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*Background*

The writer of the book of Acts is Luke. Luke is not mentioned by name often in the New Testament. He appears in three verses: Colossians 4:14, 2 Timothy 4:11, and Philemon 24. Little is known about him. Colossians tells us he was a medical doctor. 2 Timothy says he was a companion to the Apostle Paul. Luke was a disciple of Paul., and Luke is writing to Theophilus. Scholar argues over Theophilus. Some suggest he was a real person. Others suggest Theophilus stands for a group of readers. The name Theophilus—means “lover, friend of, or dear to God.” We cannot be sure which it is. The “first narrative” referred to in Acts 1:1 is the Gospel or book of Luke. The book of Luke and Acts overlap. They are part 1 and part 2 in a 2-volume work.

**The Question: How does the gospel reach the world?**

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**Pray**

“Jesus, I admit I am a sinner and deserve Your judgment of death and hell. I believe You love me, came down for me, and lived a perfect life. I trust Your shed blood and sacrificial death on the cross for the forgiveness of my sin. I believe God raised You from the dead. I believe You are my Savior and God. I give my life to love, obey, and make much of You! In Jesus’ name, amen.”

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