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"He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners
and recovery of sight for the blind,
to release the oppressed,
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."
(Luke 4:18b-19)

1. We need _____

"Narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it." (Matthew 7:14)

We pray: Jesus, take away the fog and the clouds and the veil, and help me to see...give me eyes to really see.

Alert and oriented times zero.

2. The offer

The glory of God is man fully alive. (Saint Irenaeus)

"I have come that they may have life and have it to the full." (John 10:10)

"Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life." (Proverbs 4:23)

"You have made known to me the path of life." (Psalm 16:11)

"Just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, **now** we also may live new lives." (Romans 6:4)

God wants you to be fully alive *now*.

3. See with the eyes _____

“I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened.” (Ephesians 1:18)

“Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. (2 Corinthians 4:16-18)

We have a crucial role to play.

Next Week: Part Five
I'm All Heart!