

Wednesday

Read Luke 4:24-27 *The prophets before Jesus*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *What is Jesus' reason for telling this history?*
2. *How do you feel when someone you feel is undeserving gets something very good?*

Prayer Focus Teacher, you used Scripture to show that you were not going to be controlled by us. We know that the blessings others receive don't lessen or dismiss your blessings on us. Bless according to your will, not our worth.

Thursday

Read Luke 4:28 *The people react*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *Have you ever been filled with rage when someone told you an uncomfortable truth?*
2. *Do you ever get frustrated with God?*

Prayer Focus Home truths are hard. We want to be first, we want to be special, we want to be praised. But we know how far off the mark we can get, Savior. Send your spirit to widen our perspective, to deepen our hearts.

Friday

Read Luke 4:29-30 *Jesus is rejected*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *Why did the people want to get rid of Jesus?*
2. *How and why do you think Jesus escaped?*

Prayer Focus Even when all our buttons are pushed, even when we're confronted with an unpleasant truth, we know it doesn't mean we're not yours, not loved, not part of your family. Save us from ourselves, Jesus. Help us lift you up when you refuse to let us live unchanged by the truth you speak in love.

Rearview Mirror

Pastor's message: Luke 4:21-30. Unflattering truth.
Message Notes:

Small Group Format



Welcome

- Introductions/getting acquainted
- Mutual Invitation question: *Briefly describe the best part of a reunion you've experienced.*

Opening Prayer

Song (optional)

Reflection on Scripture

Have someone read: **Luke 4:21-30**

- Discuss observations about the text
 - *What word or phrase strikes you the most?*
 - *What do you think is the most important point of the text?*

Application of Scripture (The central transformative questions)

- What did you hear God say to you through this week's Scriptures?
- What are you doing about it?
- How can we support you?

Share your faith (in groups of 3)

- *How have you experienced God recently in your life?* (This is a weekly question - it may be difficult to answer at first, but if you ask it each week you may start to notice God more in your life.)

Pray for each other

Refreshments (optional)

REARVIEW MIRROR

January 30, 2022

Monday

Read Luke 4:21 *Jesus outlines his mission*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *How did hearing this fulfill the prophecy?*
2. *What Bible prophecy would you like to see fulfilled?*

Prayer Focus You never failed to tell us what you came to do. Your intentions were clear: to love, to heal, to free, to connect us with God. That's a promise from you as well as an invitation to us. Thank you, Jesus.

Tuesday

Read Luke 4:22-23 *Jesus anticipates their reaction*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *Do you have any heroes from your home town or from your current home town?*
2. *Why do the people want the same things as Capernaum?*

Prayer Focus We can't hide from you, Redeemer. You know what we really need and you were eager to give that to us, to sacrifice all for us. Give us the patience to wait. Help us rejoice when someone else is first. Just as you put us all first.