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Prayer: Almighty God, You sent Your One and Only Son as the Word of Life for my eyes to see and my ears to hear. Help me believe what the Scriptures proclaim about Him and do the things that are pleasing in Your sight; Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, my Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, Now and forever. AMEN



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- Confession of Sins

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First Lesson – Job 7:1-7-Lord Remember me Always

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 103 (Lit. pg. 105–Read Responsively)

M: Praise the Lord O my Soul; all my inmost being praise His Holy Name.

C: He forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;

M: He redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with love and compassion.

C: The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

M: He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities.

C: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His love for those who fear Him;

M: as far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.

C: As a father has compassion on His children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him;

M: for He knows how we are formed, He remembers that we are dust.

C: Our days are like grass, like a flower of the field; the wind blows over it and it is gone.

M: But the Lord’s love is with those who fear Him from everlasting to everlasting.

Second Lesson– I Cor. 9:12-23-All Things to All Men

Gospel Lesson– Mark 1:29-39-A Compassionate Savior

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Sermon Hymn: **C.W. 90**

Sermon Text: Mark 1:29-31

Sermon Theme: What If Jesus Came To Your House?

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Offering (The plates will not be passed but are at the entrance doors)

Offering Prayer
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Collect / Prayer (pg. 25)

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Closing Hymn **C.W. 326**

SERMON TEXT: Mark 1:29-31 (Matthew 8:14-15; Luke 4:38-39)

Vs. 29 – As soon as they left the synagogue (In Capernaum), they went with James and John to the home of Simon (Peter) and Andrew.

Vs. 30 – Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told Jesus about her.

Vs. 31 – So He went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left and she began to wait on them.

GREETING: How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! (I John 3:1 - NIV)

What if Jesus came to your house?

What type of meal would you make for Him and His disciples? What would be on the menu?

Pizza – Shrimp – Steak? Rice – Potatoes – Pasta? Corn – Beans – Carrots?

Salad – Caesar or? What would you have for dessert? – Ice Cream – Cookies –

Pie?

What type of beverage? Wine – Water – Milk – Beer?

Where would He sit at the table in your house? Which chair would you give Him?

Today in this text, we see that Jesus goes to the house of Simon (Peter / Cephas) and Andrew.

Jesus had begun His Public ministry and was gathering together His disciples.

The first disciples being Simon Peter and his brother Andrew, then James and John the sons of Zebedee.

These four are fishermen, and Jesus was going to make them “Fishers of men”. (Mk. 1:17; Matt. 4:19)

They left the house of worship / The Synagogue, and it seems that as soon as they arrived at the home of Peter and Andrew, attention is drawn to the mother-in-law of Peter.

She is in bed with a fever.

The Gospel writer Luke, the Physician (Col. 4:14), points out that the fever was a high / great fever (Luke 4:38-39).

Jesus shows no fear of catching whatever disease the mother-in-law had (He of course is God and Man), and Jesus goes to her, took her by the hand and helped her up and she is healed. It all happens simultaneously.

Jesus demonstrates His compassion and His power all at once.

This miracle of Jesus demonstrates that He is God. As God, Jesus has power over sickness.

This is a wonderful portion of Scripture to remember anytime we are ill.

It does not mean that Jesus will heal us every time that we are ill, because sometimes the Lord God, Jesus, allows us to suffer to give us opportunity to let our light / faith show to others. He promises that He will not give us more than we can bear (1 Cor. 10:13) and when we are ill, it also gives opportunities for other believers to bear with us and help us (Gal. 6:2).

And sometimes, the Lord God, Jesus, even allows us to die. To which we can say with confidence together with **Job 19:25** – **“I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end He will stand upon the earth, and after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God; I myself will see Him with my own eyes – I and not another. How my heart yearns within me.”**

We can say this with Job, as we know that one day we too shall live in heaven with our Lord Jesus, Who has power not only over a fever, but also over death and Satan.

After Jesus performed the miracle of healing for the mother-in-law of Peter, we see that her strength was immediately restored. There was no delay in her recovery, but rather she: **“began to wait on them.”**

Peter’s mother-in-law was thankful and demonstrated her thankfulness in her actions. (An example for us as we demonstrate our thankfulness to God every day for our earthly life, and the salvation in heaven which He has won for us.)

What type of a meal did she prepare? We are not told.

And so back to that question at the beginning of our sermon today:

What if Jesus came to your house?

The truth is, that Jesus says: **“Where two or three come together in My Name, there Am I in the midst of them.”** (Matt. 18:20)

When two or more believers come together in prayer, Jesus is there with them.

As you pray in your home Jesus is with you.

Through the Gospel in Word and Sacrament, Jesus Who is God, equal with the Father and the Holy Spirit, (Matt. 28:19; John 10:30; 1 John 5:7; John 17:20-23) comes to us and lives in us by faith in Him.

And so Jesus has come to your house?

Jesus is also God, through Whom and by Whom all things are made. (Colossians 1:15-20)

Does that sound intimidating?

Does that bring fear to your heart, or comfort?

We see from this text, that Jesus is compassionate, as He healed the mother-in-law of Peter.

We learn from other portions of Scripture that Jesus says: **“Come to Me all who are weary and heavy burdened, and I will give you rest. Rest for your soul.”** (Matt. 11:28-29)

The rest that Jesus gives us, is Eternal Rest, Peace knowing that our sins are forgiven and even as we serve Him here and now on earth, we can look forward to serving Him forever in heaven because of His incredible victory for us on the cross of Calvary, where Jesus made full payment for the sin of all mankind and where Jesus defeated death and the devil.

We can look forward to serving Jesus forever in heaven, together with Peter and his mother-in-law and all believers because Jesus demonstrated His victory over sin – death and the devil by His complete and glorious resurrection from the dead.

We can look forward to those new glorified bodies in heaven where there will be no more high fevers or any type of disease. (Philippians 3:20-21)

Before closing, did you notice that Peter has a mother-in-law? That means that he had a wife.

Peter did not remain single as has been falsely taught by some. (See also I Cor. 9:5 & I Timothy 4:1-10)

Even though Scripture does not give us the name of Peter’s mother-in-law or wife, we will get to meet them in heaven because of Jesus our Risen and Living Savior. AMEN

THEME: What if Jesus Came To Your House?