

THE AUTHORITY OF JESUS CHRIST

Mark 1:21-34

The truth about the authority of Jesus:

1. Jesus has authority over demons

But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. (25-26)

2. Jesus has authority over disease

And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them. (31)

3. Jesus has authority over death

...And he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God." (23-24)

My response to the authority of Jesus:

1. Listen to what He says

And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. (22)

2. Stay amazed at what He does

And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." (27)

3. Ask for His help

That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. And the whole city was gathered together at the door. And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. (32-34)