

Go Deep

Luke 4:38-44

1. What are some things that have happened thus far in the first four chapters of Luke? What have these chapters taught us about who Jesus is?
2. If Jesus never healed anyone, would that make much of a difference to us? What do the healing miracles show us about who Jesus is and what he came to do?
3. Does Jesus still heal people today like he did in the Gospel stories?
4. *Read Luke 4:38-44.* Compare and contrast Luke's version of this story with Mark's (1:29-38) and Matthew's (8:14-17)? Why does studying parallel passages help with interpretation?
5. Why did Peter's mother-in-law live with him? Who else lived at Peter's house and how were they supported when he stopped fishing to follow Jesus?
6. *Read 4:39.* What does it mean that Jesus' "rebuked the fever?" Why speak to the fever itself?
7. *Read 4:40.* What is the significance of Jesus "laying hands" on each of the sick?
8. *Read 4:41.* Is there a connection between the various kinds of sicknesses and demon possessions? If so, what is the connection?
9. Why won't Jesus allow the demons to speak the truth about him? Why would the demons want people to know that he is the Messiah?
10. *Read 4:42.* Why does Jesus seek solitude? Are there times when we should seek solitude as well?
11. *Read 4:43.* What is the gospel of the Kingdom of God that Jesus proclaimed?
12. Why is it more important that he keep preaching that message than that he keeps doing miracles in Capernaum