

THE KING DISPLAYS HIS CREDENTIALS  
(Matthew 4:23-25)

- I. He Came TEACHING (Matt. 4:23a)
  - A. This ministry covered ALL of GALILEE
  - B. Jesus went to their SYNAGOGUES
    - 1. They were DISTINCT from the CHURCH
    - 2. They were the primary place of WORSHIP
    - 3. They were a place for STUDY, for community FELLOWSHIP, and for handling LEGAL matters
  - C. They were Jesus' first TEACHING PLATFORM
  
- II. He Came PREACHING (Matt. 4:23b)
  - A. He was announcing the "GOOD NEWS"
  - B. It was the "good news" of "the KINGDOM"
    - 1. Jesus is the PROMISED ultimate KING
    - 2. He would establish the promised PERFECT kingdom
  
- III. He Came HEALING (Matt. 4:23c-25)

- A. He healed without LIMITATION
  - 1. Freed people from DEMON OPPRESSION (see Matt. 9, 12, 17; Mark 9 and Lk 13)
  - 2. Freed people from SEIZURES
  - 3. Freed people from PARALYSIS
- B. He healed without DISCRIMINATION
  - 1. Healed EVERYONE who NEEDED it
  - 2. Healing did not depend on their FAITH but on His POWER
  - 3. Healing was not RESTRICTED to GALILEE
- C. He healed PURPOSEFULLY
  - 1. Proved He is the MESSIAH of PROPHECY (cf. Isa. 35:5-10; 61:1-3; etc.)
  - 2. Proved His COMPASSION
  - 3. Proved His DIVINITY
  - 4. Proved His KINGDOM was REALLY coming
  - 5. Proved His coming CONQUEST of SIN