

Jesus Is King
Mark 1:21-31

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I. Teaching scripture should be normative. Mark 1:21-22

Luke 4:15 And He taught in their synagogues, being _____ by all.

- Jesus is the ultimate authority because He is the _____ of Scripture and He is the God of Scripture.

Jesus wants us to be fishers of men; however, that doesn't mean we get to change the _____; otherwise we may not be gaining real Disciples.

II. Sermon interrupted. Mark 1:23-24

"We are "_____ possessed" in the right sense, because His filling and influence is only for good." (David Guzik)

- This demon knew exactly who Jesus was and it also knew what Jesus' plan was; to come and free people from the _____ they are in and offer them forgiveness of sin.

III. Jesus' response to the Interruption. Mark 1:25-28

Like Satan, demons are out to destroy. Similar to the magicians in Egypt who tried to copy the miracles of Moses, they could only cause more _____; they could not create a blessing.

- Notice the power of someone who has personally experienced Jesus, telling another man or woman face to face, about how Jesus _____ their life!

IV. Gratitude and service. Mark 1:29-31

Jesus desires a personal relationship; yes, He died for the sins of the world; but, His love, grace, and forgiveness comes in a _____ offer to individuals. **Romans 10:13**

- Today, Jesus still meets people's _____ the same way in homes and churches; healing broken bodies, broken hearts, broken marriages and fractured families!

The Lord wants us to _____ Him the same way Peter's mother in-law did; out of a grateful and thankful heart! We are told that God loves a cheerful or hilarious giver.

V. Conclusion.

Jesus has absolute authority over all powers because Jesus really is the Lord of lords and King of kings; but, He is also a gentleman and will not _____ anyone to bow to Him as Savior.

Small Group Discussion

Looking back at your notes from this week's sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

1. What two ways did the authority of Jesus 'amaze' people in vs. 21-28?
2. What strikes you most about what the demons say in vs. 24? What did the demons get right about Jesus? Why is it possible to have right theology (like the demon) and still be heading towards hell? (**James 2:19**) What makes our faith different from that of a demon?
3. Read **Mark 1:22**. How do the people respond to Jesus' teaching? In what way do you think Jesus' teaching differed from the teaching of the scribes such that people concluded Jesus' teaching came with 'authority'? What's significant about that word 'authority' and what does it tell us about the 'author'? What are the implications for Jesus' teaching here? **Matthew 4:4-10, Matthew 5:17, John 17:17, Psalm 138:2, Matthew 24:37-38**
4. Does anything surprise you about Jesus' encounter with this 'unclean spirit'? How might Jesus' declaration in **Mark 1:15** explain the demon's response to Jesus and His teaching? In what way is it accurate to describe the whole of the Bible as 'Jesus' teaching'?
5. What is the ultimate source of authority in your life: revelation, reason, experience, or tradition? What should be the role of teachers in the church today? In what way does this passage motivate you to want to listen more carefully and obediently to Jesus' teaching?
6. Discuss the conclusion of the sermon and what it looks like to have Jesus as King over your life.
1 Chronicles 29:11-12, Job 12:13-14, Romans 12:1-2, Isaiah 14:27, Philippians 2:9-11, Luke 19:12-14