

# Lesson Guide 14 – Jesus’ Rejection at Nazareth

## Luke 4:14-30

Pre-class Activity – Starter Worksheet (Brainercise Answer: **Umbrella**, Who Am I: **King Herod**)

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### Prayer Requests

- Praise
- Thanksgiving
- Concern
- Grow up to be like Jesus

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### Jesus’ Rejection at Nazareth

- Jesus attends synagogue in Nazareth
  - “Synagogue” is a Greek word that literally means a gathering of people but also refers to the place of assembly.
- Jesus stands up to read from a scroll from the prophet Isaiah
- Jesus reads passage from Isaiah 61:1-2
  - 1 The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me, because the LORD has anointed me to proclaim 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,
  - 2 to proclaim the year of the LORD’s favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn

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- Jesus says passage was fulfilled in their hearing
- People are amazed and ask, “Isn’t this Joseph’s son?”
- Jesus says a prophet has no honor in his hometown
- In the past, God sent prophets to those outside the nation of Israel
- The people in the synagogue become furious
- The attempt to throw Jesus off a cliff outside the city
- Jesus walks through the crowd and goes on his way

### Discussion Questions

**Question 1:** Is there someone you would normally avoid that you need to invite to your home to share this Good News?

**Question 2:** How is it that the people can be amazed at the teaching of Jesus and soon afterwards want Him out of their lives?

*Circled numbers correspond to Presentation Slides*