

**Series "Behold Your King"**  
**"Jesus And The Outcast"**  
**Matthew 8:1-4**  
**Part-44**

Matthew 8-10 Matthew now introduces us to the Authority of the King.

Matthew 1-4 We are introduced to the Person of the King.

Matthew 5-7 The Principles of the King.

Matthew 8-10 Matthew arranged his material in a topical order, rather than a chronological order.

He grouped ten miracles together in chapters 8-9 instead of putting them into their historical sequence in the Gospel's narrative.

Why did Jesus perform miracles?

1. He wanted to meet human need.
2. The miracles were additional credentials to prove His claim as the Messiah of Israel. (Isaiah 29:18-19; 35:4-6)
3. The miracles were "sermons in action."

Outline

1. Verses – 1-2 The Need:
2. Verse – 2 The Encounter:
3. Verse – 3 The Touch:
4. Verse – 4 The Witness:

## 1. Verses – 1-2 The Need:

Matthew 8:1-4; Mark 1:40-45; Luke 5:12-16

Matthew 8:2

It is estimated 10 million people around the world have leprosy.

There are 3 Types of Leprosy.

1. "Nodular," or "Tubercular Leprosy" -
2. "Anesthetic Leprosy" - "Called Progressive Death."
3. "Leprosy Proper" -

Old Testament Description: (O.T. alluded to it being more than a disease.) The detailed instructions in Leviticus 13-14

1. Deeper than skin. (Leviticus 13:3)
2. Starts as a little white spot then spreads. (Leviticus 13:5-8)
3. Defiles and separates. (Leviticus 13:44-46)
4. Fit only for fire. (Leviticus 13:47-59.)

Leprosy affected every aspect of life.

Religiously -

Socially -

Leviticus 13:45-46

Economically -

Physically -

Mentally -

The Miracles of Jesus were Parables.

## **2. Verse – 2 The Encounter:**

I want to note 4 things about this man's encounter with Jesus.

1. He Came In Desperation: (Leper/Sinner) (came to Him)

Luke 5:12

Matthew 5:3-4

2. He Came in Humility: and bowed down to Him, The words bowed down - "to kiss, to kiss the ground" fall on the knees, the act of imploring aid, and of expressing reverence and honor.

Psalm 51:17

1 Peter 5:5

3. He Came Acknowledging Jesus as Lord:

"Lord, Is the equivalent of calling Jesus deity "God."  
(Supreme One); supreme in authority, controller; God,  
Lord, Master"

Matthew 5:3

4. He Came to Jesus in Faith:

John 11:3

The Ability of God:

The Willingness of God:

### **3. Verse – 3 The Touch:**

He stretched out His hand, and touched him, Literally “He took hold of” It was not a superficial touch but Jesus held him.

2 Corinthians 5:21

Mark 1:41 Jesus was “moved with compassion.”

Webster’s defines “Compassion” as “A feeling of deep sympathy and sorrow for someone in the midst of a tragedy, accompanied by a desire to alleviate the suffering.”

1 John 1:7

### **4. Verse – 4 The Witness:**

2 Reasons for this command:

1. Jesus did not want lines of people coming to Him just for the physical. Mark 1:38
2. The Lord wanted the Jewish leaders to see the changed life.

Leviticus 14 and is another beautiful picture of Christ’s work for sinners.

### **Application:**

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4. He Came to Jesus in Faith: