

# Sermon Notes

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Date: March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026

Series: For King and Kingdom

Sermon: “The Authority of the King Over Sin”

Text: Matthew 9:1-8

**Introduction:** Man continues to sublimate, transfer or reroute his real problem, his real need away from sin forgiveness to his “felt need” or “temporal needs.” The real problem of this man who was healed was a sin problem. His real need was not healing. His real need was the forgiveness of sin. When we don't recognize this, we make Jesus out to be a great philanthropist, or a great philosopher, or a moralistic teacher, along the lines of a Ghandi, or Mother Theresa. A close consideration of this text will reveal four realities concerning the “forgiveness of sin” dynamic Jesus unfolds here.

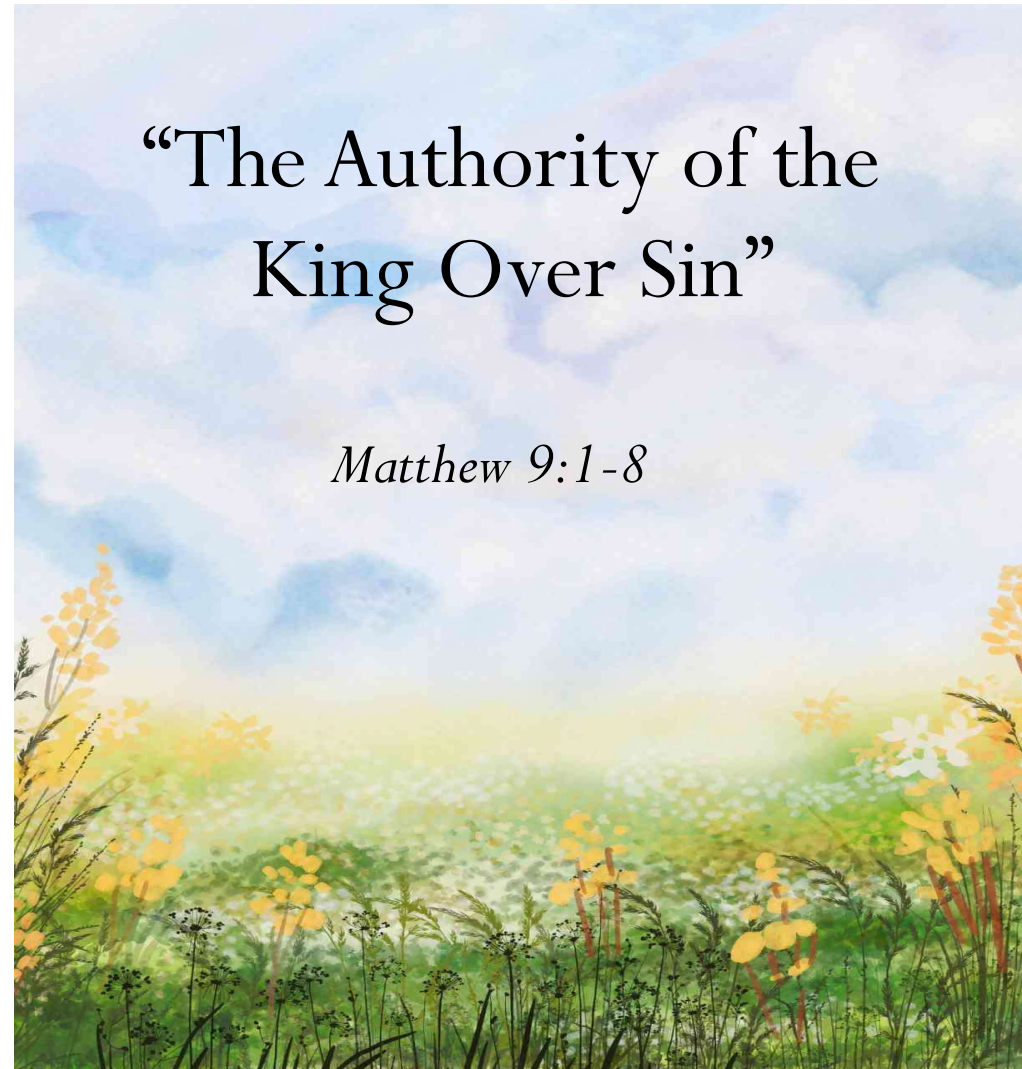
I. The \_\_\_\_\_ for forgiveness of sin is “\_\_\_\_\_”. (v. 1-2)

II. Opposition to Jesus authority to forgive sin is based in \_\_\_\_\_ to his \_\_\_\_\_ authority. (v. 3)

III. The authority of Jesus to forgive sin is \_\_\_\_\_ in an \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_. (vv. 4-7).

IV. The “divine authority to forgive sin” resides \_\_\_\_\_.(v. 8)

Conclusion:



# “The Authority of the King Over Sin”

*Matthew 9:1-8*

**BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH**

March 22, 2026

Services @ 8:30 & 11:00 am • Sunday School @ 10:00 am

Small Group Week

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# Welcome

Thank you for joining us today at Berean Baptist Church. We would delight in assisting you in any way that we can. Please feel free to stop by the Welcome Center after the 11 AM Worship. Information regarding children's classes and our check-in system are located in the lobby at the child check-in kiosk.

# Prayer

## Missionary of the Month:

Andrew & Alyssa Smith ~ Avant Ministries

**Prayer Families of the Week:** David Brainard, Justin & Sarah Ooms, Daniel Passage, Matthew & Marceen Gasperoni

**Prayer Ministry of the Month:** Women's Ministry

**Pastor/Minister of the Week:** Aaron & Holly Miller

**Deacon of the Week:** Tony & Tina Conti

# Calendar

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| <p><b><u>Monday 23rd</u></b></p> <p>Anchormen 7:30 AM<br/>Men's Monday 6:15 PM<br/>Revel 7 PM</p> | <p><b><u>Tuesday 24th</u></b></p> | <p><b><u>Wednesday 25th</u></b></p> <p>Womens AM Bible Study<br/>9:30 AM<br/>Wednesday Evening<br/>Programs - 7 PM</p> |
| <p><b><u>Thursday 26th</u></b></p> <p>Deacon Meeting 7 PM</p>                                     | <p><b><u>Friday 27th</u></b></p>  | <p><b><u>Saturday 28th</u></b></p>   |

For a detailed listing of future events, please refer to our website calendar: [www.bereanlife.org/calendar/](http://www.bereanlife.org/calendar/)

# Stewardship

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| Tithes/Offerings: | \$11,410 | YTD Giving:    | \$169,065 |
| Weekly Budget:    | \$17,714 | YTD Budget:    | \$194,855 |
| YTD Missions:     | \$24,167 | Building Fund: | \$328,648 |
| Local Missions:   | \$74,217 |                |           |

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# Announcements

## MEN'S MONDAY

Gentlemen. We want to extend a big thank you to everyone who attended our last Men's Ministry event. We pray that our time together encouraged you to walk closer with God and with one another. Our next meeting is tomorrow **March 23rd at 6.15 PM** in the gym. David Kolic will be teaching on the final chapter of the book, Chapter 13, 'Garments of Grace'. Please don't be discouraged if you've missed any session; you are sure to be blessed through the teaching and fellowship centered around God's word. Also, our very own Scott Craig will be "cooking up something special" as usual. Look forward to seeing you there with us on Monday!

## GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Join us for our Good Friday Service, **Friday, April 3rd, at 7 PM**. We will be observing communion.

## SON RISE EASTER BREAKFAST

Resurrection Sunday is always a special day in the life of the church. Make it a full and rewarding morning as we begin with our "Son Rise Breakfast" in our Fellowship Chapel/gym area at **9:30 AM**. Bring a breakfast dish to share with 10-12 people (if possible, in a disposable container). Come enjoy the warm fellowship and hearty breakfast that will start our Easter celebration this year. **PLEASE NOTE: We will have only the 11 AM worship service on Easter Sunday, April 5th (no 8:30 AM service or Sunday School).**

## BRIDAL SHOWER

Ladies, you're invited to a bridal shower honoring **Leah Sheffield** on **Saturday, April 25th from 11 AM - 1 PM**. Brunch will be served. RSVP to Norene Divens. Leah will be returning soon to East Africa to celebrate her marriage to Tokuma and to continue serving with StoryRunners, a Cru ministry. If you would like to bless Leah and Tokuma, only monetary gifts can be accepted at this time due to travel limitations. Contribution for a group gift can be given to Norene Divens or Patti Lewis.

## COUPLES SHOWER

You're invited to a Couple's Shower to celebrate **Kate Sechrist and her fiancé, Noam**, on **May 1, 2026, at 7 PM** at 50679 Chesapeake Dr. in Novi. Enjoy coffee, cannoli, and sweet moments as we shower the couple with love before their big day! Coffee and desserts will be provided! Please come prepared with your favorite recipe to share with the couple! There will be recipe cards provided at the shower for you to copy it onto! See the Bits & Bytes for RVSP link and registry.

## MEN'S SOFTBALL

The Men's Softball season is beginning in May. Joe Favazza is putting together 2 teams this season due to increased interest. If you are interested in playing full-time or playing as a substitute, please text/email Joe Favazza at 734-674-6952 or [jfavazza13@gmail.com](mailto:jfavazza13@gmail.com)