



Introduction

Jesus' healing and teaching draws crowds from a large area and attracts the attention of the authorities. He says whom he considers are his family.



Questions

1. Why was Jesus angry with the Pharisees?
2. Why did Jesus ask the disciples to keep a boat ready for his use?
3. What sin did Jesus say could not be forgiven?



Ruins of a synagogue at Capernaum (v 1, see map).



Summary Points

- **v 1 to 6** The Pharisees and Herodians plot how they can kill Jesus, after he heals a man with a withered hand, showing his superiority over ritual Sabbath-keeping
- **v 7 to 21** Jesus' ability to heal people attracts large crowds. Jesus chooses twelve disciples to help him with the work as the crowds following him increase
- **v 22 to 30** The scribes say Jesus heals by the prince of demons, but Jesus warns them that by refusing to acknowledge the power of the Holy Spirit (see theme) they are in grave danger of judgement
- **v 31 to 35** Jesus' own family try to see him. He says that those who do the will of God are part of his family

Timeline AD 30 (see below)



Theme

The Holy Spirit is God's power

All through the Bible we see examples of God using his Spirit power to achieve all his purposes.

By his Spirit, God created and sustains all things:

Genesis 1 verses 1 and 2

Job 33 verse 4, 34 verses 14 and 15

God is everywhere present by his Spirit:

Psalms 139 verses 1 to 12

By his Spirit God gave us his message in the Bible:

2 Peter 1 verses 20 and 21

Micah 3 verse 8

By his Spirit God caused Jesus Christ to be born:

Luke 1 verse 35



Week 2 Day 3 Mark 3

Understand your Bible reading plan

The disciples of Jesus Christ were promised special powers to help them in their preaching:

Luke 24 verse 49

God used the Holy Spirit to guide the apostles:

Acts 16 verses 6 and 7

? Answers to questions

Verses which answer the questions:

Q1: v 5, Q2: v 9, Q3: v 29

Israel in New Testament times

Map showing Israel places in new testament times including Capernaum





Bible timeline

