

## Five Tasks

Sunday Morning, February 1, 2015

**Intro:** Broken Heart, Broken Lives, Restored?, Made New!

### I. Custom in the Synagogue on the Sabbath (Luke 4: 16 – 21)

16 So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read.  
17 And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written:

18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed;

19 To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord."

20 Then He closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him.

21 And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

† Seven people are called to read the writings in the Synagogue: The Priest, A Levite and 5 Israelites.

† The Attendant unwrapped the scroll and gave it to the appointed one to read.

† The reader stood and either went and sat amongst the men or The reader sat down on the bench to extrapolate on the Word of God - Which Jesus did.

† Dr. Luke uses a word for opening the scroll as a surgeon would open a body. Then he used a word used for closing wounds wrapping them to heal.

### II. From Scripture Jesus Reveals Five Tasks He Would Do

1. Evangelism - Good News! "Be of Good Cheer"

(Matthew 9:2)

Then behold, they brought to Him a paralytic lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you."

Paralytic –

Example: Joni Eareckson Tada (a quadriplegic)

(Matthew 14:27)

But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid."

Disciples in the Storm

Example: Corrie Ten Boom

(John 16:33)

These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

Disciples at Ascension

Example: Followers of Jesus (Now Do You Believe?)

2. Encouragement

Sent to Heal the Broken-Hearted

Broken:

† Relationships

† Homes

† Health

† Finances

### **(Matthew 9:22)** Woman 12 Years Issue

But Jesus turned around, and when He saw her He said, "Be of good cheer, daughter; your faith has made you well." And the woman was made well from that hour.

### **(Matthew 15:28)** – Gentile Woman

Then Jesus answered and said to her, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire." And her daughter was healed from that very hour.

### **(Mark 6:56)** - Market

Wherever He entered, into villages, cities, or the country, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, & begged Him that they might just touch the hem of His garment & as many as touched Him were made well.

### **(John 5: 6)** – At Pool of Bethesda in Jerusalem

When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be made well?"

### **(Acts 4:9 - 10)** – Peter & John Arrested for Healing

9 If we this day are judged for a good deed done to a helpless man, by what means he has been made well,  
10 let it be known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by Him this man stands here before you whole.

God's power through Believers or the Church demonstrates compassion & kindness and can lead people to desire Christ as their Savior.

### 3. Edification

To Proclaim or Preach Liberty -

✚ Freedom to Captives

✚ Sight (Spiritually) to the Blind

Step One : Receive Christ

Step Two: Encourage One Another

Step Three: Edify

### **(II Corinthians 13: 7 – 10)**

7 Now I pray to God that you do no evil, not that we should appear approved, but that you should do what is honorable, though we may seem disqualified.

8 For we can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth.

9 For we are glad when we are weak and you are strong. And this also we pray, that you may be made complete.

10 Therefore I write these things being absent, lest being present I should use sharpness, according to the authority which the Lord has given me for edification and not for destruction.

Gently Build Up Your Christian Family

### 4. Equipping

To Set Up Liberty For Those Who Are Oppressed (or Bruised).

Liberty Defined:

✚ Freedom by Pardon

✚ Forgiveness

✚ Remission (Payment by Christ)

**(John 8:36)**

Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.

Assurance of Forgiveness  
Gives Us Joy & Liberty !

5. Exaltation

Exalt Christ

**(Luke 4: 19)**

To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.”

Preach the Acceptable Year of the Lord

*(Lev 25:10 - Year of Jubilee)*

**(John 12:32)**

And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself.”

**Conclusion:**

When People Worship God, Not Themselves, Or  
Materialism, Or Religion Itself, Then They are Set Free!

**Invitation & Lord's Supper**

**(Matthew 26: 26 – 29)**

<sup>26</sup> And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke *it*, and gave *it* to the disciples and said, “Take, eat; this is My body.”

<sup>27</sup> Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave *it* to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you.

<sup>28</sup> For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

<sup>29</sup> But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom.”