Sunday – May 14, 2023

"No Excuses, No Stopping"
Luke 4:

What things do you experience, see cause you to step back and say, "wow?"
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In Luke's gospel, Luke focusses on the power and authority of Jesus as given to him through God's Spirit. Luke will hold up illustrations of Jesus' supremacy over nature, people and evil forces to teach a non-Jewish audience what is it that sets Jesus apart from other teachers.

Luke 4 starts with Jesus back in his hometown. He reads from Isaiah 61, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me." Read through *Luke 4:18, 19* and jot down all the things Jesus has been anointed and appointed to do. How does the compare to the call God places on each of our lives?
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Jesus is not received well by those who knew him best, so he moves on to Capernaum. The home of Peter, Andrew, James and John.

Read Luke 4:31,32. How is Jesus received here compared to his hometown? How are we received by those who know us, and those who don't?
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Luke uses the word, "amazed" several times.

What amazes me about Jesus?
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Be amazed at the power of Jesus' _____

Read *Luke 4:31,32*.
How do people then respond to Jesus' words? How do people respond? How do I respond?
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Read *2 Timothy 3:16,17* and *Hebrews 4:12*. How is scripture different than other teachings of its kind?
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How do I treat Scripture?
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Be amazed at the power of Jesus' _____.

Read *Luke 4:33-37*.
Describe the extent of Jesus' power? What is its source of origin?
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In this passage, what does Jesus demonstrate his power and authority over? Why are these demonstrations important for me to see?
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Be amazed that Jesus' kingdom will not be _____

Luke 4:42-44.
According to Jesus, what was his mission?
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Luke says Jesus was, "set apart and commissioned (apostellos). To what has God set me apart and commissioned me to do? What prevents me from carrying out my mission?
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Read *Hebrews 12:28* and *Daniel 7:18*. How do these verses encourage me to keep moving forward in spite of opposition I may face?
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This week:
What excuse, what roadblock will I pray and walk through to engage in God's mission for my life? Who will I share this with?

Next Week: "We're Going to Need a Bigger Boat"