# "Perfect Timing"

### **An Unlikely Pair**

Luke 4:18 (ESV) - "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the <u>poor</u>. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the <u>captives</u> and recovering of sight to the <u>blind</u>, to set at liberty those who are <u>oppressed</u>.

### Where Do You See Yourself?

#### 1. The **CROWD**

They were curious but **UNCOMMITTED**.

- a. They were **POSITIVE** about Jesus (v. 40).
- b. They were **PRESSING** in on Jesus (v. 42).
- c. They saw Jesus merely as an influential **TEACHER** (v. 49).
- d. They lived by **SIGHT** and not by faith (52-53).

# 2. The **CURED**

They stood out from the crowd and experienced God's **HEALING** grace.

- a. They both acknowledged their **INABILITY** to resolve their desperate situations (v. 40-44).
- b. They both stepped out in faith even when **TESTED** (v. 45-56).

#### 3. The **COMMITTED**

They learned the **FULL** extent of Jesus' love and power.

- a. They came to realize that **ALL** people are important to Jesus.
- b. They came to realize that Jesus had authority even over **DEATH** itself.