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**Luke 4:14-30**

**14** Then Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about Him spread throughout the entire vicinity.

**15** He was teaching in their synagogues, being acclaimed by everyone. **16** He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. As usual, He entered the synagogue on the Sabbath day and stood up to read.

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**17 The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to Him, and unrolling the scroll, He found the place where it was written:**

**18 The Spirit of the Lord is on Me, because He has anointed Me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim freedom to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free the oppressed,**

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**19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.**

**20 He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. And the eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fixed on Him.**

**21 He began by saying to them, "Today as you listen, this Scripture has been fulfilled."**

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**22 They were all speaking well of Him and were amazed by the gracious words that came from His mouth, yet they said, “Isn’t this Joseph’s son?”**

**23 Then He said to them, “No doubt you will quote this proverb to Me: ‘Doctor, heal yourself.’ ‘All we’ve heard that took place in Capernaum, do here in Your hometown also.’ ”**

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**24 He also said, “ I assure you: No prophet is accepted in his hometown.**

**25 But I say to you, there were certainly many widows in Israel in Elijah’s days, when the sky was shut up for three years and six months while a great famine came over all the land.**

**26 Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them—but to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon.**

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**27 And in the prophet Elisha's time, there were many in Israel who had serious skin diseases, yet not one of them was healed—only Naaman the Syrian.”**

**28 When they heard this, everyone in the synagogue was enraged.**

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**29 They got up, drove Him out of town, and brought Him to the edge of the hill their town was built on, intending to hurl Him over the cliff.**

**30 But He passed right through the crowd and went on His way.**

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# 1. The Beginning of His Ministry

***<sup>15</sup> He was teaching in their synagogues, being acclaimed by everyone. <sup>16</sup> He came to Nazareth,***

**Jesus began His ministry in Galilee after His baptism. (John 1-4).**

**Over a year of preaching in this small region He went to His hometown.**

## **2. The Message from the Beginning**

***21 He began by saying to them, “Today as you listen, this Scripture has been fulfilled.”***

**Jesus preached the Word and He exposed the Messiah.**

**Luke 19:10 (HCSB)**

***For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save the lost.”***

# 3. Reaction from the Beginning

***29 They got up, drove Him out of town, and brought Him to the edge of the hill their town was built on, intending to hurl Him over the cliff.***

**They were amazed at His words.**

**They rejected His message.**

## 4. Jesus' Response

**<sup>30</sup> But He passed right through the crowd and went on His way.**

Our Lord's approach in the synagogue was not "seeker friendly."

He was bold, confronted, denounced, and infuriated His audience.

## 4. Jesus' Response

They were so outraged they tried to kill Him. The truth about the our condition is always hard to accept.

Jesus was never truly accepted by His “people,” because He would not give them “earthly” treasures.

Jesus left His hometown quietly.

The preaching of Jesus is just the beginning of the personal revelation of God.

God is ready to reveal this morning.

He is seeking to save and comfort.

How will we react?

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