

A cinematic scene of Jesus standing on a wooden boat, smiling and looking towards a crowd of people on the shore. The boat is on a calm body of water with hills in the background. Several men are on the boat, some handling ropes. The crowd on the shore consists of men in traditional robes and head coverings, some with their hands raised in a gesture of praise or prayer. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and hopeful.

Luke 4:31-5:26

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■ WE NEED TO BE AT THE FEET OF JESUS ...

- 👁️ LEARNING to LISTEN to Jesus so we can serve Him properly — (Luke 10:38–42)
- 👁️ LEARNING about the authority & value of scripture and how to use them - (Luke 2:41-50; 4:1-13)
- 👁️ LEARNING how to deal With REJECTION - (Luke 4:16–30)

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■ WE NEED TO BE AT THE FEET OF JESUS ...

- 👁 LEARNING to TRUST in His AUTHORITY ... *"All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth"* (Mt. 28:19).
- 👁 "Authority" (exousia) is "the power of rule or government (*the power of him whose will and commands must be submitted to by others and obeyed*)" (Thayer, 225).

Luke 4:31–37 (NKJV)

³¹ Then He went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and was teaching them on the Sabbaths. ³² And they were astonished at His teaching, for His word was with authority. ³³ Now in the synagogue there was a man who had a spirit of an unclean demon. And he cried out with a loud voice, ³⁴ saying, “Let us alone! What have we to do with You, Jesus of Nazareth? Did You come to destroy us? I know who You are—the Holy One of God!”

Luke 4:31–37 (NKJV)

³⁵ But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “**Be quiet, and come out of him!**” And when the demon had thrown him in *their* midst, it came out of him and did not hurt him. ³⁶ Then they were all amazed and spoke among themselves, saying, “What a word this *is!* For with authority and power He commands the unclean spirits, and they come out.” ³⁷ And the report about Him went out into every place in the surrounding region.

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Jesus TAUGHT with Authority (31-32)



- In Capernaum, Jesus taught in the synagogue on the Sabbaths— (Mk 1:21)
- 👁 NOT as the scribes taught — (Mat 7:28,29; Mk 1:22)
- 👁 Jesus ACCURATELY taught the scriptures — (Lk 2:41-50; 4:1-13; Mat. 5-7; etc)

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- Jesus is God's spokesman for us today— (Heb 1:1,2)
- 👁 Jesus gave His apostles authority to speak on His behalf - gave them the Holy Spirit — (Mt 28:18-20; 1 Cor. 2:13; Eph. 3:5; 2 Pet. 3:16; etc.)
- 👁 The NT is the full and final revelation of Jesus Christ. — (Jn 16:13; 2 Tim 3:16; Jude 3)

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We Can TEACH with Authority (31-32)



- 1 Pet. 4:11– “¹¹ If anyone speaks, *let him speak* as the oracles of God. ”
- 1 Timothy 4:13 – “¹³ Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching.” [ESV]
- Titus 2:15 – “¹⁵ Speak these things, exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no one despise you.”

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We Can TEACH with Authority (31-32)



- 2 Tim 4:2 “2 Preach the word! Be ready in season *and* out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching.”
- 👁 Faith ALONE can't save - James 2:19-26
- 👁 He who believes and is baptized will be saved — Mark 16:16; 1 Peter 3:21
- 👁 I can fall from grace — Gal. 5:4

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Jesus EXERCISED His Authority (33-35)



- A man with a demon was in the synagogue — (vs. 33; Mk 1:23)
- 👁 The demons knew Jesus had authority over them — (34; 8:28. Mat. 8:29. Mk 1:24, 34; 5:7)
- 👁 The demons HAD to OBEY / the people were ASTONISHED & the news of Jesus spread — (35-36; Mat. 9:33; 12:22, 23. Mar. 1:27)

Luke 4:38–44 (NKJV)

³⁸ Now He arose from the synagogue and entered Simon's house. But Simon's wife's mother was sick with a high fever, and they made request of Him concerning her. ³⁹ So He stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. And immediately she arose and served them. ⁴⁰ When the sun was setting, all those who had any that were sick with various diseases brought them to Him; and He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them.

Luke 4:38–44 (NKJV)

⁴¹ And demons also came out of many, crying out and saying, “You are the Christ, the Son of God!”

And He, rebuking *them*, did not allow them to speak, for they knew that He was the Christ. ⁴²

Now when it was day, He departed and went into a deserted place. And the crowd sought Him and came to Him, and tried to keep Him from leaving them;

⁴³ but He said to them, “I must preach the kingdom of God to the other cities also, because for this purpose I have been sent.” ⁴⁴ And He was preaching in the synagogues of Galilee.

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JESUS' AUTHORITY CONFIRMED



- Over diseases & physical ailments — 4:38,39; Mt 9:20-22; Jn 4:46-54; 9:1-41
- Over material objects. — feeding of 5,000 & 4,000 – Mk. 6:38-44; Mt. 15:32-39 / coin in fish' mouth – Matt. 17 / water to wine – John 2 / net of fish – Luke 5:4-8; John 21

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- Over the forces of nature, e.g., the wind, the seas & storms – (Luke 8:22–25, [²⁵ *But He said to them, “Where is your faith?”*]; Matt. 8:23–27; Mark 4:35–41)
- Over the laws of physics — He walked on the waters — (Matt. 14:22–33; [³¹ *“O you of little faith, why did you doubt?”*]; Mark 6:45–52; John 6:14–21)

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- Over the spiritual realm — Mt 8:28-32; Mk 3:11; Lk. 4:41
- Over physical death / *Raised a widows son* - Lk. 7:11-15 / *Raised Jairus' daughter* - Lk. 8:41-46 / *Raised Lazarus from the dead* - Jn 11:25-44;
- Over sin & spiritual death / *Forgave sins* - (Luke 5:16-26; Mat 9:1-8) - *Gives LIFE* - Jn 10:11,28; 11:25,26

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John 20:30–31 (NKJV)

³⁰ And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

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WHAT IS OUR RESPONSE?



Luke 6:46 (NKJV)
46 “But why do you
call Me ‘Lord, Lord,’
and not do the things
which I say?”

Luke 5:1–11 (NKJV)

¹ So it was, as the multitude pressed about Him to hear the word of God, that He stood by the Lake of Gennesaret, ² and saw two boats standing by the lake; but the fishermen had gone from them and were washing *their* nets. ³ Then He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the multitudes from the boat. ⁴

When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, “Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.”

Luke 5:1–11 (NKJV)

⁵ But Simon answered and said to Him, “Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net.” ⁶ And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking. ⁷ So they signaled to *their* partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink.

Luke 5:1–11 (NKJV)

⁸ When Simon Peter saw *it*, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!" ⁹ For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish which they had taken; ¹⁰ and so also *were* James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "**Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men.**" ¹¹ So when they had brought their boats to land, they forsook all and followed Him.

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WHAT IS OUR RESPONSE?



- **OBEDIENCE** - 5 ... “Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net.”
- **REVERENCE** - 8 ... “he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!”
- **DEVOTION** - 11 ... “they forsook all and followed Him.”

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WHAT IS OUR RESPONSE?



- If we are CONVINCED of Jesus' AUTHORITY we will respond with HUMILITY before Him — vs 8; Jno. 11:32. Mark 5:22; 7:25; Ac. 10:25, 26. Re. 1:17; 22:8, 9.
- If we are CONVINCED of the greatness of Jesus' authority we will recognize our desperate NEED for Him & His cleansing — 8; Col. 1:13-20; Jn 15:1-10

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Luke 5:10–11 (NKJV)

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WHAT IS OUR RESPONSE?



- BELIEVE & CONFESS HIM -
John 8:24; Rom 10:9,10
- BELIEVE & TURN FROM SIN TO HIM — Lk 13:3,5; Acts 17:30
- BELIEVE & BE BAPTIZED —
Mark 16:16; Mt 28:18,19; Acts 2:38; 10:43,47,48
- LEAVE ALL & FOLLOW HIM —
Lk 9:23-36; 14:26-33

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**JESUS HAS ALL
AUTHORITY**

**JESUS CAN KEEP HIS
PROMISES TO US**

**JESUS WILL DO WHAT
HE HAS SAID!**

John 12:48 (NKJV)
48 He who rejects Me, and
does not receive My words,
has that which judges him—
the word that I have spoken
will judge him in the last day.

Have YOU Learned To Trust In His Authority?

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Colossians 1:13–20 (NKJV)

¹³ He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed *us* into the kingdom of the Son of His love, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶ For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him.

Colossians 1:13–20 (NKJV)

¹⁷ And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. ¹⁸ And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence. ¹⁹ For it pleased *the Father* that in Him all the fullness should dwell, ²⁰ and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross.