

# LifeGroup Meeting

Jesus Is My Hero 1  
"Jesus' Mission Statement"

## Get To Know You Question:

Who is the most Spirit filled person you know? How would you describe them?

## Let's Dig Deeper

### Luke 4:18-19

1. Jesus gives his mission statement in **Luke 4:18-19**. He is actually quoting from **Isaiah 61:1-2**. Someone read Isaiah 61:1-2. What did Jesus omit in Isaiah when he spoke in Luke 4? Why do you think this is significant to the mission of Christ?
2. As followers of Christ, his mission should become our mission. With that being said, let's break down his mission statement in Luke 4:18-19 and discuss what it means to Jesus and what it means for us.
  - How did Jesus proclaim the good news to the poor?
    - i. How do we proclaim good news to the poor? Are we doing this?
      1. And...are we talking poor financially or poor in spirit? Or both?
  - How did Jesus proclaim liberty to the captives?
  - How do we proclaim liberty to the captives? Are we doing this?
    - ii. And...what does Jesus mean by captives?
  - How did Jesus recover the sight of the blind?
  - How are we to go out and recover the sight of the blind?
    - iii. And...for us, what does it mean to be blind?
  - How did Jesus set at liberty those who are oppressed?
  - How are we going about bringing liberty to those who are oppressed?
    - iv. And...who are the oppressed?
  - How did Jesus proclaim the year of the Lord's favor?
  - How do we go about proclaiming God's favor to people?
3. What made Jesus stand out above everyone else was his all-encompassing compassion towards all people. Sinners or saints, it didn't matter to Jesus,

he would have compassion on all. Since the pandemic started, where have we shown compassion to people? Explain. Also, where have we lost compassion for people? Explain.

4. There are too many studies to count on how the church is in a massive decline in our culture. More churches are closing their doors than there are of new churches starting. Why do you think this is?
  - Pastor Scott mentioned that legalism has to be one of Jesus' top 10 enemies. Do you believe that legalism has caused the decline in the church? If so, explain.
  - No doubt, there are a lot of Christians that have become judgmental to those outside the church. Do you think this may be the cause of church decline? Explain.
  - Pastor Scott stated that the church is now famously known for what we are against, rather than what we are for, which is Jesus. Do you agree or disagree with this statement?
5. To the men in Basra, Iraq, Jesus (ISA) was a folk hero to them. They yearned to hear of Jesus' stories and how he interacted with people. They longed to get their hands on writings that had Jesus in them. In our culture today, Jesus is no longer a folk hero, he is more like a lost relic or an artifact from another age? How did this happen?
  - In what ways has Jesus lost being a hero in your life?
  - In what ways has Jesus continued to be a hero in your life?
6. As we spend the next several months talking about how Jesus is our hero, what are you looking forward to the most?
7. Pray that Jesus can become more and more a hero in your life. A hero you want to emulate and follow!