QUESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY

1. Tell your story. Describe a time when you experienced a spiritual

 attack in your life. How did you know it was a spiritual attack?

2. Why do you think some people deny the existence of the devil?

3. Read the following passages and note what the Bible says about

 the devil:

a) John 10:10

b) II Corinthians 11:14

c) Ephesians 4:26-27

d) James 4:7

e) I Peter 5:8

f) I John 5:18-19

g) Revelation 12:12

4. Why did Jesus leave Capernaum when He was asked to stay?

5. What practical application are you going to make from this week’s

 message? (*Share your decision with another person*.)

* I am going to turn off all my electronics (cell phone, computer, TV, etc.) for at least 30 minutes each day for a week.
* I am going to pray every day for someone who needs physical, spiritual or emotional healing.
* I am going to memorize John 10:10.

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Luke 4:31-44 Study Series #016

***Jesus Returns to Capernaum***

**I. Introduction**

 A. Is the Devil Real?

“There are two equal and opposite errors into which our race can fall about the devils. One is to disbelieve in their existence. The other is to believe and to feel an excessive and unhealthy interest in them. They themselves are usually pleased by both errors and hail the materialist or the magician with the same delight.”

 (*C.S. Lewis, The Screwtape Letters*)

 B. What Does the Bible Say about the Devil?

 (See Ezekiel 28:12-16; Isaiah 14:12-14; Revelation 12:3-4;

 John 12:31; John 14:30; John 16:11; II Corinthians 4:4;

 Job 1:6; Job 2:1; Luke 10:18; Revelation 12:7-9;

 Revelation 20:2-3; Revelation 20:10)

**II. Jesus Returns to Capernaum**

 A. Jesus Teaches with Authority

 (See Luke 4:31-32; Matthew 4:13; Matthew 8:5; Luke 7:5;

 Matthew 5:27-28; Matthew 5:38-39; Matthew 5:43-44)

 B. Jesus Confronts the Demon-Possessed Man

 (See Luke 4:33-34; Luke 8:28; II Corinthians 11:14;

 James 2:19; James 4:7; Luke 4:35; Acts 16:11-18)

 C. Jesus Heals Peter’s Mother-in-Law

 (See Luke 4:38-39; Matthew 8:14-15; Mark 1:29-31;

 Matthew 7:22; Luke 11:13; James 4:2)

 D. Jesus Heals the Multitude

 (See Luke 4:40-41; Genesis 1:5; Mark 1:33; Matthew 4:24;

 Mark 1:37-38; Hebrews 9:27; II Corinthians 12:7-10)

 E. Jesus Departs to a Secluded Place

 (See Luke 4:42; Luke 8:23; John 11:1-7; Mark 6:31;

 Mark 5:17; Luke 8:37; Luke 4:28-30; Luke 4:43-44)

 *“If a man wants to be used by God, he cannot spend all his*

 *time with people.”* A.W. Tozer

**III. Conclusion**

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian, or if you would like to talk with someone or have someone pray for you, please contact the church office and the pastor will contact you.

**Passage of Study**

Luke 4:31-44

**31**And He came down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and He was teaching them on the Sabbath; **32**and they were amazed at His teaching, for His message was with authority. **33**In the synagogue there was a man possessed by the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice, **34**“Let us alone! What business do we have with each other, Jesus of Nazareth? Have You come to destroy us? I know who You are—the Holy One of God!” **35**But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be quiet and come out of him!” And when the demon had thrown him down in the midst *of the people*, he came out of him without doing him any harm. **36**And amazement came upon them all, and they *began* talking with one another saying, “What is this message? For with authority and power He commands the unclean spirits and they come out.” **37**And the report about Him was spreading into every locality in the surrounding district.

**38**Then He got up and *left* the synagogue and entered Simon’s home. Now Simon’s mother-in-law was suffering from a high fever, and they asked Him to help her. **39**And standing over her, He rebuked the fever, and it left her; and she immediately got up and waited on them.

**40**While the sun was setting, all those who had any *who were* sick with various diseases brought them to Him; and laying His hands on each one of them, He was healing them. **41**Demons also were coming out of many, shouting, “You are the Son of God!” But rebuking them, He would not allow them to speak, because they knew Him to be the Christ.

**42**When day came, Jesus left and went to a secluded place; and the crowds were searching for Him, and came to Him and tried to keep Him from going away from them. **43**But He said to them, “I must preach the kingdom of God to the other cities also, for I was sent for this purpose.”

**44**So He kept on preaching in the synagogues of Judea.

**Parallel Passages of Study**

Matthew 8:14-17; Matthew 4:23-25, Mark 1:21-39

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