

# The Authority of Jesus

Matthew 9:1-8

Jesus the King – He has all \_\_\_\_\_!

The Sermon on the Mount ends with the crowds' \_\_\_\_\_ at it – Matthew 7:28-29

Multiple events have \_\_\_\_\_ it ...

*A leper and a mother-in-law both healed with a touch (8:1-4, 14-15)*

*A centurion's servant healed with a word (8:5-13)*

*A storm calmed and waves stilled (8:23-27)*

*Many demon-possessed people delivered (8:16; 28-34)*

And now it is displayed in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in response to \_\_\_\_\_.

*"... when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven."*

The scribes were \_\_\_\_\_!

*"This man is blaspheming."*

Why would they say such a thing?

Jesus conveys the best sort of authority there is – the authority of \_\_\_\_\_.

*"... that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"— he then said to the paralytic — "Rise, pick up your bed and go home."*

The crowds were \_\_\_\_\_!

*... they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.*

## Redemption as Authority

Jesus enters the world of the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

*As He does, He brings \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ where brokenness and hurt dominated.*

Jesus also enters the world of the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

*He offers \_\_\_\_\_ and gives \_\_\_\_\_ where only condemnation and death were deserved.*

He has the \_\_\_\_\_ to both \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ and to \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_!

And he expresses this authority by \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ Himself for their (and our) sake!

*"... which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk?'"*

## Conclusion:

You can \_\_\_\_\_ your life to that kind of authority.

You can use your life to \_\_\_\_\_ that kind of authority.