

**Title:** The Power is King Jesus

**Passage:** Mark 1:29-39

**Introduction:**

Sickness, pain, and death

- reality of this present world
- Not always this way in the very beginning of creation.
- But since sin, we live in a fallen world.

Gospel of Jesus

- Good news of Jesus arrival and ministry

**Overview:**

I. Power of Jesus over human disease and spiritual belongs alike (v. 29-34)

II. The source of Jesus power and the importance of prayer (v. 35)

III. Priority of Jesus displaying His power (v. 36-39)

IV. Application

**I. Power of Jesus over human disease and spiritual belongs alike (v. 29-34)**

Mark 1:29-34

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1 Corinthians 9:5

Do we not have the right to take along a believing wife, as do the other apostles and the brothers of the Lord and Cephas?

- Peter had a wife and a family. Including mother-in-law

*And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up*

- Whenever Jesus acted, it was immediate. How? His kingdom authority.
- The manner in which Jesus healed
  - Method: Jesus came to touched her by the hand
  - Meaning: Jesus is a compassionate king.
  - Jesus touches others with His grace and mercy.

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- Immediate response to being touched by Jesus was to serve.
- Likewise, our response to being saved by Jesus should be giving
- Main characteristic of a Christian: give to others what you have experienced.

Ephesians 2:10

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

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- Distinction: illness vs. demon-possession
  - All sickness is from sin (whether Original Sin inherited with fallen bodies and environment)
  - But not all physical sickness is demonic in origin.
- Demons clearly knew Jesus' identity and reacted accordingly
- Distinction: motivation and intent to seek Jesus
  - those who seek Jesus for their material gain vs. those who seek Jesus for spiritual implications
    - Seek Jesus for physical healing and material wealth, or
    - Seek Jesus to be worshipped and served regardless of what comes in this world.

## **II. Source of Jesus power and the importance of prayer (v. 35)**

### Mark 1:35

And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed.

- Jesus' entire ministry was based on his continual prayers
  - Continual: Before baptism, before choosing disciples, before Transfiguration, while hanging on the cross, etc.
  - Why? Continual submission to the Father's plan and the power of the Spirit
- Heart of Jesus' prayers: John 17
- Meaning: We are to live our lives on the same basis
  - Live by prayer
    - Prayer is the necessity of our spiritual lives
- Pulse of our state before God: prayer
  - Backsliding spiritually can be traced back to prayerlessness

### James 5:16

Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. *The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.*

## **III. Priority of Jesus displaying His power (v. 36-39)**

### Mark 1:36-39

And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, and they found him and said to him, "Everyone is looking for you." And he said to them, "*Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out.*" And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

- Contrasting priorities
  - The priority of Jesus: preach and heal spiritually (eternal)
  - The priority of disciples: heal physically (Temporal)
- Jesus still heals today but here His earthly ministry was to preach the Gospel message to bring eternal salvation through repentance

### Luke 5:32

I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance."

### Luke 19:10

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

#### **IV. Application**

*For non-believers*

Come to Christ.

- Jesus has a heart for you and wants to change your life.
- He left heaven to bring spiritual healing. He has done everything for your heart to be healed.

Acts 16:31

Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.

*For believers*

*Question: What is your compassion for others?*

- For those who are physically ill

Colossians 3:12

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,

- This is not an option.
- If today you don't feel like it, intentionally choose and pursuit growth in where you feel "least gifted"

*Question: How is your prayer life?*

- Misperception: we can go without prayer
- Lack of passion for prayer leads to adverse impacts in your life.

Psalms 51:10, 12

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me...Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

*Question: What role does preaching and teaching have in our lives?*

- Advance His kingdom by genuinely changed and transformed lives - if believe this, then how important it is to share the Gospel!

2 Timothy 4:2

preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching.

Romans 10:13-15

For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!"