

# The Gospel of **LUKE**



**Chapter 11:14-28**  
**Choosing Sides**

## Luke 11

<sup>14</sup> One day Jesus cast out a demon from a man who couldn't speak, and when the demon was gone, the man began to speak. The crowds were amazed, <sup>15</sup> but some of them said, "No wonder he can cast out demons. He gets his power from Satan, the prince of demons." <sup>16</sup> Others, trying to test Jesus, demanded that he show them a miraculous sign from heaven to prove his authority.







# THE GOSPEL OF JESUS HAS A POLARIZING EFFECT ON PEOPLE



## Luke 11

<sup>17</sup> He knew their thoughts, so he said, “Any kingdom divided by civil war is doomed. A family splintered by feuding will fall apart. <sup>18</sup> You say I am empowered by Satan. But if Satan is divided and fighting against himself, how can his kingdom survive? <sup>19</sup> And if I am empowered by Satan, what about your own exorcists? They cast out demons, too, so they will condemn you for what you have said.

## Luke 11

<sup>20</sup> But if I am casting out demons by the power of God, then the Kingdom of God has arrived among you. <sup>21</sup> For when a strong man is fully armed and guards his palace, his possessions are safe— <sup>22</sup> until someone even stronger attacks and overpowers him, strips him of his weapons, and carries off his belongings.

## Luke 11

23 “Anyone who isn’t with me opposes me, and anyone who isn’t working with me is actually working against me.



# WE SIDE WITH JESUS BY COOPERATING WITH GOD'S RESTORATIVE CARE FOR HUMANITY





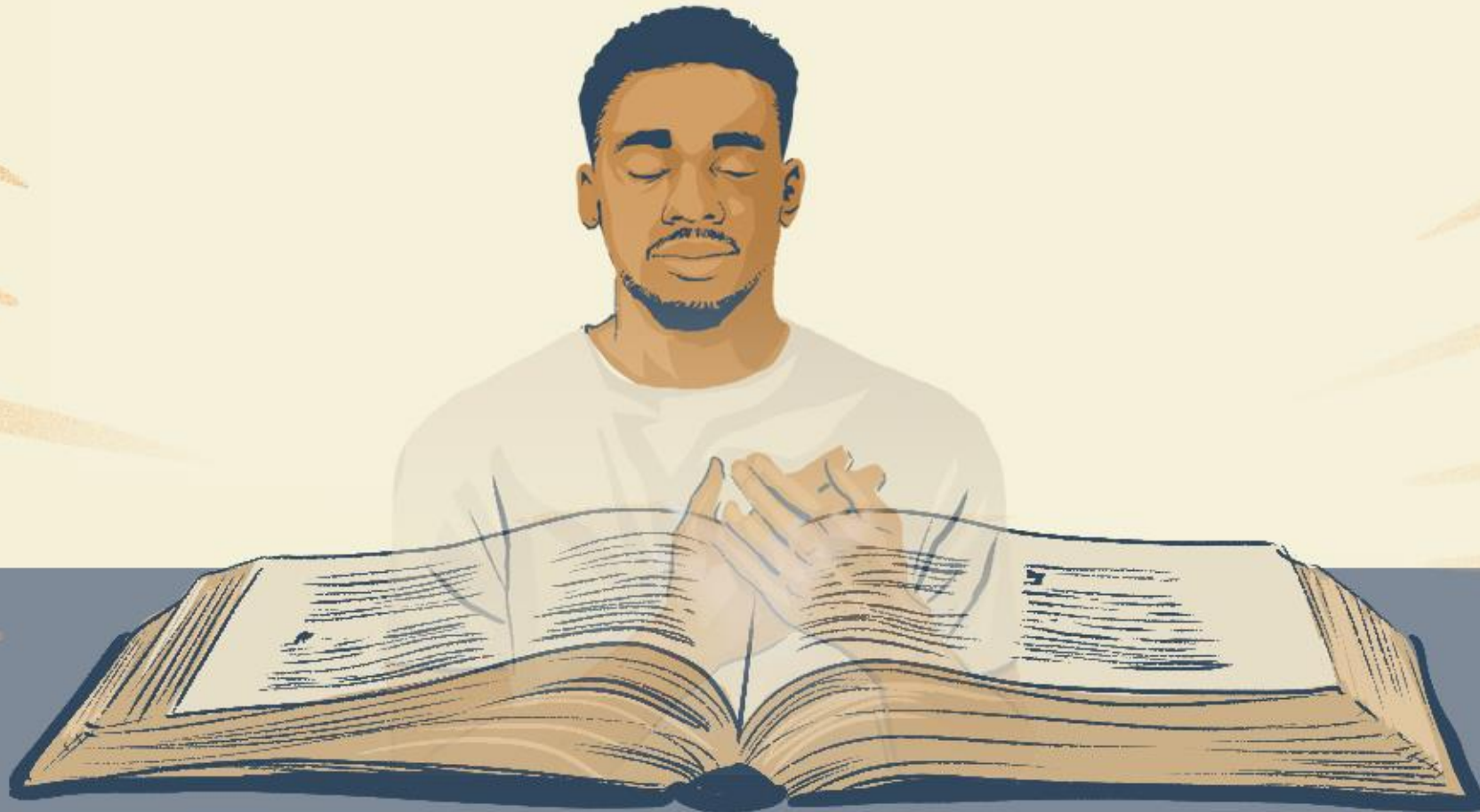
## Luke 11

<sup>24</sup> “When an evil spirit leaves a person, it goes into the desert, searching for rest. But when it finds none, it says, ‘I will return to the person I came from.’ <sup>25</sup> So it returns and finds that its former home is all swept and in order. <sup>26</sup> Then the spirit finds seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they all enter the person and live there. And so that person is worse off than before.

## Luke 11

<sup>27</sup> As he was speaking, a woman in the crowd called out, “God bless your mother—the womb from which you came, and the breasts that nursed you!” <sup>28</sup> Jesus replied, “But even more blessed are all who hear the word of God and put it into practice.”

**WE SIDE WITH JESUS NOT THROUGH  
APPLAUSE BUT WITH OBEDIENCE**





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