Kailua Christian Church
Sunday Message Series
January 2- Feb. 6, 2022
New Beginnings
With God's
Clarity, Confidence and Compassion
Luke 4:1-22
Sunday January 9, 2021
Lifting the Discouraged With Good
Luke 4:14-18A

14 Then Jesus, in the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about Him spread through all the surrounding country. 15 He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

16 When He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up, He went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was His custom. He stood up to read, 17 and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to Him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He has anointed Me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free,19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."20 And He rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. 21 Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

## I rely on God's courageous strength to lift the discouraged by...

## I. Clearly believing that sharing God's Word helps everyone

"Then Jesus, in the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about Him spread through all the surrounding country. 15 He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone." Luke 4:14-15

> Make a list of the most uplifting and encouraging Bible verses I know. Build this list over the year.

## II. Confidently believing God is present and working

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,..." Luke 4:18

> Commit to welcoming and looking for the presence of the Holy Spirit each day this year. Journal how this changes you.

## III. Compassionately finding words and ways to care for others

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He has anointed Me to bring good news to the poor." Luke 4:18

> What kind and truthful words have I received from others that uplifted me? Write these in your journals, let them be used by you to help others.