

THE AUTHORITY OF THE KING-Part 2 (Mark 1:21-28)

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TEXT—Mark 1:21-28

MAIN IDEA—Jesus Christ is King of Heaven and earth, displaying authority in His teaching, His judgments and power over evil spirits.

MEMORY VERSES—[Jn. 14:13-14]

THE AUTHORITY OF CHRIST’S WORD (Mk. 1:21-22)—

Following the calling of the disciples at the Sea of Galilee, the LORD Jesus accompanied by Simon, Andrew, James, and John entered the village of Capernaum. On the Sabbath, Jesus entered the local synagogue and began to teach once again revealing His divine authority.

John 8:12-14

2 Tim. 3:14-17; Ps. 119:9-11; John 10:14-16

THE AUTHORITY OF CHRIST’S JUDGMENT (Mk. 1:23-

24)—When the One who had ultimate authority entered the synagogue and began to teach, His divine presence threatened the lesser authority that controlled a man in the synagogue through an unclean spirit. Through this encounter we learn about the authority of Christ’s judgment over demons.

Mt. 8:28-29

Matt. 25:41, 46

Rom. 14:10-12

THE AUTHORITY OF CHRIST’S POWER (Mk.

1:25-28)—There was only one choice the demon had and that was to obey the command of the LORD Jesus Christ. Though he attempted to resist by violently leaving the man, the demon had to leave!

Luke 10:17-20

*Demons and unclean spirits are real and know the difference between genuine believers who are under Christ’s authority and those who are not (**Acts 19:13-17**).

J.I. Packer (1926-2020)--*Satan's army of demons uses subtler strategies also, namely, deception and discouragement in many forms. Opposing these is the essence of spiritual warfare (Eph. 6:10-18). Though demons can give trouble of many kinds to regenerate persons in whom the Holy Spirit dwells, they cannot finally thwart God's purpose of saving his elect any more than they can finally avoid their own eternal torment. As the devil is God's devil (that is Luther's phrase), so the demons are God's demons, defeated enemies (Col. 2:15) whose limited power is prolonged only for the advancement of God's glory as his people contend with them.*