

Luke 8:23-56

3W – Stephen Cserhalmi, 2 Wks – Looking at God’s Model for Providing/Place/Worship
* Need, Plan, Finances, Biblical Model – Seeing God Moving Hearts/Spirits!!!

Pt 1) Jesus was w/His disciples; 2) Jesus, “Let us cross over...” & Disciples Launched Out!

3. This launching out is/key to seeing the Power of Jesus! But many of us sit on the shore!

* They’ll see Winds/Waves Obey! Demoniac Healed/Set Free - Because they launched out!

4. Windstorm – Filling w/water - (KJV/Were filled) – “Perfect Storm” Not an overreaction!

5. Master, Master we ARE Perishing – They were Fishermen! They knew their condition!

* With all their skills, abilities, experience/know how, or how nice - they were still perishing!

* They could not overcome the wind/waves; were going to die w/out/intervention of Jesus!

* Just like another Great Storm/Flood, no one could overcome, Only One Ark/One Door!

Luke 19:10 ¹⁰for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.”

A - No matter our skills, abilities-we’re still perishing-God’s desire that we don’t! Sent Jesus!

6. He rebuked Winds/Waves – There was a Calm. (Matt - Great Tempest & a Great Calm!)

* There are and will be Great Tempests in our lives – With Jesus there can be a Great Calm!

* **Notice** – In this case Jesus was the One who led them into this one! But in the end...

John 14:27 ²⁷Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

7. Jesus...Where is your faith?...they were afraid/marveled/said... “Who can this be?”

* His question is the same today, “Where is your faith?”

* Where do we (you & I), place our Faith??? In Overcoming Storms & The Obituaries

* In our abilities/works/being good? - We are still all perishing! Who will overcome for us?

* Let’s answer their question, “Who can this be?”

* He is the Creator/World, Son/God, who came to Save of the World from our Sin!

* He has the power to overcome the gravity/depravity of man/world! And we thru Him!

John 16:33 ³³These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.”

1 John 5:5 ⁵Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

V26-32 Jesus Heals the Demon Possessed Man

V27 - Demoniac’s condition - Man; Demons; Long Time, No clothes/Home; Lived/Tombs

V29 - Demoniac’s condition – Seized/Demons; Kept/Guard; Bound Chains/Shackles, Driven

V28 – The Encounter; Falls down/cries out...Jesus, Son/Most High – Beg/Don’t torment me!

V29 – Jesus had commanded unclean spirit come out – For it had often seized him...

V30-31 – Beg/would not command them – go to the abyss (Gk/*abussos*)

A – Unlike Certain Book; Not only/hell/very real place (Mk 9:42-48) so is Abyss (Rev 9,11,17,21)

V32 – Begged/Permitted

V33-37 - In spite of seeing the result in the man, sitting @ feet of Jesus, clothed, right mind

* They were afraid (of what?) – Asked Him to leave!

A – Notice what Jesus does – Got into the boat and returned – Won’t stay where not wanted!

V38-39 – Man begs to go with, Jesus sends back, “Return own house, tell...” - He did!

1. The condition of man before Jesus & after Jesus. (Sitting, Clothed, Right Mind, Healed!)

2. The power of Jesus - Over the Demonic/Destructive Power of the Devil!

John 10:10 ¹⁰The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.

3. Our opportunity to tell others about Jesus! Return/Tell/Great things God has done for you!

A - Power of Jesus over Creation & Perishing

A - Fruit – Healing/Peace/Calm/Right Mind

V40-42 – Intro to Jairus/daughter’s situation – Notice the similarities with previous Man!

V43- Intro/Woman w/Flow/Blood – for 12 years; Spent all money/physicians/couldn’t/healed

V44 – Came from behind/touched hem/garment – Immediately healed

V45 – Jesus – Who touched me? All denied – Peter/others – How can you say, who touched?

V47 – She comes, falls down, shares her whole story & reason she had touched Him/Healed!

V48 – Your Faith (In what/who) has made you well – Go in peace

A – Power of Jesus over physical infirmities

A – Fruit – Healing/Peace!

V49-56

V50 – Jesus, “Don’t be afraid, only believe, and she will be made well.”

V52 – He says, “Don’t weep, she is not dead, but sleeping”

V53 – They ridicule Him, “Knowing” she was dead

V54 – He says, “Little girl, Arise.”

V55 – Her spirit returned to her – she arose!

John 14:19 ¹⁹“A little while longer and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you will live also.

A - Power of Jesus over Death

A - Fruit – Life Little Girl/Peace for Parents!

Conclusion

A – Each condition Hopeless! But Jesus!

* Jesus’ Power over Creation & Man’s Inability to save Himeself!

* Jesus’ Power over Destructive Demonic power of the Devil

* Jesus’ Power over Physical Infirmities

* Jesus’ Power over Death itself!

1 Corinthians 15:26 ²⁶The last enemy that will be destroyed is death.