

Christmas is...

LESSON 3 // THE GIFT OF POSSIBILITIES

Big Idea: Christmas is the gift of possibilities. Jesus' coming unlocked many amazing and wonderful possibilities to you. Jesus opens your eyes to a new way of living, a new set of values, a new sense of purpose and hope for the future. He opens your spiritual ears so you can hear clearly. And He gives you the ability walk and live holy and whole—now and eternally.

Luke 4:16-21 (NIV) *He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."*

Start Talking:

What is one thing you thought was impossible that God has made possible in your life?

Start Thinking:

Read John 9:1-7, 25. How does Jesus bring spiritual sight to those who are spiritually blind?

Read Luke 4:16-21. What new way of living and hope does Jesus open up for us as we trust and follow Him?

Read Matthew 13:15. Why is it important to allow Jesus to heal any hardness of heart we might have? What possibilities do we miss out on if we don't allow Him to do this?

Read John 10:10 and 11:25-26. What do these verses tell you about the life Jesus provides for those who believe in Him? How have you experience this in your walk with the Lord?

Start Praying:

Pray that you will understand and grab hold of the opportunities Jesus wants to make possible in your life.

Start Doing:

Believe God to do something new in your life in this season that would help you move forward in your relationship with Him and your impact for His kingdom.

Maybe this would involve giving or serving at church more consistently, beginning to fast as a regular spiritual discipline, or stepping up to be part of the outreach of your church. The Lord has new possibilities for you—ask Him to show you what they are!