

Matthew 13:53-58
Jesus: home town offense

- I. The Lord's work goes on.
 - A. Change of scene, change of setting, continuation of Jesus' work.
 - B. The work of Jesus continued all the way to the cross.
Colossians 1:19-20; 1Peter 1:18.
- II. God always teaches openly.
 - A. This is the very plan of God from the beginning.
 - B. Jesus taught them in their synagogue.
John 18:20.
 - C. Jesus confronts people who don't want him to confront them.
Isaiah 8:14.
- III. Jesus elicits wonder and amazement from people.
 - A. Astonishment at his abilities.
 - B. Wonder about his identity.
John 7:15-16.
 - C. Wonder about his nature.
- IV. What is your response to the teaching of Jesus?
 - A. Many people reject God's greatest gift to the world: Jesus Christ and eternal life in His name.
 - B. A prophet is not without honor except in his home town, and in his own household.
Isaiah 49:7' Romans 11:20; Ephesians 2:12.
 - C. If you have heard Christ today, then wait no longer to follow him.
Ephesians 2:13; Hebrews 9:14
 - D. And if you are a Christian, then remember that your Lord is God the Son, the Holy One of Israel.
1 John 1:6-7