

Luke: The Gospel of Amazement

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Luke: The Gospel of Amazement is the first release in the Biblical Imagination Series, which will also engage the rest of the canonical Gospels. In the series, Michael Card, an award-winning musician, pays homage to his mentor, scholar William Lane, who taught him how to read the Bible with “informed imagination,” linking the mind and heart.

Card, who holds a master’s degree in biblical studies, works his way through Luke’s Gospel not line by line, but with blocks of text and bigger themes. For instance, he explains that Luke serves as a bridge between the Old Testament faith of waiting for Christ to the New Testament faith of following Him.

Readers will come to understand that Luke was not an eyewitness. Rather, he was a meticulous historian as well as a doctor, a gentile and perhaps even a slave.

Though Card taps into the discoveries of scholars, his work is accessible to the lay reader. Overall, he lives up to his goal of providing a fresh, rich approach to the biblical text.

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