



## He Came To Set The Captives Free May 25, 2025 - Sermon Outline

### JESUS CAME TO SET THE CAPTIVES FREE

The prophet Isaiah was speaking ahead of time foretelling the coming of the Messiah, whom He referred to as “Servant” of the Lord. As He described the ministry of the Lord’s Servant, one of the key aspects of His ministry would be to set the captives free, to set prisoners free. Consider Isaiah’s prophecies about the Lord Jesus:

The Lord’s Servant would:

**Isaiah 42:7**

**To open blind eyes, To bring out prisoners from the prison, Those who sit in darkness from the prison house.**

**Isaiah 49:9**

**That You may say to the prisoners, 'Go forth,' To those who are in darkness, 'Show yourselves.'...**

When the Lord Jesus began His ministry, He described who He was and the work He was about to do from Isaiah 61, and we quote just the first verse:

**Isaiah 61:1 (Luke 4:17-18)**

**The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon Me, Because the LORD has anointed Me To preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, And the opening of the prison to those who are bound;**

### CAPTIVES TO SIN, SICKNESS, SATAN

In the beginning everything God created was good and perfect. However, we know that Adam and Eve sinned and disobeyed God. Ever since the Fall, we became captives to sin, sickness and satan.



## SIN

### Proverbs 5:22

**His own iniquities entrap the wicked man, And he is caught in the cords of his sin.**

### John 8:34

**Jesus answered them, Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin.**

People of all ages are held captive to all kinds of addictions: substance abuse, lust, porn, etc.

Sin is not just a momentary deed that is wrong. Sin goes beyond the action and often becomes an addiction, enslaving us and holding us captive.

## SICKNESS

We need to be absolutely clear that sickness is not from God. It was not there in the Garden of Eden. It is not there in heaven. It will not be there in the new heavens and the new earth that God will bring into being. God is not the author of sickness and disease.

Sickness and disease can hold us captive in our bodies. None of us want this. We fight diseases and sickness.

While there are numerous reasons why we have challenges in our bodies – we need to be sure of this – that God is the Healer of all kinds of diseases what ever the cause of that disease may be.

The Bible also indicates to us that sometimes sickness can be caused due to the direct activity of evil spirits (we also call them demons).

Here is an example where blindness and dumbness were caused by an evil spirit.

### Matthew 12:22,28



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**22 Then one was brought to Him who was demon-possessed, blind and mute; and He healed him, so that the blind and mute man both spoke and saw.**

**28 But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you.**

Here is an example where deformation in the body was caused by a spirit of infirmity.

### **Luke 13:10-13**

**10 Now He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath.**

**11 And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up.**

**12 But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, "Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity."**

**13 And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God.**

### **SATAN**

Satan is an oppressor and a thief. Many people are held in bondage to things that the devil does.

### **John 10:10**

**The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.**

Satan uses all kinds of torments, lies, deceptions in the mind to hold people captive to fear, circumstances (conflict, poverty, failure, etc.) and all kinds of evil.

So, people could be captives to sin, sickness and the works of the devil – in what ever way this may be expressed. Captives need to be set free! Their prison doors need to be opened up!



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### **JESUS CHRIST - OUR GREAT REDEEMER**

This is what Jesus came to do! He came to set us free! The Bible uses the word “redeem”, which is a word that express the idea of purchasing our freedom for us!

#### **Titus 2:14**

**who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.**

Jesus set us free from every sinful deed. Sin can no longer be our master!

#### **Galatians 3:13**

**Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO HANGS ON A TREE"),**

Jesus set us free from every curse of the law. Disobedience brought its consequences on us. We were under all of these consequences of sin. Christ redeemed us!

He redeemed us from every sinful way of life handed down to us from our forefathers.

He set us free from sin patterns that sometimes have been generational in our families.

Often our captivity is self-inflicted. We have spoken evil over ourselves. We have let the enemy gain entrance and hold us in bondage.

Whatever the cause of the captivity, bondage or prison – Christ Jesus sets us free!

#### **Colossians 1:13-14**

**13 He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love,**



**14 in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.**

He had delivered us from the powers of darkness!  
We have redemption through His blood!

### **CHRIST IS OUR REDEMPTION**

Jesus Christ is the One who sets us free. Christ is our Redemption.  
This is real freedom!

**John 8:36**

**Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.**

**1 Corinthians 1:30**

**But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God —and righteousness and sanctification and redemption**

Our redemption is sure and secure – because the Lord Himself is our redemption.

Satan cannot challenge our redemption. If Satan attempts to do so, He has to meet with the Lord, who had already conquered him.

### **LET THE REDEEMED OF THE LORD SAY SO!**

**Psalms 107:2**

**Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,**

Now we need to take what is ours! We need to walk in what Christ has provided.

One of the things we do is to boldly declare it! We need to say so!

### **DECLARE HIS NAME, HIS BLOOD, HIS WORD, HIS SPIRIT**



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We must speak with authority in the name of Jesus, declaring with boldness what Jesus has done for us through His blood, and use His Word as our weapon against the enemy, knowing we are indwelt and anointed by the Holy Spirit, the Greater One!

### **SUBMIT TO GOD, RESIST THE DEVIL**

**James 4:7**

**Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.**

### **DECLARE HIS NAME**

**Mark 16:17**

**And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues;**

**Romans 10:13**

**For "WHOEVER CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE SAVED."**

**Psalms 142:7**

**Bring my soul out of prison, That I may praise Your name;...**

**Psalms 146:7**

**...The LORD gives freedom to the prisoners.**

### **DECLARE THE POWER OF HIS BLOOD**

**Revelation 12:11**

**And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.**

### **DECLARE HIS WORD**

**Ephesians 6:17**

**And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God;**



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**DECLARE AND WELCOME THE WORK OF HIS SPIRIT**

**Isaiah 10:27**

**It shall come to pass in that day That his burden will be taken away from your shoulder, And his yoke from your neck, And the yoke will be destroyed because of the anointing oil.**

**STEP INTO FREEDOM!**

**Isaiah 61:1**

**The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon Me, Because the LORD has anointed Me To preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, And the opening of the prison to those who are bound;**



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### SUMMARY

### GOSPEL AND SALVATION CALL

### SUPERNATURAL MINISTRY TIME

**Minister as the Spirit leads**





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This is a simple guide for use in Life Group discussions. Our objective is to focus on the application of the Sunday sermon - how each one is becoming a doer of the Word and building their life on God's Holy Word. The Life Group meeting would normally last for 1.5 to 2 hours. Each Life Group would have up to 12-15 people.

#### **Preparation**

**Life Group Leader:** To prepare for the Life Group meeting, you can listen to the Sermon or review the Sunday Sermon notes. Please do not make your life group read through the complete sermon notes during the life group. All you need to do is have individuals read the Scriptures listed below and then open for a time of discussion, sharing and learning using the questions given below. All these are available in the "All Peoples Church Bangalore" mobile App or online at our [sermons page](#). Pray for the Life Group meeting and invite the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit.

#### **Welcome**

The Life Group meeting may commence with a time of prayer, worship, and a fun activity.

#### **LISTEN to God's Word**

Read the following Scripture references: *Isaiah 42:7, Isaiah 49:9; Isaiah 61:1*

#### **INVESTIGATE God's Word Together**

Life Group is a discussion-based, participatory meeting with everyone given the opportunity to share their learning. Please discuss a few of these together, giving time for people to share their insights. We encourage each



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one individually to make notes of their personal learning during the Group discussion.

*1, Reflect on the ministry of the Messiah as the One who sets the captives free, who opens prison doors, and breaks bondages. Jesus is the same today. Can we expect Him to do the same for us today?*

*2, Is captivity to sin, sickness and satan real, even in our world today? Do both the unsaved and saved (believers) struggle with bondages to sin, sickness and satan?*

*3, Jesus Christ is our Great Redeemer. He has done a perfect and complete work to set the captives free from sin, sickness and satan. He announced, "It is finished". The Cross is for everyone. What must we (believers) do to walk in our freedom?*

*4, How can we as believers help others (either other believers or unsaved friends) experience the freedom Christ has provided?*

Each one can take a few (3 minutes max) to share one or two key insights and how they see themselves applying it to their specific life situations. Encourage each one to participate and share.

### **FELLOWSHIP by sharing your life and spiritual journey**

Each one takes a few (3 minutes max) to share anything from their walk with God, something God has been teaching them, a testimony of answered prayer or a specific challenge that they would like prayer for. Encourage each one to participate and share.

### **ENCOURAGE each other by praying and ministering to one another**

Get into small groups of two or three and take turns to thank God and pray for each other in the light of what was learnt today. Listen to the Holy Spirit. Expect the gifts of the Holy Spirit to flow, bringing healing, releasing miracles, prophecy, etc.

Regroup and pray together for:



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- 1, families to be protected and strengthened*
- 2, a mighty outpouring of God's Holy Spirit on us as a church and through us to bless many others in our city and nation. Nothing but a mighty work of God's Spirit can change our city and nation.*
- 3, for the BUILD TO IMPACT project - for all details to go well as we plan and build our Bible college and church facilities to serve the Lord and people.*

Close by thanking God together.



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### USEFUL RESOURCES

Watch our online Sunday Church service live stream every Sunday at 10:30am (Indian Time, GMT+5:30). Spirit filled, anointed worship, Word and ministry for healing, miracles, and deliverance.

**YOUTUBE:** <https://youtube.com/allpeopleschurchbangalore>

**WEBSITE:** <https://apcwo.org/live>

Our other websites and free resources:

**CHURCH:** <https://apcwo.org>

**FREE SERMONS:** <https://apcwo.org/resources/sermons>

**FREE BOOKS:** <https://apcwo.org/books/english>

**DAILY DEVOTIONALS:** <https://apcwo.org/resources/daily-devotional>

**JESUS CHRIST:** <https://examiningjesus.com>

**BIBLE COLLEGE:** <https://apcbiblecollege.org>

**E-LEARNING:** <https://apcbiblecollege.org/elearn>

**WEEKEND SCHOOLS:** <https://apcwo.org/ministries/weekend-schools>

**COUNSELING:** <https://chrysalislife.org>

**MUSIC:** <https://apcmusic.org>

**MINISTERS FELLOWSHIP:** <https://pamfi.org>

**CHURCH APP:** <https://apcwo.org/app>

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### **SERMON OUTLINE**

Jesus Christ is the One who sets the captives free, who opens prison doors, and breaks bondages. He is the bondage breaker. The deliverer! Jesus is the same today and we can expect Him to do the same for us today. People all over the world, in all strata of society, educated and uneducated, rich and poor - find themselves in captivity to sin, sickness and satan. This is real, even in our world today. Often, both the unsaved and saved (believers) struggle with bondages to sin, sickness and satan. Jesus Christ is our Great Redeemer. He has done a perfect and complete work to set the captives free from sin, sickness and satan. He announced, "It is finished". The Cross is for everyone. In this sermon we learn what we must do to walk in the freedom Christ gives to all of us. We also learn how we as believers can help others (either other believers or unsaved friends) experience the freedom Christ has provided. He sets the captives free. He opens prison doors. He breaks bondages. Let everyone experience this! This sermon includes free audio (mp3) and video of this powerful, motivational, expository teaching, free printable PDF sermon outlines, sermon notes and small group study guide with discussion questions and presentation slides. All resources (sermon PDF, sermon MP3, sermon video, sermon presentation) are free for use in personal study, small groups, Bible study prayer groups, local churches, conferences, Bible colleges, etc.

### **KEYWORDS**

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