



Title: The Manifestation of the King (part 7) – Power to Restore Sight & Speech

Text: Matt. 9:27-34

27 And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, Thou Son of David, have mercy on us. 28 And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I am able to do this? They said unto him, Yea, Lord. 29 Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you. 30 And their eyes were opened; and Jesus straitly charged them, saying, See that no man know it. 31 But they, when they were departed, spread abroad his fame in all that country.

32 As they went out, behold, they brought to him a dumb man possessed with a devil. 33 And when the devil was cast out, the dumb spake: and the multitudes marvelled, saying, It was never so seen in Israel. 34 But the Pharisees said, He casteth out devils through the prince of the devils.

Introduction:

1. Matthew points out that Jesus is the King and the Messiah.
2. In these last set of healing/miracle power/restorations – we are left without a doubt that the Lord Jesus Christ is able to restore all things despite increasing oppositions. Indeed, He will return and rule and reign and restore all things in spite of every opposition: from saints or sinners or even Satan. The Lord Jesus is our faithful and almighty King!

I. “Thou Son of David” – this is the first time this title is used by those who are seeking Him for their healing.

- A. The opening of the blind eyes are done by Israel’s Messiah (Isa. 35:5; 42:7).
- B. The disobedience of the two blind men – they were zealous but not wise.
- C. When we intend to glorify God it must be done according to His word, and not based upon our whims.
- D. The Lord knew that people were not ready for the spiritual aspects of the Messiah – they were (and are) ready for the physical Messiah.
- E. Son of David – 14X in the N.T. applied to Christ – the rightful heir to David’s throne. This is significant because the house of David by the time of Christ is left to obscurity (the Hasmoneans were prominent – Pharisees and Sadducees). [2 Sam. 7:12-16]

II. The third charge Against Christ (vv.32-34)

- A. “A dumb (mute) man possessed with a devil (daimonion = hostile evil spirit rebellious against God).
- B. The Lord Jesus demonstrates the graciousness of His power and love. Some were brought to him, some sought him, some he compassionately healed. In all Christ Jesus is more than adequate to meet their needs.
- C. Matthew notes the two reactions:
 - C.1. The people marveled.
 - C.2. The Pharisees made a false explanation: they could not deny his power but they made up a reason why this Jesus could perform these miracles.

Conclusion:

1. Matthew cites the third opposition: 1.) The some Jews of the city of Gadarenes; 2.) The Scribes who opposed Jesus forgiving sins (only God can do that); 3) The Pharisees who said that Christ operated under the power of the prince of devils.
2. These manifestations of the King confirm Isa. 57:19. Jesus is indeed the Messiah.
3. His fame has spread abroad.
4. His opposition is increasing.