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How (Not) to Respond to the Good News

Discussion Guide
September 23, 2018
Luke 4:14-30

Questions for Study

** Before you begin, please read Luke 4:14-30 as a group.

1. Imagine asking 5-7 people on the street "Who is Jesus?" What answers do you think you would get?
2. Why is this "Who is Jesus?" question so fundamentally important?
3. Read Luke 4:14-21. From this passage, list as many observations as you can about who Jesus is and why He's come.
4. Are there other key Bible passages that come to mind, that help us know who Jesus is and why He's come? Read those other passages as well and record any additional observations.
5. Once you've listed your observations (see previous two questions), summarize what you've learned in a sentence or 2-3 short phrases.
6. Why is this truth about who Jesus is and why He's come good news?
7. Now read Luke 4:22-30. How do the people respond to Jesus in this passage? What surprises you about this?
8. Compare the peoples' response in Luke 4:22 with their response in Luke 4:28-29. Why this sudden change in attitude?
9. Luke 4:28-29 shows us how NOT to respond to Jesus. How does each of the following show us the RIGHT way to respond to Jesus?
 - Faith
 - Humility
 - Obedience
10. Are there any other "right ways" to respond to Jesus' identity and mission that haven't been mentioned already? What else might you add? (Explain why you make any suggestions you offer, and do your best to support your ideas with Scripture.)
11. Reflect on the right ways to respond to Jesus that have been brought up. Which of these do you need to consciously apply in your life this week? In practical terms, what will this look like?
12. **Challenge: Memorize John 6:68-69:** "68 Simon Peter answered [Jesus], "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. 69 We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God."