

A photograph of a lion and its cub in a savanna setting. The lion is on the right, facing right, with its tail slightly curved. The cub is on the left, facing right, and is touching the lion's tail with its mouth. The background is a blurred savanna landscape with tall grass and trees under a warm, golden light.

EXPERIENCING THE KING LIVING OUT THE KINGDOM

THE STUDY OF MATTHEW

The King's Authority and The Cost of Following the King

Matthew 8:1 – 9:8

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The King's Authority • Cost of Following Jesus

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Christ's Resurrection = Victory

- **Sickness**
- **Nature**
- **Demon**
- **Sin**
- **Death**



1. Jesus' Authority Over Every Realm

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a. Authority over Sickness



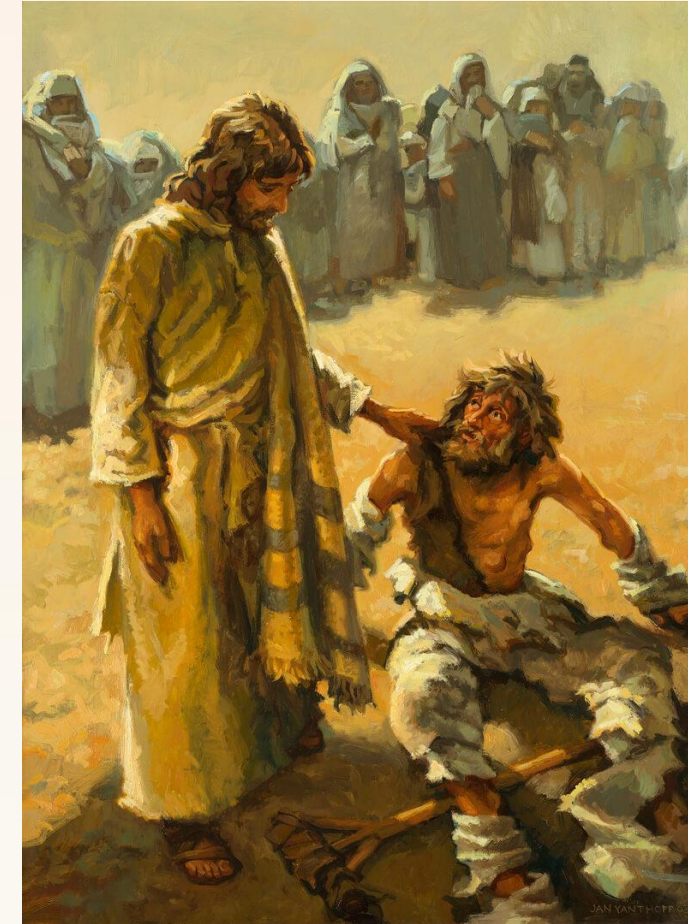
i. Healing a Leper

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Matthew 8:1-3

¹ When Jesus came down from the mountainside, large crowds followed him. ² A man with leprosy came and knelt before him and said, “Lord, **if you are willing, you can** make me clean.”

³ Jesus reached out his hand and **touched the man**. “**I am willing**,” he said. “Be clean!” Immediately he was cleansed of his leprosy.



ii. Healing the Centurion's Servant

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Matthew 8:5-8

⁵ When Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him, asking for help.

⁶ “Lord,” he said, “my servant lies at home paralyzed, suffering terribly.” ⁷ Jesus said to him, “Shall I come and heal him?”

⁸ The centurion replied, “Lord, I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. But just say the word, and my servant will be healed.



ii. Healing the Centurion's Servant

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Matthew 8:10

¹⁰ When Jesus heard this, He was amazed and said to those following Him, “Truly I tell you, I have not found anyone in Israel with such great faith.



ii. Healing the Centurion's Servant

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Two times Jesus was amazed:

1. Matthew 8:10 – Great faith of Roman Centurion
2. Mark 6:6 – Amazed at their lack of faith

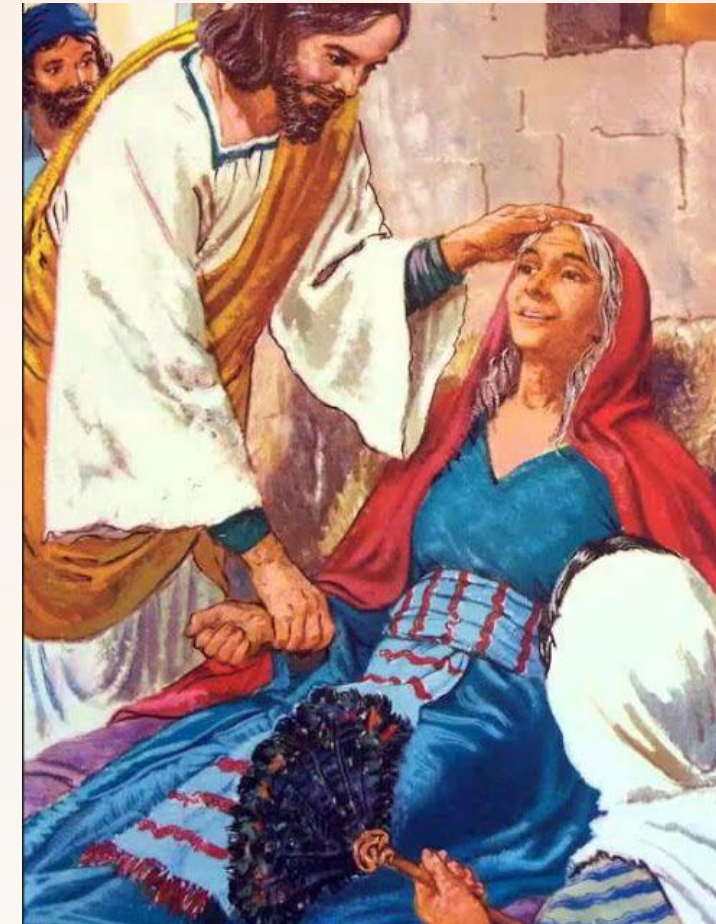


iii. Healing Peter's Mother-in-law

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Matthew 8:14-17

¹⁴ When Jesus came into Peter's house, He saw Peter's mother-in-law lying in bed with a fever. ¹⁵ He touched her hand and the fever left her, and she got up and began to wait on him. ¹⁶ When evening came, many who were demon-possessed were brought to him, and he drove out the spirits with a word and healed all the sick. ¹⁷ This was to fulfil what was spoken through the prophet Isaiah: "He took up our infirmities and bore our diseases."



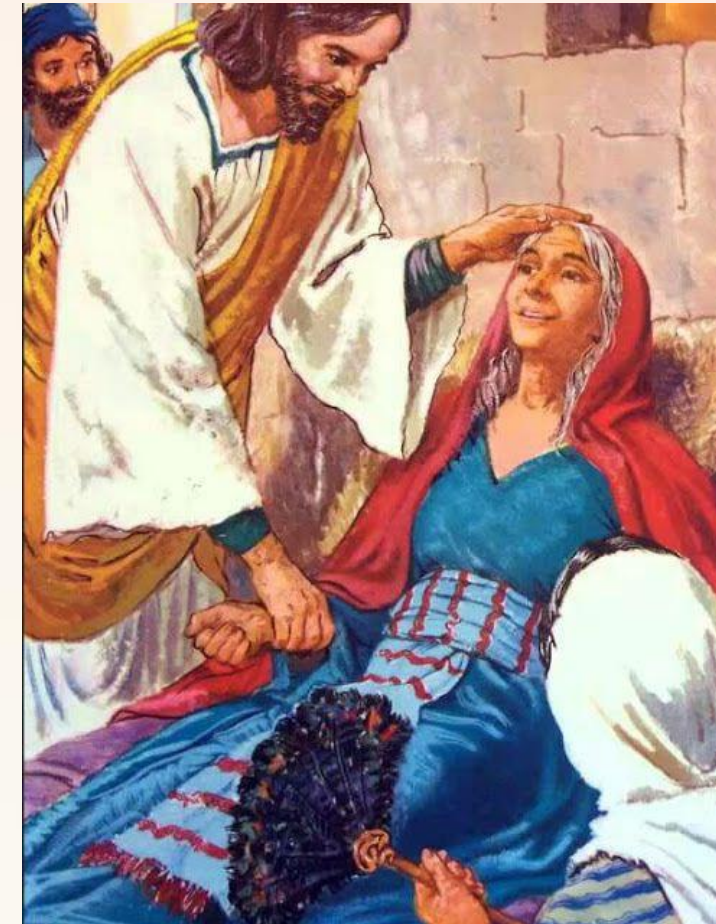
iii. Healing Peter's Mother-in-law

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Isaiah 53:4-5

⁴ Surely, He took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered Him punished by God, stricken by Him, and afflicted.

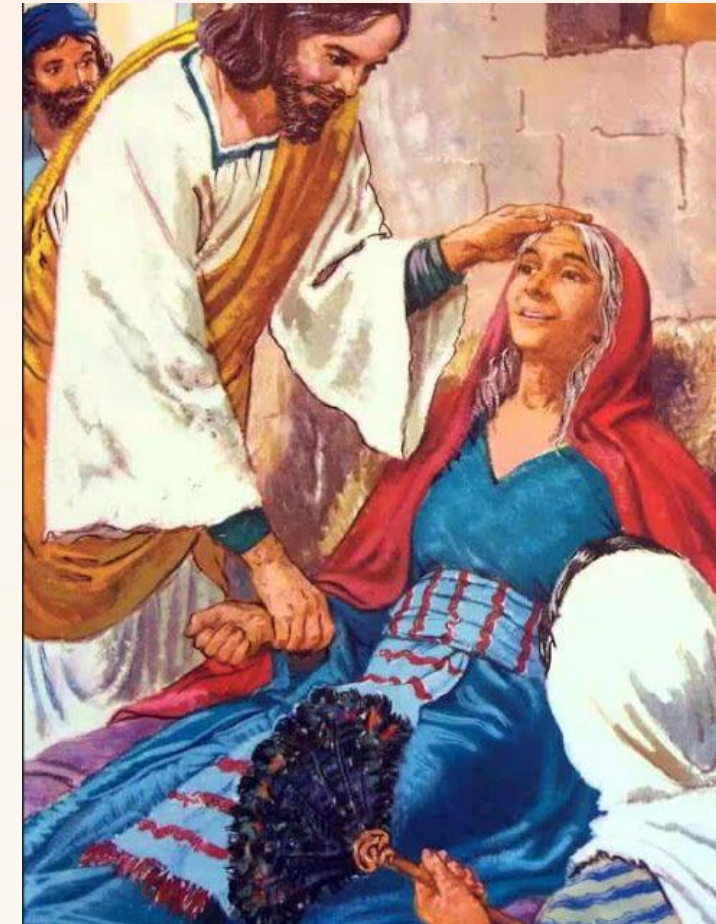
⁵ But He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on Him, and by His wounds we are healed.



a. Authority Over Sickness

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- i. Healing a Leper
- ii. Healing the Centurion's Servant
- iii. Healing Peter's Mother-in-Law



b. Authority Over Nature

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Matthew 8:23-27

²³ Then he got into the boat and his disciples followed him. ²⁴ Suddenly a furious storm came up on the lake, so that the waves swept over the boat. But Jesus was sleeping. ²⁵ The disciples went and woke him, saying, “Lord, save us! We’re going to drown!”

²⁶ He replied, “You of little faith, why are you so afraid?” Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm. ²⁷ The men were amazed and asked, “What kind of man is this? Even the winds and the waves obey him!”



c. Authority Over Demons

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Matthew 8:28-29

²⁸ When He arrived at the other side in the region of the Gadarenes, two demon-possessed men coming from the tombs met Him. They were so violent that no one could pass that way.

²⁹ “What do You want with us, Son of God?” they shouted. “Have You come here to torture us before the appointed time?”



c. Authority Over Demons

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Matthew 8:34

³⁴ Then the whole town went out to meet Jesus. And when they saw Him, they pleaded with Him to leave their region.



d. Authority Over Sin

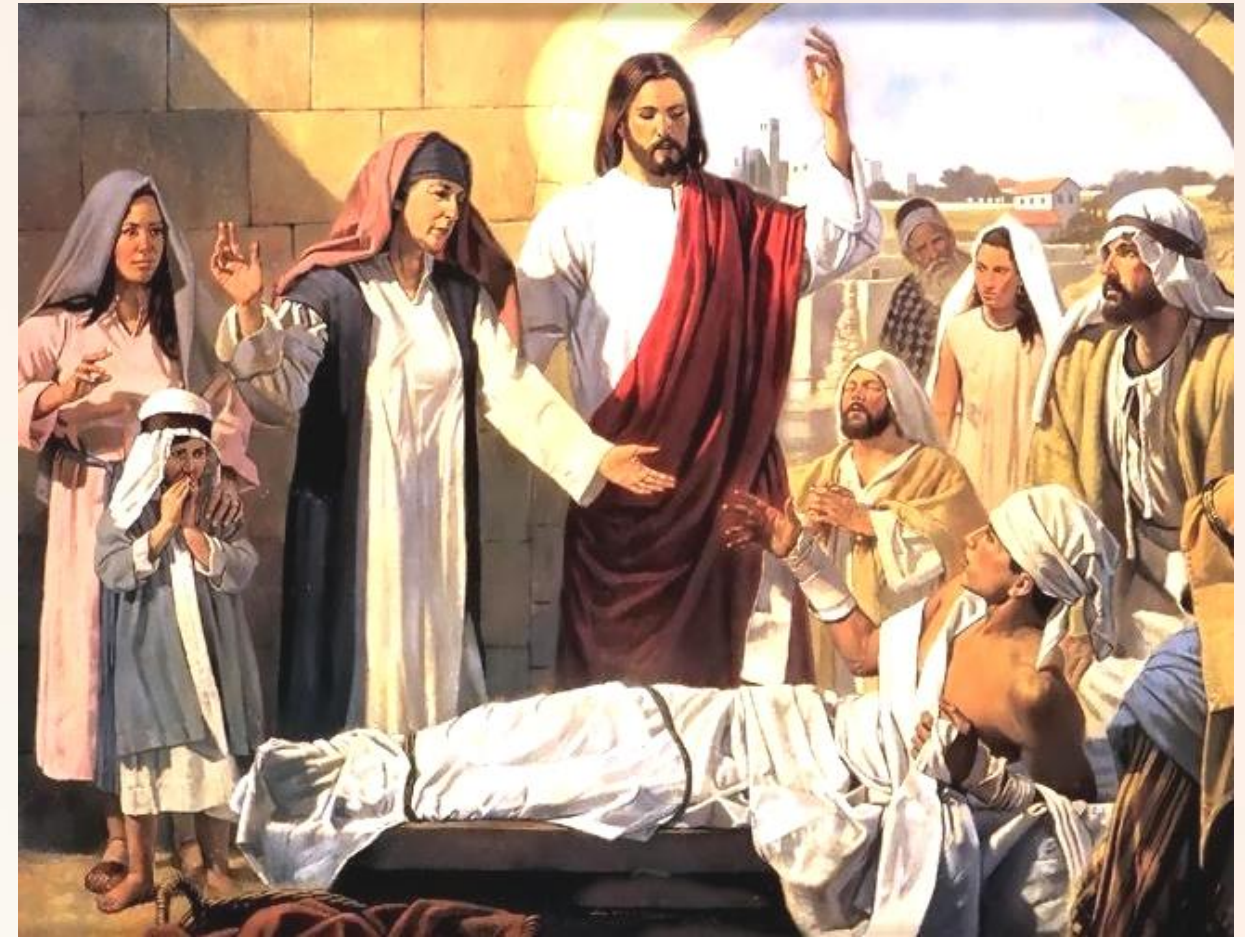
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Matthew 9:1-3

¹ Jesus stepped into a boat, crossed over and came to his own town.

² Some men brought to him a paralyzed man, lying on a mat. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the man, “Take heart, son; your sins are forgiven.”

³ At this, some of the teachers of the law said to themselves, “This fellow is blaspheming!”



d. Authority Over Sin

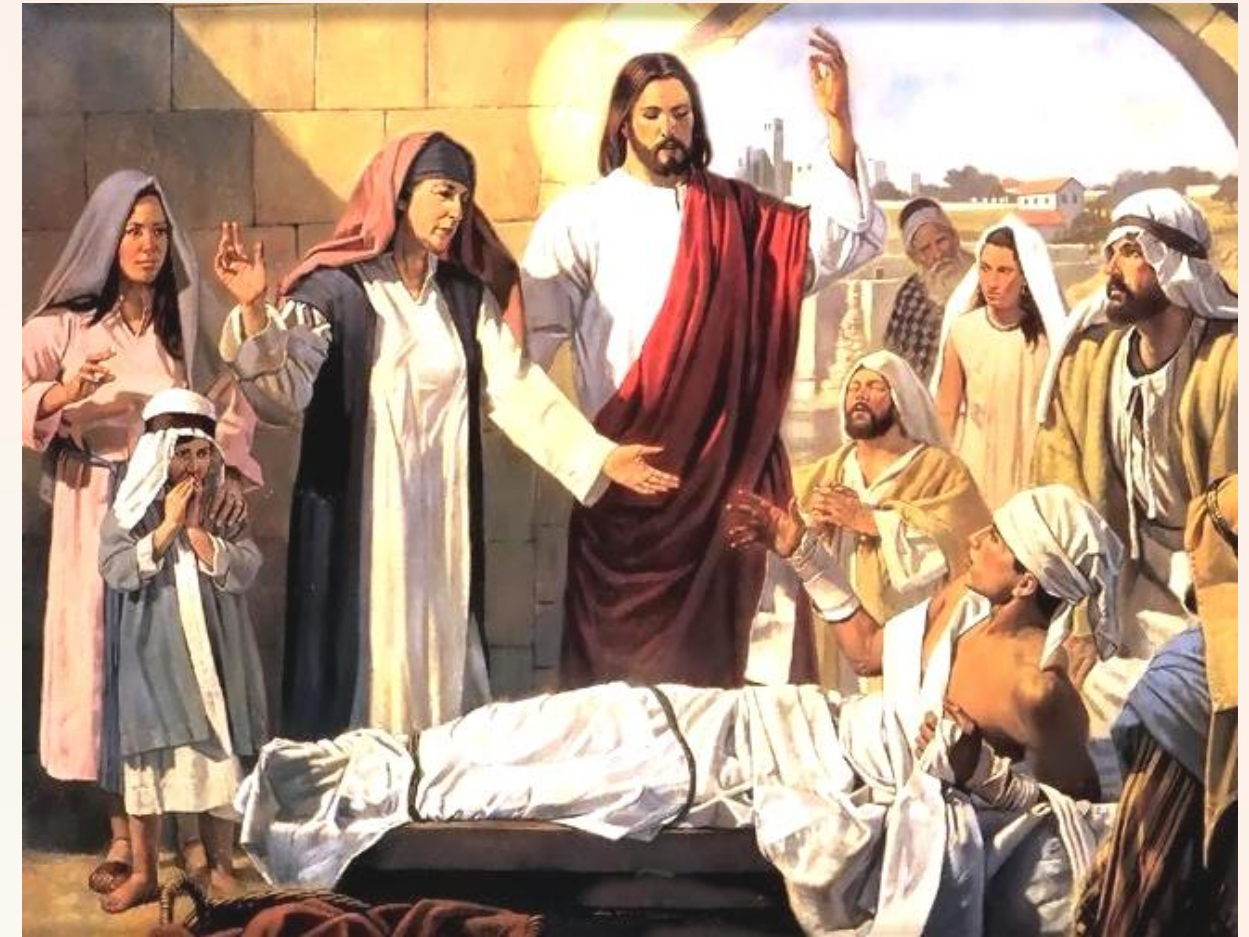
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Matthew 9:4-8

⁴ Knowing their thoughts, Jesus said, “Why do you entertain **evil thoughts in your hearts**?”

⁵ **Which is easier**: to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up and walk’? ⁶ But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.” So he said to the paralyzed man, “Get up, take your mat and go home.”

⁷ Then the man got up and went home. ⁸ When the crowd saw this, they were filled with awe; and they praised God, who had given such authority to man.



2. The Cost of Following Jesus

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Matthew 8:18-22

¹⁸ When Jesus saw the crowd around Him, He gave orders to cross to the other side of the lake. ¹⁹ Then a teacher of the law came to Him and said, “Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go.”

²⁰ Jesus replied, “Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay His head.”

²¹ Another disciple said to him, “Lord, first let me go and bury my father.” ²² But Jesus told him, “Follow me, and let the dead bury their own dead.”



2. The Cost of Following Jesus

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Why did Jesus demand Everything from those who wish to follow Him?

- i. The King's Mission is All Consuming
- ii. The King's Worth Demands Total Allegiance
- iii. The King's Grace Empowers the Surrender



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Time of Reflection

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Ask Yourself,

1. Where am I hesitating to obey?
2. Is Jesus my King in theory but not in practice?
3. What is one thing I must release today to embrace Christ's Lordship?

