Sometimes it is easier to understand the Bible if we arrange it on the page in a more clear way:

## Isaiah 61:1-4

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me;

he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,

to bind up the brokenhearted,

to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners;

to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day

of vengeance of our God;

to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion—to give them a garland instead of ashes,

the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.

They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, to display his glory.

They shall build up the ancient ruins,

they shall raise up the former devastations;

they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

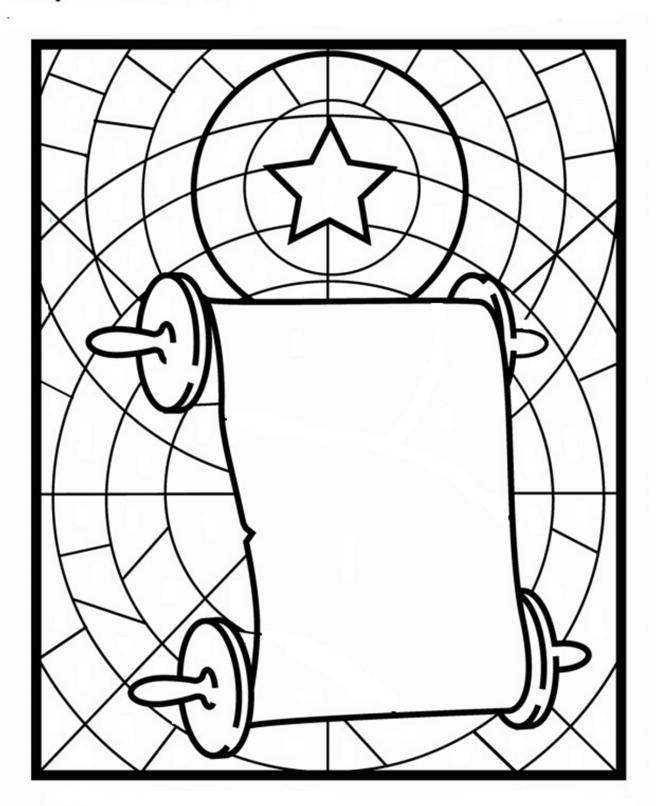
When someone was chosen for a special job in the times of Isaiah they were "anointed" with oil. This prophecy has six things that spirit of the Lord GOD anointed and sent the prophet to do. Number them 1,2,3,4,5,6? (one has three parts)

There are also four things that the poor, the brokenhearted, the captives and the mourners will do once they have received that good news. Number them 7,8, 9, 10.

Besides having oil	poured on their head, the	e people are promised a garland, a	
wreath for their he	ead made of flowers or led	aves. Dray a beautiful garland in the	e box.

Choose one of the things that the prophet was anointed to do from 1,2,3,4,5,6 above. We are called to do these things too! Draw it on the scroll below then color the stained glass behind the scroll.

## Prophet's Scroll



Your turn! Make a word search or a crossword puzzle out of these phrases from Isaiah. Where there is a space in the phrase, such as "good news" make it one word "goodnews". If you send a copy to Christine, she will try to solve it.

word list

ashes captives good news oppressed year of the LORD

bind up comfort mantle of praise proclaim liberty Zion

bring faint spirit mourn provide for

brokenhearted garland oil of gladness release

