No Prophet is Accepted in His Hometown

Luke 4:16-30

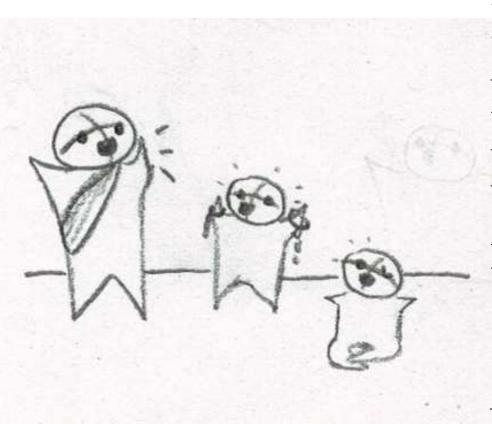
...And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he

stood up to read...



The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...





He has sent me to proclaim

liberty ...

recovering of sight ...

the year of the Lord's favor.

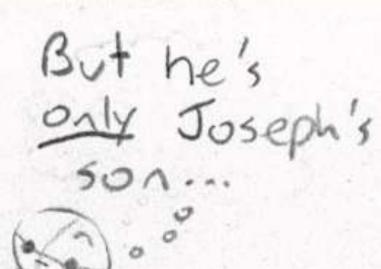
"Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

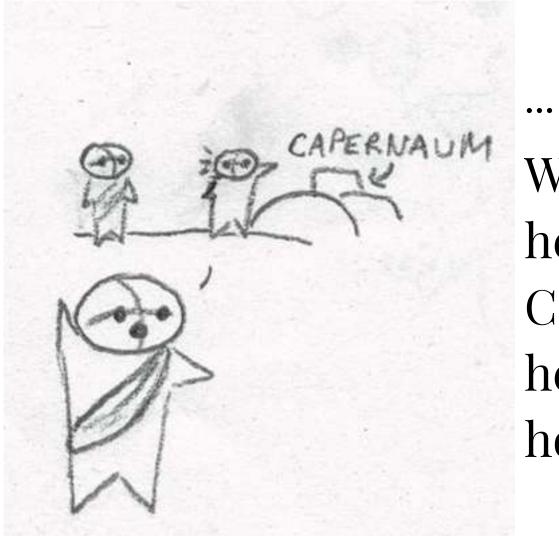


And all spoke well of him...

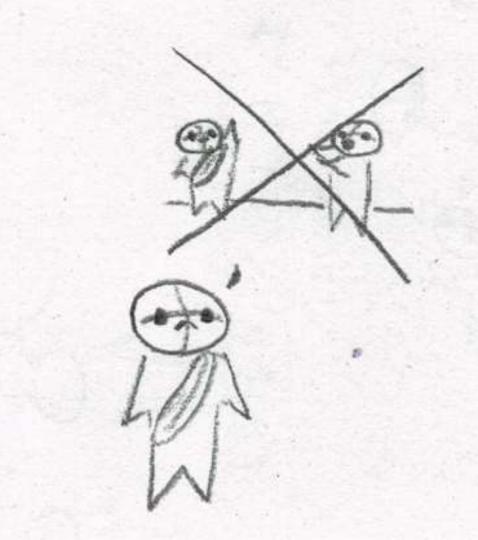
And they said,

"Is not this Joseph's son?"





What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well. no prophet
is acceptable
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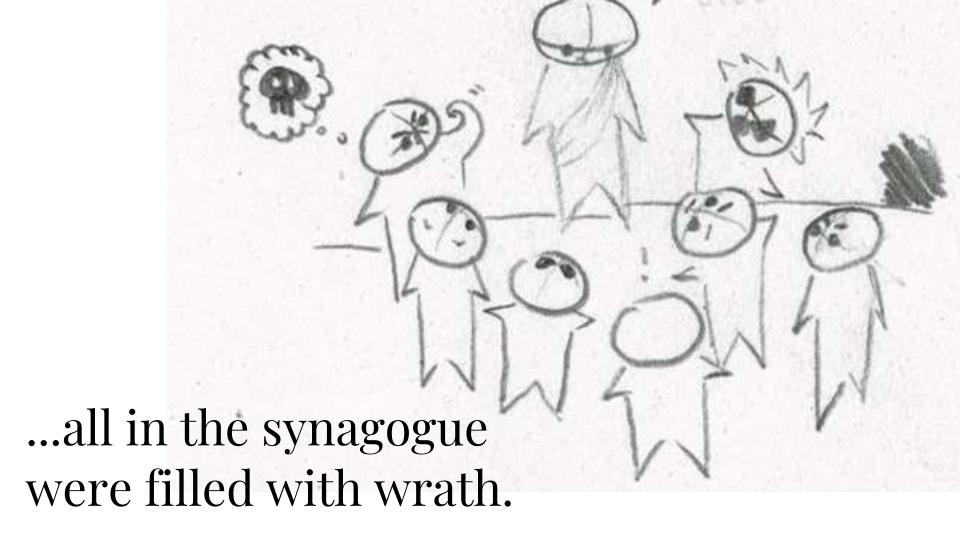
... in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow.

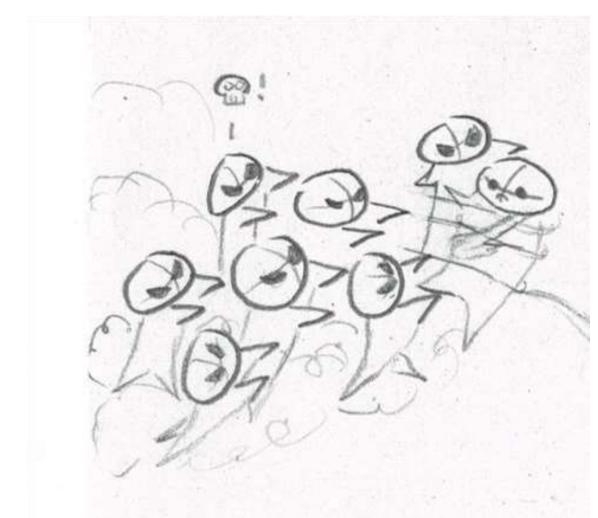
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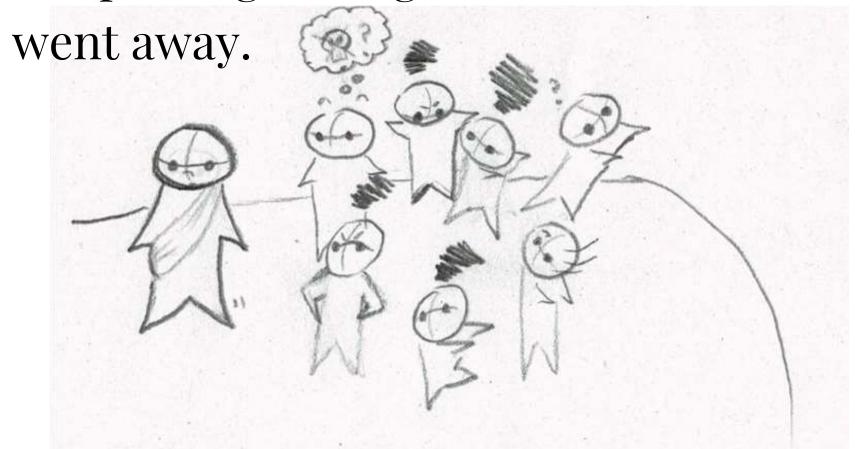
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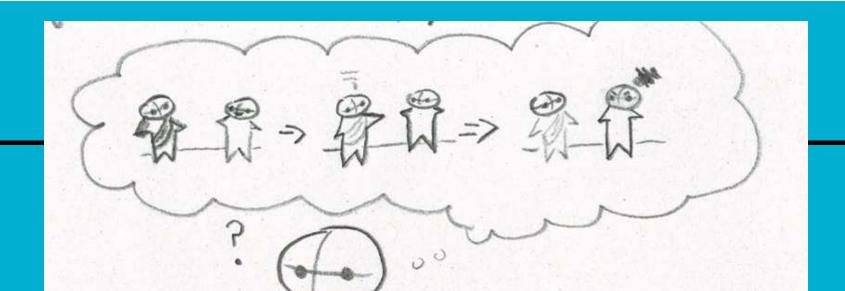




But passing through their midst, he



Why did Jesus do that?



Jesus' reputation was good

Luke 2:52 - ...favor with God and man.

Luke 4:14-15 - ...glorified by all.

Luke 4:22 – ...all spoke well... marveled



Reread Luke

4:23-27

Which parts of Jesus' speech probably made them mad?



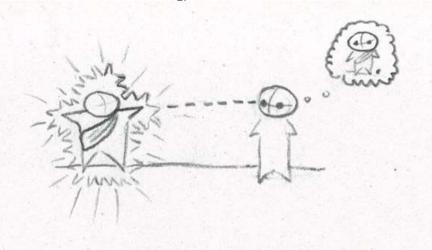
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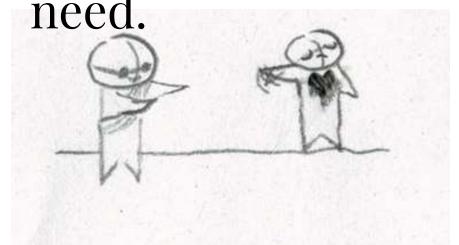


Why did Jesus do that?

They missed His identity.



They did not know their own need.



Sandwich 1

Stood up Book given

Opened

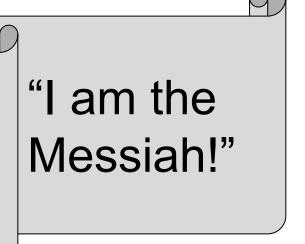
Gave it back Sat down "I am the Messiah!"

Came to... He stood Marvel

Wrath They rose Went away

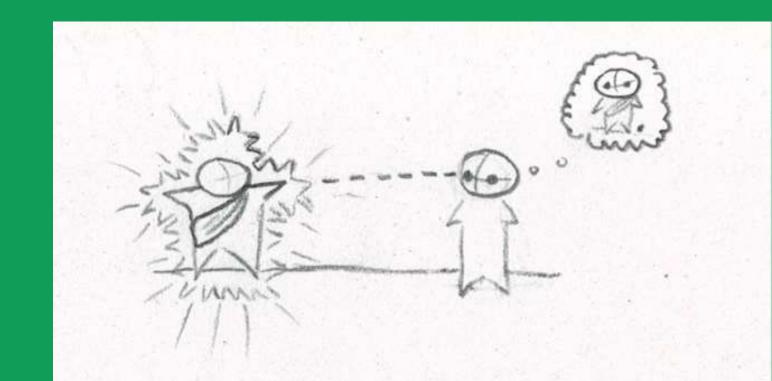
Sandwich 2

Is not this Joseph's son?





They missed Jesus' identity.



They didn't need a hometown boy to make them proud. They needed a Messiah to make them free.

Isn't this Joseph's son?



Isn't Jesus just...



... a great moral teacher ... a model human

... an avatar of God

... a social justice warrior ... nonconformist

Jesus has no interest in being your mascot.

He wants to be your master.

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Luke 4:23

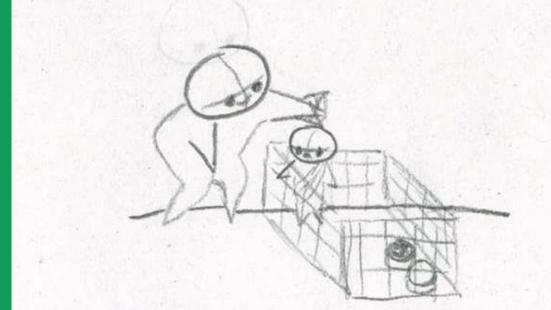
And he said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb,

"Physician, heal yourself." What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well."

Do you have a God who can offend you?



Too many people use spirituality like a pet.



Humility → growth

Athletes

Musicians

Scholars

Jesus refuses to walk on anybody's leash.





Do you have a God who can offend you, or do you treat spirituality like a pet?



Why did Jesus do that?

Why did Luke include that?



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To show that including Gentiles was always part of God's plan.

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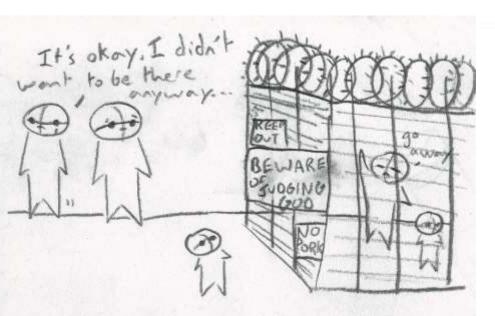
"...in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

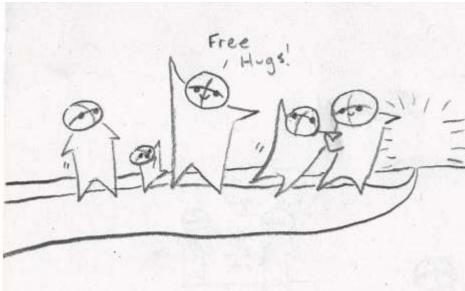
Genesis 12:3

Chosen

Not to exclude

But to invite







Does your culture do this?

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Nazareth

Jerusalem

Angry mob

Out of the city

High place

Kill



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