

**"Rise & Walk"**

**Matthew 8: 5 - 13**

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**The Lord Jesus Himself Has Told Us That True Righteousness Is Not A Ritual But A Nature, (Chpt. 3 - 12);**  
*"For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 5:20)*

- Section 3: A Nature Of True Righteousness Must Be Applied, (Chpt. 8 - 9)

- 2. Righteousness applied acknowledges God's authority over all things, (vs. 5 - 13)

- B. Righteousness applied acknowledges God's authority to command what occurs, (vs. 8 - 9)

- A right understanding of God's authority clearly shows human inferiority, (vs. 8); *"I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. "I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants." "*  
*"And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. "And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'"*(Luke 15:18-21 ESV)

- A right understanding of God's authority clearly shows divine sovereignty, (vs. 9); *"Then his wife said to him, "Do you still hold fast your integrity? Curse God and die." "But he said to her, "You speak as one of the foolish women would speak. Shall we receive good from God, and shall we not receive evil?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips."*(Job 2:9-10 ESV)

- C. Righteousness applied acknowledges God's authority to grant recompense, (vs. 10 - 13)
  - D. Righteousness applied trusts in the true healing only God can bring, (vs. 14 - 17)
  - E. Righteousness applied accepts the cost of discipleship, (vs. 18 - 22)
  - F. Righteousness applied demonstrates faith in the worst of circumstances, (vs. 23 - 27)
  - G. Righteousness applied exercises dominion over the demonic realm, (vs. 28 - 34)
  - H. Righteousness applied is the authority by which sins are forgiven, (vs. 9: 1 - 8)
  - I. Righteousness applied is the greatest need of the sick not the self righteous, (vs. 9 - 13)
  - J. Righteousness applied challenges the established view of piety, (vs. 14 - 17)
  - K. Righteousness applied confronts the weakness of fraudulent faith, (vs. 18 - 26)
  - L. Righteousness applied brings the fullest measure of enlightenment, (vs. 27 - 31)
  - M. Righteousness applied frees the bondage of the oppressed, (vs. 32 - 34)
  - N. Righteousness applied is compassionate toward those who are lost, (vs. 35 - 38)

### "To Be Or Not" Series Outline

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- Section 1: A Nature Of True Righteousness Has Been Displayed, (Chpt. 3 - 4)
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