

(6) Peter's Mother-in-Law Healed (Matt. 8:14-17; Mk. 1:29-34; Luke 4:38-41)

1. Peter & Andrew shared a home in Capernaum (Mk. 1:29).
 - a. Peter was married (as were most of the Apostles) (1st Cor. 9:5).
 - b. Peter's mother-in-law is the only apostolic family member in the Gospels. πενθερά penthera ^{#3994}_{6x}.
2. Peter's mother-in-law "suffered" from a high fever (Lk. 4:38), and was unable to get out of bed (Mt. 8:14).
3. Jesus "rebuked" the fever (Lk. 4:39), and she was healed. ἐπετίμησεν τῷ πυρετῷ epetimēsen tōi puretōi.
Jesus also rebuked:
 - a. Demons (Mk. 1:25 & often).
 - b. The winds and the sea (Mt. 8:26; Mk. 4:39; Lk. 8:24).
 - c. His own disciples (Mt. 16:20; Mk. 8:30; Lk. 9:21,55).
4. Her healing was accomplished that she might serve Christ (Mt. 8:15; Mk. 1:31; Lk. 4:39).
5. The healing of the crowds appeared indiscriminate and required no immediate service (Mk. 1:32-34).
 - a. Fulfilling OT prophecies (Mt. 8:17; Isa. 53:4).
 - b. In this instance, Jesus healed everybody, but in other instances some were not healed (Acts 3:1-10 cp. Lk. 4:25-27).
6. This event features miscellaneous demon expulsions in the course of the Lord's ministry.