

JESUS DEMONSTRATES HIS POWER AND AUTHORITY

(Luke 4:31-44)

I. THE DEVIL TEMPTS THE MESSIAH (Luke 4:1-13)

II. THE PREACHING MINISTRY OF THE MESSIAH COMMENCES (4:14-30)

III. THE AUTHENTICATION OF THE MESSIAH'S AUTHORITY (4:31-44)

A. The Messiah's POWER and AUTHORITY over DEMONS (4:31-37)

1. Jesus departed from Nazareth and moved onto Capernaum which was about twenty miles north; Capernaum would become Jesus' _____ of _____ in the northern region of Galilee. (v. 31a)

2. Jesus again taught in a synagogue and people were literally _____ out of their _____ (*exēplēssonto*) by the authority of His spoken "_____." (vv. 31b-32)

3. While the people present did not know exactly who Jesus was, the demon was not confused regarding His true identity, he even acknowledged that...
 - a. Christ would eventually "_____ " the _____ of Satan (v. 34a)

 - b. Christ was actually "*the* _____ _____ *of God,*" the Second Person of the Trinity (v. 34b)

4. Jesus did not interact with the demon, but He commanded the evil spirit to remain _____, and then by His _____ authority Christ expelled the demon from the man. (v. 35)

5. The people in that synagogue were astonished at Jesus' "_____ " (*logos*), His "_____ " (*exousia*), and His "_____ " (*dunamis*); as a result He became headline news. (vv. 36-37)

B. The Messiah's POWER and AUTHORITY over SICKNESS (4:38-44)

1. Doctor Luke next draws our attention to Peter's mother-in-law who had a " _____ " and he alone notes that Jesus (the Great Physician) " _____ her " and rebuked the sickness. (vv. 38-39)
2. People waited until sundown not only because of the coolness, but because it was then that the _____ ended; carrying a sick person was regarded as _____ according to the Pharisees. (v. 40a, cf. Luke 14:1-6; John 5:8-13)
3. Doctor Luke underscores that Jesus healed " _____ of them;" he also added our Lord's display of tender _____ when He "laid His hands on" them. (v. 40b)
4. More demons were rebuked and exorcised as they continued to identify Jesus as the _____ and as "the _____ of God." (v. 41)
5. After such an exhausting night, early in the morning of the next day Jesus sought "a deserted place" to gather His _____ and spend time with His Father in _____. (v. 42a, cf. Mark 1:35)

* What can we learn from this with our hectic/busy schedules?

6. While the people of Nazareth wanted Jesus to leave (4:28-30), the people of Capernaum were extremely persistent in _____ (*imperfect tense*) for Him and trying to get Him to _____. (v. 42b)

* What was Jesus' response to their pleading?

* How can you personally apply this truth today?