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Go Deep Study Guide

Authority to Heal & Forgive

Luke 5:12-26

Getting Started

What did you find most helpful from this week's sermon? Was anything confusing? Is there anything that needs clarification? Discuss as a group.

If you haven't heard the sermon yet, you can access it at: www.cbccventura.org

Going Deeper

Re-read [Luke 5:12-26](#). Try reading this passage in *a harmony of the gospels*. You can find one online if you don't own one. What stands out to you? What's your take on this?

What stood out to you in our passage? Share your thoughts and observations with your group.

Has your need ever driven you to your knees? Explain. What happened?

Discuss the difference between *ability* and *willingness*. Talk about their relationship to one another.

Read the story of Lazarus and the rich man in [Luke 16:19-31](#) and compare it to our passage. How are the two texts similar? How are they different? What can we learn?

What did you learn about God's heart from our passage? What difference will this make in your life? Is there a transferrable / applicable truth?

How does obedience help us fulfill the [Westminster Catechism](#):
"*...To glorify God and enjoy Him forever!*"

What's the greatest need of those in our passage? How does Jesus meet this need? What's our greatest need? How has God already met this need?

How is Jesus' response to the Pharisees and religious teachers in [verse 22](#) of our passage yet another example of His divinity? Talk about how disarming and threatening this must have been to them.

How does being in a right relationship with God through Jesus give us both *peace* in the present and *confidence* as we face the future? Are you experiencing this peace?

How is [verse 26](#) of our text a fulfillment of Jesus' words in [Luke 4:21](#)? How does [Hebrews 4:7b](#) relate to this as well? How is today our opportunity to respond to God? Read [James 4:13-15](#) and relate it to your answer.

Read [1 John 3:16-18](#) and reflect on it as you move into a time of application.

Application

What's one way that you can practice what you've learned?

Who will help you & hold you accountable?

Prayer

How can your group pray for you? If you don't have a group and you're doing this study individually, feel free to email your request to the CBC staff.