

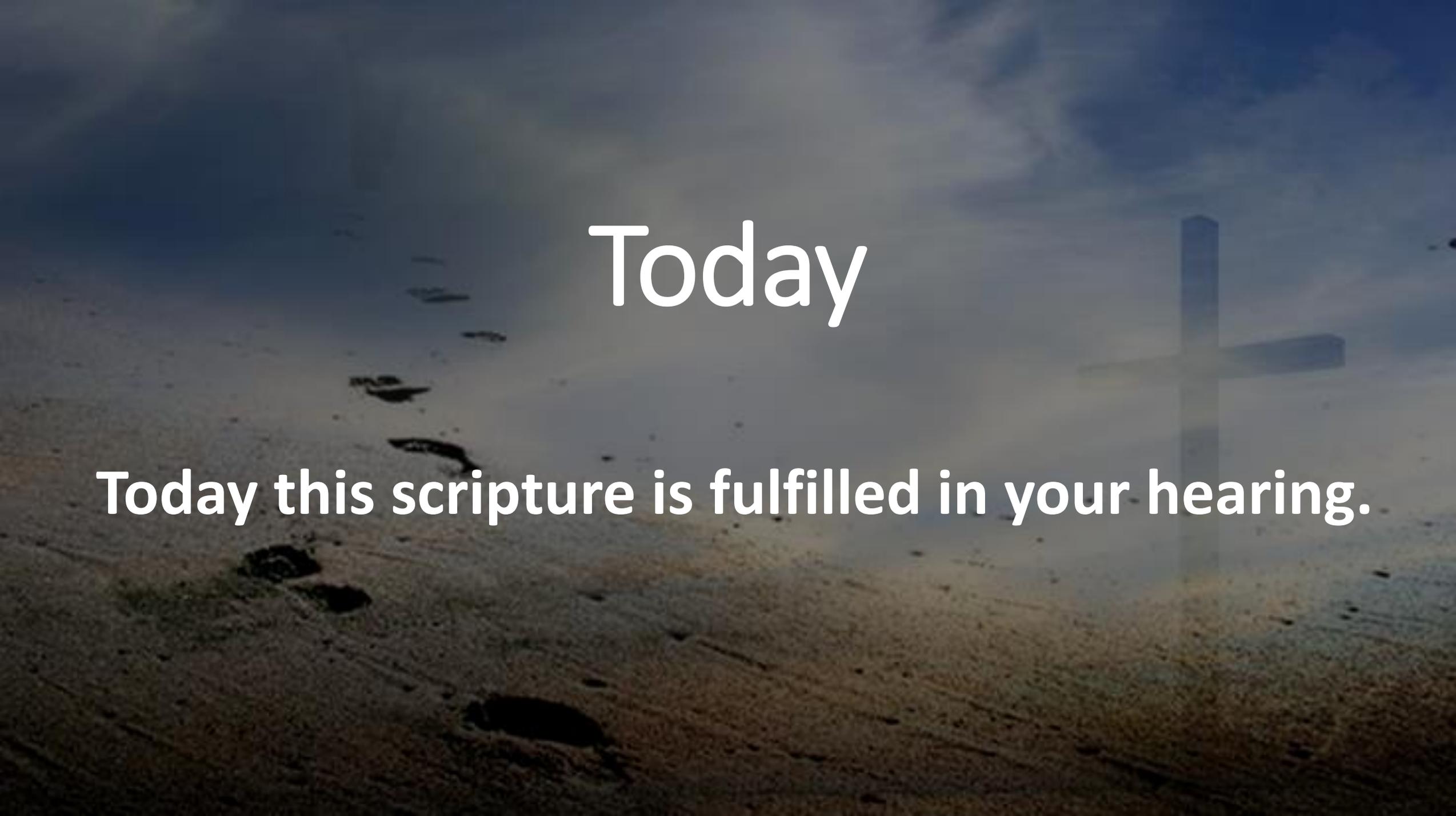


Jesus is the Good News

Luke 4:16-21

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- **16** He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, **17** and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:
- **18** “The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, **19** to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”
- **20** Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. **21** He began by saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.”

A large, faint cross is visible on a sandy beach. The cross is made of two simple rectangular bars. The background is a soft, hazy landscape with a blue sky and a sandy foreground. Several dark footprints are visible in the sand, leading from the bottom left towards the cross.

Today

Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.

The word today appeared:

- **12 times in Luke**
- **6 times in all other Gospels**
- **35 total times in the whole New Testament**

- "Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you."
- "Today you will be with me in paradise."
"Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay in your house today."
- "Today, salvation has come to this house."
- "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

A photograph of a cross on a beach at sunset. The cross is made of two wooden beams and stands on the sand. The sky is a mix of blue and orange, with some clouds. The sand in the foreground is dark and has some footprints.

Good News

To proclaim Good News

- **The gospel is God's truth, God's message, God's action, God's word to a particular person, to a particular need, to a particular historical situation.**

Change

“good news for the poor”

“freedom for the prisoners”

“recovery of sight”

“set the oppressed free.”

Jesus is the Change

“The Spirit of the Lord is on me”

“He has anointed me”

“He has sent me”

Luke 22:24-27

- **24** A dispute also arose among them as to which of them was considered to be greatest. **25** Jesus said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who exercise authority over them call themselves Benefactors. **26** But you are not to be like that. Instead, the greatest among you should be like the youngest, and the one who rules like the one who serves. **27** For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.



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