

October 15/Day 288

Matthew 8:14-34

Verses 14-16

- What did Jesus do to Peter's mother-in-law that caused the fever to leave her?
- How did He cast out spirits?
- Based on the context, are the ill here physically ill or spiritually ill?
- What Scripture was fulfilled with these healings?

Verses 18-22

- What was around Jesus? Have we seen this before?
- What did the scribe say to Jesus and how did He respond?
- What did another of the disciples (followers) say to Him?
- Based on what we have seen with the twelve, what does this delay tell us about this follower?

Verses 23-27

- The disciples had not been following Jesus for very long. Is Jesus putting them down or condemning them for their small faith here, or is He matter-of-factly saying their faith is still small? Our faith, even the ability to believe comes from God. (Eph 2:8-10). God gives us faith in the amount He sees fit in His timing (Romans 12:3).
- What did they ponder after He calmed the wind and sea? Do you think maybe it takes time to come to trust Jesus fully?

Verses 28-34

- How many demoniacs are mentioned by Matthew?
- Does this bother you? Does Scripture contradict itself?
- Scholars don't know why Matthew mentions two demoniacs and Mark and Luke only mention one; nevertheless, for there to be a contradiction, one account would have to make the other impossible. Scripture never contradicts Scripture. I would only be concerned if the difference pertained to salvation or essential doctrine.

Mark 4

Verses 1-9

- What kind of crowd gathered to Him at the sea?
- How was He teaching them?

- This is Mark's account of 'The Sower.

Verses 10-12

- Notice this passage says "His followers along with the twelve". Eventually, we will call the twelve the apostles. Until I started studying inductively, I thought Jesus only had twelve disciples because this is how I always heard it told. A disciple is a follower. Jesus had many disciples, many followers.

Verses 13-34

- Is Mark's explanation of these parables the same as the explanations from Matthew and Luke?
- What was He doing with His disciples? What is our application?

Verses 35-41

- In Mark's account, Jesus asks the disciples if they have "no faith". Is this the same question from Matthew and Luke, or not?

Mark 5

Verses 1-13

- Like Luke's account, Mark states there was one demoniac dwelling among the tombs.
- What does verse five tell us that we didn't see in Matthew or Luke?

Verses 14-20

- Where did the man go to proclaim what had happened?

Verses 21-24

- How many people gathered to Jesus after he crossed over again?

Verses 25-34

- How long had the woman been sick?
- Remember, to touch someone who was bleeding would make you unclean. What did she do to Jesus?
- How long did it take for her to be healed?
- What did Jesus say had made her well? How did she show she had faith?

Verses 35-43

- How old was the sick child?
- Did you notice the woman from the previous passage had been sick as long as this girl had been alive?
- How long did it take for her to be healed?
- Who did Jesus say to tell about this?
- Have you ever wondered why He told some to tell and some to keep quiet?

See you tomorrow.