

WELCOME HOME? Luke 4:16-30

- 1. What the people wanted to hear (4:16-21)
- 2. The reaction to the teaching of Jesus (4:22)
 - A. RESPECT: "... spoke well of him ..."
 - B. WONDER: "... marveled at his gracious words..."
- 3. What the people didn't want to hear (4:23-27)
- 4. The reaction to the reproof of Jesus (4:28-29)
 - A. ANGER: They were "filled with wrath . . . "
 - B. FORCE: They "rose up and drove him out of the town"
 - C. ATTEMPTED MURDER: They took Jesus to the top of a hill to throw him down the cliff
- 5. Jesus Walks Away (4:30; John 7:30)

Three Truths About "Reproof"

- 1. The Blessing Relational (Proverbs 3:11-12)
- 2. The Promise Renewal (Proverbs 1:22-23)
- 3. The Calling Equipping (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

Discussion Questions

- 1. Read Luke 4:16-30. What two responses did the teaching of Jesus produce? Have you ever been in a conversation where something you said changed the whole tone of the conversation? Discuss.
- 2. Are we willing to listen to the truth about ourselves? Why is it so difficult to accept criticism, even when it is offered in kindness? Discuss (Abide Bible Notes)
- 3. Read Proverbs 1:22-23. Pray that God will help you listen for his reproof and that you receive his wisdom through His words he will "make . . known to you."

Luke 4:16-30 And Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. ¹⁷ And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written, ¹⁸ "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, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." (Isaiah 61:1-2)

²⁰ And Jesus rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹ And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

²² And all <u>spoke</u> well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" 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.'"

²⁴ And he said, "Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. ²⁵ But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, (I Kings 17:1-7) ²⁶ and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. (1 Kings 17:8-24) ²⁷ And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." (2 Kings 5:1-19)

When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. ²⁹ And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. ³⁰ But passing through their midst, he went away.

Proverbs 3:11-12 My son, do not despise the Lord's discipline or be weary of his reproof, ¹² for the Lord reproves him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights.

Proverbs 1:22-23"How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge? ²³ If you turn at my reproof, behold, I will pour out my spirit to you; I will make my words known to you.

II Timothy 3:16-17 All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.