



COVID-TIME CONFIRMATION 2020-2021

JESUS' NAZARETH SERMON

Grab your Bible. Watch the video posted on the church website and follow along. Answer the questions that follow.

1. Read Luke 4:14-30
2. In the synagogue in his hometown, Jesus announced that he was bringing in the kingdom of God and furthering God's mission in the world. How did Jesus announce this?
3. What was it that he said?
4. What would you have thought once he said what he did after reading from Isaiah? (Luke 4:21)
5. The good people of Nazareth might have expected that Jesus would favor his hometown with his greatest works. That wasn't what Jesus had in mind, however. He was not about being a sideshow with a stopover in Nazareth. His message and his mission were larger. What do you think they expected of Jesus "Joseph's son"?



6. Why would a prophet, or any other “special/holy person”, not be accepted in his/her hometown?
7. Jesus’ teaching pointed out how people outside of Israel had received God’s favor even at times when the Israelites could have used it and did not get it. Why do you think the people got upset with Jesus when all he did is remind them of some stories from their own Bible?
8. Nazareth heard the promises in Isaiah as being an exclusive to them. Jesus’ announcing of God’s radical inclusivity angered them. Why?
9. Who do you think we try to exclude from God?
10. Who do you think we need to include?
11. What is one question you have about Jesus’ Nazareth Sermon?