

LESSON 5
ALL-POWERFUL LORD
LUKE 8:4—9:50



1 List several important people you have met. Over what or whom do these people have power or control?



Read Luke 8:4—9:50 and the following notes:

☐ 8:23 ☐ 8:25 ☐ 8:27, 28 ☐ 8:30 ☐ 8:33 ☐ 8:43–48 ☐ 8:45 ☐ 8:56
☐ 9:13, 14 ☐ 9:16, 17 ☐ 9:27 ☐ 9:29, 30

2 What evidence of Jesus' power do you see in each of the following events?

Calming the storm (8:22–25): _____

Healing the demon-possessed man (8:26–39) and the boy with an evil spirit (9:37–43): _____

Healing the woman with a hemorrhage (8:43–48): _____

Raising Jairus's daughter (8:40–42, 49–56): _____

Feeding more than five thousand people (9:12–17): _____

Being transfigured (9:28–36): _____

3 What do you think the disciples learned about Jesus as they watched him perform these miracles?



Jesus' disciples and the crowds who followed him saw dramatic demonstrations of power. Jesus cured diseases and disabilities with a word or a touch. He spoke with authority to demons and drove them out of their victims. He brought dead people back to life. He revealed his power over nature itself. Jesus is God—he has power over every aspect of your life. He also has power over all the things you fear—natural disasters, Satan, hunger, death—everything. The question is, Have you turned your fears over to him? You can turn over to God everything you feel threatened by and know you are in good hands.

4 How would you answer Jesus' question "Who do you say I am" (9:20)?

5 How does knowing what Jesus is really like affect how you relate to him?

6 What dampens your faith in Christ?



7 Describe a time when you have seen Christ's power demonstrated in your life.

8 To what do you feel vulnerable (accidents, sickness, death, demons, something else)?

9 Which areas of your life (or what problems in your life) are you reluctant to give control of to God? Why?

10 How could you tell someone who is afraid to give control of his/her life to God?

11 What fears do you need to turn over to Christ's control?



12 How can the knowledge of Christ's power over your fears enhance your prayers this week?

A Why did Jesus speak to the crowds in parables (8:4–18)? What can you do to be more receptive to what Christ is telling you?

B Note the parable of the four soils (8:4–15). What kind of soil are you today? At what times in your life were you more like another type of soil? What does it take to be “fertile soil”?

C Who are Jesus' mother and brothers (8:19–21)? How can a person become part of God's family?

D Why did Jesus tell the formerly demon-possessed man to tell of his healing (8:38, 39) but asked Jairus and his wife not to tell anyone about his daughter coming back to life (8:56)? When is it best to tell of God's work in your life, and when is it best to let it speak for itself?

E What were Jesus' instructions to his disciples as he sent them out to preach (9:1–6)? What did he require of them that he also requires of you?

F How did the disciples respond to the hunger of the crowd (9:10–17)? What did they ask Jesus to do about it? What did Jesus do to stretch their faith in him? When have you seen God provide in unexpected ways?

G Who did the people think Jesus was (9:18–20)? Who do people today think he is? To whom can you reveal the truth about Christ? How can you do it?

H How are we to shoulder our cross daily (9:23)? give up our life for Christ's sake (9:24)? lose the world and gain our very soul (9:25)?

I How did Peter respond to what he saw on the mountain (9:28–36)? What is important about what God said from the cloud? What does this experience reveal to you about Jesus?

J Why did the disciples argue (9:46–48)? What does it take to be great in God's sight? What adjustments might this involve for you?

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