What is your response to:

"I tend to believe that the function of prophet was replaced by the pastor-teacher and evangelists role in the church after the need for miraculous gifts to authenticate God's word was no longer necessary."

What does the word "minster" or "ministering" mean to you?

Do you see yourself as a "minister"?

Should you?

What role do fasting and praying have in the church today?

What role should these practices have?

Why do you think they aren't expressively "commanded"... but assumed to be present in the lives of believers?

How difficult is it to face opposition from spiritual forces?

How do you handle this when it happens to you?

Would you agree that the point in Luke telling this story is all about what happened with the magician and the Roman proconsul?

Why is this important? What lessons can we learn by reading and understanding this story?