

Water of Life Community Church
THE WONDER OF GOD
WEEK 6
LUKE 8:26-56

ICE BREAKER

PRAYER

WORSHIP

INTRODUCTION

The person of God the Son reveals to us the power of God the Father. In this passage the magnificent power of Jesus is unleashed in four different ways. In each of these stories, we see people who found out that in their powerlessness, Jesus was all-powerful.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. READ LUKE 8:22-25.

- a. What stands out to you the most about this scene?
- b. What does the disciples' use of the title "Master" (v. 24) to refer to Jesus reveal what they believed about Him at this point?
- c. How can you relate to the desperation of the disciples in these verses? Where are you currently questioning Jesus' care for the things you are worried about?

2. READ LUKE 8:26-39.

- a. How did Jesus treat the man differently than others had? What was the result?
- b. Look at verse 28. Why is it significant that the man referred to Jesus specifically as "Son of the Most High God"?
- c. Look at verse 38. Why is it significant that the healed man begged to stay with Jesus? Do you respond to Jesus' power this way? Explain.

3. READ LUKE 8:40-56.

- a. Check out verses 40-42. How did Jairus approach Jesus? What does that reveal about his heart?
- b. Who stopped Jesus on His way to heal Jairus's daughter? How does her approach to Jesus resemble Jairus's?

c. Why might the woman have wanted her healing to be in private? Have you ever wanted God's power to change something in your life so badly, but felt hesitant to ask Him for it, or even hesitant to ask others to pray with you for it? Why?

d. In the healing of the demoniac and the hemorrhaging woman, Jesus healed their physical ailments and their social isolation. For Jesus, community reintegration is an important part of the salvation experience. Why do you think community is so important to Jesus?

e. How did Jesus call Jairus away from fear and into trust? How did it rattle him to the core?

PRAYER/MINISTRY TIME

How do we at times, like the disciples, lose sight of Jesus' power and compassion? In what ways does this passage serve as a source of encouragement for us as those quick to forget our Master's omnipotent mercy?

Are you like the healed man who ran home and "declare[d] how much God has done for [him]" (v. 39)? What's preventing you from declaring Jesus' miraculous work in your heart and life?

In each of these cases, Jesus displayed absolute power over four forces: nature, demons, illness, and death. What seemingly unconquerable forces in your life will you hand over to Jesus to heal?

GOING DEEPER/WEEKLY CHALLENGE

REFLECT

- Has there ever been a time where you felt like you were stuck or in bondage to something? How did you respond to that?

RESPOND

- If you are going through a battle this week and you need healing, reach out to someone you trust to partner with you in prayer.

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MEMORY VERSE

Luke 8:50, Christian Standard Version (CSV)

"When Jesus heard it, he answered him, "Don't be afraid. Only believe, and she will be saved."

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