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disciple:

// someone who follows Jesus and leads others to do the same.

Studying God's Word is one of the the best ways to grow your relationship with God, be tuned to the Holy Spirit, and get to know Jesus intimately. John 1 tells us that the Word is God, the writer of Psalms tells us it will light our path, and Jesus tells us in John 8 if we abide in His Word, we are truly His disciples.

This tool is just one of the many ways to study the Bible and dive deeper into the passages we will be studying each weekend together. Our hope is that you begin to deeply understand the scripture we will be unpacking and allow God to speak to your heart before you even walk through the doors on Sunday.

This tool is designed to help guide you as you seek to understand the context of each verse, what it meant to its original audience, and what it means to us today.

There are a few ways you can utilize this PDF.

01 Print the PDF.

-or-

02 Download the PDF, open in a notes app (GoodNotes, Notability, etc), fill it out digitally.

-or-

03 Use the PDF to transcribe into a notebook or journal.

5 Marks of a Disciple

- Obey God's Word Completely
- Love His Church Wholeheartedly
- Follow the Holy Spirit Relentlessly
- Seek the Lost Intentionally
- Know Jesus Intimately



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Week of Feb 27th // Conversation: March 5th // **Luke 4:31-42**
“The Authority of God”

pray.

The words of Jesus are powerful. With them, He calmed storms, cast out demons, healed the sick, raised the dead and forgave sins. Whenever Jesus spoke, He did so with authority.

Today, we’re going to study 3 examples of Jesus exercising His authority.

observe.

Using different colors, mark the following key words in the text that has been printed out for you below. Only mark 1 word at a time as you read through the verses. When you’re finished, you will have read each section multiple times!

- 01** Put a [†]cross over every mention of Jesus including pronouns like he, his and him. Don’t forget other names for Jesus like “Holy One of God”.
- 02** Underline every time Jesus exercises His authority or power.
- 03** Put a [⚡]pitchfork over every mention of demon(s) and unclean spirits.

LUKE 4:31-37 (ESV)

31 And he [Jesus] went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee. And he was teaching them on the Sabbath, 32 and they were astonished at his teaching, for his word possessed authority. 33 And in the synagogue there was a man who had the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice, 34 “Ha! What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” 35 But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent and come out of him!” And when the demon had thrown him down in their midst, he came out of him, having done him no harm. 36 And they were all amazed and said to one another, “What is this word? For with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and they come out!” 37 And reports about him went out into every place in the surrounding region.

LUKE 4:38-41 (ESV)

38 And he [Jesus] arose and left the synagogue and entered Simon’s house. Now Simon’s mother-in-law was ill with a high fever, and they appealed to him on her behalf. 39 And he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her, and immediately she rose and began to serve them. 40 Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to him, and he laid his hands on every one of them and healed them. 41 And demons also came out of many, crying, “You are the Son of God!” But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Christ.



interpret.

- 04 Why were the people of Capernaum astonished at the teaching of Jesus?

- 05 List everything you learned about the demons and unclean spirits. Did anything surprise you?

- 06 List everything Jesus cast out, rebuked or healed in these sections.

- 07 What did Simon's mother-in-law do after she was healed from her fever? What does that tell you about the extent to which she was healed?



apply.

08 Have you learned anything new by studying the Word today?

09 Has your understanding about Jesus changed from reading these sections? How?

10 How can these truths help you handle life today?



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bring it together.

The people at Capernaum were astonished at the teaching of Jesus because His words had authority. Even the demon that possessed the man in the synagogue knew He was the Holy One of God. It had been in control of that man, but at the words of Jesus, it had to obey and leave.

What has control over you in your life? Do you feel like you're a slave to something and you can't seem to break free? Maybe it's a bad addiction. Perhaps it's an unhealthy habit. Or maybe it's even your thoughts. There are many things that can take over our lives like the demon-possessed man, Simon's mother-in-law or the sick and diseased who were healed by Jesus.

There's good news for you - Jesus has power over everything in our lives! There is nothing that He can't overcome! While things may seem to be at their worse, Jesus is the light of the world that breaks through the darkness.

Spend some time in prayer praising Jesus for His authority over every aspect of your life. If there are areas where you need deliverance, cry out to Him. Pour out your heart before Him and present your requests with thanksgiving. The peace of God will guard your heart and mind in Christ Jesus. (Phil 4:6-7)

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We are available to answer any questions you might have.



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