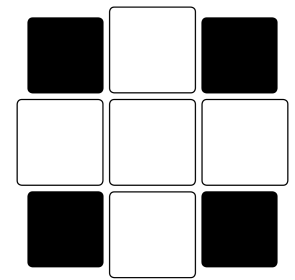


# The Beelzebub Controversy

Scripture: **Luke 11:14–23**

Series: **The Gospel of Luke**

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## Overview

We sometimes prefer to take a neutral stance on issues because it allows us to avoid conflict or danger, or perhaps we don't care about the issue or the people involved. However, Jesus makes clear in this passage that neutrality toward Him is not an option: **you are either with Jesus or against Him**, and your response to Him reveals your relationship with Him.

## Discussion Questions

1. What is the significance and implication of Jesus' miracles, including casting out demons? [see v. 20 for one aspect: "...the kingdom of God has come upon you."]
2. How is the kingdom of God here and now? At the same time, how is the kingdom of God "not yet"? How can each of these truths encourage you?
3. Share a time when you chose to take a neutral stance on an issue or in a situation. Why did you choose to remain neutral?
4. We are either with Jesus or against Him. What does it mean to be *with* Jesus? How is this different from being *for* Jesus?
5. What does it mean to be against Jesus?
6. How are you struggling to be with Jesus and not just for Him?