



The King of the Kingdom

**HE HAS MADE US
A KINGDOM OF PRIESTS
FOR GOD HIS FATHER.**

**ALL GLORY AND POWER
TO HIM FOREVER AND
EVER! AMEN.**

REVELATION 1:6 | MEC | VERSE FOR 2012



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Go!

Pray!

Die!



Marginalised, Ridiculed

Ostracised, Shunned

Authority over Defilement



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**When the centurion
heard about Jesus
(Luke 7:3)**

“Not any word is
unable with God”
(Luke 1:37)

Authority over Distance



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... leprosy/skin diseases ...

... blind, deaf, dumb ...

... lame, paralysed ...

... fever, haemorrhage, epilepsy ...

... raised the dead ...

Authority over Disease



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Matthew 8:14-17

¹⁴ And when Jesus entered Peter's house, he saw his mother-in-law lying sick with a fever. ¹⁵ He touched her hand, and the fever left her, and she rose and began to serve him.

¹⁶ That evening they brought to him many who were oppressed by demons, and he cast out the spirits with a word and healed all who were sick.



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Matthew 8:14-17

¹⁷ This was to fulfil what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah: "He took our illnesses and bore our diseases."

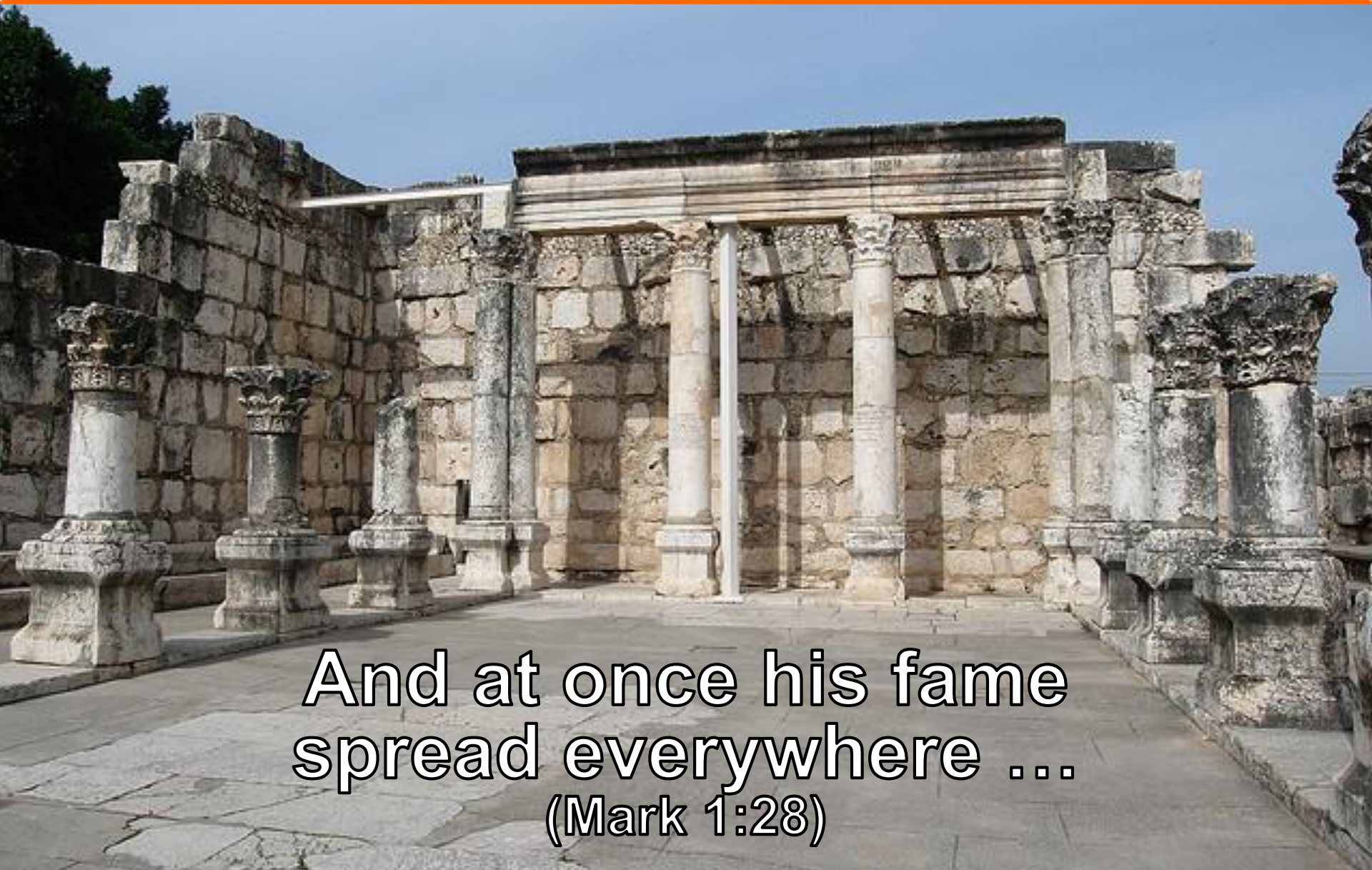


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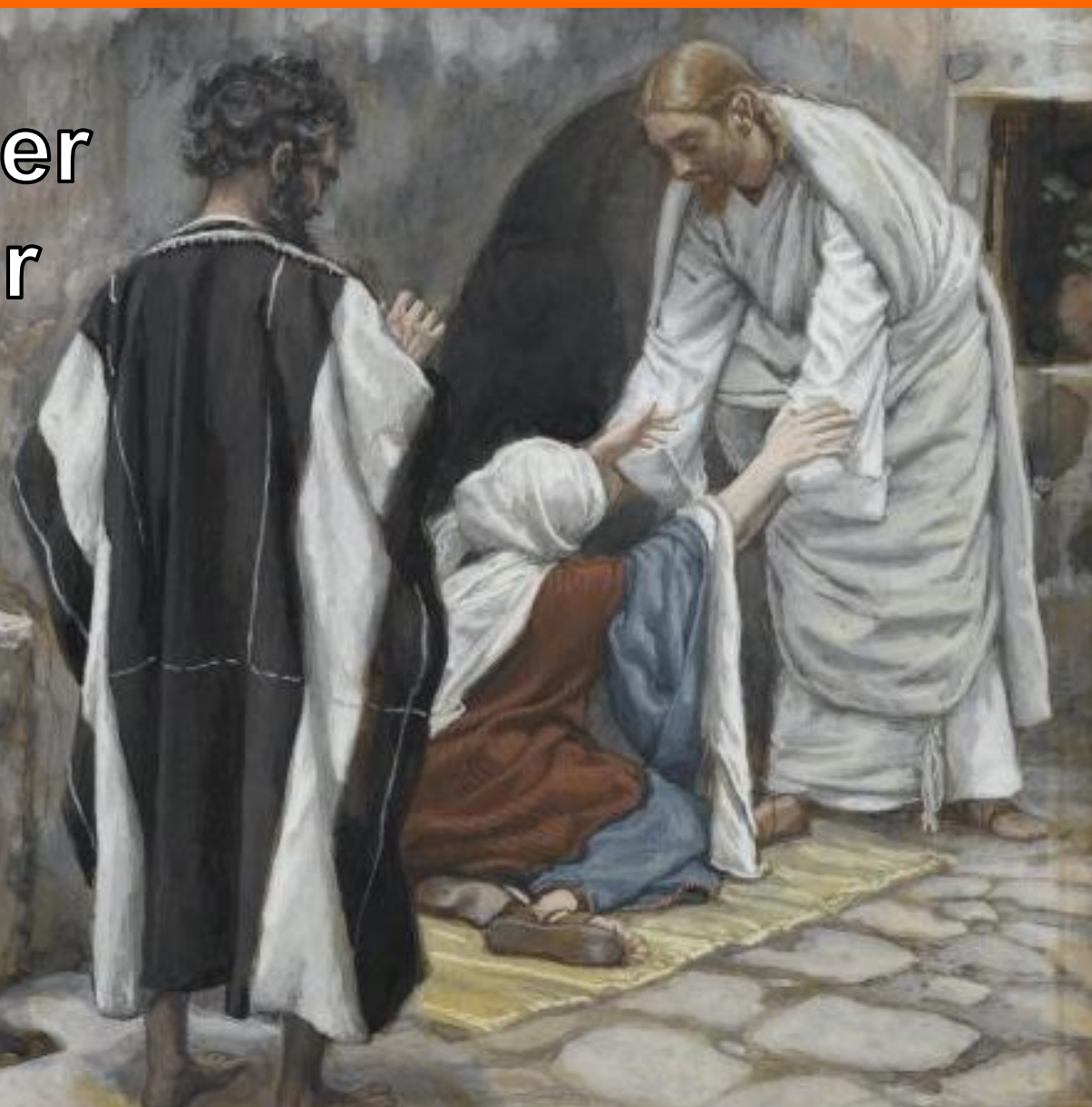
And at once his fame
spread everywhere ...
(Mark 1:28)



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He touched her
and the fever
left her ...

(Matthew 8:15)





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What was Matthew's purpose in writing to his readers?

To present a fully developed theology of divine healing?



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Medical Situation

Poor diet/malnutrition

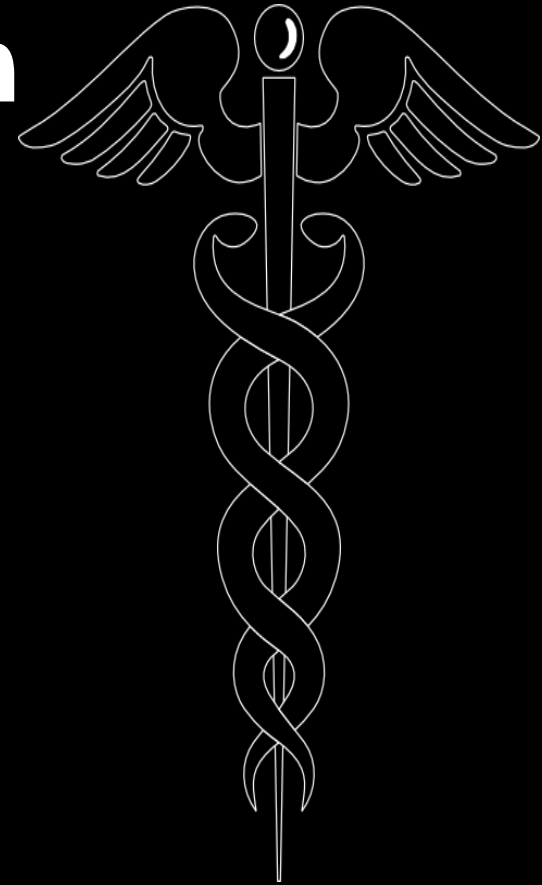
Accidents common

Treatment expensive

Poor life expectancy

Many turned to gods

Disillusion & despair



Asclepius



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Jewish Mind-set

Sin and sickness
(eg John 9:2)

God's judgment

Only God can heal

Mysterious

Messianic hope



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Jesus rebuked
the fever

(Luke 4:39)

"But so that you may know
that the Son of Man has
authority on earth to forgive
sins, get up, pick up your
bed and go home."

(Matthew 9:6)





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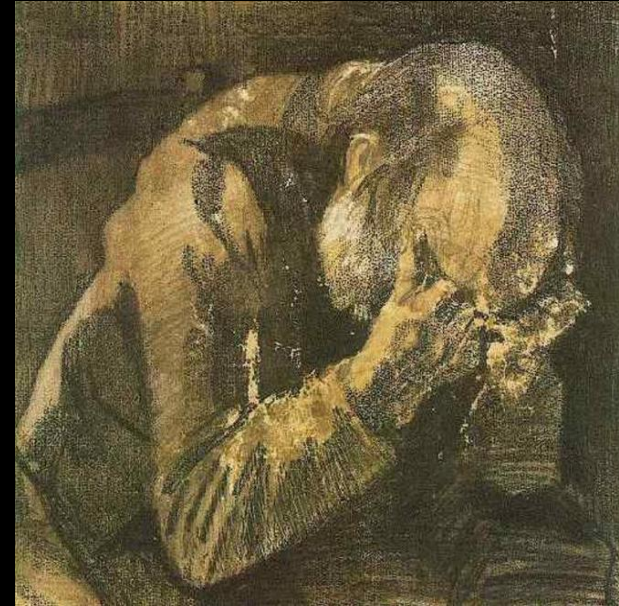
Is sickness caused by specific sin?



Social
Diseases?



“Unworthy”
Lord’s Supper
(1 Cor 11:27-30)



Confess
Sins
(James 5:13-16)

It is possible, but not always the case.



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Jesus touched ...

the leper

(Matthew 8:3)

Peter's m-in-law

(Matthew 8:15)

... You rule over all, and
in Your hand is power and might ...

(1 Chronicles 29:12)



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When evening
came ...

(Matthew 8:16)

"For the Son of Man is Lord of the
Sabbath."

(Matthew 12:8)





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And He cast
out the spirits
with a word

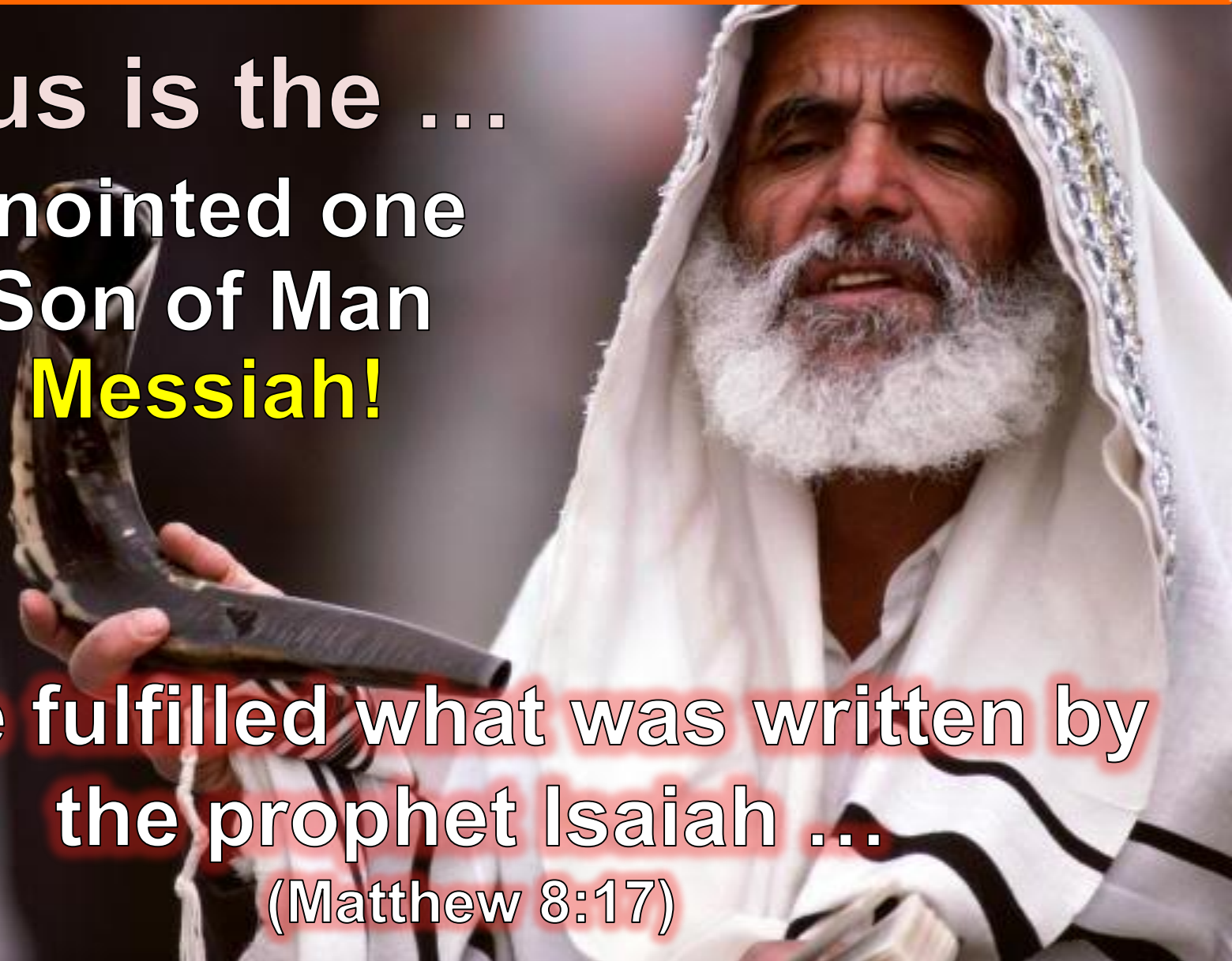
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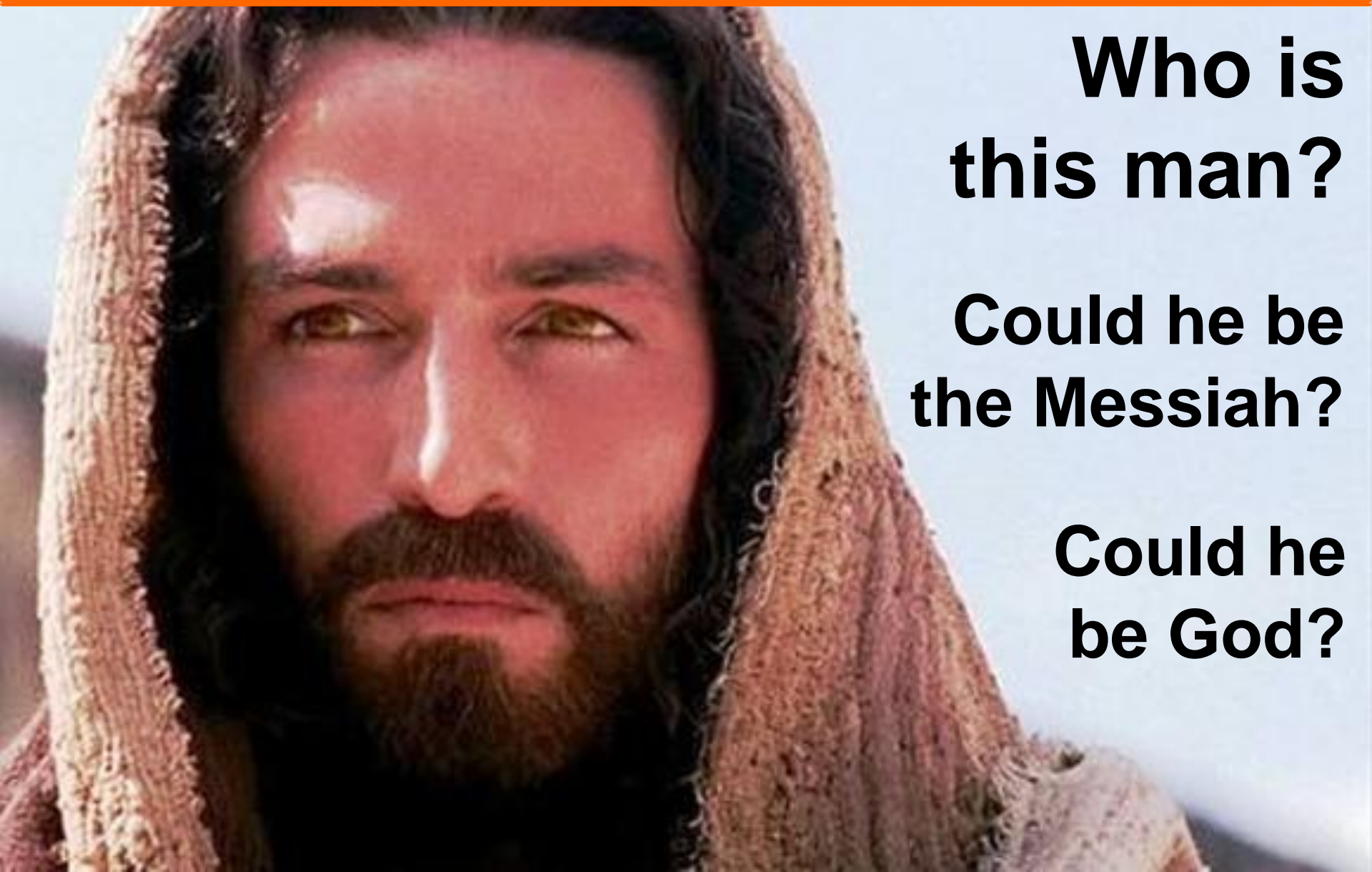
Jesus is the ...
... anointed one
... Son of Man
... **Messiah!**

... He fulfilled what was written by
the prophet Isaiah ...
(Matthew 8:17)





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**Who is
this man?**

**Could he be
the Messiah?**

**Could he
be God?**



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What was Matthew's purpose in writing to his readers?

Power to heal

Authority to forgive

Care for marginalised

Formation of Kingdom

Fulfilment of promises



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she got up and **“diakoneo”** Jesus

(Matthew 8:16)

served

ministered

“I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.”

(Matthew 25:40)

