



“The Ministries of God’s Servant”

Isaiah 61:1-3 ♦ Pastor Jim Lennon
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Introduction - *Isaiah 61 shows us how to recognize the Messiah when He comes and describes what He is sent to do.*

I. The Servant and His Mission.

- A. Isaiah 61 is the climactic summary of what Isaiah has been telling us about God’s Servant, the Messiah.
- B. All the efforts of God’s people to be righteous have failed.
- C. God saw our hopeless predicament and sent a Redeemer.
- D. How to identify Him:
- E. The Servant is speaking of Himself in Isaiah 61.
- F. John the Baptist testifies that Jesus is the promised Messiah.
- G. Jesus testifies that He is the one Isaiah records.

H. Why the Servant is sent:

- 1. Proclamation.
- 2. Redemption.

II. Receive the Gifts of the Servant.

- A. Messiah’s ministry gives gifts of grace.
- B. They are received, not earned.
- C. How will the Messiah give us all these gifts of grace?
- D. The words in the text give us a clue.
 - 1. “Tahat” (v.3)
 - 2. “Fainting” (v.3)
 - 3. “Garland” (v.3, 10)

Conclusion –