

BR - Know with Certainty - A Lifetime of Musings on Luke-Acts by Randy Harshbarger

82 chapters (were originally bulletin articles) covering select passages from Luke-Acts.

"In *Know with Certainty*, Randy has produced what I have chosen to call an exposition/application commentary. He is faithful to the text in his exposition of every context, but he doesn't leave out the application. On every page there is vital exposition, but he does not stop there. Every exposition is followed by some timely application. He gives you something to take home with you." (from the Foreword by Dee Bowman)

Randy, back cover:

"Our world is plagued with constant uncertainties. Wars and rumors of wars, financial trends, up and down, and a disease riddled universe, continually stoke the fires of fear, worry and panic. Even though we search for something secure, too often, we don't really know there to look.

Luke, with the keen eye of a physician, writes with confidence about things he already knew. While others had also written, Luke writes about firmness, stability, certainty, undoubted truth, and safety from enemies and dangers. The stakes are too high to waffle on such matters. Luke's account is orderly; his narrative about Jesus flows easily. Theophilus, the *Friend of God*, knew some things about the carpenter from Nazareth; Luke proceeds to shore up any lack of knowledge and understanding his audience might have had.

Luke and the book of Acts, continue to resonate today, they are a natural fit for our world. A pluralistic society can warm to the inclusion of others, people not at all like themselves. Luke's teaching about wealth, poverty, relationships, and a kingdom not of this world, helps us navigate through these uncertain times."