

Chapter XXIV - "Is Not This the Carpenter's Son?"

- A. Read [Luke 4:23-27](#). Out of the many lepers that lived in Elisha's time, why was only Naaman healed?
- B. "Truth was unpopular in Christ's day. It is unpopular in our day." What are some contemporary theories and doctrines that have no foundation in God's Word?
- C. Many people rejected Christ because their deficiencies of character demanded repentance and they were unwilling to change. Is there anything in your life that keeps you from living a life totally committed to God?

Additional Thoughts

- 1. Luke 4:14 "*Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit...*"(NIV) What does that mean? *
- 2. Read Luke 4:16 and 2:20 Why do you think He stood read and sat down to talk?
- 3. Why did it offend the Nazarenes to be referred to as prisoners? (Page 237 or 124L)
- 4. Why had God not helped other widows at the time of Elijah? (Page 238 or 124R)
- 5. What does our standing before God depend upon? (Page 239 or 125L)
- 6. Why did Christ omit a phrase when quoting scripture? See Isaiah 61:1,2, and Luke 4:18,19.
- 7. How dangerous is unbelief and its control of a person? (Page 241 or 126R)
- 8. What clouded the minds of the Jews so that they could not see the evidences of Jesus Messiahship? (Page 242 or 127L)
- 9. Why did it bother the people to see Jesus blessing others and not them? Was it simple jealousy? (Page 243 or 127R)
- 10. Personal views: List a favorite section from the reading or some new thought from this reading.

* SDABC on verse 14. Power. ... Gr. *dunamis*, "power," whence the English word "dynamite" is derived.... The Holy Spirit is the active agent in both creation (see Gen 1:2) and recreation (see John 3:5). The kingdom of God was to come "with power" (see Mark 9:1).