

## GOOD NEWS FOR EVERYBODY

*Isaiah 61.1-6, Luke 4.14-30*

Isaiah speaks that one day God’s Messiah-Servant will bring good news. Recalling Isaiah prophecy, Jesus reminded his followers that *He* is the good news, and He is good news for everybody.

### Jesus fulfills the prophecy of Isaiah 61 and is good news for us:

- He gives us **HOPE**.  
*He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted... v1*
- He frees us from **SIN**.  
*...to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners... v1*
- He **RESTORES** our **HUMANITY**.  
*...to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor... v2*
- He gives **BELONGING**.  
*...to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. v3*

### When Jesus has his way with us, he becomes good news for those around us as we become:

- People of **INTEGRITY**.  
*They will be called oaks of righteousness... v3*

- People, who by their lifestyle, give **GLORY TO GOD**.  
*...a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendor. v3*
- People who work toward **FIXING** a broken society  
*They will rebuild the ancient ruins and restore the places long devastated; they will renew the ruined cities that have been devastated for generations. v4*
- People who **TEACH OTHERS** about the **GOOD NEWS** of Jesus.  
*And you will be called priests of the Lord, you will be named ministers of our God. v6*  
  
*But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. 1 Peter 2.9*

### The problem in Nazareth (Luke 4.14-30)

**The Hitch:** The only way Jesus really becomes good news for you is if you **PASS ON THAT GOOD NEWS TO OTHERS**.

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What is God saying to me?

What am I going to do about it?