

Sermon Notes
December 8, 2019
Jesus Redeemer of Our Past
Matthew 4:18-23

An Advent Quiz

Memories can cause us to be _____ in the _____.

Ebenezer scrooge was one who was _____ his _____ out in the _____, but was truly stuck in the _____.

Christmas can be a _____ time when mistakes or losses are often brought to _____.

Jesus came for several reasons (*Mt 4:18-23, Luke 4:18,19*)

1. Jesus came to _____ everyone to _____.
2. Jesus came to _____ the good _____ of the kingdom of _____.
3. Jesus came to _____ us.

Jesus' ultimate purpose was to _____ people who are imprisoned, blind, and oppressed _____, in this life _____!

Jesus has come to _____ us from our _____ that we may truly _____ today in the _____.

What had Jesus come to redeem you from today?

Weekly Devotions

God speaks to us today by the Holy Spirit. Jesus said about the Holy Spirit,

“But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will *teach* you all things and will *remind* you of everything I have said to you.”

This week, begin your quiet time with God by having your Bible and some paper/notebook in which to write some observations from God on. Use the following instructions for your time with God:

1. Ask God to first quiet your heart and mind so that you are available to God.
2. Ask God to speak to your heart as you read the scripture for the day.
 - a. Write down the most meaningful part of the scripture you read today.
 - b. In one or two sentences, write down the impression you received as your read this particular part of the scripture.
 - c. Finally write down what you feel God wants you to learn or do as a result of what impressed you.

Scriptures to Read:

- **MONDAY**– Luke 4:14-21
- **TUESDAY** – John 20:19-23
- **WEDNESDAY** – Matthew 9:1-13
- **THURSDAY** – Acts 3:1-10
- **FRIDAY** – Matthew 4:12-25
- **SATURDAY** – 1 Peter 2:1-10, 23-25