# Miracle Worker

Part Two: Capernaum miracles June 11, 2023

This summer, we are examining some of Jesus' greatest miracles to get to know Him better and learn to trust Him with every part of our lives! The four Gospels reveal that Jesus performed some miracles of nature, some miracles of healing, and some miracles of resurrection. This morning, we are going to look at some of Jesus' miracles of healing that he performed around the city of Capernaum at the beginning of His earthly ministry.

#### Jesus heals an official's son. John 4:46-54

We don't know if the government official was a Jew or a Gentile, or his exact position in the government. All we know is the man was a father, and he was scared his son was going to die.

### What did Jesus do for the official?

1<sup>st</sup> - Jesus rebuked the official. Vs. 48

The verb "see" in verse 48 is plural, meaning Jesus was stating, "You Galileans have to see miracles before you will believe I am the Messiah."

2<sup>nd</sup> - Jesus healed the official's little boy. Vs. 49-53

The One who spoke the world into existence can do anything He wants to do in the manner He wants to do it. Jesus healed a little boy from twenty miles away and He can heal you from His throne in heaven!

## Jesus casts out a demon on the Sabbath. Mark 1:21-28

A demon-controlled man yelled out to Jesus as he was teaching in one of the synagogues in Capernaum. Jesus sternly rebuked the evil spirit and told it to shut up, then He ordered it to come out of the man.

#### Why are demons terrified of Jesus?

• Demons know who Jesus is.

The Jewish leaders rejected Jesus (Mark 3:6, 22); the crowds were skeptical of Him (Mark 6:5-6; John 2:24), and His disciples had little faith in Him (Mark 8:17), but the demons know who Jesus is and what He came to do and will do (Mark 3:11; 5:7; Col. 1:13, 16; James 2:19).

The demons know they are damned.

The Bible tells us that there is no salvation for fallen angels (Hebrews 2:16). Their eternal destiny has already been decided by God. The Devil and his demons will spend eternity in the Lake of Fire with unbelieving humans (Matthew 25:41; Revelation 20:10-15).

The demons know Jesus can set sinners <u>free</u>.

The Bible says Satan (the god of this world) has blinded sinners (2 Cor. 4:3-4) and holds them captive (Heb. 2:14-15), but the Son of God came to earth to set sinners free (Luke 4:41; John 8:36; 1 John 3:8)! Jesus brought Good News to the poor, made the spiritually blind see, and set captives free from the clutches of the Evil One (Luke 4:14-30; Matthew 8:16).

## Jesus heals Peter's Mother-in-Law. Mark 1:29-31

Jesus took the hand of the helpless woman and healed her of her life-threatening infection (Luke 4:38). One moment the woman was near death and the next moment she was on her feet, full of energy, and ready to prepare the Sabbath dinner!

# Jesus heals many sick and demon-possessed. Mark 1:32-34

Sick people from all over Capernaum rushed to Peter's house to be healed by Jesus when the Sabbath ended. The Greek verb indicates that they "kept on bringing" sick people to the Miracle Worker throughout the night.

# Seven things we learn about Jesus from the Capernaum miracles:

- 1. Jesus does not need to be physically present to heal someone.
- 2. Jesus healed people who had great faith, little faith, and no faith.
- 3. Jesus healed instantly and completely people did not need time to recover.
- 4. Jesus had infinite love and compassion for people.
- 5. Jesu healed people of physical, mental, and spiritual issues.
- 6. Jesus healed everyone that came to him regardless of their age, race, sex, or social status.
- 7. Jesus is the Son of God (Mark 1:1, 21-34).