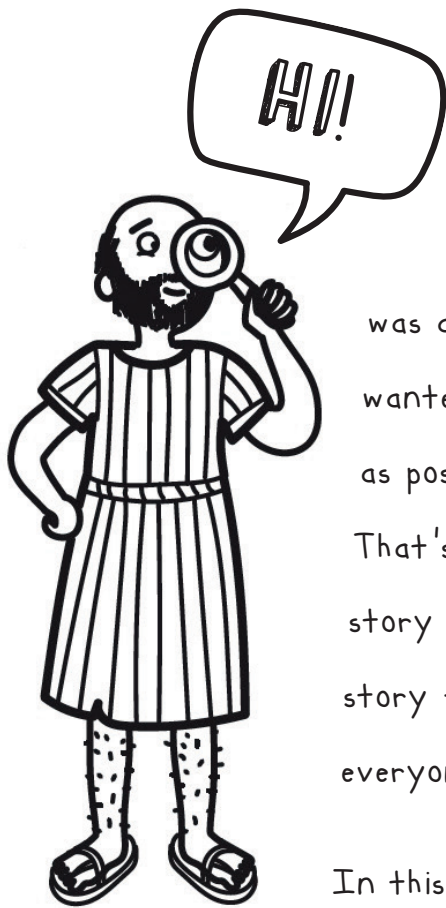




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Luke's story is a real story  
- one that is totally and  
completely true. He knew it

was a super important story, and he  
wanted to make sure as many people  
as possible would get to hear it.

That's why he wrote it down. Luke's  
story is a tiny part of God's big  
story - the story of everything and  
everyone.

In this book you'll have chance to  
interact with God's story in your own way, with lots  
of space to write, draw, think and pray. You see, God's  
story isn't just a story of something that happened  
hundreds of years ago: it's still happening today, and  
you're a part of it. How awesome is that?!

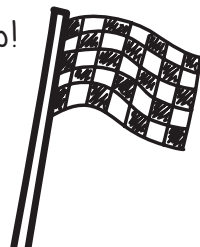
You might like to use this book alongside a full copy of  
Diary of a Disciple: Luke's Story, or you could just use

this book on its own. Every page has a little bit of Luke's story for you to read, and then some questions, ideas, thoughts and, most importantly, some space for you to think it all through. You don't have to work through every page in order (although it might make more sense if you do): you can just pick any page at random.

Don't forget, you can always read the original story for yourself in a Bible in "The Gospel of Luke".

There's just one thing you really need to do before you start, and that's pray. Prayer isn't anything strange or super-spiritual, you know, it's just you and God having a chat. It's probably a good idea to ask him to help you understand what you're reading, to ask him to help you listen out for what he might be saying to you and to thank him for inviting you to be a part of his epic story.

What are you waiting for?! Ready, steady, go!





# GOOD EVENING

and a very warm welcome to my

## MARVELLOUS STORY

My name is Luke. **Dr Luke**, actually.

And I have been carefully *investigating*

a series of mysterious events. And because I'm

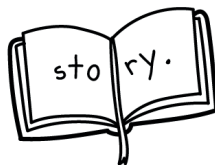
a bit of a **NERD**, I've decided to write all

of my investigations down, just for you. Lots

of other people have tried to write it all down before,

but I want you to hear *my* side of the

Before we get going, though...

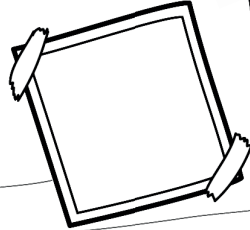


# WHAT'S YOUR STORY?

your face goes here



## FACT FILE



NAME:

AGE:

FAMILY:

LOCATION:

FAVOURITE FOOD:

FAVOURITE COLOUR:

BIG QUESTIONS FOR GOD:

My story starts with a woman called *Elizabeth* and a man called Zechariah. They were both *very old* when God told them they were going to have a **BABY!**



One day, when Zechariah was at work, something

**ABSOLUTELY  
"TERRIFYING"** happened.

A large, glowing, bright man-shaped thing appeared out of nowhere and said,



"DON'T BE  
SCARED."

Ha ha. "Don't be scared"?? I mean, **SERIOUSLY** a big glowing man just appeared and fancied a chat! Zechariah was

**TERRIFIED, FROZEN** to the spot, and when he heard what the man had to say he just couldn't believe his **? "ears" ?**

Wow! Isn't it amazing that God sent an angel (that's the large glowing, bright man-shaped thing) to tell Zechariah his plan?

Spend some time asking God what he might want you to do today... \_\_\_\_\_

How do you think you might have felt if you had been Zechariah? What would you have said to the angel?


What skills and talents has God already given you that he might want you to use for him?

**EVENTUALLY**

, Elizabeth and Zechariah

had their **BABY**. His name was **John**.

And only a few months later Elizabeth's cousin **MARY**

had a **BABY** too. His name was Jesus. 

When **MARY** found out that her baby was going to be a part of God's plan, she was super **EXCITED**. In fact, she was **SO EXCITED** that she sang an **AMAZING** song telling God how awesome he is.

God is **SO GOOD**, I can hardly believe it

Why'd he choose me, I'm really not a good fit

But he has **blessed** me, because he is epic

And I will praise him, 'cos he's **FANTASTIC**!



He's **SO** good, he's **SO** kind

I can't believe he had me on his mind

He's **SO AWESOME**, he's **SO STRONG**

It's amazing he's <sup>♥ ♥ ♥</sup>loved us all for so long






God is **SO GOOD**, I can hardly believe it,

He has chosen **ME**, so now I'll do my bit

He's my *helper*, he's my **LORD**

He is **GOD**, he's the Lord of all!

Mary was so  happy when she sang that song, but  GOD

always wants to hear from us whether we are happy, sad, **EXCITED**, angry, lonely - no matter how we feel, he's always  listening?

What would you like to say to God today? There are a few words spread out on these two pages to help you get started...

"worried"

grumpy

AWESOME

TERRIFIED

**EXCITED**

THANK YOU

exhausted

sad


AMAZING!


SCARED

confused



Sorry

happy

When **John** grew up he went off into the desert for a while, ate grasshoppers (ewww!) and told **everyone** he could find that God was sending someone special, and they should get ready to meet him. That someone  was **JESUS**.

Now **MARY** was Jesus' mum, and Joe (Mary's husband) was Jesus' **DAD**. Well, sort of - because, you see, Jesus was really God's Son. It was **GOD** who had sent Jesus to be born on earth and do some really rather incredible things. 

When Jesus grew up, he started work. The **REAL** work that he was always **MEANT** to do. He had so much to say and do and he travelled **ALL** around to talk to loads of different people and do lots of proper **EPIC** things.

One of the **reasons** why Jesus came to  was to tell **everyone** how much God loves them,  including you!

What does it mean to you to know **GOD** loves you **SOOOO** much?

