



STONEBRIDGE
CHURCH

PART 1
LUKE 18:9-25
JULY 30, 2023

BEING LED BY THE SPIRIT

BECOMING MORE LIKE JESUS

ANCHORS

DOING THE GOOD WORKS GOD HAS
PREPARED US TO DO

SERVING WHERE GOD HAS PLANTED US



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Doing Good Works &
Serving Where You Are

FOUR ANCHORS

Values that keep us tied to what work God wants to do in us and through us

Developing deep roots – work God is doing in us

- Becoming more like Jesus – Romans 8.29
- Being led by the Spirit – Galatians 5.25

Humility – acknowledged dependence

- Without humility we will struggle to be led by Spirit
- Humility is soil in which fruit of the Spirit grow



FOUR ANCHORS

Growing broad branches – work God is doing through us in our community/world

- Doing the good works God has prepared for us to do – Ephesians 2.10; ‘doing your deal’
- Serving where God has planted us – Jeremiah 29.4-7; ‘finding your Marietta’



Isaiah 61: Jesus' Job Description

Luke 4.18-21

- The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. (Isa 61.1)
- He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners (Isa 61.1)
- And recovery of sight for the blind, (Isa 61.1; Greek version of OT)
- To set the oppressed free, (Isa 58.6)
- To proclaim the year of the Lord's favor. (Isa 61.2)
- Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.



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Messiah-King's Mission

Anoint – to pour oil on someone as symbol of:

- God setting them apart for a special role
- God empowering them for that special role

To proclaim good news to the poor

- Poor – the humble; those who are looking to God for their help
- Good news – the Messiah-King is coming to establish His Kingdom



GOOD NEWS TO THE POOR LOOKS LIKE

- **Healing** - binding up the broken-hearted; bandaging the wounds of those beaten up by living life in fallen world
- **Deliverance** - proclaiming freedom for the captives/release from darkness for the prisoners; setting people free from whatever holds them – sin, lies, fears, ignorance, etc.
- **Comforting/encouraging** - comforting those who mourn/providing for those who grieve in Zion; consoling the grieving and addressing causes of grief



AS FOLLOWERS OF JESUS WE RECEIVE

- A new identity – oaks of righteousness
- A new responsibility
 - To proclaim good news to the poor
 - Healing
 - Delivering
 - Comforting/encouraging
 - To rebuild, restore, renew

Government/legal	Family
Education	Church
Arts/Culture	Business
Science/Medicine/ Tech	

WAYS TO EXPLORE

- Pray – ask God to show you the good works He has prepared for you to do
 - Note – you will be well-suited to these good works; they will ‘fit’ you
- Serve – get involved w/an opportunity that stirs you
- Email kim@stonebridgemarietta.org
 - Deep Roots – every Aug/Jan
 - Internship – if discerning a calling into missions/church work
 - DYD Fund – grants available to help you launch

