Series: It's a Miracle, # 7

Power Over the Prince

If your name is written in heaven, write a prayer of rejoicing:

Luke 9:37-43, 10:17-20

Ephesians 6 teaches that we live in a spiritual battle, very real though unseen. We see evidence of it through the Bible; today's healing story is one example.

Lessons from this passage and others, regarding our enemy and the power at our disposal:

1) Spiritual warfare is not a subject we should avoid

- 2) We do not need to fear the devil or demons, despite their power 1 John 4:4
- 3) For Jesus, spiritual battle was part of discipleship Luke 9, 10
- 4) Evangelism and salvation are key priorities of disciples, expelling demons and healing are not Luke 10, Acts 19

5) We need to pray as we encounter opposition Mark 9:24, Eph. 6 Other Gospel accounts of Jesus casting out demons:Luke 4:31-37Luke 4:40-41Luke 8:26-39Mark 7:24-30Matthew 9:32-34Matthew 12:22-23

Other NT names for Satan: John 8:44, John 12:31, 2 Cor. 4:4, Ephesians 2:2

Why does Jesus refer to Satan with the name 'prince'?

For next week, study: Matthew 12:1-14