

## **The King's Authority Matthew 9:1-34**

### **I. Authority over Sin – 9:1-8**

1. Man is sick with palsy – 1-2  
Carried on a litter to where Jesus was  
Jesus takes note of their faith
2. Jesus deals with sin problem – 2  
Underlying cause of all physical problems
3. Scribes see this as blasphemy – 3  
Only God can forgive sins
4. Jesus knew their thoughts – 4  
Further proof that He is God
5. Jesus challenges these scribes - 5  
Which is easier to say?  
Your sins are forgiven or rise up and walk
6. He does one to prove the other – 6  
He heals the man to prove He can forgive sin
7. Man was healed, people marveled – 7-8  
That a human had such authority

### **II. Authority to Bring Change – 9:17**

1. He reaches out to the needy – 9-10  
Invited a tax-collector to follow Him – 9  
Went to eat with publicans & sinners – 10
2. Pharisees question His behavior – 11  
Why does your leader eat with sinners?
3. Jesus answers their question – 12-13  
It is the sick who need a Doctor  
Mission is to bring sinners to repentance
4. Why don't His disciples fast?  
It is a time to rejoice – not fasting  
Time for fasting will come later
5. His mission is to bring renewal – 16-17  
He did not come to patch up the old  
He came to bring that which is new

### **III. Authority over Death – 9:18-26**

1. Jesus confronted with death – 18-19  
This is the ultimate result of sin  
Note the faith of the man requesting
2. Met by one who was incurable – 20-22  
She had this problem for 12 years  
Note her faith – only a touch is enough  
She was completely cured
3. Jesus raises one who was dead 23-26  
Many thought it was impossible  
Jesus brought her back to life

### **IV. Authority over Darkness – 9:27-34**

1. Human blindness – 27-31  
Two blind men cried out for mercy – 27  
Jesus challenged their faith – 28  
He touched their eyes & healed them – 29-30  
They shared their story broadly – 30-31
2. Demon possession – 32-34  
Jesus cast out the demon  
The man's speech returned  
People marveled – never saw such a thing  
Pharisees said it was by Satan's power