

Faith @ Home

Luke 4:16-30

Reflection and Discussion Questions

-Reflect on verses 18-19. What sticks out to you the most related to Jesus' mission here on earth? How might we use these verses to help shape our vision of our own ministry? If in a group, discuss your thoughts.

-Think about or discuss how Jesus fulfilled the prophecy he read from Isaiah. How did he fulfill this prophecy in both tangible, physical ways and spiritual ways?



-Reflect on verses 25-27. How do you think the Jewish people of Nazareth may have felt hearing Jesus talk about Gentiles receiving God's blessings? Why did this make them so angry?

-If discussing in a group with children, talk about a time they had to share something they felt belonged only to them, or a time they had to include someone they did want to include? Help children connect their own experiences to how the people of Nazareth may have felt at being told the

promises of God would not belong only to the Jews.

-In this passage, Jesus seems prepared ahead of time to be rejected by the people of his hometown. He does not shy away from his ministry even in the face of this rejection. Think about or discuss handling rejection in our faith lives and ministry. How can we think like Jesus when facing rejection? Where might we be allowing fear of rejection to stop us from speaking and acting like Jesus?

Family Activity

Make a scroll together. Collect pieces of white printer paper, glue, and old drinking straws, craft sticks, or thin dowels. Each person should get two straws/craft sticks/dowels and a piece of paper cut to fit their sticks with some room for the sticks to hang out past the ends of the paper.

Let each person choose a favorite part from verses 18-19.

Something that resonated to them or spoke to them the most. Other favorite verses may be chosen here as well. Write the chosen part of the passage onto the paper, then glue the sticks at the top and bottom so that, when dry, the paper can be rolled into a scroll.

While working on the scrolls, discuss together why each person chose the verse they chose and how that might help them focus on their ministry during the coming week.

