

Introduction

(Luke 8:22-39)

The last two Sundays, we have looked at Jesus' authority over nature and spirits; the natural and supernatural world. Jesus c_____ both the storm on the Sea of Galilee and the "storm" brewing inside of a demon-possessed man. In both instances, Jesus showed His power and authority over H___ creation.

Jesus' Authority Over Sickness

(Luke 8:40-48)

Sickness is a circumstance in life that we ____ deal with at different times in our lives, and in varying degrees. There are some sicknesses that are deadly, some that are l_____ -term, and others that last only a little while. Jesus has the authority to deal with all of these sicknesses, and we must come to Him in f_____ to seek healing. As we are healed, we are to share with others our faith in Jesus and His g_____.

Jesus' Authority Over Death

(Luke 8:49-56; John 5:24; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

When we are faced with death, we often feel helpless and h_____. Jairus felt the same, when he heard that his daughter had died. It was then that Jesus encouraged Jairus to not be afraid and trust in Him. Jesus brought the dead girl back to l_____, and He does the same for everyone who puts their faith in Him! Physically, we will eventually die, but Jesus makes us w_____ for eternity. He promises us eternal life; He makes us spiritually alive and well in our relationship with God. Thus, we can be t_____ in all circumstances.

Based on Luke 8:40-42, what was the reception Jesus received when he returned to His own people? How was this different from the people he had just encountered? What do you think was the significance of an official of the synagogue humbly seeking Jesus' help? What prompted this man to seek Jesus? What prompts you to seek Jesus?

Based on Luke 8:43-49, what "got in the way" of Jesus going directly to Jairus' house? Why do you think Jesus brought attention to the woman who had touched His cloak? What do we learn about Jesus from this passage? What healed the woman, and how do we know this? How should you seek Jesus for healing?

Based on Luke 8:50-56, what were Jesus' words of comfort to Jairus at the news that the girl had died? What are Jesus' words of comfort to us when faced with the death of a loved one? How powerful are Jesus' words? Take time to thank God for His love and care and comfort in your life.

Next Sunday, we will celebrate our First Advent Sunday with a baptism and membership ceremony. We will get to hear testimonies of salvation. Prayerfully read Luke 8:43-48 once again, and consider the woman's testimony of faith in Jesus. Prayerfully seek opportunities to share your testimony of faith.