

(1) TO BE A DISCIPLE

Unit 1601: *The Disciple as Missionary under the Authority of Christ* Matthew 9:35 - 10:42

CONTINUITY FROM LAST SESSION (October 27, 2024)

1. Jesus informs His disciples about His AUTHORITY to expect obedience.
2. Matthew describes 10 consecutive miracles which illustrate His authority over disease, demon possession, Satan, sin, death, nature, paralysis and sight-hearing-speaking impediments.
3. The authority of Jesus is manifested in his messianic function as CALLER, PHYSICIAN AND BRIDEGROOM.

I. AUTHORITY MIRACLES #7 and #8 : A GIRL RAISED TO LIFE and a WOMAN HEALED (Matthew 9:18-26)

- A. RULER: Lay administrator at local synagogue - recognizes AUTHORITY.
- B. Trusts completely that Jesus has authority to deal with his dead daughter.
- C. Interruption: Woman with CONTINUAL MENSTRUAL HEMORRHAGE.

1. LEVITICUS 15:19-25

2. She touches the FRINGE (Tassels) of Jesus' rabbi garment .

3. MATTHEW 23:5

- D. *Flute players* used by professional mourners at Jewish funerals.
- E. Ridicule of Jesus' authority over death

II. AUTHORITY MIRACLE #9: JESUS HEALS TWO BLIND MEN (Matthew 9:27-31)

- A. Son of David - authentic Messianic designation

1. MATTHEW 1:1

2. Jesus is not interested in 'putting on a show'.

III. AUTHORITY-MIRACLE #10: JESUS HEALS A MAN UNABLE TO SPEAK (Matthew 9:32-34)

- A. PHARISEES accuse Jesus of exorcising demons through Satan's power.
- B. Satan is the Prince of Demons - who led fallen angels in heaven rebellion.

IV. CHRIST'S AUTHORITY IS ADORNED WITH COMPASSION (Matthew 9:35-38)

- A. Three signs by which Messiah recognized: Preach, Teach and Heal
- B. Signs signal arrival of the KINGDOM OF GOD
- C. COMPASSION: sympathetic pity and concern for the sufferings of others
- D. Describes God's helping mercy and action through Jesus.

V. NAMING OF THE TWELVE APOSTLES (Capital “D” Disciples) – Matthew 10:1-4

- A. Twelve is a symbolic number that signifies the Church (Believers).
- B. Jesus claims ALL ISRAEL as His own rightful lot – He is their Christ.
- C. Jesus now conveys His AUTHORITY – so vividly demonstrated in 10 Miracles.
- D. APOSTLE (ἀπόστολος) means “one who is sent out on a mission”

VI. (8) JESUS SENDS OUT THE TWELVE APOSTLES (Matthew 10:5-15)

- A. Jesus’ first commitment is to the People of Israel – not Gentiles!
- B. GENESIS 12:1-3
- C. KING DOM OF HEAVEN = God setting up His throne in the hearts and lives of people on earth ... TODAY!

1. MATTHEW 4:17

2. MATTHEW 3:1-2

- D. Make no elaborate preparations for the missionary journey
- E. Be like the Sending Christ who came to them at no cost.
- F. Jews traditional greeting: SHALOM [שָׁלוֹם] – generally *comprehensive peace*
- G. Do not badger or overwhelm those who will not receive the Kingdom.
- H. They inherit a judgment more frightful than Sodom and Gomorrah.

1. GENESIS 19:1-11

2. GENESIS 19:1-11

- I. The Kingdom of God calls disciples out of the sinful slime of secular world.

