



SERIES:	Guest Speakers
MESSAGE:	A Portrait of Jesus
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SCRIPTURE:	Luke 4:16-22

MESSAGE SUMMARY

Out of all the Old Testament prophecies about Jesus, He chose only one from the prophet Isaiah to share with the people in Nazareth—one that revealed His character. As we study this portrait of Jesus in Luke 4, we also learn about the power that dwelt inside Him: the power of the Holy Spirit, which now dwells in us.

DETAILED NOTES

Historical Background to Passage: Nazareth, Synagogue, Spirit of the Lord

- I. His Power - Luke 4:14,18, Luke 4:1-13 Jesus displays his power by of the Word of God, Luke 4:16-22 Jesus displays his power by the Spirit of God.
 - A. Revelation of the Messiah
 - B. Rejection of the Messiah
 - I. Revelation of God/Messiah
 - a. General revelation – Creation Psalm 19/ Creator
 - b. Special/specific revelation – Prediction/Prophecy/Jesus
 - c. Hebrews 1:1-2 – How God speaks presently
 - i. Scripture: Isaiah 61:1-2
 - ii. Signs: works associated to Messiah
 - d. Gospel: What is the gospel? Romans 1:16 defines
 - e. Holy Spirit: How has Jesus demonstrated his power in our lives? Romans 5:1-5 = spiritual power in personal life
 - f. Present experience: Do we really believe we have the type of power described by God? Have we obtained it? Romans 8:6, Romans 8:11
 - g. God has revealed His Power through the life of Jesus
 2. Response of those listening: They rejected Jesus as Messiah due to their blindness, unbelief, and sin. (vv. 28-30)

The Spirit of God takes the Word of God and reveals the Son of God.

- II. His Purpose – Luke 4:18-19
 - A. Proclaimed throughout Scripture; described by the Prophets; demonstrated in gospels.
 - B. Jesus, reading from the prophet Isaiah, gives us insight into what evidences would affirm his purpose and ongoing ministry
 - C. Isaiah gives evidence to the Holy Spirit's connection to the Messiah.
 - I. Isaiah 11:1-2

- a. Threefold (six characteristics of the promised Messiah)
- b. Menorah symbol—candlestick, light to the world
- c. NT: Apostle John declares Jesus' Purpose in I John
 - i. "And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin" (I John 3:5)
 - ii. "For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil" (I John 3:8)
 - iii. "In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him" (I John 4:9)
 - iv. "And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true, and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ, this is the true God and eternal life" (I John 5:20)
- d. Jesus' purpose was accomplished in His first coming - declared in Colossians 1:13-14; Colossians 2:13-15
- e. Regeneration –The act of God by which new life is imparted to a person who trusts Christ as their Savior
- f. Jesus poured out His Spirit upon us to likewise demonstrate his power and purpose Titus 3:4-6

D. Jesus quotes Isaiah 61:1-2a

"Notice the revolutionary implications of the Messiah's mission. Jesus came to deal with the enormous problems that have afflicted mankind throughout history" —W. MacDonald

The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me (His Power) Because He has anointed Me (His Purpose)

PHYSICAL/SPIRITUAL:

1. The Banished – spiritual poverty, desperation and sin
2. The Brokenhearted – shattered lives, wounded, depressed
3. The Bound – slavery, chained, isolated and abandoned
4. The Blind – in darkness, despair, fear and torment, lost
5. The Bruised – crushed by life, circumstances and oppressed

We are presently living in the "comma"

First coming of Christ: "To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord" (Great pause)

Second coming of Christ "And the day of vengeance of our God;"

Key: Year of Jubilee:

Every seventh year was a sabbatical year of rest for the people as well as the land. Every fiftieth year was a year dedicated to complete Rest. It was the Year of Jubilee. All debt was cleared, slaves set free, all peoples rested in the peace of God (see Leviticus 25)

III. His Person – Luke 4:20-21

- A. The Spirit's characteristics give us a clear portrait of the person of Jesus

- B. All eyes were fixed on Jesus; the power of God's Word.
 - 1. "For the Word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give an account" (Hebrews 4:12-13)
 - 2. Today
 - 3. Jesus the Word became flesh – "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God... And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth." (John 1:1-14)
 - C. "All" bore witness to Jesus, and marveled at the gracious words, which proceeded out of His mouth.
- IV. His Promise – Luke 4:19-21 – "acceptable year of the Lord"
- A. True Rest – Jesus came to give us rest, but even more to be our rest; He is our peace; we are accepted and received by Christ.
 - B. Comforter/Helper: John 14-16 Promised to be with us always.
 - 1. With us – John 14
 - 2. In us – John 14-15
 - 3. Upon us – John 14-16, Acts 1:8
 - 4. Fills us – Ephesians
 - 5. The Promise of the Father
 - a. Acts 1:8 – to have the power to be a witness to Jesus.
- V. HIS PEACE
- A. Ephesians 2
 - B. John 14-16 – The promise of the Father
 - C. The Holy Spirit empowering us to live the Christian life in power
 - D. Invitation given by Jesus to those in desperate need.
 - 1. Ask (Luke 11:11-13)
 - 2. "Come unto Me" (Matthew 11:28-30)
 - E. Portrait of Jesus in us
 - 1. Rely daily upon the power of the Holy Spirit
 - 2. Rest in complete work of Jesus Christ
 - 3. Trust in His Word/His Promises

Figures Referenced: W. MacDonald

Cross References: Leviticus 25; Isaiah 61:1-2; Matthew 11:28-30; Luke 4:1-13; Luke 4:18-19, Luke 4:21; Luke 11:11-13; John 1:1; John 1:14; John 14-16; Acts 1:8; Romans 1:16; Romans 8:6; Romans 8:11; Colossians 1:13-14; Colossians 2:13-15; Titus 3:4-6; Hebrews 4:12-13; Hebrews 12:1-2; 1 John 3:5; 1 John 3:8; 1 John 4:9; 1 John 5:20

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