

Series: Son of Man

Title: Possession & the Price of Darkness

Text: (Luke 11:14-26)

Introduction: Chapter 11 Breakdown

I. Prayer: (Vs 1-13)

II. Possession, Pretense, Perversion: (Vs 14-26)

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Possession, Pretense, Perversion:

(Vs 14)

(Matt 12:22) Blind & Dumb

Demonic powers may degenerate both human speech & sight.

(Vs 15) *But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebub the chief of the devils.*

(Vs 16) *And others, tempting him, sought of him a sign from heaven.*

(Vs 17) *But he, knowing their thoughts,*

It would've been right for Jesus just to know their thoughts and then snuff them out.

He would've been right & righteous, & could have done it.

He is reasoning with these morons,
He is compassionate to these blasphemers.
They are saying that God is the devil.

They are taking the most purest & calling him the most unholy,

They are taking the most good & calling him the most evil,

The actual word for Beelzebub doesn't have to be translated it's the same in every language.

~ Lord of Dung, The God of manure, The Lord of the flies.

Why the Scorning?

(Vs 15) But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebub the chief of the devils.

No Sane, Rational person would come to this conclusion.

(Matt 9:33) *When the devil was cast out, the dumb spake: and the multitudes marvelled, saying, It was never so seen in Israel.*

(Matt 12:23) *And all the people were amazed, and said, Is not this the son of David?*

(Matt 15:30-31) *And great multitudes came unto him, having with them those that were lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others, and cast them down at Jesus' feet; and he healed them: Insomuch that the multitude wondered, when they saw the dumb to speak, the maimed to be whole, the lame to walk, and the blind to see: and they glorified the God of Israel.*

The Pharisees began a campaign to discredit Jesus.

(Jn 8:44) *Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When*

he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

The Devil is a Liar, The Father of all Lies:

The Devil has never changed his tactics.

The Devil lied to Cain

The Devil Lied to Eve

The Devil Lied to David

The Devil Lied to Ahab

They began by telling half truths.

(Jn 9:16) *This man is not of God, because he keepeth not the sabbath day.*

They also discredited anyone who spoke in support of Jesus:
(Jn 7:45-52)

(Jn 7:49) *But this people who knoweth not the law are cursed.*

(Jn 7:52) *They answered and said unto him, Art thou also of Galilee? Search, and look: for out of Galilee ariseth no prophet.*

Are you seeing any Parallels to today's society?

Teach your kids to think for themselves.

This is the Party Line coming from Jerusalem.

(Matt 9:34) *the Pharisees said, He casteth out devils through the prince of the devils.*

(Matt 12:24-30) *“when the Pharisees heard it, they said,”*

(Mk 3:22-30) *“the scribes which came down from Jerusalem”*

The Campaign to Discredit Jesus has worked so well, the Common people are now parroting it. (Jn 8:48)

Instead of snuffing them out He shows Compassion:
(Vs 17-20)

(Vs 21-22) He tries to Reason with them again

(Matt 12:39)

(Matt 16:4)

(Vs 23) Make Your Choice!

Key Word - “With” ~ To Accompany

(Lk 19:10)

1. There are no spiritual orphans.

2. There is no spiritual neutral ground.

(Luke 11:24-26) Spiritual Vacuum

Appetite is not eradicated; only pacified-(Isaiah 29:8)

Replace your old appetites with new ones: (Rom 6:12-13)

Vs 24: This world has nothing to offer them either.

(Prov 28:1)

Vs 24: I will return: - You are never left alone for long!

Vs 25: Empty, Swept, and Garnished:

Vs 26: Seven other spirits – Nominal Christianity is separated from the world by a very slim line.

Vs 25: We cannot allow this world to find us Empty

Salvation:

Illus: A Born-again believer cannot be possessed by demons or an unclean spirit, because the Holy Spirit is in you.

(1 Cor 6:19) The Holy Spirit never Shacks UP!
He will not Share you! (1 Jn 4:4)

Separation: (2 Cor 6:14-18)

(2 Pet 3:18)
(2 Pet 1:5-7)

The World Hates us: (Jn 15:19)

**A constant diet of the Word of God & Bible Preaching
withstands the influence of Philosophy & Worldly Logic.**
(1 Cor 1:21)

**Holy Spirit power withstands the temptation of fleshly
lusts:** (James 1:12-14)

Prayer withstands the apathy & self-centeredness
(Eph 6:10-18) So we can Withstand

Replace Worldly Activities with Godly Activities.

*The World's tears apart the family
Godly activities strengthens the Family & the Kingdom.*
Gambling, Clubbing, Hobbies that exclude the family.

Replace Worldly pursuits with Godly Pursuits.