

The Gospel of Deliverance  
Luke 4:14-22

**I. Four General Truths**

1. Jesus was filled with the Holy Spirit for ministry
2. Jesus proclaimed His faith at home
3. Jesus met regularly with God's people
4. Jesus publicly read the Scriptures

**II. Characteristics of the Unbelieving:**

**1. Spiritually poor**

*Jesus said, Because you say, "I am rich, and have become wealthy, and have need of nothing," and you do not know that you are wretched and miserable and poor and blind and naked. Revelation 3:17*

(The unbelieving) are darkened in their understanding, excluded from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the hardness of their heart. Ephesians 4:18

**2. Spiritually enslaved**

*"This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men **loved the darkness rather than the Light**, for their deeds were evil. John 3:19*

**3. Spiritually blind**

**4. Spiritually oppressed**

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*"Moreover, I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; and I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. "I will put My Spirit within you and **cause** you to walk in My statutes, and you will be careful to observe My ordinances.*

## Questions for this week:

### I. For Starters:

1. Answer the following questions with someone and get some feedback from another person about where you are spiritually.
  - How do you best evangelize? (friendship evangelism, asking questions, praying for opportunities to arise)
  - Do you have a plan for sharing the gospel on a regular basis & what is it?
  - Do you pray for the lost on a daily or regular basis?
  - What do your above answers reveal to you?
  - Read Luke 19:10. Is your life aligning with His purpose? If not, what do you need to do about it?

### II. Overview of Scripture

1. Read Luke 4: 1-19
2. How did Jesus leave this grueling 40 days of temptation? (14a)
3. How was Jesus viewed at this time in His life & why do you think this is? (14-15)
4. Where was Jesus teaching & why is this important? (15)
5. Where was Jesus' hometown and how was His hometown viewed by others? (16) and (John 1:45)
6. Since he is home, how well would people know Him and how might that effect how they view Him?
7. What was Jesus' custom on the Sabbath and what does this say to us about meeting with God's people? (16)
8. Summarize what happened once Jesus entered the synagogue? (4:16-30)
9. What behaviors reveal that the Spirit of the Lord is working in a person? (18-19)
10. What reasons would you list as to why so many believers never introduce another person to know Christ? (think and pray through this one)

### III. Growing deeper

1. Review Sunday's message with someone.
2. Read Ephesians 1:15-23 and 4:15-16. What is the church (God's set apart people) to be in this world?
3. What is God's plan of reaching the nations that they would know and love Him the way we do? How are you part of that plan? John 20:21
4. What is going on in our world that should motivate us to prayer and action? Psalm 79:11
5. Pray for one another