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DISCIPLE MAKERS SERIES

A journey through Matthew

Training Time

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Theology and Healing

Everyone's theology is challenged by
Jesus and His healing

- *If you struggle* with praying for healing
- *If you are confident* that if we pray in faith, God will heal

Five Responses to Healing

Ruler of the Synagogue (9:18-26)

Woman with the issue of blood (9:20-22)

Two blind men (9:27-31)

Mute and Demonized (9:32-33)

Pharisees respond (9:34)

Ruler of the Synagogue (9:18-26)

“Healing, but its not done right!”

- **Jewish people believed God healed**
- **Legalism**
 - **do not heal on the Sabbath**
 - **do not get “defiled”**
 - **touched by the unclean woman**
 - **touched his daughter**

Ruler of the Synagogue (9:18-26)

“Healing, but its not done right!”

Ruler of the synagogue

- His desperation greater than his theology

For us today

- Can I step beyond my comfort zone?
- Will I pray with people who pray differently?

Woman – issue of blood (9:20-22)

“calling out fearful faith”

She was sick for 12 years

She responded in faith

- touched the hem of Jesus' garment
- amazing act of faith
- she was unclean; wanted anonymity

Woman – issue of blood (9:20-22)

“calling out fearful faith”

Jesus called her out.

- She wanted to celebrate privately
- Jairus – needed to hear/see her

For us today

- Will I step out with my testimony?
- Does someone weak need my testimony?

Two Blind Men (9:27-31)

“bold faith – called to silence”

Bold in their faith – followed into home

Believed with strong faith

- Healed based on the measure of their faith
- *“we have not because we ask not”*
“according to your faith be it done to you.”

Two Blind Men (9:27-31)

“bold faith – called to silence”

Jesus sternly told them to be silent.

- Celebrate privately
- They did not do as they were told!

For us today

- Are we missing something because of a limited measure of faith?
- Can we be silent when God asks?

Mute and Demonized (9:32-33)

“Sickness and spiritual attack”

Some sickness is demonic in origin

Healing released with spiritual deliverance

- mute could now speak
- woman set free (*Luke 13:10-17*)
 - *“bound by satan for 18 years”*

Mute and Demonized (9:32-33)

“Sickness and spiritual attack”

Often see quick and dramatic healing

- remove spiritual oppression
- we underestimate the power of deliverance

For us today

- Check spiritual bondage as a cause of sickness

Pharisees respond (9:34)

“Calling healing from the Spirit as demonic”

They refused to see the hand of God

- see their response again in Matthew 12
- Jesus has some tough things to say
 - ***BE CAREFUL!***

Pharisees respond (9:34)

“Calling healing from the Spirit as demonic”

For us today

- some people avoid acknowledging God’s hand
- Be wise:
 - but honor the hand of God at work
 - allow God to be honored through us

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These people stepped out
– and saw miracles happen

Will I let God take me here?