

COMMUNITY GROUP GUIDE

Good News for Everyone Message Series

Aiming to Please
for the week of January 17, 2020

1. Discuss the difference between being a people-pleaser and “not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of others.” (Philippians 2:4)

Who we try to please drastically affects how we live out our daily lives. This week we'll learn who Jesus focused on pleasing. *Read Luke 4:14-23.*

2. We see that Jesus was praised by everyone during his early ministry (v15). What are the dangers of finding our sense of worth from the praise of others?
3. In verses 18-21 Jesus reads from Isaiah. What does this passage have to teach us about Jesus' mission?
4. How do the people respond to Jesus' declaration? Consider both their verbal response as well as what Jesus knows of their thoughts.
5. What do you think Jesus might have said after this if he were concerned with keeping his audience happy? What concessions might he have made?

Read Luke 4:24-30

6. Why does Jesus use the examples of Elijah and Elisha in addressing the people?
7. What is their response to his teaching? Why do you think they have a mind to kill Jesus at this point?
8. Why was Jesus able to stay focused on honoring God even when it meant upsetting people?
9. Is there something you feel called to that will please God, even though it might anger/frustrate/let down somebody else? What might you miss out on if you choose to please people?
10. How can the group pray for you in that situation?



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