Sermon Notes

Insights from Luke

#9 – "Who Better to Preach the Gospel than Jesus Himself" – Luke 4:14-30

- I. Introduction
 - A. What was the best sermon you ever heard?
 - 1. Special ones from the past; Perhaps those during a crisis.
 - B. But what about the first sermon you ever heard?
 - 1. Can you remember?
 - C. First impressions count
 - 1. First words, first impressions
 - 2. Note Jesus' first words Luke 2:49b
 - 3. Today's message: Jesus' first sermon as noted by Luke.
 - D. Reading of the text: Luke 4:14-30
- II. Exposition
 - A. Luke 4:14-16
 - 1. Known throughout Galilee
 - 2. Strong synagogue presence
 - a. Facts about synagogues
 - b. Order of worship in a synagogue.
 - 1. William Hendriksen
 - B. Luke 4:17-20
 - 1. The reading from Isaiah 61:1-2; 58:6
 - 2. Note the four groups
 - a. The P_____
 - b. The C_____
 - c. The B_____
 - d. The O
 - 3. Understanding the four socially.

4. Understanding the four spiritually – they are also metaphors
of man's state before God.
a. The Poor
b. The Captive
c. The Blind
d. The Oppressed
5. This is how the gospel should be
6. Note use of the word "Proclaim."
C. Luke 4:21
1. What did He say???
D. Luke 4:22-24
 Awe over His presentation and command of Scripture. a. Similar to Matthew 7:28-29
 Note proverb – In other words "Prove it". a. The unbelieving always want proof – Matt. 12:38; 16:1-4
E. Luke 4:25-27
 Two illustrations from the lives of Elijah and Elisha. a. Elijah – helped one of Israel's arch-enemies. b. Elisha – helped not only a Gentile but also a L c. Jesus point: Salvation is at hand, but only for the h
F. Luke 4:28-30
1. A sad state of affairs – Matthew 6:6; 13:58
2. No seeker-friendly message.
3. Jesus miraculously avoids the danger of the crowd.
III. Points for Reflection
A. Murder of the savior is the expected response of the unbelieving world.

B. If you take this gospel to the unbelieving, they will want to

C. Preaching must contain the Law and the Gospel.

D. My greatest problem in life is solved.

assassinate you, too!