

SERMON OUTLINE

Speaker: Dr Eileen Poh

Text : Matthew 8: 1 - 34

Title : The Kingdom In Action

1) Context

- Jesus' message: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." (Matt. 4:17)
- Jesus' vision of the kingdom of heaven: the Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5-8)

2) The Kingdom in Action: Jesus exercises his authority

- to heal the sick (Matt. 8:1-4, 13-17)
- to make pronouncements concerning the kingdom (8:10-12)
- to calm the storm (8:23-27)
- to restore two demon-possessed men (8:28-34)

3) The People's Response to Jesus

- "Lord, I will follow you wherever you go" (8:19)
- "Lord, first let me go and bury my father" (8:21)
- The people pleaded with Jesus to leave their region (8:34)

For Reflection and Action