

# *Jesus Says*

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  - *I am the Servant of the Lord described in Isaiah 61, the Messiah. I am bringing to you the 'favorable year of the Lord' – i.e. the age of God's gracious favor!*
  - *I am the Messiah – The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand!*
  - *I am Jesus, the Christ!*

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- Rejection of God's Goodness and Grace (vs. 22 ff)

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### ... Applied To Us

**John 1:11** (NLT)

*Even in His own land and among His own people  
He was not accepted...*

- And He will not be in ours until the 2<sup>nd</sup> Advent.
- Jesus' goal, and the church's task, is not to the transformation of society but of individual hearts.
- The 'acceptable day of the Lord' is personal, not social or political. We are not to set out to make a Christian nation, but to make Christians.
- Time for us to get back on track:  
We, like Jesus, have to be about the Father's business!

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*But to all who believed Him and accepted Him He  
gave the right to become children of God!*

- What about us?

**Do you welcome and receive Jesus'  
offer of grace and forgiveness?**