



**Bible study for the week
starting January 31, 2021
Luke 4:31-44
Signs and Wonders**

SHARE

1. Please open with prayer seeking intentionally that the same Holy Spirit who empowered Jesus to do signs and wonders would work miracles of insight and hunger in you as you study and share.
2. Satan and demons and the invisible realm were discussed in the message. Share your thoughts about these topics including any personal experiences. How do your thoughts and experiences line up with God's Word as it was shared in the message?

DEMONS CALLED OUT—READ LUKE 4:31-37

1. Jesus left Nazareth and went down to Capernaum and began teaching in the synagogue there (see v. 31). Discuss the difference in the reaction between Nazareth and Capernaum.
2. In the Gospels, crying out with a loud voice seems to be characteristic of those who were demon-possessed. What did the man in the Capernaum synagogue say when he cried out?
3. What two things did Jesus command the demon to do?
4. How did the demon respond to Jesus' commands? How did the man respond? How did the people respond?

PETER'S MOTHER-IN-LAW HEALED—READ LUKE 4:38-39

5. After teaching with authority in the Capernaum synagogue, Jesus accompanied Peter to his house. Peter was married (see 1 Corinthians 9:5), and his wife's mother was sick with a fever in Peter's house. Specifically how did Jesus "cure" her?
6. In the message the point was made, "salvation leads to service". Is this true? Discuss.

JESUS MINISTERS THROUGHOUT GALILEE—READ LUKE 4:40-44

7. The setting of the sun marked the end of the Sabbath. Why did this matter to the next part of the story?
8. In addition to the people with various diseases, there were also many who were demon possessed. What did Jesus do to the demons? What did He, again, prohibit them to do? Why?
9. This story is also shared in Mark 1:33. Try to picture this scene. How much time do you think Jesus spent healing these people? Try to imagine their individual reactions.
10. After a day like that, late into the evening, what would you want to do? As you study the timeline, what did Jesus apparently do? (See also Mark 1:35) Read also Acts 12:5; 1 Thessalonians 5:17; 1 John 5:14-15 and discuss our personal priorities as a Jesus follower.
11. Simon Peter and a crowd of people who were with him searched for Jesus. How do you think they felt or what do you think they understood following Jesus' response?



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Nazareth "CRIMINAL" charges:

BLASPHEMY ~ CRAZY ~ SUPREME INSULT

Relocates to Capernaum – teaches in SYNAGOGUE

Two PARALLEL worlds illustrated

PHYSICAL ~ SPIRITUAL

Know your enemy (2 Corinthians 2:11)

- 1) Satan is NOT equal to God
- 2) Satan is NOT our only enemy
 - a. Satan and demons (1 Peter 5:8)
 - b. Our flesh (Genesis 5:3-4)
 - c. The World (1 John 2:15-17) e.g. Avatar

Synagogue to OCTAGON ~ Luke 4:34ff

The True AUTHORITY of Jesus

Sidenote: How does this happen?

Peter's House

Come out! (demons and fevers~35, 39, 41)

Salvation leads to SERVICE (39b)

Liars are not hired as PROPHETS (35 & 41)

Laying on of hands and Prayer

God always answers: Now or Later