



Virginia Agape International Baptist Church

Children's Cell Newsletter

May 7, 2023

Dear Parents,

Thank you so much for allowing your child to join our service. I'd love for you to use this newsletter to review this week's Bible story with your child at home.

Today, we'll learn that **"People Rejected Jesus"** (Luke 4). *According to the Bible, long before Jesus was born, Isaiah the prophet talked about God's plan to send a Messiah to earth. Jesus is the Messiah God promised to send. Jesus would bring good news and help people who were hurting.*

Review the gospel and encourage your child to speak with you if they have questions. Remind your child that the people of Nazareth knew about Jesus and had read the scroll of Isaiah, but they didn't fully understand who Jesus is or why He came. Help your child understand that rather than believe in Him, they rejected Him. Remind your child that by faith, we can believe in Jesus and trust in Him for Salvation. Then pray, asking God to help us live by faith and trust in Jesus.

Grace and blessings in Christ,

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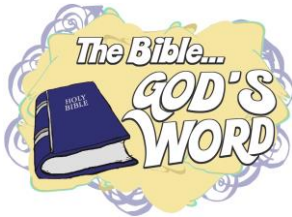
People Rejected Jesus

BIBLE PASSAGE: **Luke 4**

KEY PASSAGE: **Hebrews 11:6**

BIG PICTURE QUESTION: *How can we be saved?*

We are only saved through faith in Jesus.



learn about the Scriptures.

Jesus went to the town of Nazareth where He had lived when He was a boy. He traveled all around, teaching people about God. On the Sabbath day, Jesus went to the synagogue in Nazareth. The synagogue was a special building where Jews met together to pray, worship, and

learn about the Scriptures. Jesus stood up to read Scripture. He unrolled the scroll of the prophet Isaiah and read: “The Spirit of the Lord is on Me. He has chosen Me to tell good news to the poor. He has sent Me to tell the captives that they are free, to tell the blind that they can see, to free people who have been treated badly, and to announce that the Lord’s favor is on us.” Then Jesus rolled up the scroll. He gave it to the attendant and sat down.

Everyone in the synagogue stared at Jesus. Jesus said, “Today as you listened to Me reading these words, they came true.”

The people said good things about Jesus, and they were amazed at Him. But some of the people in Nazareth had known Jesus from His youth. “Isn’t this Joseph’s son?” they asked.



They expected the Messiah to be someone else.



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Jesus said, “No prophet is accepted in his hometown.” Jesus told the people about times when God used prophets to help people who were not Jews. He reminded them of Elijah and Elisha. When there was a terrible famine in Israel and no rain fell there for three and a half years, plenty of widows in the country needed help. But the prophet Elijah did not help the widows in Israel. Instead, God sent Elijah to help a widow in another land.

And when Elisha was a prophet, many people in Israel had leprosy. They wanted to be healed, but Elisha did not heal them. Instead, he healed a man named Naaman (NAY muhn), and Naaman was from Syria—a country that hated God’s people.

The people in the synagogue were angry. They forced Jesus out of town. They wanted to throw Him off a cliff, but Jesus walked right through the crowd and went on His way.

Jesus read Isaiah’s words and announced that He is the promised Messiah. The people of Nazareth rejected Jesus because of their unbelief. God invites us to trust in His Son, Jesus. Jesus came into the world to rescue sinners.

Key Passage



And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

« *Hebrews 11:6* »

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REMINDER

[Important Notice]

- ✓ Children's cell worship service will start at 12:00 noon.
- ✓ Please encourage and help your child to read and write the Bible. The next Bible quiz will be from **1 Samuel 13**.
- ✓ **Upcoming:**
Bible Writing Awards on May 28.
- ✓ Remind your children **not to play with electronic devices or toys** such as smartphones or dolls, during our service.
- ✓ Our prayer is that the children's time spent in our church would encourage them to trust Christ as Savior, to submit to Him, and to live out the Gospel wherever they are.



"People Were Amazed by Jesus"
(Luke 4)



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