Luke: Power over the Darkness, Part 3

₽	Luke 4:31-34; One of the most important descriptions of what it means to be a believer is that you
	are the possession of God, bought by Jesus with His precious blood! Bought by the Son for the
	Father. <b>John 10:28-30</b> ; <b>1</b> st <b>John 4:4</b> This, of course, points out the urgent need of being a
	believer, 1st John 5:11-13.

₽	As scary as demon possession may seem, it's nothing compared to leaving this life and entering the
	next without Jesus, the Son of God, as your Savior, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 1:9-11. You may think you
	can live without Him, but sure don't want to die without Him!

## 1. We see in our passage something that is rare for demons and demon possession in general, Luke 4:31-36.

✓ What isn't rare or unlikely for demons and those they possess is to find them in a religious setting. Demons are not atheists; they are fundamentalists!, **James 2:19.** Demons don't have faith in God; they know Him; they have seen Him.

## 2. Four things that made this demon tremble:

- 1) Preaching of the Son of God. V. 31 VV. 18-19
  - ✓ From the perspective of a demon, these are terms of war. Jesus explains His mission in a very graphic way, **Matthew 12:28-29.** The demon panics because he's exposed.
  - ✓ Something to take home: the preaching of the truth of Jesus pins the demons to the floor. Luke 8:28; This tells us that this man with these demons comes running up to Jesus. Why not hide? Why not run?
- **2) The Purpose of the Son of God**. **Verse 34**, "Have you come to destroy us?" The answer is "YES!" **John 3:8**, Jesus came with this purpose.
  - ✓ The demon doesn't quite know the chronology of it all, but he knows how it ends; they live-in complete fear of this.
- 3) The Person of the Son of God. Verse 34 "the Holy One of God" "Son of the Most High God".
  - ✓ Luke 4:41 It's almost like they have to say it! If we only had some demon theology in us! They know exactly who He is; they know exactly what He can do, and they believe the Scriptures completely!
- 4) The Power of the Son of God.

when they got up that day. That was not what they wanted to do.	1