## THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JESUS

Luke 4:14-21

• The primary focus of Jesus' ministry was His <u>TEACHING</u>.

 Jesus' teaching centered on the arrival of God's good <u>KINGDOM</u> in His Own <u>PERSON</u>.

 God's good kingdom brings good news, <u>FREEDOM</u>, new <u>VISION</u>, and the arrival of a time of <u>GRACE</u>.

## FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

- 1. Why is the launch of Jesus' public ministry important? Thinking back to previous weeks, how has Luke been building anticipation towards this?
- 2. Read the description of this first sermon in Luke 4:14–21. What do you think people were thinking? What was the scene like? How do you think you would react?
- 3. Why was teaching so central to Jesus' ministry? Why is it important today? (see Acts 5:28–29, 42; 6:4; Col 3:16; 1 Tim 4:13-16; 2 Tim 4:1-5) When teaching is neglected, what do people emphasize instead?
- 4. Consider the idea that "The primary message of Jesus is the Person of Jesus." How do you see this to be true throughout the gospels?
- 5. Read the context of Isaiah 42:1-4, 53:3-6, 58:6, and Isaiah 61:1-10. After reading these passages, how does the context help you appreciate what Jesus says in Luke 4:18-19?
- 6. In consider Luke 4:18–19, how are you poor, captive, blind, and oppressed? How is "the year of the Lord's favor" (Jubilee) good news for you?
- Consider how Jesus stops mid-sentence when quoting Isaiah 61:2.
  Why is this significant? What does this tell us about Jesus' mission and His second coming?