

The Jubilee & the Kingdom of God

Selected Scriptures // March 12, 2023



Prepare Your Heart & Mind

Begin this time in prayer, confessing any sins you can recall, thanking the Lord for the gift of His Word, and asking for His Spirit to guide you in your time.

Reflect/Connect

- In what ways were you encouraged by last week's study?
- When was a time in your life when you felt really free?

Reflect/Connect

Use these questions for a time of individual reflection or to connect with others in meaningful conversation.

Grow in the Word

These questions are designed as a guide for individual study and to foster spiritual conversation with a group of people.



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Grow in the Word

The Israelites were called to observe the Jubilee year, sometimes called the favorable year of the Lord, every fifty years. Each Jubilee year, debts were forgiven, slaves were freed, and property was returned to all original owners. In doing so, every Israelite was offered a fresh start to life (Leviticus 25:8-10).

- How would you describe the main purpose of the Jubilee year? Compare translations of verse 10 to get a broader understanding of what God called the Israelites to do.
- What do you learn about God's heart for the Israelites based on the institution of the Jubilee year?

Isaiah spoke for the Messiah and provided a picture of his mission when he arrived: to proclaim good news to the humble, to mend broken hearts, to liberate captives, and to bring judgment and favor (Isaiah 61:1-2).

- What stands out to you most in this description of the Messiah?
- How would you summarize the mission of the Messiah based on these verses?

Grow in the Word

Jesus returned to his home town, entered the Synagogue, stood up, and specifically chose to read Isaiah 61:1-2. He taught the listeners that the prophesy from Isaiah had been fulfilled in that moment (Luke 4:16-21).

- What was Jesus trying to communicate about himself when he said that "this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing"?
- How would you describe the kind of people Jesus sought to serve?
- How did Jesus bring freedom, and how have you experienced it yourself? See Romans 8:1-3; Galatians 5:1, 13; 2 Corinthians 3:17.
- In what ways do you currently need freedom, restoration, and rest?

Upcoming Events

Women's Spring Gathering

Saturday, April 1 | 9:30 am | Fellowship Hall

Ladies, you and a friend are invited to join us for a wonderful morning of fellowship, fun speakers, brunch, and more! Register online or in the app to save your spot!

Missions Prayer Gathering

March 26 | 12:15 pm | 111 Ivywood

Join us as we pray over the people in Asia and specifically our mission partners serving there. You can find this quarter's prayer guide online or in the Foyer on Sunday.