

## Sermon Series: **TIMES OF REFRESHING**

*Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out, that **TIMES OF REFRESHING** may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus.*

*Acts 3:19-20*

### **THE ONE YOU'RE LOOKING FOR!**

*Luke 4:16-21*

- I. **Man's RELIGIOUS ROUTINE.**
- II. **Jesus' RADICAL REVELATION.**
- III. **Our REQUIRED RESPONSE.**

- I. **Man's RELIGIOUS ROUTINE.**

*Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they were astonished. And they recognized that they had been with Jesus. Acts 4:13*

- II. **Jesus' RADICAL REVELATION.**

#### **1. Forgiveness. ("to proclaim good news to the poor" v. 18)**

*And every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God...*

*Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.*

*Hebrews 10:11-12; 18*

#### **2. Freedom. ("to proclaim liberty to the captives....to set at liberty those who are oppressed" v. 19)**

*Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin.....So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. John 8: 34, 36*

*But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. Malachi 4:2*

#### **3. Favor. ("to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor" v. 20)**

*How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! If I would count them, they are more than the sand. I awake, and I am still with you. Psalm 139:17*

**"There beats a heart in heaven that always loves us; a tongue that always pleads for us; and an arm that always fights for us." Charles Spurgeon**

### III. Our REQUIRED RESPONSE.

*When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. 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. But passing through their midst, he went away. Luke 4:28-30*

*Then they said to him, "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." John 6:28-29*

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**"From your heroes you pick up mannerisms and phrases and habits. And the more intense your admiration, the more profound your transformation. In the case of Jesus, He is infinitely more admirable, and our admiration rises to absolute worship. Therefore, when we behold Him as we should, the change is profound."  
John Piper.**