

**Series "Knowing The Exact Truth"**  
**"Message With Authority"**  
**Luke 4:31-44**  
**Study-14**

**Luke 4:28** So when the Son of Man, Jesus Christ speaks, things happen!

**Luke 4:32, 36**

**Luke 4:14-9:50 The Ministry Of The Son Of Man:**

**Luke 4:14-30 The Authority Of His Words: (Preach The Gospel)**

**Luke 4:31-44 The Authority Of His Works: (Demons, Sickness)**

**Thought Of Our Passage:** "The Miraculous Words And Works Of Jesus Was The Father's Stamp Of Approval; That He Has Sent His Son."

**1. Verses 31-37 Authority Over Demons**

**2. Verses 38-44 Authority Over Sickness And Disease**

**1. Verses 31-37 Authority Over Demons**

**Luke 4:31 And Context – Jesus just suffered rejection in His hometown, Nazareth, with His first message. Luke 4:29-30**

**He came down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee.** Nazareth was in the hills, 1200 in elevation, **Capernaum** was 686 feet below sea level. A small city on the northwest shore of the Sea of Galilee. "Great Trunk Road"

**Matthew 4:13 (Mark 1:14-5:43)** Capernaum became known as "**Jesus' own city**" **Matthew 9:1** and came to **His own city.**

**And He was teaching them on the Sabbath; (Sabbath days regularly)**

**Luke 4:32 amazed at His teaching,** this term **amazed** –Greek, literally, – "*astonished, to be driven out of one's senses by a sudden shock, to be exceedingly struck in mind*"

**for His message was with authority** – (The Holy Spirit's Anointing)  
*"power, permission, license, to do anything"*

**The Manner That Jesus Spoke:** (Jesus spoke from a relationship!)

**The Matter That Jesus Spoke:** (Jesus center His teaching on relevance)

**Mark 1:22 scribes** - were the experts of the Law. They took the Law and made rules for every conceivable facet of life.

They spoke from the authorities; Jesus spoke with authority. Jesus said, **"But I say unto you!"**

**Luke 4:33 Picture Of Synagogue: In the synagogue** - unearthed a synagogue there in the 1920s that is believed to be built upon the site where Jesus preached.

**there was a man possessed by the spirit (The Devil came to church)**

We see the term **demons** - used **23 times** in the gospel of Luke.

**1 John 3:8**

**of an unclean demon, "unclean spirit of evil"** It speaks of the nature of Satan to lead persons into sin and moral uncleanness.

**"Demon possessed," or "Possessed"** accurate term would be **"Demonization or Demonized"**

**1 John 4:4; Matthew 12:43-45**

**and he cried out with a loud voice,** - Why does the demon do this? Jesus' presence makes the demon uneasy. Light and darkness do not mix.

**Luke 4:34 (Demon Asks Jesus 2 Questions)**

**Question #1 "Let us alone! What business do we have with each other, Jesus of Nazareth?"** *"what are you planning to do, why do you want to bother us?"*

**Question #2 Have You come to destroy us?** Notice that the demon knew that Jesus had the power to destroy. **Luke 8:31; Revelation 20:10**

**I know who You are—the Holy One of God!"** They recognize Jesus as God's Holy One, the servant of God. The Messiah

**Luke Answers the question "Who is Jesus?"** **Angels** have said, "God," **People** have said, "God," **Jesus** said He was God and **God the Father said My Son.** now even **Demons** have acknowledged Him.

**Luke 4:35 But Jesus rebuked him,** *"reprimand, command to be under subjection"* **saying, "Be quiet and come out of him!"** *"Be muzzled"*  
**And when the demon had thrown him down in the midst of the people,**

We see the attempt of Satan to try and inflict some bodily harm to this man.

**he came out of him without doing him any harm.** Satan's power is no match for Jesus.

**Luke 4:36 "What is this message?"** We see that the miracle was not wasted on the people, it had a purpose. It led back to the message, Jesus' Words!

**For with authority and power He commands the unclean spirits, and they come out."** People recognize that His teaching is not just words but authority with deeds.

**Think about the Gospel message we have as a Church! Romans 1:16**

**Luke 4:37** Jesus was being spoken about by word of mouth, talk of Galilee.

## **2. Verses 38-44 Authority Over Sickness And Disease**

**Luke 4:38 Picture Of Peter's House: (Peter owned a house)** First mention of Simon Peter. He will call Peter in **Luke 5:1-11**

**Now Simon's mother-in-law was suffering from a high fever; and they asked Him to help her.** (Peter was married)

**suffering from a high fever** Dr. Luke says that she was "*seized by a great fever*"

**Luke 4:39** This word, **rebuke** – the same word used in verse 35 when Jesus rebuked the demon.

**and it left her;** Divine healing is complete and total and instantaneous!

**and she immediately got up and waited on them.** The gratitude of the healing is to serve Jesus.

**Verses 40-41 Summary Of His Healing And Deliverance Ministry:**  
**Luke 4:40** and laying His hands on each one of them, He was healing them.

**Luke 4:41 Demons also were coming out of many;** possible diseases were caused by demons.

**shouting, "You are the Son of God!"** Demons proclaiming Jesus as God.  
**James 2:19**

**But rebuking them, He would not allow them to speak, because they knew Him to be the Christ.** The Messiah.

**Luke 4:42** When day came, Jesus left and went to a secluded place; **Mark's** gospel says it was to pray. **Mark 1:35-39**

**The Greatest Argument for prayer is: "Jesus Prayed."**

This is where the power for ministry came from.

**tried to keep Him from going away from them.**

Wanted Jesus to stay in Capernaum.

**People will attempt to direct us in ministry! What to do and go!**

**Can you imagine a city or town where nobody is sick?**

**Revelation 21:4**

**Luke 4:43** But He said to them, **"I must "moral necessity" preach the kingdom of God** term **kingdom of God** first time used. It is *used 37 times* in *Luke's Gospel*.

**kingdom of God – What does it mean?** *"God's rule over His people's lives"*

**Spiritually Present** - Jesus Christ ruling and reigning in the hearts of those that will acknowledge Him as King. It is now.

**Physically Future** – His return sets up His kingdom on earth. Rule and reign.

**to the other cities also, for I was sent for this purpose."** The purpose of ministry for Jesus Christ was the preaching of the message!

**Luke 4:44** **What about healing? Is it important?** The soul is eternal and what happens after the person dies means eternity.

### **Application:**

- 1.** Jesus' Personal Encounter With The Devil In The Wilderness Prepared Him To Deal With The Devil Publicly. It Is The Private Personal Dealings With Satan And Sin That Prepares Us For Public.
- 2.** Luke Answers The Question, "Who Is Jesus?" Angels Said, "God," People Said, "God," Jesus Said, "God," God The Father Said, "My Son," Demons Said, "Son Of God." Is Jesus Christ God?
- 3.** As Believers, We Can Get Involved In Many Pursuits, But If We Leave Out The Gospel, We Have Lost Our Purpose As His Church. So Many Irons In The Fire You Can't See The Fire.