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Where to begin? Let's start at where we ended yesterday. "What's the point in all of this?" Why do we spend time talking with God, reading and studying His words, and assembling ourselves together around the preaching and teaching of His Word? The answer is Faith! What's conceived in you when you receive His words becomes what you believe. All this effort is expended in

order to come to know what to *expect* as one begotten of God.

Heb 11:1 "Now faith is the substance (underlying structure) of things hoped for (what is to be expected), the evidence (solid truth by testimony) of things not seen." The form of the structure comes from the report about God from God. That report, when received, *becomes* faith.

Ro 10:17 "So then faith out from the report (*akoe*), and the report (*akoe*) through the word (*rhema*) of Christ." His word is spoken through His Spirit into your inner man.

Eph 3:19 "...in order that into you all may be filled all the fullness of God."

So let's review some things that came out yesterday.

One is that, in Luke 4:18, Jesus wasn't talking about ministering several different things to different groups of people. In fact, it's more accurate to consider it as a progression of things for all people. All of those who will humble themselves to receive Jesus as The Anointed one of God and drink in His words can expect to have their intentions and motivations fixed so that they are no longer directed by, held captive by, their sin, because in Christ, they are forgiven. As their eyes are opened to this Truth, those once having been tread under the enemy's feet are delivered. They can now do the treading! (Lk 10:19)

In verse 19, Jesus said that He was announcing the definite period of time (*eniatos*) during which The Father would receive us favorably, welcoming us into Himself through His Son. What wonderful good news!

We also discovered that this "favor" being spoken of is not what we are used to seeing. The word is *dektos*, "what is received favorably or welcomed", not *charis*, "a grace gift". All who will humble themselves to believe into Jesus during this time are favorably welcomed in!

The main feature yesterday is a much broader, more powerful understanding of what it means to "heal the brokenhearted". Heal is *iaomia*, "to cure or heal; make whole in the sense of free from errors". *Suntribo* is to break. If you break something, it's broken. If it's broken, it needs fixing. So, you fix what is broken. (Remember, this is all about what to expect.) *Karia* is heart, which is the seat of one's intentions and motivations. Now, put it together.

Jesus said that He was anointed and sent to "fix broken intentions and motivations"! Whoa! This is a big deal, and we need to understand it. If your intentions and motivations are messed up, your life's gonna be messed up because they steer your life! Over and over again you'll find yourself somewhere you don't wanna be wondering how you got there. Bad driving! Moving on, there's something that I'd like to share.

We ended yesterday breaking the Bread and drinking The Wine, acknowledging the Sacrifice that made The New Covenant possible. Let me encourage you again to do this yourself whenever you need to (you have a problem), or whenever you just want to (you just want to acknowledge Him). It's an intimate time as you come before your Father in gratitude and acknowledging the absolute Truth of The Gospel. It's an act of faith. You are humbling yourself, receiving His anointing, double checking your intentions and motivations, thanking Him for His deliverance, and allowing Him to open your eyes to the reality of His Kingdom.

Cups Up!

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