

SERMON NOTES

Jesus the Messiah's Authority Revealed: *Healing and the Call to Commitment - Matthew 8:1-22*

Introduction: In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus the Messiah revealed his authority in his teaching. In Matthew Chapters 8 and 9, his miracles reveal his authority over the areas where sin and its effects have entered his world. In each case, Jesus demonstrates the power needed to redeem what sin has corrupted. In the first of three sets of miracles, Matthew reveals Jesus the Messiah's authority over disease and demonic power while calling all who would follow him to do so without conditions.

Simple Sermon

*When we understand the authority, power, and love of Jesus Christ,
we believe that following him closely without conditions is our very best option.*

1. Cleansing the Leper vss. 1-4

The Story 1-3

The Significance 4

2. Healing the Centurion's Servant vss. 5-13

The Story 5-9, 13

The Significance 10-12

3. Healings and Exorcisms vss. 14-17

The Story 14-16

The Significance 17

So What?

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WEEKLY QUESTIONS

MONDAY | In the sermon, it was mentioned that Jesus performed three kinds of miracles – each aimed at a realm where sin had corrupted God's world. Do you remember what they were? How has sin infected the physical well-being of mankind? How has sin allowed demonic powers to have great influence? How has sin infected the created world? How do Jesus' miracles demonstrate his power and authority over them giving us assurance that one day, the curse of sin will be reversed?

TUESDAY | Read Matthew 8:5-13. What was it about Jesus' healing of the Roman centurion's servant that is so shocking? What is Jesus teaching about in verses 10-12? How does this relate to Jesus' final commission to his disciples - and us! - in Matthew 28:18-20?

WEDNESDAY | Read Matthew 8:14-17. What Old Testament text does Matthew quote in verse 17? Why? What is Matthew's purpose in using so many Old Testament quotes to "validate" Jesus' Messianic ministry?

THURSDAY | Read Matthew 8:18-22. What are the two "disciples" in these verses attempting to do? How does Jesus respond? How does this inform your "following of Jesus without conditions"?

FRIDAY | **PRAY:** *Gracious and loving Father, it stirs my soul to read about Jesus in action in these verses. Thank you, Father, for preserving Matthew's written account of Jesus' miraculous power and the love behind it. Forgive me, Lord, for too often forgetting that his greatest miracle in my life is that he opened my eyes to my sin and the beauty of forgiveness in Jesus! O Lord, deepen my delight in the Savior! And grant me a great understanding of his love and power and authority in my life that I may strive to be a useful vessel in his hands, through Jesus Christ my Lord, Amen!*

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