

# PROCLAIM AND DEMONSTRATE

## Lesson 11 – Outline

- I. Jesus told us to heal the sick *and* preach the kingdom of God.

*Whatsoever city ye enter...heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.*

*Luke 10:8-9*

- A. Proclamation and demonstration should always go hand in hand.
- B. God's Word needs to be confirmed with signs, wonders, and miracles.
- C. This is the way the early New Testament church preached the Gospel.

*Being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them. And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, Lord...behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word, By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thy holy child Jesus.*

*Acts 4:23-24 and 29-30*

- D. A true Christian is a person who not only has a proper doctrine about who Jesus is, but who can also demonstrate it by the power and gifts of the Holy Spirit.
- II. The reason that isn't happening more is because we are praying and asking God to do what He commanded us to do.
- A. The Lord told us to go heal the sick.
- B. God is the power source, but He's placed that power on the inside of us.
- C. He gave us the authority to use His name and use His power.
- D. If we don't command healing to come, it won't happen.

III. God desires for every person to respond to Him and receive salvation.

***The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.***

***2 Peter 3:9***

A. The Bible clearly reveals that God's will doesn't just automatically come to pass.

***Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.***

***Matthew 7:13-14***

B. Every individual person has a choice.

C. God isn't going to force anyone to be saved—He honors our free will.

IV. You can't just make a person get saved on your faith.

***Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.***

***Acts 16:31***

A. In context, this is saying, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved. And as each one of your family members believe on Him, they'll be saved too."

B. Each person must believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and receive salvation for themselves.

C. People have a choice in the matter.

V. God gave us authority, and with it comes responsibility.

A. In order to see people born again, we must preach the Gospel.

B. If people aren't being born again, it's not because God hasn't done everything necessary to provide their salvation.

C. Some way or another, it's people that are messing things up.

D. The same logic applies to healing, prosperity, and restoring marriages.

VI. Let's stop begging God to do what He has told us to do.

A. Instead of asking Him to send revival and save people, we need to go out and preach the Gospel with signs and wonders.

B. Let's take what Jesus has already provided and make it manifest.

C. God's power is released as we use our authority.

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## **Lesson 11 – Discipleship Questions**

1. According to Luke 10:8-9, what should we eat when we enter into a city and are received?
2. In Acts 4:23-30, the early believers prayed that they would speak God's Word how?
3. They also asked that as they spoke the Word that healings, signs, and wonders would be done by whose name?
4. According to 2 Peter 3:9, who is the Lord longsuffering toward?
5. What does He not want?
6. He is willing that how many should come to repentance?
7. According to Matthew 7:13-14, we should enter in where?
8. This gate leads to what?
9. How many find it?
10. If we believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, Acts 16:31 says that we shall be what?
11. According to Romans 10:14-17, how beautiful are \_\_\_\_\_ feet.
12. How does faith come?

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## **Lesson 11 – Answer Key**

1. Such things as are set before us.
2. With all boldness.
3. Thy holy child Jesus.
4. Us.
5. That any should perish.
6. All.
7. At the strait gate.
8. Life.
9. Few.
10. Saved.
11. Them that preach the gospel of peace.
12. By hearing the Word of God.