

Today's Topic: Bold Claims
Luke 4:14-21
Sunday, March 13, 2022

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	"Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him. He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read" Luke 4:14-16 (NIV, 2011)
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	"[A]nd the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: 'The of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." Luke 4:17 19 (NIV, 2011); see Isaiah 61:1-2
	"If you hear the dogs, keep going. If you see the torches in the woods, keep going. If there's shouting after you, keep going. Don't ever stop. Keep going. If you want a taste of freedom, keep going." — Harriet Tubman
3.	
	"Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. He began by saying to them, 'Today this scripture is in your hearing.'" Luke 4:20-21 (NIV, 2011)

The Point:

Next Steps: Into what dark place can we follow the Savior?

Discussion Questions:

- 1. How do we choose which voices matter in our culture?
- 2. What are some differences between "hearing" and "listening"?
- 3. Read Luke 4:14-16. How would you have felt if you were in the synagogue that day, waiting for Jesus to read? What questions would you have in mind?
- 4. Read Luke 4:17-19 and Isaiah 61:1-3. List all the ways described in these verses that the Anointed One will serve God and His people.
- 5. Read Luke 4:20-21. How does Jesus demonstrate that He is this Anointed One during His time on earth?
- 6. Since Jesus is Anointed to engage in these efforts, what significance does this hold for those who claim to follow Him? Why are we anointed by the same Spirit?
- 7. What truth from this study will you think about and try to apply throughout the coming week?