

Morning Star Las Cruces 2025 Discussion Questions

Series: The Big Idea
Title: Good News
Text: Luke 4:16–21

1. Can you remember a time when you unexpectedly received good news? What was it like to

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- hear, and how did it affect you?
- 2. When you think about "good news" today, what kinds of messages lift your spirit or give you hope?
- 3. What stood out to you in the message titled, "The Big Idea: Good News?" Did a word, image or story invite you to think differently about Jesus' announcement in the synagogue?
- 4. Read Luke 4:16-21. What do you notice about the way Jesus claims this prophecy as his mission? How do you imagine the people in the synagogue felt when they heard him say, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled?"

5. Jesus describes good news in terms of release, healing and freedom. Which of these resonates most deeply with you right now? Where in your own life, or in the world around you, do you sense a need for release, healing or freedom?
6. What does it look like for the church today to bring good news to the poor, the oppressed and the captive? How do we currently embody this mission in our own community? What else could we do?
7. Read Isaiah 61:1-2. How does hearing the original prophetic voice alongside Jesus' fulfillment deepen your understanding of his mission? What do these words say about your own purpose as a follower of Jesus?
8. Read Mark 1:14-15. Jesus proclaims the good news that the kin-dom of God has come near. How does this announcement shape your sense of what the gospel is really about? What does it mean to repent and believe, today?
9. In terms of a plan for reading the whole Bible for deeper understanding, why might Pastor Amy suggest beginning with the narrative of Jesus' birth, life, death and resurrection?
10. How can your group pray for you as you seek not only to hear the good news of Jesus but also to share it through words and actions?