

Chapter Three

Christ's Ministry to the Masses in Luke, John and Acts

1. Which Gospel contains more general descriptions of Christ's ministry to the masses than any other? Pg. 33

2. The eight general account of Christ ministry is Luke 4:40. Who does the "all" in this verse describe? Pg. 33

3. What methodology was Christ using in this passage to heal the sick? Pg. 33

4. The statement about Christ healing these people strongly implies what? Pg. 33

5. As in previous accounts, what is there no revelation of in this passage? Pg. 34

6. What happened when they encountered Christ? Pg. 34

7. Fill in the blanks: Christ never sends someone away with a _____ of how sickness is doing them some sort of good. Pg. 34

8. True or False? The proclamation of the Gospel does not always accompany healing in Christ's ministry. Pg. 34

9. True or False? Christ does not always heal the sick whenever and wherever they respond to Him in faith. Pg. 34

10. The ninth general description is found in Luke 5:15-16. How is this passage similar to previous passages that we have studied? Pg. 34-35

11. Why will any dynamic healing ministry be able to draw a crowd when people really believe that something genuine is happening? Pg. 34

12. Fill in the blank: Healing ministry always has an _____ capacity that many other ministries lack. Pg. 34

13. What was an important ingredient in the ongoing ministry of Christ to help people? Pg. 35

14. What is absent and not mentioned in this passage? Pg. 35

15. The tenth general account of Christ healing the masses is found in Luke's Gospel, Chapter 8. This passage also reveals that Christ did what activity shortly before the events took place? Pg. 35

16. How does this passage draw a distinction between the multitude of people coming to Jesus? Pg. 36

17. What was the motive of both groups of people? Pg. 36

18. How can we tell if coming to hear Christ and to be healed are proper motives to come to Christ? Pg. 36

19. What do the writers of the Gospels repeatedly report? Pg. 36

20. What does Luke report that has been previously reported by Matthew and Mark? Pg. 36

21. What three ongoing, normal, and expected expressions of the ministry of Christ does the author list? Pg. 36

22. How does Luke describe Christ's dealing with demons in this passage (Luke 6:17-19)? Pg. 36

23. What does this description reveal about demons and their activity? Pg. 36

24. Where else is this truth revealed? Pg. 36

25. What makes the eleventh general description of Christ's ministry found in Luke 7:18-23 interesting? Pg. 36-37

26. What significant question did the disciples of John the Baptist ask Christ? Pg. 37

27. Christ's response to the question contains significant information on what? Pg. 37

28. What does the context of this question reveal about the disciples of John the Baptist? Pg. 37

29. What does the phrase “the expected one” mean? Pg. 37

30. What happen to John’s disciples after they asked the question? Pg. 37-38

31. At that time Christ cured many of four kinds of conditions. What conditions are mentioned?
Pg. 38

32. What condition does this passage focus upon? Pg. 38

33. What does the phrase “granted sight” imply? Pg. 38

34. Why didn’t Christ have total control? Pg. 38

35. This element of partial control is found in many passages and is what? Pg. 38

36. Why does the idea of partial control of healing create objections? Pg. 38

37. What does Christ tell John’s disciples is the answer to their question? Pg. 38

38. Christ identifies some additional miraculous works that brings the total to eight. What eight conditions that He healed does Christ identify to John's disciples? Pg. 38-39

39. The author asks a rhetorical question about Christ putting such a strong emphasis on the healing aspects of His ministry. What is the question? Pg. 39

40. What does the author speculate is the cause of many lost persons failing to recognize Christ in His Church? Pg. 39

41. Why do believers often fail at this? Pg. 39

42. Why do believers fail to act in faith? Pg. 39

43. What standard of comparison will show that some cautions that appear wise are not really wise? Pg. 39

44. What will the company of believers in the future be willing to risk? Pg. 39

45. What kind of insight will the passage in Luke 9:10b-11 give us into Christ's ministry? Pg. 39

46. What city did Christ privately withdraw to? Pg. 39-40

47. What happen when Christ tried to privately withdraw? Pg. 40

48. True or False? Christ refused to minister to these people because He had planned to withdraw. Pg. 40

49. What does this passage show about Christ's prior knowledge or revelation about every aspect of His ministry. Pg. 40

50. What did Christ already know about what the Father wanted for the sick and injured that did not require additional revelation? Pg. 40

51. What is repeatedly revealed in previous passages and this one? Pg. 40

52. In what context is healing revealed again? Pg. 40

53. True or False? Healing is sometimes found in passages without a reference to the Gospel. Pg. 41

54. True or False? Healing is frequently discovered in passages where the Gospel is being preached. Pg. 41

55. What does the statement "curing those who had need of healing" not allow? Pg. 41

56. Fill in the blank: Again, there is no _____ of people into categories of those who should be healed and those who should not be healed. Pg. 41.

57. What does Christ reveal about the will of the Father? Pg. 40

58. The thirteenth general description of Christ's healing ministry is easily overlooked. Luke describes the healing and miracles in Christ's ministry as being what? Pg. 41

59. The fourteenth description is a few verses later, in Luke 13:32. Christ describes His ministry to someone to pass the description to what important political figure? Pg. 41

60. Christ describes His ministry in what three parts? Pg. 41

61. What does Christ reveal that He does on the first two days "today and tomorrow"? Pg. 41

62. What does the third day relate to? Pg. 41

63. What idea that will be discussed later does the author says is important? Pg. 41

64. The other general descriptions of Christ's ministry written by Luke in the Book of Acts are placed at the end of the chapter. These passages could have followed Luke's Gospel but are placed after some passages in John's Gospel. Why? Pg. 41-42

65. Why does the author say that the few general descriptions of the mass ministry of Christ in the Gospel of John are less helpful overall? Pg. 42

66. The fifteenth general description of Christ's ministry is found in John 6:2. What does the author say is another place where what important element appears? Pg. 42

67. Why was Christ able to attract a multitude? Pg. 42

68. As the end of the age nears, what is there every reason to believe? Pg. 42

69. In what other way could the Greek word translated “performing” be translated? Pg. 43

70. What is completely opposite from the idea that healing ministry is unpredictable, unreliable and mysterious? Pg. 43

71. What does the author say is a common misconception about healing ministry? Pg. 43

72. What is the hope of the author for every reader of this book? Pg. 43

73. What is the foundation of being able to consistently perform healing? Pg. 43

74. What idea is prominent in the sixteenth general description of Christ’s ministry found in John 7:31. Pg. 43

75. In this passage, why did many of the multitude believe in Him? Pg. 43

76. Without the capacity to perform miracles and healing what will the Church be unequipped to do? Pg. 44

77. True or False? Technique and polish are the answer to reaching the harvest. Pg. 44

78. What was beyond the conception of the people in John 7:31? Pg. 44

79. The sixteenth general description of Christ's healing ministry to the masses, found in John 12:37, sadly reveals what? Pg. 44

80. Fill in the blank: In this passage, John reveals that Christ had performed _____ signs. Pg. 44

81. Miracle and healing ministry will always find opposition among what group? Pg. 45

82. What will those who fail to become equipped in healing be tempted to do? Pg. 45

83. The eighteenth general description of Christ's healing ministry to the masses is found in John 20:30-31. What should happen to anyone carefully, honestly, and logically considering these passages? Pg. 45

84. True or False? The Bible records all the events of healing and miracles in the life of Christ. Pg. 45

85. Why did the authors of the New Testament select certain events of healing and miracles? Pg. 45

86. Many miracles and healings of Christ were not recorded by John's Gospel. What else does this imply and why? Pg. 46

87. What was John's purpose in recording the miracles and healing of Jesus Christ? Pg. 46

88. What have some critics of healing ministry suggested? Pg. 46

89. If this were true, who would be in the category of the carnal? Pg. 46

90. Why would the apostle John not agree with these critics? Pg. 46

91. How old was John and how long had he reflected upon the ministry of Christ when the Gospel of John was written? Pg. 46

92. The final group of passages that describe Christ's ministry to the masses are found in the Book of Acts. In the nineteenth general description, Peter is speaking in Acts 2:22 and reveals some important information about Christ. What do some believers seem to forget that this passage reveals? Pg. 47

93. Christ can only be the example is He is what? Pg. 47

94. What must seen and not be denied about Christ's nature? Pg. 47

95. What is this foundational biblical truth called? Pg. 47

96. What must one recognize in order to do the greater works that Christ promises? Pg. 47

97. How did God (the Father) attest to the ministry of Christ and also to His disciples? Pg. 47

98. What should believers expect today? Pg. 47

99. How is the divine balance revealed in healing and miracle ministry? Pg. 48

100. What should healing and miracles produce in eyewitnesses? Pg. 48

101. Do eyewitnesses always become believers in Christ? Pg. 48

102. What have some Christians today been taught? Pg. 48

103. What will happen when Christ's church demonstrates His power at the end of the age? Pg. 48

104. The twentieth general description is found in Acts Chapter 10. Why is this the most general description that has been expressed? Pg. 48

105. True or False? Understanding that Christ ministered miraculously as a human being is not essential in performing miracles and healing. Pg. 49

106. Fill in the blanks: The Holy Spirit uses _____ with all their flaws, failures and forgiven sins. Pg. 49

107. What is not the only issue? Pg. 49

108. What are too many already anointed believers doing? Pg. 49

109. What is the consequence of passively waiting? Pg. 49

110. What is obviously connected throughout the New Testament with the Holy Spirit? Pg. 49

111. What two activities are connected with power in Acts 10:38? Pg. 49

112. If a person desires an example of what the Father considers good, what should they do? Pg. 50

113. What cannot be considered “doing good”? Pg. 50

114. What does the apostle Peter reveal just like the Gospel writers? Pg. 50

115. What does the term “healing” in this general description describe? Pg. 50

116. What does the Greek word that is translated “oppressed” in this passage mean? Pg. 50

117. What was Christ’s healing overcoming? Pg. 50

118. What does the author say is simple and wonderfully profound? Pg. 50

119. True or False? Christ was not using His own divine power but God the Father and the Holy Spirit were at work in Him. Pg. 50

120. Fill in the blanks: Christ in the Scriptures is a _____ by the Holy Spirit acting out the will of God the Father on earth. Pg. 50-51

121. How many total general descriptions of Christ’s ministry to the masses does the author list? Pg. 51

122. How many general descriptions mention preaching the Gospel? Pg. 51

123. How many general descriptions mention something pertaining to demons, demoniacs or the devil? Pg. 51

124. How many of the general descriptions specifically mention someone not being healed? Why weren't they healed? Pg. 51

125. Fill in the blanks: There is _____ in any of these accounts that the will of the Father might be different for different people in the matter of healing. Pg. 51

126. Fill in the blank: Christ _____ hesitates to heal someone in the passages that have been examined. Pg. 51

127. Fill in the blanks: Christ _____ what the will of the Father will be for the thousands of people He healed. Pg. 51

128. Fill in the blanks: In some of the general events, the passages reveal that Christ _____ that came to Him in a multitude. Pg. 51

129. What is the impressive idea the author says is presented in a number of passages? Pg. 51
