



# GRACE OF CHRIST

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LOVE WELL WITH DROPS OF GRACE

January 15, 2021

Dear Grace of Christ Family,

Jesus "went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written,

'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to proclaim good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives  
and recovering of sight to the blind,  
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,  
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.'" (Luke 4.16-19)

After having read the words of the prophet, Jesus proclaimed that what was proclaimed had been fulfilled in Him. He is the anointed One, sent to proclaim good news and to set the captives free.

This weekend our nation commemorates the life and ministry of Martin Luther King Jr. for his devotion to setting captives free and overturning the injustices that continue to exist in our world. Martin Luther King Jr. lived his life by carrying on the mission of Jesus, as many others before and after him have done. You and I are also called and sent to carry on the same mission by proclaiming good news to the poor, giving liberty to the captives, caring and healing the sick and giving freedom to those who are oppressed. That is our calling. That is our mission.

Be praying for God to fulfill the mission of Christ as a Church. Be praying for God to show you your particular mission here on earth. Ask God to use you as a light to the world, a beacon of hope. Pray for God to give you the ability to not only defend your faith, but to also demonstrate your faith as you Love Well with DROPS of Grace. Pay attention to what and/or who God is putting on your heart. What person, or group of people, or injustice weighs heavy on you? What can you do to come alongside those who are perhaps captive by the injustices of this world, or because of their own afflictions? How can you participate in overturning the injustices we continue to face on a daily basis in a God honoring way? Where can you be "Jesus with skin" to those who are oppressed?

Join us this Sunday, either in person or on-line, as Pastor Curt picks up where we left off last week in John 17.11-19. In times that we are experiencing, the world needs

another Martin Luther King. More importantly, the world needs Christ. Believe it or not, you and I have what this world needs.

Because of Christ, and in His Grace,

Pastor Bill