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Matthew 8 – The Manifestation of the King – The Miracles of Healing (vv.1-17)

8:1 When he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him. 2 And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. 3 And <u>Jesus</u> put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. 4 And Jesus saith unto him, See thou tell no man; but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.

5 And when **Jesus** was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him, 6 And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. 7 And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. 8 The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. 9 For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. 10 When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel. 11 And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. 12 But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 13 And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.

14 And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever. 15 And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them.

16 When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick: 17 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.

Introduction: The name "Jesus" is removed in the critical Greek NT texts and many modern English Bibles. (NIV – 36 times less; NASB – 73 times less see Jack Moorman's Missing in Modern Bibles: An Analysis of the NIV). In Matt. 8:1-17 – the name "Jesus" is omitted three times (vv.3, 5, & 7). The name "Jesus" in the KJB-NT is seen 942 times.

Miracles prove that Jesus is the Messiah. (see 4:17; 11:2-6; 12:24-28). Matthew's account is topical not chronological.

I. Jesus heals leprosy (vv.1-4)

II. Jesus heals palsy (paralysis) (vv.5-13)

III. Jesus heals a fever (vv.14-15)

<u>Notice</u>: Peter's wife's mother. He was a married man. He is no Pope. He was not celibate.

- IV. Jesus heals many possessed with devils (vv.16-17)
- V. The Scriptures have been fulfilled again (v.17) Isa. 53:4.