Everyday Angels - Everyday People

This is a prophecy given to Isaiah, but in Luke 4:18-20 we see Jesus effectively 'own' it as He declares it in the temple at Nazareth.

The first verses speak of Jesus' call/mission and are all very positive.

What do you make of the second line of **v2**? It seems to stand out as a challenging, negative thing to proclaim.

But proclaiming "the day of vengeance of our God" is in fact part of the Good News, because we cannot speak the truth about coming judgement without also speaking about redemption & salvation through Christ.

Do you recognise the three sections of the RBC Purpose statement in **v1-4**?

Loving Our Community / Sharing God's Hope / Seeing Lives Transformed

Although this prophecy is written about Jesus, we have heard that we are to do the things Jesus did, and even greater things (John 14:12); and in **v4-5** we see the outcome of following Jesus' call. What themes do we see there?

Planting and growth, restoration and redemption, new generations

"Today and every day, remember to do the something that you can do to be Good News."

Ben Cutting

"Ooze the Good News wherever you are." Chris Duffett

Below is my annotated version of Isaiah 61 in case it is helpful.

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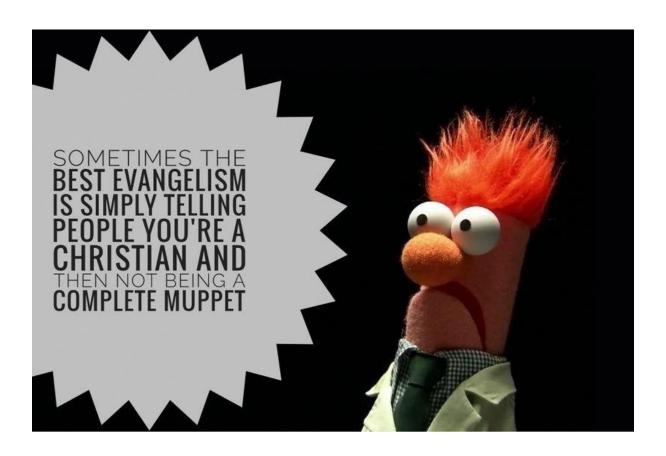


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A word that scares Christians



The Year of the LORD's Favor

known to us

61 The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me, (we are to do what Jesus did) because the LORD has anointed me What is 'good news'? (See below) to proclaim good news to the poor. Loving our He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, Community and release from darkness for the prisoners, a - light without 2 to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor - God's blessing and the day of vengeance of our God, (+ redemption - requiring salvation!) [deliverance + protection to comfort all who mourn, God's intention to rescue his people - Good News and provide for those who grieve in Zionto bestow on them a crown of beauty - Clothe them with. Share God's Hope instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness, Outcome of the Seeing Lives Transformed a planting of the LORD Planting + growth for the display of his splendor. (see 111) ⁴They will rebuild the ancient ruins Restoration and restore the places long devastated; Redemption they will renew the ruined cities that have been devastated for generations. 5 Strangers will shepherd your flocks; - new generation of Ministers/Edeo those who are not yet part of RBC foreigners will work your fields and vineyards. - new generation of + not yet oven

⁶ And you will be called priests of the LORD,

you will be named ministers of our God.

Blessins

You will feed on the wealth of nations, and in their riches you will boast.

⁷ Instead of your shame

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you will receive a double portion,

and instead of disgrace

you will rejoice in your inheritance.

And so you will inherit a double portion in your land, and everlasting joy will be yours.

8 "For I, the LORD, love justice;
I hate robbery and wrongdoing.

In my faithfulness I will reward my people and make an everlasting covenant with them.

⁹Their descendants will be known among the nations and their offspring among the peoples.

All who see them will acknowledge that they are a people the LORD has blessed."

¹⁰ I delight greatly in the LORD; my soul rejoices in my God.

For he has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of his righteousness, as a bridegroom adorns his head like a priest, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

11 For as the soil makes the sprout come up and a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign LORD will make righteousness and praise spring up before all nations.

FAITHFULNESS

Life + Growth