"That He May Be Glorified"

Isaiah 61:1-4; Luke 4:16-21

Fulfilled in Jesus Christ, Luke 4:16-21

1. Jesus identified Himself as the fulfillment of Isaiah 61. Luke 4:21

- Jesus proclaimed good news to the poor, liberty to the captives, sight to the blind. v.18
- "to set at liberty" those who are oppressed. v.18

2. Jesus brought with Him the "year of the Lord's favor." v.19

- Likely a reference to the year of Jubilee in Leviticus 25. Debts cancelled. Homelands restored.
- Jesus' life, death, and resurrection... the gospel message proclaimed all over the world.
- → Everything good, free, favorable is found wrapped up in Jesus Christ. He is...
 - -2 Timothy 1:10: Jesus abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel
 - Jesus stopped reading the Isaiah text before, "the day of vengeance of our God."
 - -1 Thessalonians 1:10: Jesus came to deliver us from the wrath to come

We are participants with Christ in this fulfillment.

1. As recipients of Jesus' ministry.

• What has Jesus done for you? How has He rescued you?

Matthew 20:25-28: But Jesus called them to him and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ²⁶ It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ²⁷ and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, ²⁸ even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

→ How has Jesus served you? From what has He ransomed you?

2. As fellow proclaimers of Jesus' ministry.

- God's Spirit is in us. We are instruments in His hands doing ministry.
- v.3: to grant to those who mourn in Sarasota...
- → What are people mourning? What 'deaths' do people carry around?
 - v.3: Head → Face → Body ...that he may be glorified.

→ How do people change from grief to gladness?

- The Good Samaritan. "And who is my neighbor?"
- → "Connection"

-Ask questions.

- -Be curious.
- -Don't know what to ask... What resonates with you?

-Take the conversation deeper. "Go there"

Psalm 9:18: For the needy shall not always be forgotten, and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.