



SERMON GUIDE

FAITH IN A CYNICAL WORLD

Luke 1:1-4 | Pastor Tim Prince

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The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted every Friday in the News & Blog section of our website. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your Bible studies!

***QUESTIONS FOR KIDS!** Questions most suitable for children are marked with an asterisk.

Conversation Questions

1. Share about a time when someone was telling you the truth but you just didn't believe them. Share the story.
2. Read Luke 1:1-4. What verse or phrase stands out to you most? Why?
 - a. If you have a Study Bible with an Introduction to the Gospel of Luke, it would be worth your time to do a little reading in the introduction about who Luke and Theophilus were.
3. What do you notice about some of the sources that Luke cites in this opening paragraph? Where did he get his information? What do you think his goal is in telling Theophilus about his sources? (v.4)
4. Why do you think cynicism is easier for people today than trust is? What do you think makes us so hesitant to trust?
 - a. Cynicism does more than keep us from faith. It makes long term relationships hard. It makes community hard. It makes life dark.
 - b. In what areas do you most struggle with cynicism?
5. Luke clearly isn't inviting us to be naïve either. How do you think we avoid becoming cynical on one hand, or naïve on the other?

Luke is writing to Theophilus with an invitation to believe. What would it look like for you to lay aside any remaining cynicism and listen to what Luke says with faith? How would that change the way you read? Ask God for help to do this.