



At-A-Glance: Ages 6-7
God of Wonders Part 1: Miracles of Jesus
Unit 3, Lesson 11

Banishing an Evil Spirit

Lesson Aim: To know Jesus is the highest authority and power.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: Have you ever been in charge of something?

GAME: Command Tag

THE WORSHIP JESUS AS LORD

Read Worship Scripture: Romans 8:38-39.

Sing songs and worship God.

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Bonzai Brothers script or read storybook.

THE WORD JESUS BANISHED AN EVIL SPIRIT

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: Jesus healed the ten men with leprosy.

Today, we will learn about a miracle that took place in Capernaum at the synagogue, which was the house of worship for God's people. Point to Capernaum.

Jesus had visited Capernaum before, so the people there would have remembered His teachings and His miracles. This story is about a different kind of miracle. It shows the power and authority Jesus has over evil. Jesus had been teaching the people there about God, so many people saw this miracle. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Luke 4:31-37. Pray. Read.

THE WAY JESUS HAS POWER AND AUTHORITY OVER EVERYONE

Before the evil spirit spoke, Jesus was teaching the crowd. The crowd was amazed because His message had authority. Having authority means having the power to create rules and to make sure they are followed. Whose rules does Jesus command people to obey? (God's.)

The evil spirit asked if Jesus had come to destroy them. Do you think the evil spirit was afraid of Jesus? Who did the evil spirit say

Jesus was? ("The Holy One of God.") **Holy means perfect. The evil spirit called Jesus the Holy One of God because Jesus is God's perfect Son.**

Jesus is always in charge. In the synagogue that day, Jesus saw an evil spirit was doing wrong by controlling a man, so He banished the evil spirit with the command, "Be quiet! Come out!"

Why did the evil spirit have to obey Jesus and come out of the man? (The evil spirit knew of Jesus' power to make Him obey, even by just speaking, because he knew Jesus was God's Son.)

What did the crowd say about Jesus' authority after the evil spirit obeyed Him? ("With authority and power He gives orders to evil spirits and they come out!") **What did the crowd do after they saw this miracle?** (They spread the news.)

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Hundreds of years before Jesus commanded an evil spirit to be quiet and come out of a man in the synagogue, a psalm was written about others who obey the Lord's commands. Let's check it out. Reveal Psalm 91:11. Read.

Jesus is Lord over everyone and everything in heaven and earth. The evil spirit had to obey Jesus because He knew Jesus was the Son of God. Angels and believers obey Jesus for a different reason—because they love Him and want to follow His commands.

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: "Hallelujah! Jesus is Lord" Door Hanger
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Jesus saying, "Come out!" to banish an evil spirit
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Spread the News

GAME: "Come Out! Come Out! Wherever You Are!"

CRAFT: "Jesus is Lord" Cross

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: "Sit on the Throne" Musical Chairs, Bible Memory Verse Bop

BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW