

**Reviewing the Four Purposes of Miracles**

Confirmation of Jesus' message and the Apostles teaching (Heb 2:1-4)

Persuasion towards belief in Jesus as Messiah (John 20:30-31)

Fulfillment of Old Testament Prophecy (Mt. 8:17)

Attestation (Confirmation, Substantiation, Verification) of Jesus' divine character and person

**Three Miracles of Fearful Authority**

*Jesus' Authority Over the Natural World* (Matthew 8:23-27)

The parts of the story:

A storm of biblical proportions

Sailors seek a carpenter

A simple rebuke and immediate obedience

**The point of the story – Jesus is God over creation**

**The promise in the story – God Himself is with you**

*Jesus' Authority Over the Spiritual World* (Matthew 8:28-34)

The parts of the story:

Two Gentile, demon-possessed men, no one can control

The demons understand Jesus' identity and fear His power

The people also fear Jesus' power and ask Him to leave

**The point of the story – Jesus is God over the Devil**

**The promise in the story – God values human beings**

*Jesus' Authority Over the Salvation of Man* (Matthew 9:1-8)

The parts of the story:

Jesus returns to Capernaum, His base of operations

Faith-filled friends bring a friend for healing

Scribes oppose Jesus' ministry

**The point of the story – Jesus is God over our greatest need**

**The promise in the story – God meets our greatest need in the cross of Christ**

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