

# STUDY GUIDE



## JESUS—GOD & MAN 02.17.2019

### [start with prayer]

Missions Prayer Focus this week:  
Building Hope in the City

### [set up]

Share a story of a miraculous healing that took place in your life or in the life of someone you know or share a story where you believe you had an encounter with something evil or demonic in nature.

### [digging deeper]

#### Read Luke 4:31-44.

What is one observation that stands out strongest to you in these passages and why?

Why do you think the teaching of Jesus felt so authoritative to the people who were listening? When you read God's Word, do you have a sense of authority over your life in what you read?

Jesus demonstrates power over both the natural (illnesses) and supernatural (demons).

When it comes to healing the sick, does Jesus always heal? Is everyone healed?

If this topic strikes a nerve, here's an article to read for deeper processing -  
<https://www.desiringgod.org/articles/if-god-doesnt-heal-you>

In Luke 4:38-39, Jesus heals Simon Peter's mother in law. What happens next and how is that an example of what happens in our lives when Christ touches us?

When it comes to demons, here are a few questions to test your biblical understanding of the demonic. Answer the questions and then compare answers in your group. Affirm biblical answers, challenge answers that may come from pop culture, TV shows, movies, or extra-biblical or unbiblical sources.

- What are demons?
- What can they do?
- What can't they do?
- What's the danger in ignoring the demonic?
- What's the danger in over-emphasizing the demonic?
- Why do we need not fear demons?
- What can you do if you ever encounter a demonic situation?

For extra help on the above questions, see the following verses:  
Matthew 10:1-8; Luke 10:17-20; Ephesians 6:10-12; James 2:19, 4:7; 1 John 4:4

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If this topic hits a nerve, here's a brief article that can help:

<https://www.crossway.org/articles/why-we-should-not-fear-satan-and-demons/>

In Luke 4:42-44, what did Jesus prioritize as people kept coming to him with more healing to do?

This past Sunday it was said that “the authority of Jesus was *recognized*, and the power of Jesus was *exercised* so that the message of Jesus could be *emphasized*.” What is this phrase trying to communicate and what do you see from today's study that supports this phrase?

## **[living it out]**

- Share one take away idea that is on your heart or mind from what you just learned or were reminded of?
- Share one action step that you can take in light of what you have learned or were reminded of?
- Share one prayer that you can pray right now based on what you just learned or were reminded of?
- **Close in prayer praying those prayers.**

For more resources on this topic, check out our blog post at [www.cvcblog.org](http://www.cvcblog.org).

## **SAVE THE DATES!**

Sunday, February 24—Daniel Henderson speaking in all services

February 25-March 1—Seek Week

Monday-Thursday, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Friday, 6:30 p.m.