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## Jesus Lives for Justice and Compassion

Luke 4:14-30  
(page 727 in the church Bibles)

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### **Redefined:** Jesus Lives for Justice and Compassion

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Main Idea: Jesus was all about reaching and releasing the poor and oppressed in His world. Are we doing the same in ours?

#### **Connecting**

Describe your hometown. How has it influenced you as an adult?

“Familiarity breeds contempt.” When have you found this saying to be true?

#### **Understanding**

Read Luke 4:14-30. What is Jesus’ mission according to this passage? Whom does He have in mind when He speaks of the poor and oppressed (v. 18)?

Describe the type of “freedom” and “release” that Jesus offers to the oppressed.

What point is Jesus trying to make when He cites the examples of Elijah and Elisha (vv. 25-27)?

Luke tells us that “all spoke well” of Jesus (v. 22). So why do they end up trying to kill Him (28-29)?

#### **Living**

In what ways can our own “familiarity” with Jesus hinder us from responding to His message?

Who are the marginalized in our world? Do we share Christ’s passion to reach them?

Who are the “outsiders” in your life? What steps can you take to serve them?

Which of Blackhawk’s impact ministries are you most passionate about? Why?

Discuss ways that your Life Group can support a local or global impact ministry.

How do you decide which people and organizations to support personally?

Take time to pray for those God is reaching through Blackhawk’s ministries and partnerships.

#### **Sneak Preview**

Next Sunday: *Jesus Heals* - Luke 4:31-5:26

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