

## Jesus' Preaching & Purpose

Luke 4:38–44

<sup>38</sup> 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. <sup>39</sup> So He stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. And immediately she arose and served them.

<sup>40</sup> 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. <sup>41</sup> 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.

<sup>42</sup> 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; <sup>43</sup> 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."

<sup>44</sup> And He was preaching in the synagogues of Galilee.

**Main Point:** Jesus came to preach the kingdom of God; his followers should do the same.

*Why should we be preaching the gospel of the Kingdom of God?*

### I. Because Jesus' Authority Commands Us

#### A. Demonstrated by His Power

1. Over Physical Maladies
2. Over Supernatural Enemies

#### B. Confirmed by His Identity

1. Demons proclaim the obvious
2. People observe the obvious
3. People ignore the obvious

## **II. Because Jesus' Purpose Constrains Us**

A. Preaching the Gospel

B. Preaching to all People

## **III. Because Jesus' Message Consumes Us**