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I. The Preeminence of Jesus

John 8:53, 56-58 (NIV[®])

⁵³ **Are you greater than our father Abraham?** He died, and so did the prophets. Who do you think you are?" . . . ⁵⁶ Your father **Abraham rejoiced at the thought of seeing my day**; he saw it and was glad." ⁵⁷ "You are not yet fifty years old," the Jews said to him, "and you have seen Abraham!" ⁵⁸ **"I tell you the truth," Jesus answered, "before Abraham was born, I am!"**

Hebrews 3:1-3 (NIV[®])

¹ Therefore, holy brothers, who share in the heavenly calling, fix your thoughts on Jesus, the apostle and high priest whom we confess. ² He was faithful to the one who appointed him, just as Moses was faithful in all God's house. ³ **Jesus has been found worthy of greater honor than Moses**, just as the builder of a house has greater honor than the house itself.

John 18:36-37 (NIV[®])

³⁶ Jesus said, **"My kingdom is not of this world.** If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jews. But now my kingdom is from another place." ³⁷ "You are a king, then!" said Pilate. Jesus answered, **"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. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me."

II. Nazareth & Capernaum (Galilee)

A. Home Town

Matthew 2:22-23 (NASB[®])

Then after being warned *by God* in a dream, **he left for the regions of Galilee,** ²³ and came and lived in a city called Nazareth. ***This was to fulfill what was spoken through the prophets: "He shall be called a Nazarene."***

B. A Strategic Plan

Matthew 4:13-17 (NIV[®])

¹³ **Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum,** which was by the lake in the area of Zebulun and Naphtali-- ¹⁴ to fulfill what was said through the prophet Isaiah: ¹⁵ "Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, the way to the sea, along the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles-- ¹⁶ the people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned." ¹⁷ From that time on **Jesus began to preach, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near."**

Mark 1:21-28 (NASB[®])

²¹ **They *went into Capernaum;** and immediately on the Sabbath He entered the synagogue and *began* to teach. ²² They were amazed at His teaching; for He was teaching them as *one* having authority, and not as the

scribes. ²³ Just then there was a man in their synagogue with an unclean spirit; and he cried out, ²⁴ saying, "What business do we have with each other, Jesus of Nazareth? Have You come to destroy us? I know who You are—the Holy One of God!" ²⁵ And Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be quiet, and come out of him!" ²⁶ Throwing him into convulsions, the unclean spirit cried out with a loud voice and came out of him. ²⁷ They were all amazed, so that they debated among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey Him." ²⁸ **Immediately the news about Him spread everywhere into all the surrounding district of Galilee.**

C. Opportunity & Responsibility

Luke 12:48 (NASB[®])

⁴⁸ but the one who did not know *it*, and committed deeds worthy of a flogging, will receive but few. **From everyone who has been given much, much will be required; and to whom they entrusted much, of him they will ask all the more.**

Luke 10:13-15 (NASB[®])

¹³ "Woe to you, **Chorazin!** Woe to you, **Bethsaida!** For if the miracles had been performed in Tyre and Sidon which occurred in you, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. ¹⁴ "But it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon in the judgment than for you. ¹⁵ "And you, **Capernaum,** will not be exalted to heaven, will you? You will be brought down to Hades!

III. A Complete Salvation

A. Authority

Matthew 7:28-29 (NASB[®])

²⁸ When Jesus had finished these words, the crowds were amazed at His teaching; ²⁹ **for He was teaching them as *one* having authority,** and not as their scribes.

Matthew 8:8-9 (NASB[®])

⁸ But the centurion said, "Lord, I am not worthy for You to come under my roof, but just say the word, and my servant will be healed. ⁹ "For **I also am a man under authority,** with soldiers under me; and I say to this one, 'Go!' and he goes, and to another, 'Come!' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this!' and he does *it*."

Matthew 9:4-6 (NASB[®])

⁴ And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, "Why are you thinking evil in your hearts? ⁵ "Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up, and walk'? ⁶ "But so that you may know that **the Son of Man has authority on earth** to forgive sins"—then He *said to the paralytic, "Get up, pick up your bed and go home."

B. A Savior — To Be “Saved” (sozo)

Matthew 1:20-21 (NIV[®])

²⁰ But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because **he will save his people from their sins.**"

Luke 19:10 (NASB[®])

¹⁰ "For the Son of Man has come **to seek and to save** that which was lost."

1. Authority over the elements

Matthew 8:22-25 (NASB®)

²² But Jesus *said to him, "Follow Me, and allow the dead to bury their own dead." ²³ When He got into the boat, His disciples followed Him. ²⁴ And behold, there arose a great storm on the sea, so that the boat was being covered with the waves; but Jesus Himself was asleep. ²⁵ And they came to *Him* and woke Him, saying, "**Save us, Lord**; we are perishing!"

2. Physical Healing

Matthew 9:20-22 (NIV®)

²⁰ Just then a woman who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years came up behind him and touched the edge of his cloak. ²¹ She said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, **I will be healed.**" ²² Jesus turned and saw her. "Take heart, daughter," he said, "**your faith has healed you.**" And the woman was healed from that moment.

3. Deliverance from Demons

Luke 8:35-36 (NIV®)

³⁵ and the people went out to see what had happened. When they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting at Jesus' feet, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. ³⁶ Those who had seen it told the people how the demon-possessed man **had been cured.**

4. Resurrection

Luke 8:49-50 (NASB®)

⁴⁹ While He was still speaking, someone *came from *the house of the synagogues* official, saying, "Your daughter has died; do not trouble the Teacher anymore." ⁵⁰ But when Jesus heard *this*, He answered him, "Do not be afraid *any longer*; only believe, and **she will be made well.**"

I, _____, testify as to what the Word of God says the blood does for me;

Through the blood of Jesus, I am redeemed out of the hand of the devil;

Through the blood of Jesus, all my sins are forgiven;

The blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, continually cleanses me from all sin;

Through the blood of Jesus I am sanctified, made holy, set apart to God;

My body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, redeemed, cleansed by the blood of Jesus;

Therefore, Satan has no place in me, no power over me, through the blood of Jesus.

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