

Matthew 17:14

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And when they were come to the multitude, there came to him a certain man, kneeling down to him, and saying,

Analysis

Reformed theology emphasizes the divine initiative evident in this text. The verse connects to broader biblical themes of covenant, redemption, and God's unchanging character. Understanding this passage requires recognizing both its historical context and its application to Christian life.

Historical Context

This verse originates in Jesus' ministry during a pivotal period. The first-century Jewish context included Roman occupation, Pharisaic religious authority, and messianic expectations. Understanding these factors illuminates the passage's significance.

Related Passages

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Study Questions

1. How does this verse deepen your appreciation for Christ?
2. What false beliefs or practices does this text correct?
3. How should you share this truth with others?

Interlinear Text

Kαὶ	ἐλθόντων	αὐτῷ	πρὸς	τὸν	ὄχλον	προσῆλθεν
And	when they were come	to him	to	G3588	the multitude	there came
G2532	G2064	G846	G4314	G3793		G4334
αὐτῷ	ἄνθρωπος	γονυπετῶν	αὐτῷ	Kαὶ	λέγων	
to him	a certain man	kneeling down	to him	And	saying	
G846	G444	G1120	G846	G2532	G3004	

Additional Cross-References

Mark 1:40 (Parallel theme): And there came a leper to him, beseeching him, and kneeling down to him, and saying unto him, If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

Mark 10:17 (Parallel theme): And when he was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?

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