

BELPRES CHURCH

Global Justice

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¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is on me,
because he has anointed me
to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners
and recovery of sight for the blind,
to set the oppressed free,
¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

²⁰ Then he rolled up the scroll,
gave it back to the attendant and sat down.
The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him.
²¹ He began by saying to them,
"Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

Luke 4:18-21

Discussion Questions: Please read Luke 4:18-21 and Isaiah 58:1-14

1. In Luke 4, v.18-19, Jesus reads Isaiah 61:1,2. Who are the poor, the brokenhearted, the captive, the blind and the oppressed today? Is God calling you to reach out to any of these?
2. Read, Isaiah 58:1-14. What paradoxical situation is presented in Isaiah 58:1-2?
3. What question do the bewildered people of Israel ask? See Isaiah 58:3a. What answer does the Lord give to His people? See Isaiah 58:3b-5.
4. According to Is. 58: 6-7, what kind of fasting (i.e. what kind of religion) is acceptable to God and pleasing to Him?
5. What are some of the benefits and blessings the Lord upon those who practice true religion? See Isaiah 58:8-9.