

SERIES: *why?*

Pastor Chris Kroll

DATE: Saturday - Sunday, July 2-3, 2022

SERMON: Why Is Freedom so Valuable?

SCRIPTURE: Luke 4:14-30 ESV

[14] And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country.

[15] And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all.

[16] And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read.

[17] And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written,

[18] "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed,

[19] to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

[20] And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him.

[21] And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

[22] And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, "Is not this Joseph's son?"

[23] And he said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Physician, heal yourself." What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well."

[24] And he said, "Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown.

[25] But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land,

[26] and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow.

[27] And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian."

[28] When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath.

[29] And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff.

[30] But passing through their midst, he went away.

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1. Jesus' _____ was _____.

- The Gospel is a declaration of _____.
- The declaration is for _____.

2. Jesus can provide _____ because He is the _____.

- Christ = _____
- Anointed = _____ and _____

3. Jesus gives _____ for all eternity, starting _____.

- There is both a _____ and a _____ reality to Jesus' Freedom
- The _____ is now _____, but it won't always be.
- We have a unique opportunity to shine the _____.

Lagniappe

Over the next few weeks, I want to highlight some of the ministries of First Baptist Church. And the question I ask is: "**Did you know?**"

Today, we want you to look at some of our **SUPPORT GROUP MINISTRIES**. These are practical and caring groups to help you navigate life in difficult times.

GriefShare

Thursdays @ 9:30AM-10:45AM Room W412

Wednesdays @ 6:30PM-7:45PM Room W407

You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. There is no cost for the class or materials. *For more info contact Pastor Glynn Robinson at grobinson@fbccov.org*

DivorceCare

Wednesdays @ 6:30PM-7:45PM **WILL RESUME August 17th**

Find help and healing for the hurt of separation and divorce. DivorceCare is a video driven class that is designed to help those going through this painful and trying time with a group of caring people on the same road. The group is facilitated and led by individuals who understand. There is no cost for the class or materials. *For more info contact Pastor Glynn Robinson at grobinson@fbccov.org*

Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group

1st & 3rd Monday each Month @ 1:30PM Room W415

The group meetings last about 1 hour and provide emotional and spiritual support for those caring for loved ones with Alzheimer's or dementia, as well as resources for caregiving and caregivers. There is no cost for the group meetings or materials. *Contact Linda Rockett for more information at dlrockett@gmail.com*

Celebrate Recovery

Tuesdays @ 7:00PM-9:00PM Central Hall

CR is a ministry that facilitates God's healing and frees adults from addictive, compulsive, or self-destructive behaviors. The eight guiding principles of the program allow participants to find a new rhythm in their journey through life. Large group meets at 7:00PM in Central Hall followed by Open Share Small Groups at 8:00PM. The group is free of charge and Childcare is available. *Contact Pastor David Logan at dlogan@fbccov.org for more information.*

