

## **A SERIES OF DEVOTIONS BASED UPON THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE**

### **JESUS IS LORD OVER ALL**

Luke 4:38-39 “And He arose and left the synagogue and entered Simon’s house. Now Simon’s mother-in-law was ill with a high fever, and they appealed to Him on her behalf. And He stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her, and immediately she rose and began to serve them.”

There are at least nineteen miracles of healing performed by Jesus recorded in the Bible. Most Bible scholars believe that He performed many more than this, but these are the recorded ones. His healing miracle in today’s two Bible verses was of a high fever. They didn’t have Tylenol or Advil to medicate for such a simple illness. It is probable that Simon’s mother-in-law would have become more seriously ill or even died and at the least she was at the moment not able to physically meet and serve her guests. What is remarkable, when Jesus “rebuked the fever,” not only did it leave her, but “she immediately rose and began to serve them.”

Jesus is Lord over all. As true God He communicated to His human nature unlimited power, authority and rule over wind, sea, demons, illness of all kinds, physical infirmities and all things. Jesus Himself said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.” Jesus has the resources of heaven at His command.

To you, Jesus who is Lord over all invites, “Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time He may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you.” These anxieties certainly include illness, disabilities, and the many other difficulties that happen to you. The Scriptures exhort “. . .in your hearts revere Christ as Lord.” (1 Peter 3:15-16)

As you live your life and endure the challenges of your earthly life, since Jesus is Lord over all in your life, “Since He is for (you), who can be against (you)? He who did not spare His own Son, but gave Him up for (you)—how will He not also, along with Him, graciously give (you) all things?. . . No, in all these things (you) are . . . (a) conqueror through Him who loves (you.) For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor

height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate (you) from the love of God in Christ Jesus (your) Lord.” (Romans 8:31-32, 27-39)

Prayer: Jesus, Lord of all things in heaven and on earth, grant me faith to trust You to take care of me in all life situations. In Your holy name. Amen.

Precious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me stand;  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.  
Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light.  
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.

When my way grows drear, Precious Lord,. linger near,  
When my life is almost gone,  
Hear my cry, hear my call; Hold my hand lest I fall.  
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.

When the darkness appears And the night draws near  
And the day is almost gone.  
At the river I stand; Guide my feet, hold my hand.  
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.  
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