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I. Jesus has authority in his teaching

A. His teaching was the word of God

“The Spirit gives life, the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life.” (John 6:63)

B. His teaching was the truth of God

“You are right in saying I am a king. In fact, for this reason I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth.” (John 18:37)

C. His teaching was the power of God

“I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes.” (Romans 1:16)

II. Jesus has authority over demons

A. Demons are evil & disruptive

“He who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning.” (I John 3:8)

B. Demons are deceptive and controlling

“Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes.” (Ephesians 6:11)

C. Demons are defiant and destructive

D. Demons are defeated and confused

“You believe that there is one God, Good! Even the demons believe that – and shudder. “ (James 2:19)

E. By Jesus the demons were silenced

F. By Jesus the demons were expelled from people

“For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves.” (Colossians 1:13)

G. By Jesus people were set free from demons

“How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.” (Acts 10:38)

III. Jesus has authority over sickness

A. Jesus can heal any sickness

“Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.” (Matthew 4:23)

B. Jesus heals to bring glory to God

“This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God’s glory so that God’s Son may be glorified through it.” (John 11:4)

C. Physical healing enables us to serve God

D. Physical healing should lead us to the greater spiritual healing

IV. Jesus has authority in the kingdom of God

A. The kingdom of God was Jesus’ priority in preaching

B. The kingdom of God is the rule of God in people’s lives

“In reply Jesus declared, ‘I tell you the truth, unless a man is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.’” (John 3:3)

C. The kingdom of God is good news