

The King's Authority over a Fallen World, Part 1

Matthew 8:1-34

Thesis: King Jesus came to overturn the curse through His life, death, burial and resurrection. This was promised in the Old Testament, inaugurated in Jesus' first coming, and will be brought to completion when He returns and makes all things new.

I. The King's Authority over Sickness & Disease (1-17)

- A. Jesus cleanses a leper (1-4)
 - 1. Acknowledges Jesus' authority to heal
 - 2. Jesus heals the leper
 - 3. Commanded to say nothing, but go to the priest
- B. Jesus heals the centurion's servant (5-13)
 - 1. The centurion's humble request
 - 2. Jesus comment on faith and the reversal of messianic expectations
 - 3. Jesus *speaks* and the servant is healed
- C. Jesus heals Peter's mother-in-law (14-15)
- D. Jesus heals many others (16-17)

II. The King's Authoritative Call to Follow (18-22)

- A. Kingdom life is hard
- B. The King's call rises above all other allegiances

III. The King's Authority over Creation (23-27)

- A. Disciples cry out to Jesus in fear
- B. Jesus rebukes their "little faith"
- C. Jesus rebukes the storm
- D. The disciples marvel: "What sort of man is this?"

IV. The King's Authority over Demons (16, 28-34)

- A. The demons recognize Jesus

Jesus demonstrates his authority over of Satan and his minions