

— THE GOSPEL OF —
MARK
SUFFERING SERVANT & SON OF GOD



Mark 11:27-32

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And Jesus said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.”



Two questions

- Why is Jesus in this situation?
- Why are the religious leaders so upset?



Mark 8:27-30

²⁷ Jesus and his disciples went on to the villages around Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked them, “Who do people say I am?”

²⁸ They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.”

²⁹ “But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”

Peter answered, “You are the Messiah.”

³⁰ Jesus warned them not to tell anyone about him.



Mark 8:31-33

³¹ Then he began to teach them that it was necessary for the Son of Man to suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests, and scribes, be killed, and rise after three days. ³² He spoke openly about this. Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³ But turning around and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! You are not thinking about God’s concerns[[a](#)] but human concerns.”



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We have perceived authority,
God has ultimate authority!



Both inward repentance & outward expression
is required for obedience.



We can't stand for truth and please man.



Questions

- Is there a place where God has given you something to steward that you are no longer seeking his authority?
- Where do you see men in the church failing to repent internally and covering it up with external appearance?
- In what areas do you see yourself people pleasing?