

Sola Publishing Children’s Message Epiphany 3 – Year C		SOLA 
Jesus Visits His Hometown		
Readings	1) Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 2) 1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a 3) Luke 4:16-30	
Scripture Focus	Luke 4:16-30	
Take Away		
Aids (pics, props, etc.)	Story illustrations from Free Bible Images https://www.freebibleimages.org/illustrations/jesus-rejected-nazareth/	
Message Just before Jesus was born, Mary and Joseph went to Bethlehem from.... Does anybody remember where they came from? [Nazareth] They were in Bethlehem when Jesus was born. After about a week they went to the temple in Jerusalem and then to Egypt. After being in Egypt some time, they went back to Nazareth where Jesus grew up as a regular boy. One day, after Jesus grew up and started traveling around with his disciples, he decided to go back to his home town, Nazareth, where he grew up. When he traveled to different towns, the first place Jesus would go in every town was the synagogue (church). So, that’s the first place he went when he got to his home town. While he was at the church, someone gave him the scroll of Isaiah to read. They didn’t have books then. Jesus unrolled the scroll, and picked the verses he wanted to read. Jesus read: “God sent his Spirit to me because he has chosen me to come to you and tell you the good news. He sent me to help people who are troubled and treated badly, fix the eyes of the blind so they can see, and fix all that is bad for those who believe in him.” Then he rolled up the scroll and looked at everyone. Everyone was looking at him. They looked confused. Then Jesus said, “These verses are about me.” They still looked confused. Jesus just told everyone that he is the Savior they’ve been waiting for. The men didn’t believe him. Then one guy said, “Isn’t he Joseph’s son?” Yes, he was, but he was also God’s Son. The people in his hometown where Jesus grew up as a little boy didn’t believe what he said, and ran him out of town. They were waiting for their Savior, but they couldn’t believe it was Jesus. I hope someday they believed. Let’s pray.		
Repeat Prayer	Dear Jesus, You are God’s Son! / We know it. Help us always to / believe what you say to us / from the Bible. Thank you for loving us. We love you. Amen.	







