

## **Commentary on the Gospel for Wed, Jul 4th 2012**

According to the cosmovision of the time, there exists a world of evil spirits that is in constant struggle with the forces of God. Oftentimes these struggles are depicted as war in apocalyptic symbols and literary pictures. Here, we see Jesus in confrontation with this kind of world. The messiah is expected to fight this battle. In the gospels, we have a lot of this kind of narratives. It is curious to note that sometimes these “battles” became moments of healing [in those texts that narrate Jesus healing those suffering from demoniacs]. From “war” to “healing”, Jesus shows us a different way to build God’s kingship here and now. To live God’s kingship, we also need new kind of discourse: healing instead of war.

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