TO PROCLAIM GOOD NEWS TO THE POOR

Luke 4:14–30

Key Verse: 4:18a

1. After being tempted, how is Jesus described? (14) What was he mainly doing? (15a) What does people’s response to him tell us?
2. Where did Jesus go, and what did he do and say there? (16–21) What shows how important this was? Originally, how did Isaiah’s prophecy give hope to the Babylonian captives? (18–19) How does its fulfillment in Jesus give hope to all people?
3. Why did God give Jesus his Spirit? (18a) What does it mean that he was “anointed” and “sent”? What is the “good news”? (4:43; 6:20) Why “the poor”? (Jas2:5; Mt5:3; Isa57:15; 66:2) What other hardships are mentioned (18b), and how do they illustrate sin’s grip on us? To what does “the year of the Lord’s favor” refer? (Lev25:8–10; 2Co6:2)
4. How did people initially respond? (22a) What question did they then ask, and why? (22b) What did Jesus predict they would say, and what did this mean? (23) How did he conclude? (24) What should we learn from this?
5. Why did God send Elijah only to the widow of Zarephath? (25–26; cf. 1Ki17:7–24) Why did only Naaman the Syrian receive healing through Elisha? (27; cf. 2Ki5:1–14) What point was Jesus making, and how does it apply to us? How did people respond, and why? (28–29) How did Jesus escape? (30)