

WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH JESUS?

Luke 11:14-26

Sometimes _____ are thrust upon us even when we do not want to make them—when we want to be neutral

I. THE MIRACLE OF JESUS THAT THRUST THE DECISION ON THE JEWS 11:14

- A. Jesus healed a man who was mute: he could not _____
- 1) Inability to speak usually is linked to _____ but Luke does not say that the man could not hear
 - 2) Jesus healed this man by casting out a _____ who had afflicted him with the inability to speak
- B. Apparently this miracle was very _____ and forced the Jews & their leaders to a decision-point

II. THE THREE RESPONSES OF THE JEWS TO THIS DECISION 11:15-16

- A. Though not stated in the story, some no doubt decided that Jesus was a true prophet or the _____
- B. Some believed that Jesus' act was supernatural, but due to the power of _____ rather than God
- C. A third group asked Jesus for a sign miracle to prove that He was from God: they were _____
- 1) This group did not earnestly seek _____ for nothing that Jesus did would shatter their skepticism
 - 2) Jesus consistently refused to provide a sign, implying they already had enough _____ to believe

III. THE REACTION OF JESUS TO THESE RESPONSES 11:17-26

- A. 3 "Ifs" about Demons and Satan
- 1) The first "if" (v. 18) assumes that the Jews were correct: He cast out demons by the power of _____
 - a) This case would indicate a _____ war in Satan's kingdom and the destruction of his kingdom
 - b) The Jews knew that this conclusion did not match _____ —death, disease & demon-possession
 - 2) The second "if" (v. 19) is similar: Jesus asks how _____ exorcists cast out demons in this case
 - 3) The third "if" (v. 20) switches gears: Jesus assumes that He casts out demons by the power of _____
 - a) Such an occurrence indicates that the _____ of God has arrived, has been initiated
 - b) The kingdom of God is not political, but rather begins by _____ in the spiritual realm over Satan
- B. 2 Parables about Demons and Satan
- 1) Vv. 21-22 tell a story about a strong man who is 1) full armed; 2) full prepared; and 3) fully _____
 - a) This strong man lives in a palace; therefore he must be a _____—a reference to Satan
 - b) One who is even stronger overcomes this king and plunders his kingdom—a reference to _____
 - c) Jesus uses this mini-parable to describe what He had just done in _____ the mute demoniac
 - d) Who defeats a king in battle but another _____? Jesus is subtly claiming to be the _____
 - 2) In vv. 24-26 tells a story from the perspective of an unclean spirit, another term for a _____
 - a) This demon was _____ but after wandering has returned to the person he once inhabited
 - b) This demon returns to find his "house" in great shape and no one is living there; so he _____ in
 - c) He invites 7 more demons to share his abode: this person ends up _____ demonized
 - d) When Jesus casts out a demon, the person must replace his allegiance to Satan with trust in _____
- C. 1 Call to Respond Appropriately to How Jesus Deals with Demons and Satan 11:23
- This story of the mute man indicates that war with Satan has broken into the open: _____ is winning!
- 1) There is no _____ ground: Jesus is the victorious King and either you are for Him or against Him
 - 2) There is tremendous _____: if we do not respond to the gospel, we will end up with Satan in hell