They were saying things like, “May God bless our king who comes with God’s authority! May there be peace between God in heaven and us his people, and may everyone praise God!”

What did the crowd cry out as Jesus approached the Mount of Olives?

They cried out, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!”

Luke 19:39

ULT:

And some of the Pharisees from the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples."

UST:

Some of the Pharisees who were in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell your disciples to stop saying those things!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:40

ULT:

And answering, he said, "I say to you that if these were silent, the stones would cry out."

UST:

He replied, "I tell you this: If these people were silent, the stones themselves would shout to praise me!"

What did Jesus say would happen if the people did not cry out rejoicing?

He said that the stones would cry out.

Luke 19:41

ULT:

And as he approached, having seen the city, he wept over it,

UST:

When Jesus came near to Jerusalem and saw the city, he cried about its people.

What did Jesus do as he drew near to the city?

He wept over it.

Luke 19:42

ULT:

saying, "If you had known in this day, even you, the things toward peace! But now they have been hidden from your eyes.

UST:

He said, "I wish that today you people knew how to have God's peace. But now you are unable to know this.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:43

ULT:

For days will come upon you, and your enemies will build a barricade around you, and they will surround you and press in on you from every side.

UST:

I want you to know this: You are going to experience difficult times. Your enemies will come and set up a barricade around your city. They will surround the city and attack it on all sides.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:44

ULT:

And they will dash you to the ground and your children within you. And they will not leave stone upon stone in you because you did not know the time of your visitation.”

UST:

They will {break through the walls and} destroy them and the rest of the city. They will kill all of you. They will completely demolish everything. All this will happen because you did not recognize the time when God came to save you!”

What did Jesus then prophesy would happen to the people and the city?

He said that enemies would smash the city to the ground and that not one stone would be left upon another.

Luke 19:45

ULT:

And entering into the temple, he began to cast out the ones selling,

UST:

Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple courtyard. He began to force the people who were selling things there to leave.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:46

ULT:

saying to them, “It has been written, ‘My house {will be} a house of prayer,’ but you made it a ‘den of robbers.’”

UST:

He told them, “The Scriptures say, ‘God’s temple should be a place where people pray.’ But you have made it ‘a hideout for thieves’!”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 19:47

ULT:

And he was teaching each day in the temple. And the chief priests and the scribes and the first of the people were seeking to destroy him,

UST:

Each day during that week, Jesus was teaching people at the temple. The chief priests, the teachers of religious laws, and other Jewish leaders were trying to find a way to kill him.

Who wanted to kill Jesus as he was teaching in the temple?

The chief priests and the scribes and the leaders of the people wanted to kill Jesus.

Luke 19:48

ULT:

And they were not finding something that they might do, for all the people were hanging on him listening.

UST:

But they did not find any way to do it, because very many people were eager to hear him.

Why could they not kill him at this time?

They could not kill him because the people were listening to him intently.

Luke 20

Luke 20:1

ULT:

And it happened that, on one of the days {when} he was teaching the people in the temple and proclaiming the gospel, the chief priests and the scribes approached with the elders.

UST:

One day during that week, Jesus was teaching the people at the temple and telling them God's good message. As he was doing that, the chief priests, the teachers of the Jewish laws, and some other elders came to him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:2

ULT:

And they spoke, saying to him, "Tell us by what authority you do these things, or who the one is having given you this authority."

UST:

They said to him, "Tell us, what right do you have to do these things? And who gave you this right?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:3

ULT:

But answering, he said to them, "I also will ask you a word, and you tell me:

UST:

He replied, "I will also ask you a question. Tell me

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:4

ULT:

The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or from men?"

UST:

about John baptizing people: Did God command him to baptize or did humans command him?"

When the Jewish leaders asked Jesus by what authority he taught, what question did Jesus ask them?

He asked, "Was the baptism of John from heaven, or from men?"

Luke 20:5

ULT:

Then they reasoned with each other, saying, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say, ‘For what {reason} did you not believe him?’

UST:

They discussed this among themselves. They said, “If we answer, ‘God commanded him,’ then he will say, ‘So why did you not believe him?’

If they answered, “from heaven,” what did the Jewish leaders think that Jesus would say to them?

The Jewish leaders thought that Jesus would say, “Then why did you not believe John?”

Luke 20:6

ULT:

But if we say, 'From men,' the whole people will stone us, for it is persuaded that John was a prophet."

UST:

But if we say, 'It was only humans who told him to baptize,' the people will stone us to death, because most of them believe that John was a prophet {whom God sent}."

If they answered, “from men,” what did they think that the people would do to them?

They thought that the people would stone them.

Luke 20:7

ULT:

And they answered that they did not know from where.

UST:

So they replied that they did not know who told John to baptize.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:8

ULT:

And Jesus said to them, "Nor do I tell you by what authority I do these things."

UST:

Then Jesus said to them, "Just as you will not tell me, I will not tell you who sent me to do those things."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:9

ULT:

Then he began to speak this parable to the people: "A man planted a vineyard and rented it out to farmers and went abroad for a long time.

UST:

Then Jesus told the people this parable: "A man planted a vineyard. He rented the vineyard to some people who would take care of it. Then he went to another country and stayed there for a long time.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:10

ULT:

And at the time he sent a servant to the farmers so that they would give him from the fruit of the vineyard. But the farmers sent him away, having beaten {him}, empty.

UST:

When it was time to harvest the grapes, this owner sent a servant to the people who were taking care of the vineyard. He wanted them to give him his share of the grapes that the vineyard had produced. But {after the servant arrived,} they beat that servant and sent him away without giving him any grapes.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:11

ULT:

And he proceeded to send another servant, but they, beating {him} and treating {him} shamefully, sent that one also away empty.

UST:

Later, the owner sent another servant, but they also beat and shamed that servant. They sent him away without any grapes.

In Jesus' parable, what did the vine dressers do when the lord sent his servants to get the fruit of the vineyard?

They beat the servants, treated them shamefully, and sent them away empty-handed.

Luke 20:12

ULT:

And he proceeded to send a third, but they, wounding {him}, cast this one also out.

UST:

Still later, the owner sent yet another servant. The farmers wounded this servant too and forced him to leave the vineyard.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:13

ULT:

So the lord of the vineyard said, 'What should I do? I will send my beloved son. Perhaps they will respect him.'

UST:

So the owner of the vineyard said to himself, 'What should I do now? I will send my son, whom I love very much. They will probably respect him.'

Finally, who did the lord send to the vine dressers?

He sent his beloved son.

Luke 20:14

ULT:

But having seen him, the farmers were reasoning with each other, saying, 'This is the heir. Let us kill him so that the inheritance may become ours.'

UST:

{So he sent his son,} but when the people who were caring for the vineyard saw him coming, they said to each other, 'Here comes the man who will some day inherit this vineyard! Let us kill him! Then the vineyard will be ours!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:15

ULT:

And having thrown him out of the vineyard, they killed {him}. What then will the lord of the vineyard do to them?

UST:

So they dragged him outside the vineyard, and they killed him. I will tell you what the owner of the vineyard will do to them!

What did the vine dressers do when the son came to the vineyard?

They threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.

Luke 20:16

ULT:

He will come and destroy these farmers and will give the vineyard to others.” But having heard this, they said, “May it not be!”

UST:

He will come and kill those people who were taking care of the vineyard. Then he will arrange for other people to take care of it.” When the people listening to Jesus heard this, they said, “May a situation like this never happen!”

What will the lord of the vineyard do to those vine dressers?

He will come and kill those vine dressers and give the vineyard to others.

Luke 20:17

ULT:

But he, having looked at them, said, “What then is this that is written: ‘A stone that the builders rejected, this has become the head of the corner’?”

UST:

But Jesus looked directly at them and said, “You can say that, but think about the meaning of these words that are written in the Scriptures. ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the most important stone in the building.’

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:18

ULT:

Everyone having fallen on that stone will be broken to pieces, but on whomever it falls, it will crush him.”

UST:

This stone will break to pieces everyone who falls on it, and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:19

ULT:

And the scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him in that hour, and they feared the people, for they knew that he spoke this parable against them.

UST:

The chief priests and the teachers of the Jewish laws realized that he was accusing them when he told the story about those wicked people. So they immediately tried to find a way to arrest him. {But they did not arrest him,} because they were afraid of what the people would do if they did so.

Against whom did Jesus tell this parable?

He told this parable against the scribes and the chief priests.

Luke 20:20

ULT:

And having watched {him} carefully, they sent spies pretending themselves to be righteous, so that they might take hold of his word, in order to hand him over to the rule and to the authority of the governor.

UST:

So they watched him carefully. They also sent spies {to talk to Jesus} who pretended to be sincere, but who really wanted to get Jesus to say something wrong. They wanted to {be able to accuse him of encouraging resistance to the Roman government so that they could} turn him over to the governor {of the province}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:21

ULT:

And they asked him, saying, "Teacher, we know that you speak and teach rightly, and you do not receive a face, but you teach the way of God in truth."

UST:

One of them said to him, "Teacher, we know that you speak and teach what is right. You do that even if important people do not like it. You teach truthfully what God wants us to do."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:22

ULT:

Is it lawful for us to give tribute to Caesar, or not?"

UST:

{So tell us what you think about this matter.} Is it right for us to pay taxes to the Roman government, or not?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:23

ULT:

But having perceived their craftiness, he said to them,

UST:

But he knew that they were trying to trick him to get him into trouble either with the Jews, who hated to pay those taxes, or with the Roman government. So he said to them,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:24

ULT:

"Show me a denarius. Whose image and inscription does it have?" And they said, "Caesar's."

UST:

"Show me a Roman coin. Then tell me whose picture and name are on it." So they {showed him a coin and} said, "It has the picture and name of Caesar."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:25

ULT:

And he said to them, "Therefore give back the things of Caesar to Caesar, and the things of God to God."

UST:

He said to them, "In that case, give to the government what belongs to it, and give to God what belongs to him."

How did Jesus answer the question about whether or not it was lawful to pay taxes to Caesar?

He said to give the things of Caesar to Caesar, and the things of God to God.

Luke 20:26

ULT:

And they were not able to take hold of his word in front of the people, and marveling at his answer, they became silent.

UST:

The spies could find nothing wrong with anything that Jesus said while the people were standing around him. The spies were so amazed at his answer that they did not say anything more.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:27

ULT:

Then some of the Sadducees, the ones saying there is no resurrection, having approached, questioned him,

UST:

After that, some Sadducees came to Jesus. Their group of Jews taught that no one would rise from the dead. They also intended to ask Jesus a challenging question.

What event did the Sadducees not believe in?

They did not believe in the resurrection of the dead.

Luke 20:28

ULT:

saying, “Teacher, Moses wrote for us, if someone’s brother dies, having a wife, and he is childless, that his brother should take his wife and raise up seed for his brother.

UST:

One of them said to him, “Teacher, Moses taught us Jews what to do if a man dies who has a wife but no children. His brother should marry the widow so that she can have a child by him. People will then consider that child a descendant of the man who died.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:29

ULT:

Therefore, there were seven brothers, and the first, having taken a wife, died childless;

UST:

Well, there were seven brothers in one family. The oldest one married a woman, but before she had any children, he died, leaving her as a widow.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:30

ULT:
and the second

UST:
The second brother followed this law and married the widow, but the same thing happened to him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:31

ULT:

and the third took her; and likewise the seven also left no children, and died.

UST:

Then the third brother married her, but the same thing happened again. In the end, all seven brothers, one by one, married that woman but died without having any children.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:32

ULT:

Last, the woman also died.

UST:

Afterwards, the woman died, too.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:33

ULT:

Therefore, in the resurrection, of which of them is she a wife? For the seven had her {as} wife."

UST:

Therefore, if it is true that there will be a time when people who have died will become alive again, whose wife do you think that woman will be then? Keep in mind that she was married to all seven brothers!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:34

ULT:

And Jesus said to them, “The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage.

UST:

Jesus replied to them, “In this world, men marry women, and parents give daughters in marriage to men.

What did Jesus say about marriage in this world?

In this age, people marry and give in marriage.

Luke 20:35

ULT:

But the ones having been considered worthy to obtain that age and the resurrection {that is} from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage.

UST:

But the people whom God will consider worthy of being in heaven when he brings them back to life after they have died will not marry.

What did Jesus say about marriage after the resurrection?

After the resurrection of the dead, those people do not marry or give in marriage.

Luke 20:36

ULT:

For neither are they able to die anymore, for they are {like} angels; and they are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection.

UST:

{They do not marry} because they cannot die anymore. Rather, they are like the angels {who live forever}. They are God's children, since God has made them alive again after they have died.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:37

ULT:

But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed at the bush, when he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.

UST:

{Now that I have answered your question about marriage, I will show from Scripture} that God does make people alive again after they have died. Even Moses wrote about this. In the place where he describes meeting God at the burning bush, he records how the Lord called himself 'the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' {God would not have said that if he had not made those men alive again and he were not still their God.}

What Old Testament story did Jesus recall to prove the truth of the resurrection?

He recalled the story of Moses and the bush, in which Moses calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.

Luke 20:38

ULT:

And he is not a God of the dead, but of the living, for all are alive to him.”

UST:

After all, he is not the God of people who are dead. He is the God of people who are alive, because to God, everyone remains alive {even after they die}.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:39

ULT:

Then answering some of the scribes said, "Teacher, you have spoken well."

UST:

Some of the teachers of the Jewish law {who were there} replied, "Teacher, you have answered very well!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:40

ULT:

For they no longer dared to ask him anything.

UST:

{The scribes said this} because the people who had been trying to trap Jesus {had stopped asking him difficult questions. He had answered so well that they} were afraid to ask him anything else.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:41

ULT:

Then he said to them, “How do they say that the Christ is the son of David?”

UST:

So in return, {Jesus asked them a difficult question of his own.} He said, “Why do people say that the Messiah is {only} a descendant of King David?”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:42

ULT:

For David himself says in the book of Psalms, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand,

UST:

Consider that David himself wrote in the Book of Psalms {about the Messiah}, 'God said to my Lord, "Sit here next to me on my right side{, in that position of great honor}.

What did the Lord say to David's Lord in the Psalms?

The Lord said to David's Lord, "Sit at my right hand."

Luke 20:43

ULT:

until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet.”’

UST:

{Sit here} while I completely defeat your enemies.”’

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:44

ULT:

David therefore calls him 'Lord.' And how is he his son?"

UST:

In this psalm, King David calls the Messiah 'my Lord.' {That is a title of great respect.} So how could the Messiah be David's descendant? {It is the descendant who should show great respect to the ancestor.}"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:45

ULT:

And {while} all the people were listening, he said to his disciples,

UST:

Then, while all the other people were listening, Jesus said to his disciples,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:46

ULT:

"Beware of the scribes, desiring to walk in long robes and loving greetings in the marketplaces and first seats in the synagogues and first places at the banquets."

UST:

"Make sure that you do not act like the men who teach our Jewish laws. They like to put on long robes and walk around to make people think that they are very important. They also like people to greet them respectfully in the marketplaces. They like to sit in the most important seats in the synagogues. At dinner parties they like to sit in the places for the most honored people."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 20:47

ULT:

They devour the houses of widows, and for a pretext they pray at length. These will receive greater condemnation.”

UST:

They {also} steal all the property of widows. But to make other people think that they are righteous, they pray for a long time {in public}. God will condemn them strictly for what they have done.”

Behind their outwardly righteous actions, what wicked things were the scribes doing?

They were devouring widows' houses, and pretentiously making long prayers.

How did Jesus say these scribes would be judged?

He said that they will receive a greater condemnation.

Luke 21

Luke 21:1

ULT:

And having looked up, he saw the rich putting their gifts into the treasury.

UST:

Then Jesus looked up {from where he was sitting} and saw rich people putting their gifts {of money} into the offering boxes {in the temple courtyard}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:2

ULT:

And he saw a certain poor widow putting two lepta there.

UST:

He also saw a poor widow put two small copper coins into one of the boxes.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:3

ULT:

And he said, "Truly I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all.

UST:

And he said {to his disciples}, "The truth is that this poor widow has put more {into the offering box} than all {of these rich people}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:4

ULT:

For all these put in the gifts from the things abounding to them. But she, from her poverty, put in all the life that she had."

UST:

Let me tell you why that is true. All those {rich people} gave a lot of money, but it was extra money that they did not really need. But this widow, who is very poor, gave all the money that she had, even though she really did need it to live on."

Why did Jesus say that the poor widow put more into the treasury than all of the others?

Jesus said this because she had very little and gave it all, while the others had a great deal and their giving was not a sacrifice.

Luke 21:5

ULT:

And {as} some were speaking about the temple, that it was decorated with beautiful stones and offerings, he said,

UST:

Some {of Jesus' disciples} were talking about how the temple was adorned with beautiful stones and decorations that people had given. But Jesus said,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:6

ULT:

“These things that you are looking at, days will come in which stone upon stone will not be left, which will not be torn down.”

UST:

“{Let me tell you what is going to happen to} these things that you are admiring. Someday your enemies will demolish them entirely.”

What did Jesus say would happen to the temple in Jerusalem?

He said that it would be torn down and not one stone would be left on another.

Luke 21:7

ULT:

So they questioned him, saying, "Teacher, when therefore will these things be? And what {will be} the sign when these things are about to happen?"

UST:

Then they asked him, "Teacher, when will these things happen? And what will show that these things are about to take place?"

What two questions did the people ask Jesus about the temple?

They asked, "When will these things happen, and what will be the sign that they are about to happen?"

Luke 21:8

ULT:

Then he said, "Be careful that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he,' and, 'The time has come near.' Do not go after them.

UST:

Jesus replied, "Do not let anyone mislead you. For many people will come and each will claim to be me. Each will say about himself, 'I am the Messiah!' They will also say, 'The time is almost here when God will rule as king!' Do not believe what they are saying!

Jesus warned that many deceivers will come. What will these deceivers say?

They will say, "I am he," and "The time is approaching."

Luke 21:9

ULT:

But when you hear of wars and rebellions, do not be terrified, for it is necessary for these things to happen first, but not immediately the end.”

UST:

Also, you will hear about wars and people fighting each other. Things like that must happen before the end {of the world} comes. So {when you hear about those things,} do not be afraid.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:10

ULT:

Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom.

UST:

Various people groups will attack each other, and the people of different kingdoms will fight each other.

What did Jesus say would happen before the end?

There will be wars between nations and kingdoms.

Luke 21:11

ULT:

There will be both great earthquakes, and famines and plagues in various places. There will be both terrifying events and great signs from heaven.

UST:

And in various places there will be great earthquakes. There will also be famines and terrible diseases. Many things will happen that will cause people to be very afraid. People will see strange things in the sky {that will show that something very important is going to happen}.

What terrible events did Jesus say would happen before the end?

There will be earthquakes, famines, plagues, and great signs from heaven.

Luke 21:12

ULT:

But before all of these things, they will lay their hands on you and will persecute {you}, handing {you} over to the synagogues and prisons, bringing {you} before kings and governors for the sake of my name.

UST:

But before all these things {happen}, your enemies will seize you and treat you badly. They will bring you to the synagogues{, whose judges will put you on trial} and {put you in the} prisons. Your enemies will also have kings and high government authorities put you on trial because you believe in me.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:13

ULT:

It will turn out for you for a testimony.

UST:

That will be a time for you to tell them the truth about me.

What opportunity will the persecution of believers create?

It will create an opportunity for their testimony.

Luke 21:14

ULT:

But put in your hearts not to prepare to be defended,

UST:

So resolve firmly not to worry ahead of time about what you will say to defend yourselves,

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:15

ULT:

for I will give to you a mouth and wisdom that all the ones opposing you will not be able to resist or contradict.

UST:

because I will give you the right words so that you will know what to say. As a result, none of the people accusing you will be able to say that you are wrong.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:16

ULT:

But you will be handed over even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and they will put to death some of you.

UST:

And even your parents and brothers and sisters and {other} relatives and friends will betray you, and they will kill some of you.

Who will hate Jesus' followers?

Parents, brothers, relatives, and friends will hate them.

Luke 21:17

ULT:

And you will be hated by all because of my name.

UST:

Most people will hate you because you believe in me.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:18

ULT:

And a hair of your head will not at all perish.

UST:

But your entire being will be safe {spiritually}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:19

ULT:

By your endurance, you will gain your souls.

UST:

If you go through difficult times and prove that you trust God, after you die your souls will live on in God's presence.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:20

ULT:

But when you see Jerusalem being surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation is near.

UST:

When you see armies surround {the city of} Jerusalem, then you will know that they will soon destroy that city.

What event would indicate that Jerusalem's destruction is near?

When Jerusalem is surrounded by armies, its destruction is near.

Luke 21:21

ULT:

Then let the ones in Judea flee to the mountains, and let the ones in the midst of it leave, and let the ones in the fields not enter into it.

UST:

At that time those of you who are in {other places in the province of} Judea must escape to the mountains. And those of you who are in this city must leave. Those of you who are in the nearby countryside must not come into the city.

What did Jesus tell people to do who saw that the destruction of Jerusalem was near?

He told them to flee to the mountains, to leave the city, and to not enter the city.

Luke 21:22

ULT:

For these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all the things that have been written.

UST:

{You should run away} because God will punish {the city of Jerusalem} at this time. {When he does that,} what God has said in the Scriptures about this will come true.

What did Jesus call the days of the destruction of Jerusalem?

He called them the days of vengeance, to fulfil all the things written.

Luke 21:23

ULT:

But woe to the ones having in the womb and to the ones nursing in those days! For there will be great distress upon the land and wrath to this people.

UST:

When this happens, how terrible it will be for pregnant women and for those who are nursing their babies. There will be great suffering in the land. God will be angry with these people and punish them severely.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:24

ULT:

And they will fall by the mouth of the sword, and they will be led captive into all the nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled by the nations until the times of the nations are fulfilled.

UST:

Many of them will die because soldiers will kill them with their weapons. Their enemies will take others as prisoners and send them to many places around the world. The Gentiles will control {the city of} Jerusalem for as long as God allows.”

How long will Jerusalem be trampled by the Gentiles?

Jerusalem will be trampled by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

Luke 21:25

ULT:

And there will be signs in the sun and moon and stars, and distress of nations on the earth in perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea.

UST:

“At this time, strange things will happen to the sun, the moon, and the stars. And on earth, people groups will become very frightened. They will be as afraid as they would be in a roaring ocean with huge waves.

What signs did Jesus say would precede his coming with power and great glory?

He said there would be signs in the sun, moon, and stars, and distress of the nations on the earth.

Luke 21:26

ULT:

Men will be fainting from fear and expectation of the things coming upon the inhabited world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

UST:

People will be so afraid that they will faint because they are waiting for what will happen next in the world. The stars in the sky will move out of their usual places.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:27

ULT:

And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and much glory.

UST:

Then all people will see me, the Son of Man, coming in the clouds powerfully and with brilliant light.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:28

ULT:

But {when} these things begin to happen, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is coming near.”

UST:

So when those terrible things begin to happen, assume a posture of confidence, because God will soon rescue you.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:29

ULT:

And he spoke a parable to them: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees.

UST:

Then Jesus gave them an example. He said, "Think about the fig trees, and even all the trees.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:30

ULT:

When they already sprout, seeing for yourselves you know that the summer is already near.

UST:

When you see that their leaves are sprouting, you know that it is the beginning of summer.

What example did Jesus give of how his listeners knew when a season had come?

He said that when they see the leaves of the fig tree sprouting, they know that summer is near.

Luke 21:31

ULT:

Thus also you, when you see these things happening, know that the kingdom of God is near.

UST:

In the same way, when you see these things that I have just described happening, you will know then that God will soon show himself as king.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:32

ULT:

Truly I say to you that this generation will certainly not pass away until they all happen.

UST:

I am telling you the truth. The people who see the first of the signs I have described will definitely live to see all these things happen.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:33

ULT:

The heaven and the earth will pass away, but my words will certainly not pass away.

UST:

You may think of the sky and the land as permanent. They are not, but my words are permanent.

What did Jesus say will pass away?

He said that heaven and earth will pass away.

What will never pass away?

Jesus' words will never pass away.

Luke 21:34

ULT:

But pay attention to yourselves, so that your hearts may not be burdened with hangover and drunkenness, and everyday worries, and that sudden day may come upon you

UST:

Be very careful to control yourselves. If you get drunk, your minds will not be alert afterwards. And if you worry about day-to-day matters, you will become distracted. {Then you will not be paying attention to the signs I have told you about, and} I will surprise you when I return.

What did Jesus warn his listeners not to do since that day will come suddenly?

He warned them to not let their hearts become burdened with debauchery, drunkenness, and the worries of life.

Luke 21:35

ULT:

like a trap, for it will come upon all the ones sitting on the face of the whole earth.

UST:

{I will come so suddenly that} it will be like when a trap springs closed on an animal. {So you need to be watching for my return,} because it will affect every person in the world.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:36

ULT:

But stay awake in every time, praying, so that you may be strong enough to escape all these things that are about to happen, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

UST:

So you must be always ready for my coming. Pray that you will be able to stay faithful to me as you experience these difficult things that I have been talking about. That way I, the Messiah, will declare you innocent {when I come to judge the world}.”

What did Jesus warn his listeners to do since that day will come suddenly?

He warned them to be alert and praying.

Luke 21:37

ULT:

And during the days, he was teaching in the temple, but during the nights, he went out {and} lodged on the hill that is called Olivet.

UST:

Each day Jesus was teaching people at the temple. But every evening he went {out of the city} and stayed all night on the Mount of Olives.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 21:38

ULT:

And all the people were getting up early to him to hear him in the temple.

UST:

And early every morning, great crowds of people came to the temple to listen to him {as he taught}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22

Luke 22:1

ULT:

And the Festival of Unleavened Bread, which is called the Passover, was coming near.

UST:

It was now almost time for the Celebration of Unleavened Bread, which people also called the Passover.

At this time, which Jewish feast was approaching?

The feast of Unleavened Bread, called the Passover, was approaching.

Luke 22:2

ULT:

And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how they might kill him, for they were fearing the people.

UST:

The chief priests and the teachers of the Jewish laws were looking for a way to have Jesus killed without starting a riot among the {many} people {who thought he was a great man}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:3

ULT:

Then Satan entered into Judas, the one called Iscariot, being from the number of the Twelve.

UST:

Then Satan entered into Judas, whose other name was Iscariot. He was one of 12 men whom Jesus had chosen to represent him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:4

ULT:

And having gone away, he spoke with the chief priests and captains {about} how he might hand him over to them.

UST:

He went and talked with the chief priests and the officers of the temple guard about how he might help them capture Jesus.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:5

ULT:

And they rejoiced, and they agreed to give him silver.

UST:

They were very pleased {when he offered to do that}. They said they would pay him money {if he did it}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:6

ULT:

And he agreed and was seeking an opportunity to hand him over to them away from the crowd.

UST:

So Judas agreed, and then he started looking for a way to help them capture Jesus where the crowd would not see it.

In what circumstances was Judas looking for an opportunity to deliver Jesus to the chief priests?

He was looking for an opportunity to betray Jesus when he was away from the crowd.

Luke 22:7

ULT:

Then came the Day of Unleavened Bread, on which it was necessary to sacrifice the Passover.

UST:

Then the Day of Unleavened Bread came. This was the day when Jewish people had to kill the lambs that they would eat for the Passover celebration.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:8

ULT:

And he sent Peter and John, saying, "Going, prepare for us the Passover, so that we may eat {it}."

UST:

So Jesus sent Peter and John out with these instructions: "Go and prepare the meal for the Passover celebration so that we can all eat it together."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:9

ULT:

And they said to him, "Where do you wish that we should prepare {it}?"

UST:

They replied to him, "Where do you want us to prepare the meal?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:10

ULT:

And he answered them, "Behold, {when} you have entered into the city, a man carrying a pitcher of water will meet you. Follow him into the house into which he enters.

UST:

He answered, "Listen carefully. When you go into the city, a man carrying a large jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:11

ULT:

And say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, "Where is the guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"'

UST:

Say to the owner of the house, 'Our teacher says to show us the room where he can eat the Passover meal together with us, his disciples.'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:12

ULT:

And that one will show you a large upper room, furnished. Prepare {it} there.”

UST:

He will show you a large room that is on the upper floor of the house. It will be all ready for entertaining guests. Prepare the meal for us there.”

Where did Jesus and the disciples eat the Passover meal?

They ate it in a large, furnished upper room in Jerusalem.

Luke 22:13

ULT:

And having gone away, they found {it} just as he had said to them, and they prepared the Passover.

UST:

So the two disciples went {into the city}. They found everything to be just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared {the meal for} the Passover celebration there.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:14

ULT:

And when it was the hour, he reclined to eat, and the apostles with him.

UST:

When it was time to eat the meal, Jesus came and sat down with his representatives.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:15

ULT:

And he said to them, "With desire I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer."

UST:

He said to them, "I have wanted very much to eat this special Passover supper with you before I die."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:16

ULT:

For I say to you that I will certainly not eat it until when it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God."

UST:

I tell you, the next time I eat it will be when God gives it its deepest meaning when he rules everywhere as king."

When did Jesus say he would eat the Passover meal again?

He said he would eat the Passover meal again when it was fulfilled in the kingdom of God.

Luke 22:17

ULT:

And having taken a cup {and} having given thanks, he said, "Take this, and divide {it} among yourselves.

UST:

Then he took a cup of wine and thanked God for it. He told them, "Take this wine and share it among yourselves.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:18

ULT:

For I say to you, from now on I will certainly not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God comes.”

UST:

{I want you to do this} because, I tell you, I will not drink wine again until God rules everywhere as king.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:19

ULT:

And having taken bread, having given thanks, he broke {it} and gave {it} to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in my remembrance."

UST:

Then he took some bread and thanked God for it. He broke it into pieces and gave it to them to eat. As he did so, he said, "This bread is my body, which I am about to sacrifice for you. Do this again later to honor me."

What did Jesus say when he broke the bread and gave it to the disciples?

He said, "This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Luke 22:20

ULT:

And the cup in the same way after the supper, saying, “This cup {is} the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.

UST:

In the same way, after they had eaten the meal, he took the cup of wine and said, “This is the new covenant that I will make using my own blood, which will flow out of my wounds for you when I die.

What did Jesus say when he gave the cup to the disciples?

He said, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.”

Luke 22:21

ULT:

But behold, the hand of the one handing me over {is} with me on the table.

UST:

But I want you all to know that the person who will hand me over to my enemies is here eating with me.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:22

ULT:

For the Son of Man indeed goes according to {what} has been determined. But woe to that man through whom he is handed over!"

UST:

{I say this} because I, the Son of Man, will indeed die in the way that God has planned. But how terrible it will be for the man who hands me over {to my enemies}!"

Was it God's plan that Jesus be betrayed?

Yes, God had determined that Jesus would be betrayed.

Luke 22:23

ULT:

And they began to discuss among themselves {about} which of them therefore might be the one going to do this.

UST:

Then they all began to ask each other which of them would actually be prepared to betray Jesus.

Did the disciples know who was about to betray Jesus?

No, the disciples had no idea who would betray Jesus.

Luke 22:24

ULT:

Then a quarrel also happened among them {about} which of them seems to be greater.

UST:

After that, they began to argue among themselves about which one of them they should think was the most important person.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:25

ULT:

But he said to them, “The kings of the nations lord it over them, and the ones having authority over them are called Benefactors.

UST:

Jesus responded to them, “The kings of the Gentile nations like to show people that they are powerful. Yet they give themselves the name ‘Ones Who Help the People.’

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:26

ULT:

But you {be} not thus. Instead, let the greater among you become like the younger. And the one leading like the one serving.

UST:

But you should not be like those rulers! Instead, the most honored people among you should act as if they were the least honored ones. Anyone who leads must act like a servant.

What did Jesus say the greatest among his disciples should do?

He said the greatest among them should be like the youngest.

Luke 22:27

ULT:

For who {is} greater, the one reclining to eat or the one serving? {Is it} not the one reclining to eat? But I am in the midst of you as one serving.

UST:

For you know that the important person is the one who eats at the table, not the servant who brings the food. But I, your leader, have been setting an example for you by serving you while I have been among you

How did Jesus live among his disciples?

He lived among them as one who serves.

Luke 22:28

ULT:

But you are the ones having continued with me in my trials.

UST:

You are the people who have stayed with me during all the hard things I have suffered.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:29

ULT:

And I grant to you, just as my Father has granted to me, a kingdom,

UST:

So now I am appointing you to important positions in which you will rule, just as my Father has appointed me to rule as a king.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:30

ULT:

so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones judging the 12 tribes of Israel.

UST:

You will sit and eat and drink with me when I become king. In fact, you will sit on thrones and judge the people of the 12 tribes of Israel.”

Where did Jesus promise his disciples they would sit?

He said they would sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Luke 22:31

ULT:

Simon, Simon, behold, Satan has asked to sift you like wheat.

UST:

“Simon, Simon, pay attention! Satan has asked {God} to {let him} test all of you, the way someone shakes grain in a sieve{, and God has permitted him to do that}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:32

ULT:

But I have asked concerning you that your faith may not fail. And you, when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.”

UST:

But I have prayed for you, Simon. {I have asked God} that you will not completely stop believing in me. So when you decide that you truly do believe in me, encourage the others {to believe in me as well}.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:33

ULT:

But he said to him, “Lord, I am ready to go with you both to prison and to death.”

UST:

Peter replied to him, “Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison. I am even willing to die with you!”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:34

ULT:

But he said, "I say to you, Peter, the rooster will not crow today before you deny three times that you know me."

UST:

Jesus replied, "Peter, I want you to know that this night, before the rooster crows, you will say three times that you do not know me!"

What did Jesus predict that Peter would do?

He said that Peter would deny that he knew Jesus three times before the rooster would crow.

Luke 22:35

ULT:

And he said to them, "When I sent you out without a money bag and sack and sandals, you did not lack anything, did you?" And they said, "Nothing."

UST:

Then Jesus asked the disciples, "When I sent you out {to the villages, and you went} without any money, food, or sandals, was there anything you needed but could not get?" They replied, "No, there was nothing!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:36

ULT:

Then he said to them, "But now, the one having a money bag, let him take {it}, and likewise a sack. And the one not having a sword, let him sell his cloak and buy one.

UST:

Then Jesus said, "But, now, if anyone {among you} has some money, he should take it with him. Also, whoever has food should take it with him. And whoever does not have a sword should sell his coat and buy one!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:37

ULT:

For I say to you, this that is written must be accomplished in me, 'And he was reckoned with the lawless.' For indeed the thing concerning me has an accomplishment."

UST:

I tell you this because what a prophet wrote about me in the Scriptures must take place: 'People treated him like a criminal.' Everything the Scriptures say about me is going to happen."

What written prediction about Jesus was being fulfilled in these events?

The written prediction about Jesus that was being fulfilled is the one that says, "And he was reckoned with the lawless."

Luke 22:38

ULT:

Then they said, "Lord, behold! Here are two swords." And he said to them, "It is enough."

UST:

The disciples replied, "Lord, look! We have two swords!" He answered, "We will not need more than two."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:39

ULT:

And having gone out, he went according to his custom to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples also followed him.

UST:

Jesus left the city and went to the Mount of Olives, as he usually did. His disciples went with him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:40

ULT:

And having come to the place, he said to them, "Pray not to enter into temptation."

UST:

When Jesus came {with his disciples} to the place where he often spent the night, he said to them, "Pray that God will help you not to sin when you are tempted."

On the Mount of Olives, for what did Jesus tell his disciples to pray?

He wanted them to pray that they would not enter into temptation.

Luke 22:41

ULT:

And he went away from them about the throw of a stone, and having put down his knees, he was praying,

UST:

Then he went about 30 meters from them, knelt down, and prayed.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:42

ULT:

saying, "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Yet, let not my will, but yours, happen."

UST:

He said, "Father, if you are willing, please allow me not to experience the terrible things that are about to happen. But do not do what I want. Do what you want."

On the Mount of Olives, what did Jesus pray?

He prayed, "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless not my will, but yours, be done."

Luke 22:43

ULT:

[And an angel from heaven appeared to him, strengthening him.]

UST:

[Then an angel from heaven came to him and gave him courage.]

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:44

ULT:

And being in agony, he was praying more earnestly, and his sweat became like drops of blood falling on the ground.]

UST:

He was suffering greatly. So he prayed very intensely. His sweat was falling to the ground like large drops of blood.]

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:45

ULT:

And having risen up from the prayer, having come to the disciples, he found them sleeping from the sorrow.

UST:

When Jesus got up from praying, he returned to his disciples. He discovered that they were sleeping. They were very sad and this had made them tired.

What were the disciples doing when Jesus returned from praying?

They were sleeping.

Luke 22:46

ULT:

And he said to them, “Why are you sleeping? Having risen up, pray so that you do not enter into temptation.”

UST:

He {woke them up and} said to them, “This is no time for you to be sleeping! Get up! Pray that {God will help you so that} nothing tempts you to sin.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:47

ULT:

He still speaking, behold a crowd, and the one called Judas, one of the Twelve, was leading them. And he came near to Jesus to kiss him.

UST:

While Jesus was still speaking, a crowd of people came to him. Judas, one of Jesus' 12 representatives, was guiding them. He came up to Jesus to greet him with a kiss on the cheek.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:48

ULT:

But Jesus said to him, “Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?”

UST:

But Jesus said to him, “Judas, how dare you use a kiss to hand me, the Son of Man, over to my enemies!”

How did Judas betray Jesus in front of the crowd?

He betrayed Jesus with a kiss.

Luke 22:49

ULT:

And the ones around him, having seen {what} was going to happen, said, “Lord, if we will strike with a sword?”

UST:

When the disciples realized what was happening, they said, “Lord, should we use our weapons {to keep them from arresting you}?”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:50

ULT:

And a certain one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear.

UST:

One of them {drew his sword and} struck the servant of the high priest, but {only} cut off his right ear.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:51

ULT:

But answering, Jesus said, "Allow up to this!" And touching his ear, he healed him.

UST:

But Jesus said, "Do not do any more of that!" Then he touched the servant where he had been wounded and healed him.

What did Jesus do with the man whose ear was cut off?

He touched his ear, and healed him.

Luke 22:52

ULT:

Then Jesus said to the ones having come out against him—chief priests and captains of the temple and elders—“As against a robber have you come out with swords and clubs?

UST:

Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple guards, and the Jewish elders who had come to arrest him, “It is surprising that you have come here with swords and clubs to arrest me, as if I were a robber. For many days I was with you in the temple, but you did not try to arrest me at all! But this is the time you are doing what you want. It is also the time when Satan is doing the evil things as he wants to do.” (vv52-53)

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:53

ULT:

I being with you each day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the authority of the darkness.”

UST:

Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple guards, and the Jewish elders who had come to arrest him, “It is surprising that you have come here with swords and clubs to arrest me, as if I were a robber. For many days I was with you in the temple, but you did not try to arrest me at all! But this is the time you are doing what you want. It is also the time when Satan is doing the evil things as he wants to do.” (vv52-53)

Where did Jesus say he was daily with the chief priests?

He said he had been in the temple each day.

Luke 22:54

ULT:

Now having seized him, they led {him} away and brought {him} into the house of the high priest. But Peter was following from a distance.

UST:

The Jewish leaders and soldiers seized Jesus and led him away. They brought him to the high priest's house. Peter followed them {from a safe distance} far behind.

After seizing him, where did the crowd take Jesus?

The crowd took him to the house of the high priest.

Luke 22:55

ULT:

And they having kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and having sat down together, Peter was sitting in the midst of them.

UST:

Some people lit a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together. Peter came and sat among them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:56

ULT:

Then a certain servant girl, having seen him sitting towards the light and looking steadily at him, said, "This one also was with him."

UST:

A female servant saw Peter sitting there as the fire shone upon him. She looked at him carefully and said, "This man was also with the one they have arrested!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:57

ULT:

But he denied {it}, saying, "Woman, I do not know him."

UST:

But he denied it, saying, "Young lady, I do not know him!"

What did Peter say when a certain maid said that Peter had been with Jesus?

He said, "Woman, I do not know him."

Luke 22:58

ULT:

And after a little while another, having seen him, said, "You also are from them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not."

UST:

A little later someone else saw Peter and said, "You also are one of those who were with the man they arrested!" But Peter said, "No, mister, I am not one of them!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:59

ULT:

And about one hour having passed, a certain other one was insisting, saying, "In truth, this one was also with him, for he is also a Galilean."

UST:

About an hour later someone else said loudly, "{The way that} this man {speaks shows that he} is from {the region of} Galilee. So he must certainly have come here with the man they arrested!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:60

ULT:

But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are saying." And immediately, {while} he was still speaking, a rooster crowed.

UST:

But Peter said, "Mister, that is not true!" Immediately a rooster crowed, while Peter was still speaking.

What happened immediately after Peter denied knowing Jesus for the third time?

A rooster crowed immediately after he denied knowing Jesus.

Luke 22:61

ULT:

And turning, the Lord looked at Peter, and Peter remembered the word of the Lord, that he said to him, "Before a rooster crows today you will deny me three times."

UST:

Jesus turned around and looked right at Peter. Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said to him: "This night, before the rooster crows, you will deny three times that you know me."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:62

ULT:

And going outside, he wept bitterly.

UST:

And he went out of the courtyard and cried with great sorrow.

What did Peter do after Jesus looked at him?

He went outside and wept bitterly.

Luke 22:63

ULT:

And the men holding him were mocking {and} beating him.

UST:

The men who were guarding Jesus made fun of him and beat him.

What did the men guarding Jesus do to him?

They mocked and beat him.

Luke 22:64

ULT:

And having blindfolded {him}, they were questioning him, saying, "Prophecy! Who is the one having hit you?"

UST:

They put a blindfold on him {so he could not see and then took turns hitting him}. They said to him, "Show us that you are a prophet! Tell us who just hit you!"

How did the men guarding Jesus mock him?

They blindfolded him and asked him who it was that hit him.

Luke 22:65

ULT:

And they were saying many other things to him, blaspheming {him}.

UST:

They said many other {cruel} things about him, mocking him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:66

ULT:

And when it became day, the elders of the people gathered together, both chief priests and scribes, and they led him into their Sanhedrin,

UST:

At dawn the next morning, many of the Jewish leaders gathered together. In this group were the chief priests and the men who taught the Jewish laws. They had the soldiers bring Jesus into the Jewish council chamber.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:67

ULT:

saying, "If you are the Christ, tell us." But he said to them, "If I told you, you would certainly not believe;

UST:

There they said to him, "If you are the Messiah, tell us!" But he replied, "If I say that I am the Messiah, you will not believe me.

The council demanded that Jesus tell them if he is the Christ. What did Jesus say that they would not do if he did tell them?

He said that they would certainly not believe.

Luke 22:68

ULT:

and if I questioned you, you would certainly not answer.

UST:

But if I ask you whether you think I am the Messiah, you will not answer me.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:69

ULT:

But from now, the Son of Man will be sitting at the right hand of the power of God.”

UST:

But from now on, I, the Messiah, will be sitting next to almighty God {and ruling}!”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:70

ULT:

Then they all said, "Therefore are you the Son of God?" And he said to them, "You are saying that I am."

UST:

Then they all asked, "If that is so, are you {saying that you are} the Son of God?" He answered, "Yes, what you are saying is true."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 22:71

ULT:

And they said, "Why do we still have need of testimony? For we ourselves have heard from his own mouth."

UST:

Then they said to each other, "We ourselves have heard him say {that he is equal to God}! And so we certainly do not need any more people to testify against him {on a charge of blasphemy}!"

Why did the council say that they did not need witnesses to prove that Jesus claimed to be the Christ?

They said they did not need more witnesses because they had heard Jesus, from his own mouth, claim that he was the Christ.

Luke 23

Luke 23:1

ULT:

And the whole multitude of them, rising up, led him to Pilate.

UST:

Then the whole group got up and took Jesus to Pilate{, the Roman governor}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:2

ULT:

And they began to accuse him, saying, "We found this one perverting our nation and forbidding to give tribute to Caesar and saying that he himself is Christ, a king."

UST:

They accused him {in front of Pilate}. They said, "We have seen this man {causing trouble by} misleading our people. He has been telling them to not pay the taxes that Caesar, the Roman emperor, has imposed. Also, he has been saying that he is the Messiah, a king!"

What accusations against Jesus did the Jewish leaders make to Pilate?

They said that Jesus was perverting the nation, forbidding tribute to Caesar, and saying that he was the Christ, a king.

Luke 23:3

ULT:

But Pilate questioned him, saying, "Are you the King of the Jews?" But he, answering him, said, "You say {it}."

UST:

Pilate then asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus replied, "Yes, it is just as you have asked me."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:4

ULT:

Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no cause in this man."

UST:

Then Pilate said to the chief priests and to the crowd, "This man is not guilty of any crime."

After questioning Jesus, what did Pilate say about him?

He said, "I find no cause in this man."

Luke 23:5

ULT:

But they were insisting, saying, "He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, indeed, beginning from Galilee as far as here."

UST:

But the group from the Jewish ruling council kept accusing Jesus. They said, "He is trying to get the people to riot! He has been teaching his ideas throughout all of {the region of} Judea. He started doing that in {the region of} Galilee, and now he is doing it here as well!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:6

ULT:

And Pilate, having heard this, asked whether the man was a Galilean.

UST:

When Pilate heard what they said, he asked, "Does this man come from {the region of} Galilee?"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:7

ULT:

And having learned that he was under the authority of Herod, he sent him to Herod, being also in Jerusalem himself in those days.

UST:

When Pilate found out that Jesus was from Galilee, where Herod Antipas ruled, he sent Jesus to him. Herod was also in Jerusalem at that time.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:8

ULT:

And Herod, having seen Jesus, rejoiced greatly, for he had been desiring to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him, and he was hoping to see some sign happen by him.

UST:

When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, because he had wanted to see Jesus for a long time. This was because Herod had heard many things about Jesus, and he wanted to see him perform a miracle.

Why did Herod want to see Jesus?

Herod wanted to see Jesus do some sign.

Luke 23:9

ULT:

Then he questioned him in many words, but he answered him nothing.

UST:

So he asked Jesus many questions, but Jesus did not reply to any of them.

How did Jesus answer Herod's questions?

He answered Herod nothing.

Luke 23:10

ULT:

And the chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him.

UST:

And the chief priests and some experts in the Jewish laws stood near Jesus, accusing him very strongly {of committing many crimes}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:11

ULT:

Then Herod, with his soldiers, also despised him and mocked {him}. Having put elegant clothing around {him}, he sent him back to Pilate.

UST:

Then Herod and his soldiers insulted Jesus and made fun of him. They put expensive clothes on him {to pretend that he was a king}. Then Herod sent him back to Pilate.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:12

ULT:

Then both Herod and Pilate became friends with each other on that day, for they were previously being in hostility between themselves.

UST:

Until that time the two men had been very hostile to each other, but on that day Herod and Pilate became friends.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:13

ULT:

Then Pilate called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people,

UST:

Pilate then gathered together the chief priests and other Jewish leaders and the crowd that was still there.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:14

ULT:

{and} said to them, "You brought this man to me as turning the people away, and behold, I, having examined him before you, found nothing in this man as cause for what you are accusing against him.

UST:

He said to them, "You brought this man to me, saying that he has been leading the people to revolt. But I want you to know that after examining him while you were listening, I conclude that he is not guilty of doing any of the things you said he did.

When Jesus was returned to Pilate, what did Pilate say about Jesus to the crowd?

He said he found nothing in Jesus of the cause which they were charging against him.

Luke 23:15

ULT:

But neither did Herod, for he sent him back to us, and behold, nothing that is worthy of death has been done by him.

UST:

Also, Herod sent him back to us {without punishing him}. That means that he too {concluded that he was not guilty}. So it is clear that this man has not done anything for which he deserves to die.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:16

ULT:

Therefore, having punished him, I will release him."

UST:

So I will {tell my soldiers to} whip him and then set him free."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:17

ULT:

[But he had obligation to release to them one {prisoner} at every feast.]

UST:

[{Pilate said this because} he had to set one prisoner free at every Passover celebration.]

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:18

ULT:

But they cried out all together, saying, “Take away this one, but release to us Barabbas!”

UST:

But the whole crowd shouted together, “Put this man to death! Set Barabbas free for us instead!”

Who did the crowd want Pilate to release from prison for the Passover feast?

They wanted him to release Barabbas, a criminal.

Luke 23:19

ULT:

(He had been put in prison for a certain rebellion that happened in the city, and for murder.)

UST:

Now Barabbas was a man who had led some people in the city {of Jerusalem} to rebel against the Roman government. He was also a murderer. He was in prison because of these crimes.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:20

ULT:

Then Pilate again addressed them, desiring to release Jesus.

UST:

But Pilate wanted very much to set Jesus free, so he tried to speak to the crowd again.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:21

ULT:

But they were shouting, saying, “Crucify, crucify him.”

UST:

But they kept on shouting, “Crucify him! Crucify him!”

What did the crowd shout should be done to Jesus?

They shouted, “Crucify, crucify him.”

Luke 23:22

ULT:

Then he spoke to them a third time, "For what evil did this one do? No cause for death have I found in him. Therefore, having punished him, I will release him."

UST:

Pilate then spoke to the crowd a third time. "No! He has not committed any crime! He has not done anything for which he deserves to die. So I will have my soldiers whip him, and then I will set him free."

For the third time, what did Pilate tell the crowd about Jesus?

Pilate said, "No cause for death have I found in him."

Luke 23:23

ULT:

But they were insisting with loud voices, demanding for him to be crucified, and their voices prevailed.

UST:

But the people in the crowd kept shouting to insist that Pilate execute Jesus on a cross. Finally, because they continued to shout so loudly, they persuaded Pilate.

Why did Pilate finally grant the crowd's demand to crucify Jesus?

He granted their request because they were insisting with loud voices.

Luke 23:24

ULT:

And Pilate decreed for their demand to happen.

UST:

So Pilate declared that he would do what they wanted.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:25

ULT:

Then he released the one that had been put in prison for rebellion and murder, whom they were requesting, but he handed over Jesus to their will.

UST:

Then Pilate set free the man whom the crowd was asking him to release. That man was in prison because he had fought against the government and murdered people! Pilate then commanded the soldiers to take Jesus and do what the crowd wanted.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:26

ULT:

And as they led him away, seizing Simon, a certain Cyrenean coming from the country, they put the cross on him, to carry behind Jesus.

UST:

Now there was a man named Simon, who was from the city of Cyrene {in Africa}. He was coming into Jerusalem from the countryside. As the soldiers were leading Jesus away, they grabbed hold of Simon. They {took from Jesus the cross that they had made him carry, and they} put it on Simon's shoulders. They told him to carry it and follow behind Jesus.

Who carried Jesus' cross and followed behind Jesus?

Simon of Cyrene carried Jesus' cross.

Luke 23:27

ULT:

And a great crowd of the people was following him, and of women mourning and wailing for him.

UST:

Now a large crowd was walking behind Jesus. In the crowd were many women who were beating on their chests {to show their grief} and wailing {sorrowfully} for him.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:28

ULT:

But turning to them, Jesus said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children.

UST:

But {instead of accepting their sympathy,} Jesus turned to these women and said, “You women of Jerusalem, do not weep for me! Instead, weep over {the terrible things that are going to happen to} you and your children!

For whom did Jesus say the women of Jerusalem should weep instead of for him?

Jesus said that they should weep for themselves and their children.

Luke 23:29

ULT:

For behold, days are coming in which they will say, 'Blessed {are} the barren, yes, the wombs that did not give birth and breasts that did not nurse.'

UST:

For I want you to know that there will {soon} be a time when people will say, 'How fortunate are the women who have never given birth to children or nursed babies!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:30

ULT:

Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.'

UST:

Then the people in this city will say, 'We wish that the mountains would fall on top of us and that the hills would cover us up!'

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:31

ULT:

For if they do these things in the moist tree, what will happen in the dry?"

UST:

Right now it is difficult for people to do bad things to others, just as it is difficult to set fire to fresh wood. But later, people will easily be able to do terrible things to others, just as it is easy to set fire to dry wood."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:32

ULT:

And others, two criminals, were also being led away with him to be put to death.

UST:

Two other men, who were criminals, were also walking with Jesus to the place where the Romans would execute them.

Who was crucified with Jesus?

Two criminals were crucified with Jesus.

Luke 23:33

ULT:

And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals—one at the right and one at the left.

UST:

When they got to the place whose name was The Skull, there the soldiers crucified Jesus, nailing him to a cross. They did the same thing to the two criminals. They put one of them at the right side of Jesus and the other at his left side.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:34

ULT:

[But Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."] But, dividing up his robes, they cast a lot.

UST:

[But Jesus said, "Father, please forgive these people. They do not realize what they are doing."] Then the soldiers divided his clothes and gambled with something like dice to determine which piece of clothing each one would get.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:35

ULT:

And the people stood by watching, and the rulers were also ridiculing him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One."

UST:

Many people stood nearby, watching. They were making fun of Jesus. The Jewish leaders did the same thing. They said, "He saved other people! If God has really chosen him to be the Messiah, he should save himself!"

Since Jesus claimed to be the Christ, what did the people, the soldiers and one of the criminals all challenge Jesus to do?

They challenged him to save himself.

Luke 23:36

ULT:

Then the soldiers also mocked him, coming up {and} offering him vinegar,

UST:

The soldiers also mocked him. They came up to him and offered him some sour wine.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:37

ULT:

and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself."

UST:

They said to him, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:38

ULT:

And there was also an inscription over him, “This {is} the King of the Jews.”

UST:

On the cross above his head, the soldiers also fastened a sign that stated, “This is the King of the Jews.”

What was written on a sign over Jesus?

On the sign was written, “This is the King of the Jews.”

Luke 23:39

ULT:

Then one of the criminals having been hung blasphemed him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us."

UST:

One of the criminals who was hanging {on a cross next to Jesus also} insulted him. He said, "If you really were the Messiah, you would save yourself, and you would save us too!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:40

ULT:

But answering, the other, rebuking him, said, "Do you not even fear God, since you are under the same judgment?"

UST:

But the other criminal scolded him {for saying that}. He told him, "You should be afraid of God {punishing you}! You are also dying on a cross{, and soon God will judge you}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:41

ULT:

And we justly, for indeed we are receiving worthy of what we did, but this one did nothing wrong."

UST:

The two of us deserve {to die}. They are punishing us as we deserve for the evil things that we did. But the man you are insulting did nothing wrong!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:42

ULT:

And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

UST:

Then he said to Jesus, "Jesus, please think about me and treat me well when you begin to rule as king!"

What request did the second criminal make to Jesus?

He said, "Remember me when you come into your kingdom."

Luke 23:43

ULT:

And he said to him, "Truly I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."

UST:

Jesus replied, "I want you to know that today you will be with me in paradise!"

What promise did Jesus make to the second criminal?

He said, "Today you will be with me in paradise."

Luke 23:44

ULT:

And it was already about the sixth hour, and darkness happened over the whole land until the ninth hour.

UST:

By then it was about noontime. But it became dark throughout that whole area until three o'clock in the afternoon.

What miraculous event occurred immediately before Jesus' death?

Darkness came over the whole land for three hours.

Luke 23:45

ULT:

The sun failed, and the curtain of the temple was split in the middle.

UST:

There was no light from the sun. And the {thick} curtain {that closed off the Most Holy Place} in the temple split into two pieces.

What miraculous events occurred immediately before Jesus' death?

The sun failed, and the curtain of the temple was torn in the middle.

Luke 23:46

ULT:

And crying out with a loud voice, Jesus said, "Father, into your hands I entrust my spirit." And having said this, he expired.

UST:

When that happened, Jesus shouted loudly, "Father, I put my spirit into your care!" After he said that, he stopped breathing and died.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:47

ULT:

Now the centurion, having seen the thing having happened, was glorifying God, saying, "Truly this man was righteous."

UST:

When the centurion {who was commanding the soldiers} saw what happened, he said, "Indeed, this man did nothing wrong!" What he said honored God.

What did the centurion say about Jesus after Jesus' death?

He said, "Certainly this man was righteous."

Luke 23:48

ULT:

And all the crowds that had come together for this spectacle, having seen the things having happened, returned, beating their breasts.

UST:

When the crowd of people who had gathered to see these men die saw what had actually happened, they went back to their homes, hitting their chests to show that they were sorrowful.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:49

ULT:

But all the ones acquainted with him, and the women following him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

UST:

{But when the rest of the crowd left,} all of Jesus' acquaintances, including the women who had come with him from {the region of} Galilee, kept watching what happened from where they were standing, some distance away.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:50

ULT:

And behold, a man, Joseph by name, being a council member, a good and righteous man,

UST:

There was a man named Joseph {who lived in Jerusalem}. He was a good and righteous man who was a member of the Jewish Council.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:51

ULT:

(this one had not agreed with the council and their action) from Arimathea, a city of the Jews, who was waiting for the kingdom of God.

UST:

But he had not agreed with the other Council members when they decided to kill Jesus and when they planned how to do it. He was from the town of Arimathea in Judea. He was waiting expectantly for the time when God would send his king to begin to rule.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:52

ULT:

This one, having approached Pilate, asked for the body of Jesus.

UST:

*Joseph went to Pilate and asked Pilate to permit him to take Jesus' body and bury it.
{Pilate gave him permission,}*

What did Joseph of Arimathea ask Pilate to give him?

He asked Pilate for the body of Jesus.

Luke 23:53

ULT:

And having taken {it} down, he wrapped it in a linen cloth and put him in a hewn tomb where no one ever had lain.

UST:

So Joseph took Jesus' body down {from the cross}. He wrapped it in a linen cloth. Then he put Jesus' body in a burial chamber that someone had cut into a rock cliff. No one had ever put a body in that chamber before.

What did Joseph of Arimathea do with Jesus' body?

He laid Jesus' body in a new tomb.

Luke 23:54

ULT:

And it was the Day of Preparation, and the Sabbath was dawning.

UST:

This happened on the day when the Jewish people got ready for their day of rest. It was soon going to be sunset, the start of the Sabbath.

What day was about to begin when Jesus was buried?

The Sabbath Day was about to begin.

Luke 23:55

ULT:

And the women who had come out of Galilee with him, having followed after, saw the tomb and how his body was put.

UST:

The women who had come with Jesus from {the district of} Galilee followed {Joseph and the men who were with him}. They saw the burial chamber, and they saw how the men laid Jesus' body inside it.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 23:56

ULT:

Then, having returned, they prepared spices and ointments. And on the Sabbath they rested, according to the commandment.

UST:

Then the women went back to where they were staying in order to prepare spices and ointments {to put on Jesus' body}. However, they stopped working when the Sabbath began, just as the Jewish law required.

What did the women who had been with Jesus do on the Sabbath?

They rested, according to God's commandment.

Luke 24

Luke 24:1

ULT:

Now on the first of the week, deeply at dawn, they came to the tomb, bringing spices that they had prepared.

UST:

Very early in the morning on Sunday, those women went to the burial chamber. They brought with them the spices that they had prepared {to put on the body of Jesus}.

When did the women come to the tomb of Jesus?

They came very early on the first day of the week.

Luke 24:2

ULT:

And they found the stone having been rolled away from the tomb,

UST:

{When they arrived,} they discovered that somebody had rolled away the stone {that had been closing off the entrance} to the burial chamber.

What did the women find had happened at the tomb?

They found that the stone had been rolled away from the tomb.

Luke 24:3

ULT:

but having entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

UST:

They went into {the burial chamber}, but the body of Jesus was not there!

What did the women find inside the tomb?

They found that the body of Jesus was not there.

Luke 24:4

ULT:

And it happened that, while they were perplexed about this, and behold, two men in flashing clothing stood by them.

UST:

They did not know what to think about that. Then suddenly two men stood by them wearing bright, shining clothes!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:5

ULT:

And as they became terrified and bowed their faces toward the ground, they said to them, "Why are you seeking the living among the dead?"

UST:

This made the women very frightened. They bowed down low to the ground. The two men said to them, "You should not be looking for someone who is alive in a place where they bury the bodies of dead people!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:6

ULT:

He is not here, but he was raised up! Remember how he spoke to you, still being in Galilee,

UST:

He is not here. No, he has come back to life! Recall that while he was still with you in Galilee, he said to you,

What did the two men in dazzling apparel (angels) say had happened to Jesus?

They told the women that Jesus had risen.

Luke 24:7

ULT:

saying that it was necessary for the Son of Man to be handed over into the hands of sinful men and to be crucified, and on the third day to rise up.”

UST:

‘They will have to hand me, the Son of Man, over to sinful men. Those men will kill me by nailing me to a cross. But two days later, I will become alive again.’”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:8

ULT:

And they remembered his words,

UST:

The women recalled what Jesus had told them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:9

ULT:

and having returned from the tomb, they reported all these things to the Eleven and to all the rest.

UST:

So they left the burial chamber and went to Jesus' 11 representatives and the other disciples of Jesus and told them what happened.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:10

ULT:

And they were Mary Magdalene, and Joanna, and Mary the {mother} of James, and the other {women} with them, telling these things to the apostles.

UST:

The women who told these things to them were Mary from Magdala village, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women who were with them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:11

ULT:

And these words seemed before them like nonsense, and they disbelieved them.

UST:

But they thought this report was foolishness, so they did not believe the women.

What was the apostles' reaction when the women told of their experience at the tomb?

These words seemed before them like nonsense, and they disbelieved them.

Luke 24:12

ULT:

But Peter, having risen up, ran to the tomb, and having stooped down, he sees only the linen cloths. So he went away to his {home}, wondering {what} had happened.

UST:

However, Peter decided {to see whether the story was true}. He ran to the burial chamber. He stooped down {and looked inside}. He saw the linen cloths {in which Jesus' body had been wrapped, but Jesus was not there}. So he left the tomb, puzzling over what had happened.

What did Peter see when he looked in the tomb?

Peter saw the linen cloths lying by themselves.

Luke 24:13

ULT:

And behold, on that same day, two of them were going to a distant village that {was named} Emmaus, 60 stadia from Jerusalem,

UST:

That same day two of Jesus' disciples were walking to an outlying village named Emmaus. It was about ten kilometers from Jerusalem.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:14

ULT:

and they were talking to each other about all these things that had happened.

UST:

They were talking with each other about all the things that had happened {to Jesus}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:15

ULT:

And it happened, while they talked and discussed, that Jesus himself, approaching, was going with them.

UST:

While they were talking and discussing {those things}, Jesus himself approached them and started walking with them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:16

ULT:

But their eyes were being held so as not to recognize him.

UST:

But God prevented them from realizing that it was Jesus.

Why did the two disciples going to Emmaus not recognize Jesus when Jesus joined them?

Their eyes were kept from recognizing him.

Luke 24:17

ULT:

Then he said to them, "What {are} these words that you are exchanging with each other as you are walking?" And they stood still, gloomy.

UST:

Jesus said to them, "What have you two been talking about while you were walking?" They stopped, and they had very sad expressions on their faces.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:18

ULT:

Then, answering, one named Cleopas said to him, "Are you alone visiting Jerusalem and have not known the things having happened in her in these days?"

UST:

But then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, replied, "You must be the only person who is visiting Jerusalem who does not know about the events that have happened there in recent days!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:19

ULT:

And he said to them, "What kind?" And they said to him, "The things concerning Jesus the Nazarene, who was a man, a prophet powerful in work and word in front of God and all the people,

UST:

He said to them, "What events?" They replied, "The things that happened to Jesus, the man from Nazareth, who was a prophet. God enabled him to perform great miracles and to teach wonderful messages. Most people thought he was wonderful.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:20

ULT:

and how the chief priests and our rulers handed him over to a judgment of death and crucified him.

UST:

But our chief priests and leaders handed him over {to the Roman authorities}. They sentenced him to die, and they killed him by nailing him to a cross.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:21

ULT:

But we were hoping that he was the one going to redeem Israel. But indeed also with all these things, he is spending this third day since these things happened.

UST:

We were hoping that he was the one who would free us Israelites from our enemies! But this does not seem possible now, since three days have passed since the Romans executed him.

While Jesus was alive, what were the disciples hoping he would do?

They were hoping that he would redeem Israel.

Luke 24:22

ULT:

But indeed, some women among us astonished us, having been at the tomb early

UST:

In spite of this, some women from our group amazed us. Early this morning they went to the chamber {where Jesus was buried},

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:23

ULT:

and not finding his body, they came saying they had also seen a vision of angels, saying he was alive.

UST:

but the body of Jesus was not there! They came back and told us they had seen some angels in a vision. The angels said that Jesus was alive!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:24

ULT:

And some of the ones with us went to the tomb and they found thus, just as the women had indeed said, but they did not see him.”

UST:

Then some of those who were with us {when the women came and said this} went to the burial chamber. They saw that things were exactly as the women had reported. But they did not see Jesus.”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:25

ULT:

And he said to them, "O foolish ones and slow in heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken!"

UST:

Then Jesus said to them, "You two foolish men! You are so slow to believe all that the prophets have written about the Messiah!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:26

ULT:

Was it not necessary for the Christ to suffer these things, and to enter into his glory?"

UST:

You should certainly have known that it was necessary for the Messiah to suffer all those things {and die}, and then receive great honor from God!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:27

ULT:

And beginning from Moses and from all the prophets, he explained to them the things concerning himself in all the Scriptures.

UST:

Then Jesus explained to them all the things that the Scriptures said about himself. He started with what Moses wrote, and then he explained what all the prophets had written.

What did Jesus explain to the two men from the scriptures?

He explained what the scriptures said concerning himself.

Luke 24:28

ULT:

And they drew near to the village where they were going, and he acted as if he would travel further.

UST:

When they had nearly reached the village where the two men were going, it appeared that Jesus was going to keep walking down the road.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:29

ULT:

And they urged him, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day has already declined." And he went in to stay with them.

UST:

But they pleaded with him {not to do that}. They said, "Stay with us tonight, because it is late in the afternoon and it will soon be dark." So he went in {to the house} to stay with them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:30

ULT:

And it happened that, when he had reclined to eat with them, taking the bread, he blessed {it}, and having broken {it}, he was giving {it} to them.

UST:

When they all sat down to eat, Jesus took some bread and thanked God for it. Then he broke it in pieces and began to give some to the two men.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:31

ULT:

Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he became invisible from them.

UST:

And then God enabled them to recognize him. But immediately he disappeared!

What happened to the two disciples when Jesus blessed the bread, broke it, and gave it to them?

Their eyes were opened, and they recognized him.

Luke 24:32

ULT:

And they said to one another, “Was not our heart burning as he spoke to us on the way, as he opened to us the Scriptures?”

UST:

They said to each other, “While we were walking along the road and he was talking with us and enabling us to understand the Scriptures, we got so excited inside! {It all made sense that the Messiah would have to suffer but then receive great honor.}”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:33

ULT:

And having risen up that same hour, they returned to Jerusalem. And they found the Eleven having been gathered, and the ones with them,

UST:

So they left immediately and returned to Jerusalem. There they found Jesus' 11 representatives and some others who had gathered together with them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:34

ULT:

saying, "Truly the Lord has been raised, and he has been seen by Simon!"

UST:

They told those two men, "It is true that Jesus has become alive again. He has appeared to Simon!"

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:35

ULT:

And they related the things on the way, and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

UST:

Then those two men told the others what had happened as they were walking along the road. They also told them how they both recognized Jesus as he broke some bread for them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:36

ULT:

And as they were saying these things, he himself stood in the midst of them and said to them, "Peace to you."

UST:

As they were saying that, Jesus himself suddenly appeared among them. He said to them, "May God give you peace!"

What did Jesus say first when he appeared to the disciples in Jerusalem?

He said, "Peace to you."

Luke 24:37

ULT:

But having been frightened and becoming terrified, they thought they were seeing a spirit.

UST:

But {they were not peaceful.} They were startled and afraid because they thought that they were seeing a ghost!

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:38

ULT:

And he said to them, "Why have you been troubled, and why are doubts arising in your heart?"

UST:

He said to them, "You should not be alarmed! And you should not doubt {that I am alive}.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:39

ULT:

See my hands and my feet, that I myself am. Touch me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see me having.”

UST:

Look at {the wounds in my hands} and my feet! That way you can be sure that it is really I myself. Ghosts do not have bodies, as you see that I have, and you can touch me to prove that my body is real.”

How did Jesus prove that he was not just a spirit?

He invited the disciples to touch him, and he showed them his hands and feet.

Luke 24:40

ULT:

And having said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.

UST:

After he said that, he showed them {the wounds in} his hands and his feet.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:41

ULT:

And as they were still disbelieving and wondering from the joy, he said to them, “Do you have something eatable here?”

UST:

They were so glad that they could still hardly believe {that he was really alive}. So he said to them, “Do you have something here that I could eat?”

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:42

ULT:

So they gave him a piece of a broiled fish,

UST:

So they gave him a piece of roasted fish.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:43

ULT:

and taking {it}, he ate {it} before them.

UST:

While they were watching, he took it and ate it.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:44

ULT:

Then he said to them, "These {are} my words that I spoke to you {when} I was still with you, that all the things having been written about me in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the Psalms, must be fulfilled."

UST:

Then he said to them, "I will repeat what I told you while I was with you before. God was going to make happen everything that he said about me{, the Messiah,} throughout all of the Scriptures."

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:45

ULT:

Then he opened their mind to understand the Scriptures, and he said to them,

UST:

Then he enabled them to understand the {things that} the Scriptures {said about him}. He said to them,

How were the disciples then able to understand the scriptures?

Jesus opened their minds to understand the scriptures.

Luke 24:46

ULT:

"Thus it has been written: The Christ would suffer, and rise up from the dead on the third day,

UST:

"This is what you can read in the Scriptures: that the Messiah would suffer {and die}, but on the third day after that, he would become alive again.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:47

ULT:

and repentance for forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

UST:

{The Scriptures also say that} those who believe in the Messiah would go and announce on his behalf that God will forgive people who stop sinning. I want you to do this, starting here in Jerusalem and going to every people group in the world.

What did Jesus say should be proclaimed to all the nations?

Jesus said that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed to all the nations.

Luke 24:48

ULT:

You are witnesses of these things.

UST:

You {must tell people that you} saw everything happen to me that the Scriptures said would happen to the Messiah.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:49

ULT:

And I am sending upon you the promise of my Father. But you stay in the city until you put on power from heaven.”

UST:

And I am going to send the Holy Spirit to you, as my Father promised. But you must stay in this city until God gives you the power {of the Holy Spirit}.”

For what did Jesus tell the disciples to wait?

He told them to wait until they are clothed with power from on high.

Luke 24:50

ULT:

Then he led them out as far as towards Bethany, and lifting up his hands, he blessed them.

UST:

Then Jesus led them outside {the city} until they came near {the village of} Bethany. There he lifted up his hands and blessed them.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:51

ULT:

And it happened that, while he was blessing them, he separated from them and was carried up into heaven.

UST:

As he was doing that, he left them and went up to heaven.

What happened to Jesus as he blessed the disciples near Bethany?

He was carried up into heaven.

Luke 24:52

ULT:

And they, having worshiped him, returned to Jerusalem with great joy,

UST:

After they worshiped him, they returned to Jerusalem very joyfully.

(There are no questions for this verse)

Luke 24:53

ULT:

and they were through all in the temple, blessing God.

UST:

Each day they went to the temple and spent time worshiping God there.

Where did the disciples then spend their time, and what did they do?

They were continually in the temple, blessing God.