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Come, Now is the Time to Worship

"So that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow...and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord..." Phil 2:10-11

Brian Robert Doerksen

Come, now is the time to worship. Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are, to worship. Come, just as you are, before your God.

Come.

One day every tongue will confess You are God.

One day every knee will bow. Still the greatest treasure remains for those, who gladly choose you now.

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There is Power

"...Holy Father, protect them by the power of Your name, the name You gave Me, so that they may be one as We are one" Jn. 17:11

Lincoln Brewster and Mia Fieldes

Where two, or more

Are gathered in His name

He is there, oh

For all, who come

Who run to Him in faith

He is there

There is power

In the name of Jesus

There is power

Power in His name

There is power

In the name of Jesus

There is power

Power in His name

No fear, no lie

Can stand against us now

He is here

The Word, has come

To silence every doubt

He is here

There is power

In the name of Jesus

There is power

Power in His name

There is power

In the name of Jesus

There is power

Power in His name

One name, one name can save

One name, breaks every chain

One name, always

One name, Jesus

One name, one name remains

One name, we will proclaim

One name, always

One name

There is power

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Matthew 9:27-34— English Standard Version (ESV)

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³² As they were going away, behold, a demon-oppressed man who was mute was brought to him. ³³ And when the demon had been cast out, the mute man spoke. And the crowds marveled, saying, "Never was anything like this seen in Israel." ³⁴ But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the prince of demons."

Shout to the Lord

"Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music" Psalm 98:4

Darlene Zschech

My Jesus, my Savior Lord, there is none like You All of my days, I want to praise The wonders of Your mighty love

My comfort, my shelter Tower of refuge and strength Let every breath, all that I am Never cease to worship You

Shout to the Lord
All the earth let us sing
Power and majesty praise to the King
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name

I sing for joy at the work of Your hands Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand Nothing compares to the promise I have in You My Jesus, my Savior Lord, there is none like You All of my days, I want to praise The wonders of Your mighty love

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What a Beautiful Name

"Therefore God exalted Him...and gave Him the name that is above every name" Phil 2:9

Brooke Ligertwood and Ben Fielding

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King

What a beautiful Name it is Nothing compares to this What a beautiful Name it is The Name of Jesus

You didn't want heaven without us So Jesus, You brought heaven down My sin was great, Your love was greater What could separate us now

What a wonderful Name it is What a wonderful Name it is The Name of Jesus Christ my King

What a wonderful Name it is Nothing compares to this What a wonderful Name it is The Name of Jesus What a wonderful Name it is The Name of Jesus

Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You You silenced the boast of sin and grave The heavens are roaring The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

You have no rival, You have no equal Now and forever, God, You reign Yours is the Kingdom, Yours is the glory Yours is the Name above all names

What a powerful Name it is What a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus Christ my King

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Offering: Be Thou My Vision#382

"Whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ" Phil 3:7 Mary Byrne

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art Thou my best thought, by day or by night Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord Thou my great Father, I Thy true son Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise Thou mine inheritance, now and always Thou and Thou only, first in my heart High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art

High King of heaven, my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all



Response to Jesus' Authority Matthew 9:27-34

In these two chapters (Mt 8-9), Matthew provides a host of stories that show Jesus' authority extends to every power of the world. Jesus not only teaches with authority (the authority of wisdom), but He also has authority over diseases, nature, demons, sins, and even death.

All of these displays of authority are an invitation to you and me to come and worship Jesus, the powerful King of kings.

Today's text invites us to come to Jesus, and our response is crucial how His authority affects our lives.



Matthew 9:27-29

[27] And as Jesus passed on from there, two blind men followed him, crying aloud, "Have mercy on us, Son of David." [28] When he entered the house, the blind men came to him, and Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to him, "Yes, Lord." [29] Then he touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith be it done to you."

Responses to Jesus' Authority- Matthew 9



The two blind men have implied a desire to see but their request is explicitly for "mercy".

[27] And as Jesus passed on from there, two blind men followed him, crying aloud, "Have mercy on us, Son of David."

The plea for mercy is the perfect prayer for anyone who comes to Christ. Earlier in this chapter, we see that Jesus cannot only heal diseases, but He can also forgive sins. So, we should seek His mercy. The reference to Jesus as the "Son of David" reminds us of Mt 1:1 and of the promises of God that He will come to reign over all the nations forever. Psalm 2 has a poetic scene of the reign of the Son of David (the Messiah) where the other kings are invited to come to Him in submission before He brings wrath. Come for mercy.

Matthew summarizes the story with providing a brief dialogue.

[28] When he entered the house, the blind men came to him, and Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that <u>I am able</u> to do this?" They said to him, "Yes, Lord." [29] Then he touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith be it done to you."

Blindness has not been specifically noted by Matthew as a part of Jesus' healing ministry to this point (though it is probably implied), so this question is good for the two men but also for us readers, "Do we believe?"

The men's faith is noted here, though their response later will raise the question of how deep their faith goes.

Responses to Jesus' Authority- Matthew 9

Matthew 9:30-31 (ESV)

[30] And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them, "See that no one knows about it." [31] But they went away and spread his fame through all that district.



Two questions pop to mind as we read the conclusion to this brief narrative. Why did Jesus tell them not to tell anyone about this miracle?; Why did the two men disobey if they had faith?

Let's answer these two questions drawing on Mt and Mk 7:

- Jesus has a clear vision of what kind of Messiah He is and how this
 message is best proclaimed. At the end of this chapter and into the
 next one, He will send out His disciples to spread the good news of the
 kingdom. However, we also see here in Mt and throughout Mk that the
 crowd's desire for miracles clouds His kingdom purposes and raises the
 animosity against Him, perhaps prematurely.
- Back in Mt 8 and later in the Gospel, we will see that beginning with faith does not make someone a true disciple. Continual faith responses are required.

Responses to Jesus' Authority- Matthew 9

Matthew 9:32-34

[32] As they were going away, behold, a demon-oppressed man who was mute was brought to him. [33] And when the demon had been cast out, the mute man spoke. And the crowds marveled, saying, "Never was anything like this seen in Israel." [34] But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the prince of demons." (ESV)



Matthew tells us the "barebones" of this miraculous encounter. Instead, he provides more regarding the responses to Jesus than on His power to heal.

As we have seen and will revisit in the next two sermons, the "marveling" crowds do not always follow in faith. Here, they rightly note that Jesus' authority is not like any other prophet, but that does not guarantee faith-filled obedience (see Moses in Deut 34:10-12). Beginning with faith only to shrink back in trials or difficulties is a frequent part of Israel's past. And the crowds marveled, saying, "Never was anything like this seen in Israel."

Responses to Jesus' Authority- Matthew 9



Some give mental assent but do not follow through, but others reject Jesus' authority more directly.

[34] But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the prince of demons."

This charge will be repeated multiple times in Matthew. Ultimately, this is the Pharisees' version of the "cancel culture". It says that I do not have to deal with Jesus' claims or His authority if I can cancel Him by charging Him with another offense (which is noticeably hard to demonstrate). Jesus deals thoroughly with this charge later (12:24-32), but here it simply shows that unbelief sometimes takes the form of hostile rejection.

How are we responding to Jesus' authority?

1) Does your faith lead to faith-filled obedience?

A fa Jesus tells a parable in Mt. 13 about someone who receives the word of the kingdom but only at a surface level. That initial mental assent does not lead to a life that is altered by our faith in God. Does our faith lead us to hearing God's Word as more than a mere suggestion?

2) What is your response to the Jesus' authority over your life?

Are there elements of life that preempt your budding faith? Have you reacted with hostility to the authority over you? What excuses have you created so that you do not have to deal with the full claims of God over your life?

3) Let's praise God who shows mercy to undeserving sinners.

Reflect on Exodus 34:6-7. Worship God as the one who "abounds" in lovingkindness (mercy) and truth. He will forgive sins for those who submit to His authority through repentance.

My Savior's Love#512

"I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave Himself for me" Gal. 2:20

Charles Gabriel

I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene, And wonder how He could love me, a sinner, condemned, unclean.

How marvelous, how wonderful! And my song shall ever be How marvelous, how wonderful is my Savior's love for me!

He took my sins and my sorrows, He made them His very own; He bore the burden to Calvary, and suffered and died alone.

How marvelous, how wonderful! And my song shall ever be How marvelous, how wonderful is my Savior's love for me!

When with the ransomed in glory, His face I at last shall see, 'Twill be my joy thru the ages to sing of His love for me.

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