

REBUILDING BROKEN LIVES

Isaiah 61:1

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners,

Today's Focus: God rebuilds broken lives.

My Decision: I will share the good news with others.

Recognize God's Program. (vs. 1)

1. Preach the good news to the _____. (Mark 12:37)
2. Bind up the _____. (Luke 4:18)
3. Proclaim freedom for the _____. (John 8:36)
4. Proclaim release from _____. (Luke 4:18)
5. Proclaim the year of the Lord's _____. (2 Corinthians 6:1-2)

Reject the Pitfalls. (vs. 2)

to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn,

1. Trying to do God's work in our own _____. (Luke 4:14)
2. Thinking we will always have people's _____.
(Luke 4:28-29)
3. Thinking our habits are _____. (Luke 4:16)

Respond to the Possibilities. (vs. 3)

and provide for those who grieve in Zion— to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendor.

Two Ways We Can Respond:

1. Reject His attempts to move us out of our _____ zone. (Matthew 5:13)
2. Cheerfully sign up for _____. (Acts 6:5-7)