

**INTRODUCTION**

- \* Jesus had just announced in Nazareth, his hometown, that He was the Messiah. But, the people there rejected Him.
- \* Hence, Jesus transitions His base of operations to another location - Capernaum.
- \* As we saw in His time in Nazareth, it was His custom to go to the Synagogue on Sabbath, and to teach. That is where we find Him, as we consider the beginning of His ministry in Capernaum.
- \* In Luke's presentation of Jesus' Messianic ministry, he is going to reveal one of it's most important aspects immediately ... His authority. In this short passage that we are going to consider today, we see the reaction of those in Capernaum as they witness the authority of Jesus in a variety of manners.

**INSTRUCTION****I. HIS AUTHORITY WAS DISPLAYED IN HIS W\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 31-32)****A. The Astonishment of the P\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 32; Matthew 7:28-29; Mark 1:22; Luke 5:1)****B. The Application to His D\_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 28: 18-20)**

1. WE ARE CALLED TO TEACH B\_\_\_\_\_! (cf. 2 Tim 3:16-17; 1 Thess 1:5-8; 2:13)
2. WE ARE CALLED TO TEACH H\_\_\_\_\_!!
  - a. With Our W\_\_\_\_\_ (cf. 1 Corinthians 4:1-2; Isaiah 8:19-20; Jeremiah 23:28-32; Acts 20:27; 2 Timothy 4:1-4)
  - b. With Our L\_\_\_\_\_ (cf. Luke 8:21; 11:27-28)

**II. HIS AUTHORITY WAS DISPLAYED IN HIS W\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 33-40)****A. He Had Authority Over Demons (v. 33-36, 41)**

1. THEIR RE\_\_\_\_\_ OF JESUS (v. 33-34, 41)
2. THEIR RE\_\_\_\_\_ FROM JESUS (v. 35, 41; cf. Acts 16:16-18)
3. THEIR RE\_\_\_\_\_ BY JESUS (v. 35-36, 41)

**B. He Had Authority Over Sickness (v. 38-39) ...**

1. THE CO\_\_\_\_\_ OF THE PEOPLE
2. THE CO\_\_\_\_\_ OF THE MESSIAH

**C. He Had Authority Over Diseases (v. 40; James 5:13-16)****INTROSPECTION**

- \* How faithful are you to proclaim the Word of God?
- \* Are you ready to give an answer to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is within you (1 Peter 3:15)?  
Is your "hope" evident?
- \* Do you have concern and compassion for others? Are you willing to spend your time ministering to others?
- \* Is there a need to change the way you think and therefore the way you act?

**INTERACTION ... Thoughts & Questions to ponder for later discussion**

- \* Consider, and discuss, the balance between operating in the power and authority of Christ, and not over-stepping that authority through our own desires and pride.