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How God Became



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Sermon Notes

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ON EARTH AS IN HEAVEN

MATTHEW 8:1-9:35

Who is this man? (8:17, 27, cf. Isaiah 53:4)

- He has the power and authority to _____. (8:1-13)
- He has authority over the _____. (8:23-27)
- He has authority over _____. (8:16, 28-34)
- He has the authority to _____. (9:1-7)

Application

- Jesus does things that _____ has the authority or power to do.
- Jesus not only _____ the Kingdom of God, he is the one through whom God's rule is _____. (9:35)

Discussion Questions

1. In these chapters Jesus is recognized as someone with great authority. How would you explain the difference between power and authority? What does it mean that Jesus has both?
2. How do Jesus' actions in these chapters fit together with his message that the Kingdom of God has drawn near?
3. The scribes and Pharisees are already offended by what Jesus is doing. Why? What do they misunderstand about Jesus and his mission?

Worship Songs

- *Be Thou My Vision*, Mary Elizabeth Byrne, Eleanor Henrietta Hull, and John Wasson.
- *Slow Me Down*, K. Bluett, L.A. Jordan, M. Kaemingk, S. McCracken, and W. Kimbrough.
- *The Wonderful Cross*, Chris Tomlin, J. D. Walt, J. Reeves, L. Mason, and I. Watts.
- *Song for the Waiting*, Luke Laird, Sandra McCracken, Brett Taylor.