



# **Luke Cage Reaffirmation Lesson Plan**

## **Purpose:**

To compare Luke Cage's going back in the waters again to the service of Reaffirmation in the church.

## **Scriptural Examples:**

Luke 15:11-32: The Parable of the Prodigal Son

- This story demonstrates how we all stray from God at times and how we can still return.

## **Supplies:**

- + Computer/Device to Stream
- + Access to a Netflix account to view clips from *Luke Cage* Season 1, with particular focus on Episode 9 and 10

*Note: This show is rated TV-MA, and thus may not be suitable to use with younger audiences.*

## **Procedure:**

1. Either show the clip from *Luke Cage* Season 1 Episode 7 where Luke gets shot with the Judas Bullet or explain what happens. Luke has decided to finally take on the responsibility that his mentor, Pop, wanted him to and is helping others who need it in Harlem. However, Luke is in a dark period where he is being framed for murder and an old friend has returned and is trying to kill him. This old friend turns





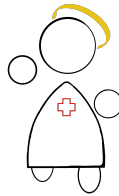
out to be his half-brother, and he shoots Luke with the only bullet that can pierce Luke's skin called a Judas Bullet.

2. Luke and his friend Claire Temple discover that they cannot remove the shrapnel from the bullet from Luke's body, so they find Dr. Noah Burstein, the scientist who originally performed the experiment on Luke Cage at Seagate Prison. Show the clip where Luke and Claire make it to Burstein's house in *Luke Cage* Season 1 Episode 9.
3. Show the clip from *Luke Cage* Season 1 Episode 9 when Burstein explains how they will get the shrapnel out of Luke by putting him back in another tub.
4. If there's time, show scenes from *Luke Cage* Season 1 Episode 9 and 10 where Burstein and Claire are working to remove the shrapnel from Luke.
5. Discuss how going in the tank is similar to the experiment Luke went through before. Talk about how that first experiment is like Baptism. It's important to discuss that Baptism is a "once-for-all" action. However, there is the Rite of Reaffirmation where we have the opportunity to reaffirm our vows of Baptism in those times in our lives when we may need to, although we are never required to. The Parable of the Prodigal Son can be a tool to demonstrate leaving and then returning back to God. This could be an opportunity to talk about times where we have strayed from God in our lives and what brought us back.





6. If you are in a group that has been watching the entire first season, discuss further how Luke's journey has led him to this point and why he might need to reaffirm his role as a hero. Talk further about what Luke's journey might say to us about our own journey in faith.



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