

Nazareth is 1,300 feet above sea level; Capernaum is 695 feet below sea level

Luke 4:31-44

Luke 4:31 – And he went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee. And he was teaching them on the Sabbath,





- 1. Luke 4:14-30 announced the nature of Jesus' ministry Luke 4:31-44 provides examples of Jesus' ministry
- 2. The focus of Jesus' ministry is on teaching and proclaiming the good news. The miracles (deliverance from demons, sickness) confirm Jesus' ministry.
- 3. Capernaum means "village of Nahum"
 - a. Kaphar /kah-far/ means "village
 - b. Nahum means "comfortable" and is a name for a man
- 4:32 and they were astonished at his teaching, for his word possessed authority.

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1. Astonished at the originality of his messages and his personal authority that was in contrast to the rabbis constant appeal to other rabbis and traditions.

 $4{:}33-$ And in the synagogue there was a man who had the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice,

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1. Literally "having a spirit of a demon unclean"

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 "demon" – daimonion – in the Hellenistic world referred to various spirit beings that could be good or evil. Luke clarifies for his Gentile readers. This was an "unclean" spirit and was opposite the "Holy" spirit





4:34 – "Ha! What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God."

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- 1. The demon uses the plural "us" to refer to:
 - a. Could be "us" the demon and the man
 - b. Most likely, "us" is a reference to the "demon" and the demonic hordes Jesus' ministry is confronting.
- 2. "Ha" is from the Greek *ea* which is either an interjection or an imperative:
 - a. Interjection of surprise and displeasure
 - b. Imperative form of the verb eao meaning "let us alone!"
 - i. This could be translated as, "Hey! What are you doing! Stop!"
 - ii. The imperative of a command to, "Hey! Stop!"
- 3. The whole opening line of the demon could be: "Hey! Stop! Why are you bothering us?" The literal is: "Hey! What to us and to You?"
- 4. "I know who you are"
 - a. Knowledge of the name of a spirit was a way of gaining power over them.
 - b. The demons could be attempting to counter by claiming to have an advantage:
 - i. "We know who you are!"
 - ii. "We know what your plan is!"
 - c. In the pseudepigraphic Jewish-Christian writing called "Testament of Solomon", Solomon uses a ring with a seal given to him by the archangel Michael to learn the names of demons in order to force their help in building the temple.
 - d. The demon may have been trying to strike back by telling Jesus' "I know who you are!"
- 5. The demon has been identified as "unclean" and Jesus as "holy". In the Old Testament the unclean and the holy could not come in contact with each other.
- 6. The demon could be admitting defeat

4:35 – But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent and come out of him!" And when the demon had thrown him down in their midst, he came out of him, having done him no harm.

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- 1. "Rebuked" or "Be quiet" is the translation of $\dot{\epsilon}\pi \Pi \Pi \mu \dot{\alpha} \omega$ *epitimao*
 - a. Here it is written as *epetimesen* the aorist indicative active which describes a past action, viewed as a single, completed event, without specifying its duration or whether it was repeated. It's like taking a snapshot of a past action.
 - b. This is a technical term used in Judaism as a command to bring evil powers into submission.
- 2. Jesus does not even call on the "name of the Lord" or "pray to God." Jesus just speaks with his own authority
 - a. This is Jesus' point in Luke 11:18-20 when he says:

"For you say that I cast out demons by Beelzebul. And if I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. But if it is by the finger of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you."

- 3. Usually, exorcists in the ancient world would need to use elaborate rituals and incantations to control demons
 - a. Jesus merely commanded the demon
 - b. The demon immediately responded
 - c. The man was left unharmed (it was more likely the demon would destroy the vessel they were using in some way.

4:36 – And they were all amazed and said to one another, "What is this word? For with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and they come out!"

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1. The simple command and immediate response amazed the crowd, obviously.

4:37 – And reports about him went out into every place in the surrounding region.

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	And	was spreading	the report	concerning	Him	into	every	place	of the	surrounding region
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 $4:\!38-$ And he arose and left the synagogue and entered Simon's house. Now Simon's mother-in-law was ill with a high fever, and they appealed to him on her behalf.



- 1. Peter now owned a home in Capernaum.
 - a. John states that Peter and Andrew were from the town of Bethsaida (John 1:44)
 - b. Peter had moved and was now living in Capernaum. Possibly because of:
 - i. His fishing business was there?
 - ii. His wife's family was from there?
- 2. The "high" fever was a medical term that could have been either:
 - a. A "small" mikros fever
 - b. A "great" megalos fever







e House of Saint Peter mposite plan of the ula Sacra n the second century BC he seventh century AD

main levels of occupation are shown: evel 1: original layout of private houses vel 2: fourth century Domus Ecclesia vel 3: fith century Octagonal Church

The Fifth Century **Octagonal Church**

Octagonal Church In the second haif of the fifth century an octagonal church was wail. The plan consisted of a small central octagon, of a larger concentric octagon, and of an outer semi-octagon from which one such reach both the interior of the church and the existem sacristics. In second phase a baptismal forth was added in the middle of the eastern ages. Some rooms were also built along the south flank. In order to keep alive the memory of Peter's House, burled under church right over the walls of the venerated room. An anonymus pligfum of Placenza passing McGapharnaum. And so we came on to Capharnaum to the house of Sain Peter, which is now a basition. Probably the church was destroyed during bersian invasion in the early seventh century. Sevent Middle Ages structures were main upon the House of Saint peter was dedicated on June 29 1990.

The Fourth Century **Domus Ecclesia**

In the late fourth century AD one special room(1) of St. Peter House, measuring 5.80 by 6.45 m, became a Domus Ecclesia, i.e. was used for religious gatherings. In the fourth century the traditional House of Peter was set apart from the rest of the town through the construction of an enclosure wall encompassing a perimeter of 112.55 m. The venerated hall became a tripartite structure through the construction of a central arch and the addition of an eastern artium. A polichrome pavement replaced the while plastered floors of the first century AD while the inner walls received additional coatings of painted plaster. The Christians pliqrims left many inscriptions in Greek. Aramaic. Synic and Latit. This Domus Ecclesia is referred to by Eteria in the late fourth century when she writes: "The house of the prince of the Apostles (i.e.Peter) was changed into a church. The walls, however, (of that house) are still standing as they were (originally)".





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The Insula Sacra at the Time of Jesus

The traditional house of Peter was close to the lake shore and was flanked to the east by the main, north-south, road (cardo maximus)

of the village. or the vinage. Spacious courtyards with a staircase and terra refractaria fire places were shared by several roofed rooms. The Christian community of Capharnaum paid special attention to

a square room(1).



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4:39 – And he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her, and immediately she rose and began to serve them.

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having arisen she began to serve them

V-APA-NFS

- a. ἐπετίμησεν epetimesen is the Aorist Indicative Active again
- b. This is the same word and same tense as "rebukes" the demon
- c. This is not making a connection between sickness and demons, but with things that are not in line with God's kingdom
- 2. Jesus is speaking with control to everything that is not in line with the Kingdom of God which he is teaching about
- 3. The fact that Peter's mother-in-law resumed her role and responsibilities is most likely focused on because it indicates she was instantly and fully recovered. She could resume her normal activities and meet her social expectations.

4:40 – Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to him, and he laid his hands on every one of them and healed them.

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- 1. "Sun was setting" means the Sabbath was over.
 - a. The people could leave their homes and travel unlimited distance
 - b. The people could carry the sick and needy once the Sabbath was over

4:41 – And demons also came out of many, crying, "You are the Son of God!" But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Christ.

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- 1. The people do not yet know who Jesus is and they do not understand his ministry.
- 2. The demons do know who he is. The demons identify him as the Christ, the Messiah, the Son of God
 - a. "The Holy One of God" (used in 4:34) is a title for the Messiah
 - b. Luke says the demons "they knew he was the Christ"
 - c. The Messiah is God's Son:
 - i. 2 Samuel 7:14 "He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. <u>I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a</u> <u>son</u>. When he commits iniquity, I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men,"
 - ii. Psalm 2:7 "I will tell of the decree: <u>The Lord said</u> to me, "<u>You are my Son</u>; today I have begotten you. Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession. You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."
 - iii. Psalm 89:26 "He shall cry to me, <u>You are my Father, my God</u>, and the Rock of my salvation.' And I will make him <u>the firstborn</u>, the highest of the kings of the earth."

4:42 – And when it was day, he departed and went into a desolate place. And the people sought him and came to him, and would have kept him from leaving them,

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4:43 – but he said to them, "I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns as well; for I was sent for this purpose."

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4:44 – And he was preaching in the synagogues of Judea.

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	And	He was	preaching	in	the	synagogues	-	of Judea
	Conj	V-IIA-3S	V-PPA-NMS	Prep	Art-AFP	N-AFP	Art-GFS	N-GFS

1. Here the word "Judea" is used to refer to the whole land of Israel, which means Luke is referring to this northern section of "Judea" (or, "Israel") more specifically known as Galilee.