

January 26, 2025
“Surprise Announcement!”
(Luke 4:14-30)

Jesus had an uncanny ability to take people by _____.

Here, Jesus was asked to preach from Isaiah 61, a _____
passage of great importance to the _____ people.

When Jesus was sure he had everyone’s _____, he
closed the scroll and made the announcement! (V.21)

The Hebrew people knew all too well what it was to _____
and to be held _____.

Dr. Paul Rees: *“The Gospel is neither a discussion nor a debate.
it is an announcement!”*

Jesus’ announcement tells us 3 important things about God:

1.- Our God is a God of _____.

Wherever Jesus went, he brought hope! – It was his _____ -
_____!

He brought hope to the _____, exiled from his home and his
community!

He brought hope to the _____ man who was unable
to provide for his family!

To those who felt _____, or lost, or broken, or rejected,
or beyond saving, Jesus brought hope!

This Was Jesus’ first act in _____ and his last act before
_____ -- the giving of hope!

Where God is, there is _____; where God is _____,
there is no hope!

(over)

2.- Our God is a God of _____.

Most world religions operate on a very simple assumption: you get
what you _____ in life.

It’s a simple, but flawed equation: health and wealth are
_____ from God!

Jesus came to turn this world view _____ down!

No longer does _____ equal _____!

There are no _____ in God’s economy!

Jesus showed that a healthy _____ is worthless if one’s
_____ is dead in sin!

Jesus declared that a person could have _____ vision and still
be _____ blind!

In Christ, God loves and _____ up those whom others would
_____ down!

3.- Our God is a God of _____.

Jesus continually demonstrated that God is a God of
_____, not _____!

Jesus made it a regular practice to set people _____!

He broke the chains of _____, confusion, and _____
in the lives of the people he touched!

Oswald Chambers: “The _____ of God is always the spirit of
_____!”

That’s what God is all about!! - God is about Hope; God is about
Justice; God is about Freedom!

**And, God cares about our Hopelessness, our Oppression, our
Bondage!**