

Centering Well-Being: The Gospel of Well-Being Luke 4:18-19

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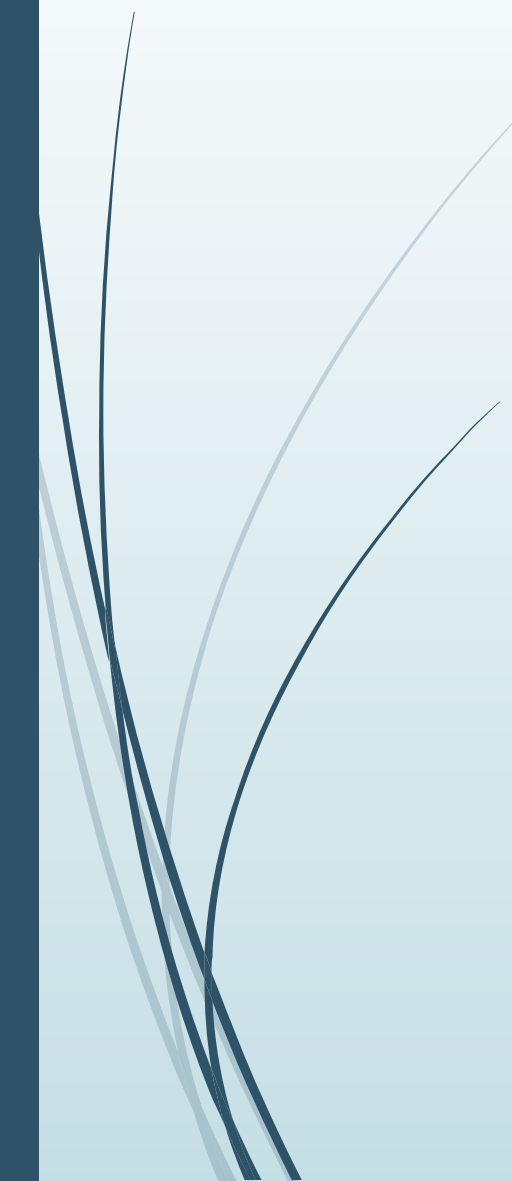


Where We've Been

- ▶ Part 1: Tearing Down Strongholds -Pastor Bob Gray
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Where We're Going

- ▶ Part 3: It Begins In Your Mind- Pastor Carrington
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Part 2: The Gospel Of Well-Being -Pastor Ray Hammond

Luke 4:18

“The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free,”

Someone give me the context and the situation.



What are the Key Indicators of Well-Being?

1. Peace in spite of the circumstances.
2. Contentment (Okay with where you are and what you have)
3. Gratitude: Being grateful for what you have!!!!
4. Reasonable Portion of Your Health!!!!!!
5. Rested and Resting
6. Willingness to Share - Generosity (Brother Al Coombs' Son)
7. A Sense of JOY in Life

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“The spirit of the Lord is upon me”

- What did this mean for Jesus and the people of his time
- What power do we have because of the Spirit living in us?

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“Because he has anointed me”

- ▶ What does this mean for Jesus and the people of his time?
- ▶ What does this mean for us to be anointed by God in this moment?
- ▶ How does one know that they are anointed and for what?

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“To proclaim good news to the poor”

- Of all the things to say, Jesus begins with “the poor.”
- What did this mean for Jesus and the people of his time?
- What does this mean for us and how we approach our work?



“To proclaim good news to the poor”

- ▶ How does this focus on the poor align with the teachings and narratives of the Hebrew Bible?
- ▶ When Jesus says the poor, does he literally mean the poor? (People interpret this often as the poor in spirit)
- ▶ What material conditions affect your life if you and your community are poor in resources?

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“Proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind”

- ▶ Jesus becomes even more specific as he quotes Isaiah, why?
- ▶ What does this mean for Jesus and the people of his time?
- ▶ What does this mean for us?
- ▶ Specifically, how do we make meaning of “recovery of sight to the Blind?”

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“To set the oppressed free,”

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- What does this mean for us?