



Canceling Christ

Luke 4:16: ¹⁶He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom.

Luke 4:16b-22: He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: ^{18a}"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, ¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." ²⁰Then 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. ²¹He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." ²²All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his lips. "Isn't this Joseph's son?" they asked.

Luke 3:22-23: ²²and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased." ²³Now Jesus himself was about thirty years old when he began his ministry. He was the son, so it was thought, of Joseph.

Luke 4:23-24: ²³ Jesus said to them, "Surely you will quote this proverb to me: 'Physician, heal yourself!' And you will tell me, 'Do here in your hometown what we have heard that you did in Capernaum.'" ²⁴"Truly I tell you," he continued, "no prophet is accepted in his hometown. (NIV)

Luke 4:24 "Well, let me tell you something" – Eugene Peterson

Luke 4:25-29: ²⁵I assure you that there were many widows in Israel in Elijah's time, when the sky was shut for three and a half years and there was a severe famine throughout the land. ²⁶Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them, but to a widow in Zarephath in the region of Sidon. ²⁷And there were many in Israel with leprosy in the time of Elisha the prophet, yet not one of them was cleansed—only Naaman the Syrian. ²⁸All the people in the synagogue were furious when they heard this. ²⁹They got up, drove him out of the town, and took him to the brow of the hill on which the town was built, in order to throw him off the cliff.

"Jesus goes from hero to hated in three verses"
 "They continually did evil in the eyes of the Lord"
 "All the people worshipped other gods"

2 Kings 5:9-11, 12b-13.: ⁹So Naaman went with his horses and chariots and stopped at the door of Elisha's house. ¹⁰Elisha sent a messenger to say to him, "Go, wash yourself seven times in the Jordan, and your flesh will be restored and you will be cleansed." ¹¹But Naaman went away angry and said, "I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, wave his hand over the spot and cure me of my leprosy. ... So he turned and went off in a rage. ¹²Naaman's servants went to him and said, "My father, if the prophet had told you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much more, then, when he tells you, 'Wash and be cleansed!'"

Θυμός – thumos: boiling up anger and soon subsiding, a flash/burst of anger
 המה – hema: heat, rage, hot displeasure, indignation, burning anger

Luke 4:28 - When they heard this, all the people in the synagogue were filled with rage.

2 Kings 5:12 - So he turned and went off in a rage.

deflect, divert, attack and defend

Slowing things down and sitting with discomfort.

"over the years...people sometimes question me on the user-friendliness of the whole idea. Typically I get, 'How am I supposed to go look up a message and use it when I'm triggered? It feels clunky...and it takes time!' Toward this end, I spent years contemplating how the indexing of the set could be maximally functional. But recently I have rethought this. If the Magic Communication Elf instantly put the perfect message in your hands, believe me, something would be lost. The point isn't to just calm your partner...it is to consciously shift gears and choose to be in your right might over your reactive one." - Dr. Nancy Dreyfus

Deadpan face

Hmmm
 Thanks for sharing
 Let me think about that
 That's a great question

Proverbs 16:32 "He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city"

Exodus 34:6 "The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness"

Hebrews 3:7, 8: ⁷So, as the Holy Spirit says: "Today, if you hear his voice, ⁸do not harden your hearts