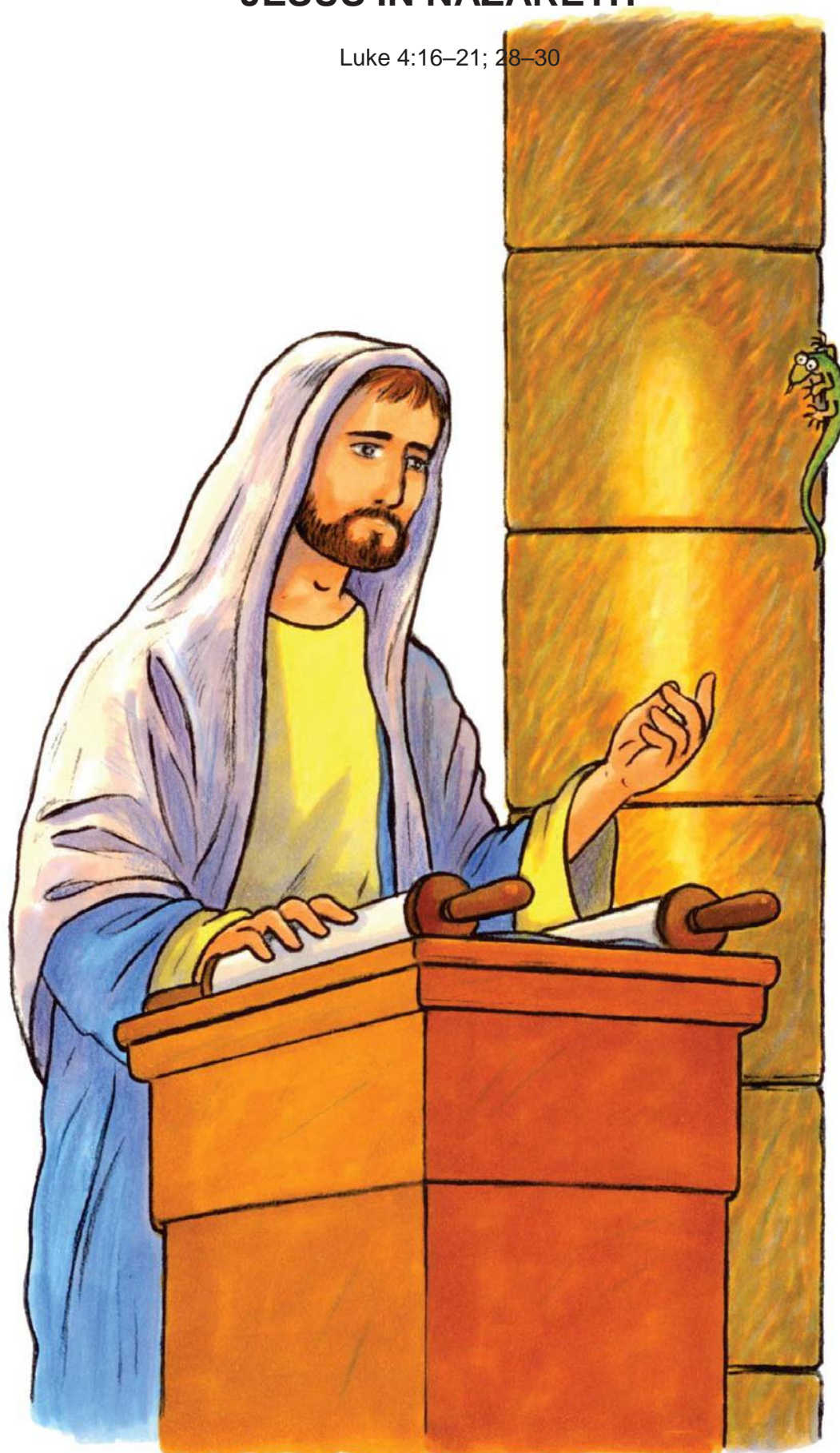


# JESUS IN NAZARETH

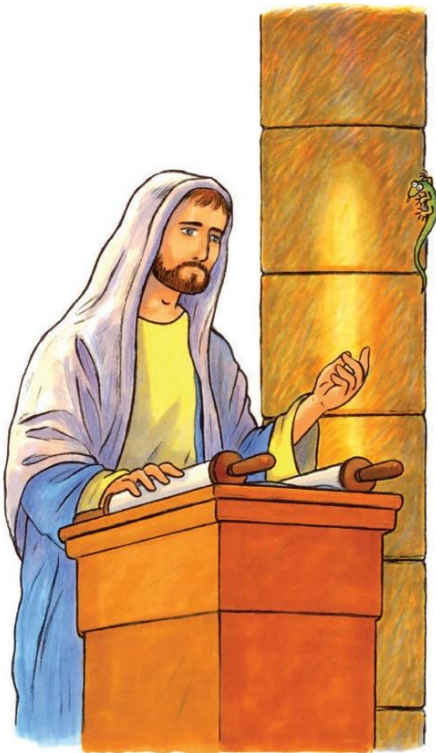
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Message	Jesus was the Messiah sent to save all people.
Learning Objectives	The children will learn: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Jesus proclaimed that what was written in the scripture had been fulfilled.</li><li>■ The message of salvation is meant for all people.</li></ul>
Bible Text	Luke 4:16–21; 28-30

## Jesus in Nazareth



Jesus read, “The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to teach the gospel to the poor. He has sent Me to heal those who are sad and disappointed, to free those who are prisoners, to give sight to the blind, to help those in need and to talk about when He will set His people free.”

Jesus closed the book and gave it to the attendant. Jesus then told them, “What I just read to you in this passage is coming true today.”

The people did not understand what Jesus meant, and they did not believe that Jesus was the Messiah announced by Isaiah.

They became angry at His words and drove Him out of the city. They even wanted to push Him over a cliff, but the Son of God walked through the angry crowd and went His way.

News of Jesus’ work spread throughout the land. Jesus went to Nazareth, where He had grown up as a child.

He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath as was His custom, read out of the writings of the prophet Isaiah, and spoke to all who had gathered there.

## Suggestions for the Teacher

### Lead-In

Show the picture to the children. Discuss with them what they see. Ask what she/he may feel...  
Let some of the children play the story in a role-play. Instruct them before.  
Provide disguise / fancy dress, a little table, a scroll, a Bible Isaiah 61: 1-2.

### Lesson Instructions

Begin telling the story...

Discuss with the children...

- What is a synagogue?  
(A place where Jews worship God and study the prophets)
- To what person does Isaiah refer in his prophecy? (To Jesus)
- What do the people of Nazareth think about Jesus?  
(He is the son of a carpenter, but not the promised Messiah.)
- Who is the Messiah? (God's Son, empowered by God's Spirit to deliver His people and establish His kingdom)

Have the children repeat...

- Jesus proclaimed that what was written in the scripture had been fulfilled.
- The message of salvation is meant for all people.

Real-Life Application (explain the following)

- Show the children the map of Israel.
- God's servants today continue to proclaim the message of salvation worldwide.



**Repeat the Message**  
**Jesus was the Messiah sent to save all people.**