

Message Notes

No honor at home

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(taken from the New International Version)

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Gospel Application – *Does Jesus offend you?*

Luke 4:14-30

¹⁴Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. ¹⁵He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him.

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LUKE

The King and His Kingdom
Luke 3:21 to Luke 9:50

Luke 3:21-22

²¹When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened ²²and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”

Luke 4:1-13

1 Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, 2 where for forty days he was tempted by the devil...

Luke 4:1-13

3 The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread.”

4 Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Man shall not live on bread alone.’”

Luke 4:1-13

5 The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. 6 And he said to him, "I will give you all their authority and splendor; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. 7 If you worship me, it will all be yours."

8 Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.'"

Luke 4:1-13

9 The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. “If you are the Son of God,” he said, “throw yourself down from here. 10 For it is written: “He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully; 11 they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.””

12 Jesus answered, “It is said: ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

Luke 4:1-13

13 When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.

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LUKE OVERVIEW

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	1-2 THE BIRTH OF THE LORD
	3 PREPARING FOR THE LORD
4-9	THE LORD'S MISSION IN GALILEE
10-19	THE LORD'S MISSION TOWARDS JERUSALEM
19-24	THE LORD'S MISSION IN JERUSALEM
	19 THE ENTRY OF THE LORD
	22-23 THE SUFFERING LORD
	24 THE RISEN LORD

The map illustrates the geographical context of the Gospel of Luke. It shows the Mediterranean Sea to the west, the Sea of Galilee to the north, and the Jordan River to the east. The land is divided into several regions: GALILEE (yellow), DECAPOLIS (orange), SAMARIA (orange), JERUSALEM (red star), BETHLEHEM (black dot), and JUDEA (red). Key locations marked include Nazareth, Caesarea, Samaria, Jericho, Mt. Olives, Bethany, and Bethlehem. The Dead Sea is shown to the south. A north arrow is located in the bottom right corner.

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Jesus comes home!

Luke 4:16a

¹⁶He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom.

The present passage is the oldest known account of a synagogue service ... After private prayer on entry to the building by the worshippers there was a public confession of the Jewish faith in the Shema (Dt. 6:4–9; 11:13–21), followed by prayers.... Then came the center of the worship, the reading of the Scriptures. A passage from the Pentateuch was read, according to a fixed scheme of lections, by several members of the congregation in turn, with an Aramaic paraphrase. There was also a lesson from the prophets... It is safest to assume that there was at least some freedom of choice of prophetic reading in the first century. Following the readings was a prayer, and then came a sermon, if there was somebody competent present to give one (Acts 13:15). Finally the Qaddish prayer was recited.

~ I. Howard Marshall, *The Gospel of Luke: A Commentary on the Greek Text*, 181–182.



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Luke 4:16b-21

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Mark 6:1-6

¹Jesus left there and went to his hometown, accompanied by his disciples. ²When the Sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were amazed. “Where did this man get these things?” they asked. “What’s this wisdom that has been given him? What are these remarkable miracles he is performing? ³Isn’t this the carpenter? Isn’t this Mary’s son and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas and Simon? Aren’t his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. ⁴Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home.” ⁵He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. ⁶He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Jesus Responds

A Proverb and An Explanation

Luke 4:23

²³Jesus said to them, “Surely you will quote this proverb to me: ‘Physician, heal yourself!’ And you will tell me, ‘Do here in your hometown what we have heard that you did in Capernaum.’ ”

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Elijah and the Widow

Luke 4:25-26

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1 Kings 17:13-14

¹³Elijah said to her, “Don’t be afraid. Go home and do as you have said. But first make a small cake of bread for me from what you have and bring it to me, and then make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: ‘The jar of flour will not be used up and the jug of oil will not run dry until the day the LORD gives rain on the land.’ ”

Jesus Responds

Elisha and Naaman

Luke 4:27

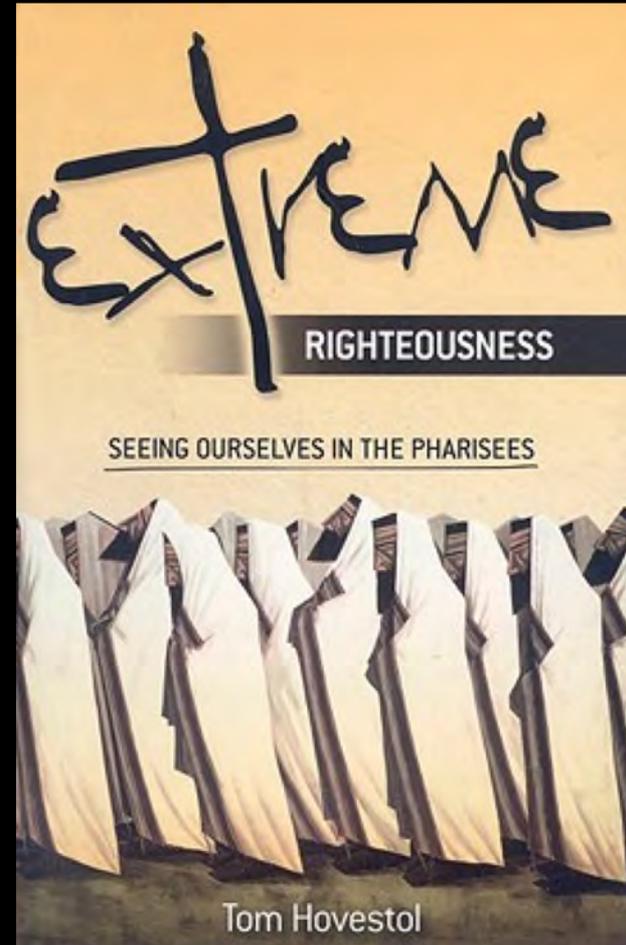
²⁷“ And there were many in Israel with leprosy in the time of Elisha the prophet, yet not one of them was cleansed—only Naaman the Syrian.”

2 Kings 5:11-12

¹¹But Naaman went away angry and said, “I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, wave his hand over the spot and cure me of my leprosy. ¹²Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than any of the waters of Israel? Couldn’t I wash in them and be cleansed?” So he turned and went off in a rage.

“Jesus’ way of dealing with the self-righteous and religious people was instructive. First, *Jesus seemed to specialize in using shock therapy with the religious.* He was fearless in putting His divine finger on the faults of the faithful. He did not sugarcoat his message or attempt to burrow His way into religious hearts by tiptoeing around sin and cultivating a “positive mental attitude.” ... He loved them enough to break through, often in shocking ways.”

~ Tom Hovestol, *Extreme Righteousness: Seeing Ourselves in the Pharisees*, page 57



Luke 2:33-35

³³The child's father and mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, ³⁵so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too."

Luke 3:15-17

¹⁶John answered them all, “I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”

The assassination attempt on the King

The mob goes ballistic

Luke 4:28-29

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The fine citizens of Nazareth had heard enough. It was bad enough to be told that they were poor and blind and captive and oppressed, but now to be told they were less spiritual and less wise than the *Gentiles*, both Naaman and the widow, was just too much! In fact, they did not even sit through the rest of the synagogue service... Think of it! They had seen Jesus grow from infancy to manhood. Even though they had never dreamed he was God, they certainly knew his character firsthand. They had never seen him do anything wrong. He had never lied, never disobeyed, never been unkind. In fact, he was the most loving, thoughtful, winsome person they had ever known. He was undoubtedly locally famous for his acts of mercy. He was the most lovely being they had ever encountered. But when Jesus cut through their comfortable religious *façade*, they tried to lynch him – and on the Sabbath too... If there ever was proof of Paul's later dictum, "The sinful mind is hostile to God" (Romans 8:7a), this was it!

~ R. Kent Hughes, *Luke: That You May Know the Truth*, p 145.



He Gone.

Luke 4:30

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Gospel of Luke Application:

Are you offended by Jesus?

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