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## The Miracles of Jesus Christ: Delivering a Mute Demoniac

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# THE MIRACLES OF JESUS CHRIST

## MIRACLE EIGHTEEN: Delivering a Mute Demoniac (Mt. 9:32-33)

### SURVEY

Jesus heals this poor man who immediately begins to speak, causing the watching crowd to gasp in amazement.

### SIGNIFICANCE

- This is the second of two occasions where Jesus was accused of performing His miracles in the energy of Satan. These two are:
  1. *"But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, This fellow doth not cast out devils, but by Beelzebub the prince of the devils."* (Mt. 12:24)
  2. *"But the Pharisees said, He casteth out devils through the prince of the devils."* (Mt. 9:34)
- On four other later occasions the wicked Pharisees would accuse Jesus of preaching His messages by the power of the devil.
  1. *"The people answered and said, Thou hast a devil: who goeth about to kill thee?"* (Jn. 7:20)
  2. *"Then answered the Jews, and said unto him, Say we not well that thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil?"* (Jn. 8:48)
  3. *"Then said the Jews unto him, Now we know that thou hast a devil. Abraham is dead, and the prophets; and thou sayest, If a man keep my saying, he shall never taste of death."* (Jn. 8:52)
  4. *"And many of them said, He hath a devil, and is mad; why hear ye him?"* (Jn. 10:20)

### SPIRITUAL TRUTHS

- Charles Wesley's great hymn, *"O For a Thousand Tongues"* beautifully summarizes this miracle. Note the words of stanza number five:

*Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb,  
Your loosened tongues employ;  
Ye blind, behold your Savior come;  
And leap, ye lame, for joy.*

- Note the testimony of the crowd following this miracle:

*"It was never so seen in Israel"* (Mt. 9:33).

How true, for there was never such a man so seen in Israel as this man! Note the following testimonies which confirm this fact:

## 1. Nicodemus

*"The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him."*  
(Jn. 3:2)

## 2. His hometown people

*"And when he was come into his own country, he taught them in their synagogue, insomuch that they were astonished, and said, Whence hath this man this wisdom, and these mighty works? Is not this the carpenters son? Is not his mother called Mary? and his brethren, James, and Joses, and Simon, and Judas?"* (Mt. 13:54-55)

## 3. Some soldiers in Jerusalem

*"Then came the officers to the chief priests and Pharisees; and they said unto them, Why have ye not brought him? The officers answered, Never man spake like this man."* (Jn. 7:45-46)