

JAN 2, 2022

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"I'm going to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_."  
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Those who find themselves constantly surprised by Jesus \_\_\_\_\_.

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He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free,

to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."  
(Luke 4:18-19, NIV)

TALK IT OVER

Talking through the message during the week can really help clarify the things that God is teaching you and let others learn from your experiences. Get with someone this week and talk about your answers to the following questions:

**Narrative Questions for Bible Narratives:**

Why do you think this was important enough for Luke to write this down?

What did he want us to know?

What do we learn about God?

What beliefs are reinforced?

What beliefs are being reframed or even rejected?

How are you surprised by God in this narrative?

What do we learn about people in the narrative? How are they like us? How are they different?

What does it tell us about the central story of Jesus and his resurrection?

What do we learn about following Jesus?

*How are we becoming a people, who have people for the sake of other people?*

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CONVENTIONAL UNDERSTANDING:**

"I'm going to INVITE the UNINVITED."  
—Jesus

The human reaction to the uninvited being invited is either SHOCK or SURPRISE.

Those who find themselves constantly surprised by Jesus BECOME INVITERS.

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