



Pod Bible Reflection Questions for the week of 12/11/16 Isaiah 61:1-11

Follow Up on Last Week's Response

1. When will you spend time in honest repentance with the Lord this week?
2. How will you respond to this passage in your relationship with God (Up)? In your relationship with those in the church (In)? Or, in your relationship with those outside the church (Out)?

Read the Passage(s): Isaiah 61:1-11

Introduction

1. How has some form of breaking led to more effectiveness in your life?
2. Give an example of someone bringing the good news to life for you.

What Does it Say? (Context? Who? What? Where? How? Why? When?)

1. What types of people is the Lord's anointed going to help and what will He do for them? (vs. 1-3)
 - to "proclaim good news to the poor?"
 - to "bind up the brokenhearted?"
 - to "proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners?"
 - to "proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance of our God?"
 - to "comfort all who mourn?"
 - to "provide for those who grieve in Zion?"
 - to "bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair?"
2. Why is the Lord going to do these things? (vs. 8-9)
3. How will God's people respond in the end? (vs. 10-11)

What Does it Mean?

1. What was Jesus communicating when He claimed that Isaiah 61 "is fulfilled in your hearing?" (Lk 4:16-21)
2. In what ways does Christ's life and ministry explain and expand on this passage?
3. Why is it important that we both speak about the good news and bring it to life? (vs. 1-3)
4. Are we called to live the same kind of life and do the same kinds of things Jesus did? Why or why not?
5. How can Jesus practically help the poor? The brokenhearted? The captives? The mourners? (vs. 1-3)

What Will We Do?

1. What is one way you can bring the good news of Jesus to life this week?
2. How can you respond to this passage in your relationship with God (Up)? In your relationship with those in the church (In)? Or, in your relationship with those outside the church (Out)?

Pray Together about What God is Inviting Us to Do