SERMON SERIES: 52

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Sermon Title:

"Can Jesus Be Trusted With What He Says?"

Introduction

This week in our 52 series, we are going to ask the question, "Can Jesus be trusted with what he says?" Jesus makes some bold claims about who he is, and many people reject the claims that Jesus makes about himself. But we can find peace in knowing that we can in fact trust what Jesus says.

Tell a story about a time you've made some bold claims about yourself.

Seek the Word

- Read Luke 4:14-30. Jesus is rejected by the people in the synagogue because he does not fit their expectation of the Messiah. What are some other times that Jesus is rejected because he doesn't meet others' expectations?
- In Luke 4:24-27 Jesus notes that God's work is not just Israel, but for the foreigners as well. What are some ways that Jesus blesses non-israelite people?

Go Deeper

Read John 6:60-69. Jesus makes some bold claims about himself when he claims to be the Bread of Life and to be better than Moses. What are the differences between the responses of the twelve verses the the response of the crowd?

Talk About It

- What are some of the ways that you have allowed yourself to rewrite the truths of Jesus in your life? What are the actual truths that Jesus says about himself?
- What is something that helped you realize that Jesus has all power and authority?
- Does your personal good news ever get in the way of the Good News Jesus brings?
 How can you submit it to Jesus?
- Who are some enemies in your life that need the Good News of Jesus? How can you bring the Good News to them?

Wrap Up

Reminder: The Good News is for everyone.

Challenge: Identify someone in your life that seems like an enemy. Spend some time this week praying that they are receptive to the Good News of Jesus.