

Luke's christology is carefully designed. Luke portrays the exalted Jesus as God's co-equal by the kinds of things he does and says from heaven. Through the Holy Spirit, the divine name, and personal manifestations, Jesus behaves toward people in Luke–Acts as does Yahweh in the Old Testament. His power and knowledge are supreme. As the Father's co-equal, Jesus sovereignly reigns over Israel, the church, the powers of darkness, and the world.

Luke deepens this portrait by depicting Jesus as deity who by nature behaves as servant: the earthly Jesus acted among his people as one who serves; the exalted Jesus continues serving his people by strengthening and encouraging them in their witness of him to the world.

The purpose of Luke's christology matches Paul's use of the Christ hymn in Philippians. That the believers in Acts resemble the way Jesus behaved in the Gospel means that they too are now imaging some of his servant-like character in their witness of him. The readers of Luke–Acts should pattern their lives according to the same Christ-like behavior.

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Ahna, Andy, and Emily*

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ABBREVIATIONS

A1CS	The Book of Acts in its First-Century Setting
ACNT	Augsburg Commentary on the New Testament
AnaBib	Analecta biblica. Investigationes scientificae in res biblicas
AnaGreg	Analecta Gregoriana
AncB	The Anchor Bible
ANRW	<i>Aufstieg und Niedergang der römischen Welt. Geschichte und Kultur Roms im Spiegel der neueren Forschung</i>
ASNU	Acta seminarii neotestamentici upsaliensis
AThANT	Abhandlungen zur Theologie des Alten und Neuen Testaments
ATR	<i>Anglican Theological Review</i>
ATRsup	<i>Anglican Theological Review supplement</i>
BAGD	W. Bauer, W. F. Arndt, F. W. Gingrich, and F. Danker (eds.), <i>A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature</i> , 2nd ed., Chicago: Chicago, 1979
BBB	Bonner biblische Beiträge
BC	F. J. Foakes-Jackson and K. Lake (eds.), <i>The Beginnings of Christianity</i> . London: Macmillan, 1920-33
BDB	F. Brown, S. R. Driver, and C.A. Briggs (eds.), <i>A Hebrew and English Lexicon of the Old Testament</i> , Oxford: Clarendon, 1951
BEB	W. A. Elwell (ed.), <i>Baker Encyclopedia of the Bible</i> , 2 vols., Grand Rapids: Baker, 1988
BETHL	Bibliotheca ephemeridum theologiarum lovanien-sium
BEvTh	Beiträge zur evangelischen Theologie
BHTh	Beiträge zur historischen Theologie
Bib	<i>Biblica</i>

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<i>BibKir</i>	<i>Bibel und Kirche</i>
<i>BibLeb</i>	<i>Bibel und Leben</i>
<i>Biblebh</i>	<i>Biblebhashyam</i>
<i>BibLit</i>	<i>Bibel und Liturgie</i>
<i>BibOr</i>	<i>Bibbia e oriente</i>
<i>BibPasBul</i>	<i>Biblical–Pastoral Bulletin</i>
<i>BibRes</i>	<i>Biblical Research</i>
BIRS	Bibliographies and Indexes in Religious Studies
BIS	Biblical Interpretation Series
<i>BJRL</i>	<i>Bulletin of the John Rylands Library</i> (1903/8–1971/2)
<i>BJRLUM</i>	<i>Bulletin of the John Rylands Library, University of Manchester</i> (1972/3–)
BNTC	Black's New Testament Commentaries
BST	Biblical Studies in Theology
<i>BTB</i>	<i>Biblical Theology Bulletin</i>
BTS	Biblich-theologische Studien
BU	Biblische Untersuchungen
<i>BVC</i>	<i>Bible et vie chrétienne</i>
BWANT	Beiträge zur Wissenschaft vom Alten und Neuen Testaments
<i>BZ</i>	<i>Biblische Zeitschrift</i>
BZNW	Beihefte zur Zeitschrift für die neutestamentliche Wissenschaft und die Kunde der älteren Kirche
<i>CBQ</i>	<i>The Catholic Biblical Quarterly</i>
CC	The Communicator's Commentary
CGTC	The Cambridge Greek Testament Commentary
ConBib nts	Coniectanea biblica, New Testament series
<i>ConJ</i>	<i>Concordia Journal</i>
<i>CQ</i>	<i>Church Quarterly Review</i>
<i>CrisTRev</i>	<i>Criswell Theological Review</i>
<i>CTJ</i>	<i>Calvin Theological Journal</i>
CTL	Crown Theological Library
<i>CurTM</i>	<i>Currents in Theology and Mission</i>
DCG	J. Hastings (ed.), <i>A Dictionary of Christ and the Gospels</i> , 2 vols., Edinburgh: Clark, 1908
deGrLe	de Gruyter Lehrbuch
<i>DJG</i>	J. B. Green and S. McKnight (eds.), <i>Dictionary of Jesus and the Gospels</i> , Downers Grove: IVP, 1992
<i>DPCM</i>	S. M. Burgess and G. B. McGee (eds.), <i>Dictionary of Pentecostal and Charismatic Movements</i> , Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1988

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<i>DunwRev</i>	<i>Dunwoodie Review</i>
<i>EBib</i>	<i>Etudes bibliques</i>
<i>EDT</i>	W. A. Elwell (ed.), <i>Evangelical Dictionary of Theology</i> , Grand Rapids: Baker, 1984
EF	Erträge der Forschung
<i>EgTh</i>	<i>Eglise et théologie</i>
EH	Europäische Hochschulschriften
EHPHR	Etudes d'histoire et de philosophie religieuses
EKK	Evangelisch-katholischer Kommentar zum Neuen Testament
EM	Eichsätter Materialien
<i>EpRev</i>	<i>Epworth Review</i>
ErThS	Erfurter theologische Studien
<i>EThL</i>	<i>Ephemerides theologicae lovanienses</i>
<i>EThR</i>	<i>Etudes théologiques et religieuses</i>
<i>EvQ</i>	<i>Evangelical Quarterly</i>
<i>EvTh</i>	<i>Evangelische Theologie</i>
<i>Exp</i>	<i>The Expositor</i>
<i>ExpT</i>	<i>The Expository Times</i>
FB bs	Facet Books, biblical series
FBib	Forschung zur Bibel
FF	Foundations and Facets
<i>Found</i>	<i>Foundations</i>
FRLANT	Forschungen zur Religion und Literatur des Alten und Neuen Testaments
GNC	Good News Commentary
<i>Gnomon</i>	<i>Gnomon. Kritische Zeitschrift für die Gesamt klassische Altertumswissenschaft</i>
GNS	Good News Studies
<i>GorRev</i>	<i>Gordon Review</i>
<i>Greg</i>	<i>Gregorianum</i>
GThA	Göttinger theologische Arbeiten
Hermeneia	Hermeneia – A Critical and Historical Commentary on the Bible
<i>HeyJ</i>	<i>Heythrop Journal</i>
<i>HibJ</i>	<i>Hibbert Journal</i>
HThKNT	Herders theologischer Kommentar zum Neuen Testament
<i>HTR</i>	<i>Harvard Theological Review</i>
IBC	Interpretation: A Bible Commentary for Teaching and Preaching

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<i>IBS</i>	<i>Irish Biblical Studies</i>
ICC	The International Critical Commentary
ICT	Issues in Contemporary Theology
<i>IDB</i>	G. A. Buttrick (ed.), <i>The Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible</i> , 4 vols., Nashville: Abingdon, 1962
<i>IDBsup</i>	K. Crim (ed.), <i>The Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible, supplementary vol.</i> , Nashville: Abingdon, 1962
<i>Int</i>	<i>Interpretation</i>
IRT	Issues in Religion and Theology
<i>ITQ</i>	<i>Irish Theological Quarterly</i>
IVPNTCS	The IVP New Testament Commentary Series
<i>JAAR</i>	<i>Journal of the American Academy of Religion</i>
<i>JAC</i>	<i>Jahrbuch für Antike und Christentum</i>
<i>JAOS</i>	<i>Journal of the American Oriental Society</i>
<i>JBL</i>	<i>Journal of Biblical Literature</i>
<i>JBR</i>	<i>Journal of Bible and Religion</i>
<i>JETS</i>	<i>Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society</i>
<i>JR</i>	<i>The Journal of Religion</i>
<i>JSNT</i>	<i>Journal for the Study of the New Testament</i>
JSNTSS	Journal for the Study of the New Testament Supplement Series
JTC	Journal for Theology and the Church
<i>JTS</i>	<i>The Journal of Theological Studies</i> (1899/1900–49)
<i>JTS</i> ns	<i>The Journal of Theological Studies</i> , new series (1950/1–)
<i>JTSA</i>	<i>Journal of Theology for Southern Africa</i>
KBANT	Kommentare und Beiträge zum Alten und Neuen Testament
KEKNT	Kritisch-exegetischer Kommentar über das Neue Testament
LCL	Loeb Classical Library
LEC	Library of Early Christianity
<i>LQHR</i>	<i>London Quarterly and Holborn Review</i>
<i>LThPh</i>	<i>Laval théologique et philosophique</i>
<i>LumVit</i>	<i>Lumen vitae</i>
<i>MilltSt</i>	<i>Milltown Studies</i>
<i>Miss</i>	<i>Missiology</i>
MLT	Mowbrays Library of Theology
MNTC	The Moffatt New Testament Commentary
MSB	Monographien und Studienbücher
MThS	Marburger theologische Studien

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NAC	The New American Commentary
NBD	J. D. Douglas (ed.), <i>New Bible Dictionary</i> , 2nd ed., Wheaton: Tyndale, 1982
NCB	The New Clarendon Bible
NCBC	The New Century Bible Commentary
NEBKNT	Die Neue Echter Bibel. Kommentar zum Neuen Testament mit der Einheitsübersetzung
NIBC	New International Biblical Commentary
NICNT	The New International Commentary on the New Testament
NIDNTT	C. Brown (ed.), <i>The New International Dictionary of New Testament Theology</i> , 3 vols., Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1975–78
NIGTC	The New International Greek Testament Commentary
NKZ	<i>Neue kirchliche Zeitschrift</i>
NLCNT	The New London Commentary on the New Testament
NovT	<i>Novum Testamentum</i>
NovTsup	Supplements to <i>Novum Testamentum</i>
NRTh	<i>Nouvelle revue théologique</i>
NSTh	Nouvelle série théologique
NT	<i>Neotestamentica</i>
NTAb	Neutestamentliche Abhandlungen
NTC	New Testament Commentary
NTD	Das Neue Testament Deutsch
NTG	New Testament Guides
NTL	The New Testament Library
NTS	<i>New Testament Studies</i>
NTTS	New Testament Tools and Studies
ÖBS	Österreichische biblische Studien
OneChr	<i>One in Christ</i>
ÖTKNT	Ökumenischer Taschenbuchkommentar zum Neuen Testament
OTL	The Old Testament Library
PC	Proclamation Commentaries: The New Testament Witnesses for Preaching
Pers	<i>Perspectives in Religious Studies</i>
PGC	The Pelican Gospel Commentaries
PhRh	<i>Philosophy and Rhetoric</i>
PIBA	<i>Proceedings of the Irish Biblical Association</i>

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PittTMS	Pittsburgh Theological Monograph Series
PJPTS	Perspective: A Journal of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
PNTC	The Pelican New Testament Commentaries
PrinTMS	Princeton Theological Monograph Series
PRS	Perspectives in Religious Studies
<i>PST</i>	<i>The Perkins School of Theology</i>
QD	Quaestiones disputatae
<i>Refl</i>	<i>Reflection</i>
<i>Ref Rev</i>	<i>Reformed Review</i>
<i>Ref TRev</i>	<i>Reformed Theological Review</i>
<i>RevBib</i>	<i>Revue biblique</i>
<i>RevSciRel</i>	<i>Revue des sciences religieuses</i>
<i>RevThom</i>	<i>Revue thomiste</i>
<i>RevThPh</i>	<i>Revue théologique et philosophique</i>
<i>RivBib</i>	<i>Rivista biblica</i>
RNT	Regensburger Neues Testament
<i>RQ</i>	<i>Restoration Quarterly</i>
<i>SacDoc</i>	<i>Sacra doctrina</i>
SacPag	Sacra pagina
SANT	Studien zum Alten und Neuen Testament
SBEC	Studies in the Bible and Early Christianity
SBFA	Studii biblici franciscani analecta
SBLDS	Society of Biblical Literature Dissertation Series
SBLMS	Society of Biblical Literature Monograph Series
SBLSPS	Society of Biblical Literature Seminar Paper Series
SBT	Studies in Biblical Theology
SBT ss	Studies in Biblical Theology, second series
<i>SC</i>	<i>The Second Century: A Journal of Early Christian Studies</i>
<i>SchThu</i>	<i>Schweizerische theologische Umschau</i>
<i>SciEs</i>	<i>Science et esprit</i>
<i>ScrB</i>	<i>Scripture Bulletin</i>
<i>Semeia</i>	<i>Semeia: An Experimental Journal for Biblical Criticism</i>
SESJ	Suomen Eksegeettisen Seuran Julkaisuja. Schriften der finnischen exegetischen Gesellschaft
<i>SEv</i>	<i>Studia evangelica</i>
SHR	Studies in the History of Religions (Supplements to <i>Numen</i>)
<i>SJT</i>	<i>Scottish Journal of Theology</i>

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SLA	L. E. Keck and J. L. Martyn (eds.), <i>Studies in Luke-Acts</i> , Philadelphia: Fortress, 1966
SNT	Studia neotestamentica
SNTA	Studiorum Novi Testamenti auxilia
SNTSMS	Society for New Testament Studies Monograph Series
SNTU	Studien zum Neuen Testament und seiner Umwelt
SNTW	Studies of the New Testament and its World
SouBib	Sources bibliques
SPBib	Studia post-biblica
STAT	Suomalaisen Tiedeakatemia Toimituksia. Annales academiae scientiarum fennicae, series B
StBB	Stuttgarter biblische Beiträge
StBibS	Stuttgarter Bibelstudien
SUNT	Studien zur Umwelt des Neuen Testaments
SWJT	<i>South Western Journal of Theology</i>
TAB	W. A. Elwell (ed.), <i>Topical Analysis of the Bible</i> , Grand Rapids: Baker, 1991
TBC	Torch Bible Commentaries
TDNT	G. Kittel and G. Friedrich (eds.), <i>Theological Dictionary of the New Testament</i> , 9 vols., Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1964–74
<i>Them</i>	<i>Themelios</i>
<i>Theo</i>	<i>Theology</i>
ThF	Theologische Forschung. Wissenschaftliche Beiträge zur kirchlich-evangelischen Lehre
<i>ThGl</i>	<i>Theologie und Glaube</i>
ThHNT	Theologischer Handkommentar zum Neuen Testament
ThI	Theological Inquiries: Studies in Contemporary Biblical and Theological Problems
<i>ThLZ</i>	<i>Theologische Literaturzeitung</i>
<i>ThR</i>	<i>Theologische Rundschau</i>
TS	<i>Theological Studies</i>
<i>ThVia</i>	<i>Theologia viatorum</i>
ThW	Theologie und Wirklichkeit
<i>ThZ</i>	<i>Theologische Zeitschrift</i>
TNTC	The Tyndale New Testament Commentaries
TRE	<i>Theologische Realenzyklopädie</i>
TU	Texte und Untersuchungen zur Geschichte der altchristlichen Literatur

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<i>TynB</i>	<i>Tyndale Bulletin</i>
UBS	K. Aland <i>et al.</i> (eds.), <i>The Greek New Testament</i> , United Bible Societies, 3rd ed., New York: American Bible Society, 1975
UTB	Uni-Taschenbücher
<i>VigChr</i>	<i>Vigiliae christianae</i>
<i>VTsup</i>	<i>Vetus Testamentum supplement</i>
WBC	Word Biblical Commentary
WC	Westminster Commentaries
WEC	The Wycliffe Exegetical Commentary
WF	Wege der Forschung
WMANT	Wissenschaftliche Monographien zum Alten und Neuen Testament
WSB	Wuppertaler Studienbibel
<i>WTJ</i>	<i>Westminster Theological Journal</i>
WUNT	Wissenschaftliche Untersuchungen zum Neuen Testament
WUNT ss	Wissenschaftliche Untersuchungen zum Neuen Testament, second series
<i>WW</i>	<i>Word & World</i>
ZBKNT	Zürcher Bibelkommentare. Neues Testament
<i>ZKT</i>	<i>Zeitschrift für katholische Theologie</i>
<i>ZNW</i>	<i>Zeitschrift für die neutestamentliche Wissenschaft und die Kunde der älteren Kirche</i>
<i>ZThK</i>	<i>Zeitschrift für Theologie und Kirche</i>

General abbreviations

ApG.	Apostelgeschichte
Aram.	Aramaic
bib.	bibliography
bs	biblical series
cen.	century
comp.(s.)	compiler(s)
diss.	dissertation
ET	English Translation
Heb.	Hebrew
lit.	literature
LXX	Septuagint
MT	Masoretic Text
ns	new series

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NT	New Testament
nts	New Testament series
OT	Old Testament
par.(s.)	parallel(s)
paren.	parenthesis/parenthetical
qual.	qualification
quot.	quotation
rev.(s.)	revision/reviser(s)
ss	second series
TR	Textus Receptus