

Practical Theology

Matthew 8:1-4

Q: What did multitudes follow Jesus? What was different about Him vs. the scribes?

He spoke with authority. He actually had something affecting to say. Orthodox vs. Living Word. Cold vs. Compelling. "Logic on Fire"

Q: What can we say about the leper?

He bowed, he called Him Lord, He had faith - a separated man he was an outcast (All traits that endear us toward physical/spiritual healing). Came "boldly before the throne of grace" Heb 4:16

Q: Verse 3, what is significant?

His touch. This would make Him unclean. Leprosy was considered highly contagious and would mark you not just as ill but as a sinner

Q: Why is that significant?

Just like His baptism He is willing to be associated with the sinner. He bore our iniquities and healed all our disease. Isaiah 53, Psalm 103

Q: What do we see here?

Humility, Obedience to the Law, Teaches others to obey the law