

Jesus Heals Several People: Meeting Man's Desperate and Helpless Needs

Mathew 09:27–34

(Mk 5:21-43; Lk 8:41-56; 11:14-15)

<p>1. <i>The unceasing cry for sight</i></p> <p>a. The men followed Jesus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">1) Acknowledged His Messiahship2) Cried for mercy3) Struggled to meet with Him <p>b. Jesus' response: A readiness to help</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">1) His question2) His touch3) His power: Based on their faith <p>c. Jesus' instruction: Tell no one, but be humble — Focus on spiritual healing, not physical</p>	<p>27 As Jesus went on from there, two blind men followed him, calling out, "Have mercy on us, Son of David!"</p> <p>28 When he had gone indoors, the blind men came to him, and he asked them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" "Yes, Lord," they replied.</p> <p>29 Then he touched their eyes and said, "According to your faith will it be done to you";</p> <p>30 And their sight was restored. Jesus warned them sternly, "See that no one knows about this."</p> <p>31 But they went out and spread the news about him all over that region.</p>
<p>2. <i>The quiet approach for sanity and speech</i></p> <p>a. A demon-possessed man was brought by others</p> <p>b. The response: Jesus healed</p> <p>3. <i>The reaction to Jesus' power</i></p> <p>a. The people: Were amazed</p> <p>b. The religionists: Called Jesus demon-possessed</p>	<p>32 While they were going out, a man who was demon-possessed and could not talk was brought to Jesus.</p> <p>33 And when the demon was driven out, the man who had been mute spoke. The crowd was amazed and said, "Nothing like this has ever been seen in Israel."</p> <p>34 But the Pharisees said, "It is by the prince of demons that he drives out demons."</p>

The Mission of the Messiah

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1. *His ministry*

- a. Method: Went forth
- b. Place: Everywhere
- c. Work: Teaching, preaching, and healing
- d. Message:
The gospel of the kingdom

2. *His compassion*

- a. Because people were weary and bewildered
- b. Because people were helpless
- c. Because people were as sheep without a shepherd

3. *His vision*

- a. A great harvest
- b. A great need for labourers
- c. A great need for prayer
- d. A great force of labourers

35 Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness.

36 When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

37 Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few.

38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”