

The Gospel According to Mark Jesus. Servant. Master.

Lesson 4

Read Mark 1:21 – 28

Introduction: *“...He taught them as one having authority, not as the scribes.” These men were accustomed to give out what their teachers had said before them, and did not attempt to give any authoritative instructions themselves. Jesus spoke as One sent from God, who did not need to bolster His instructions by quotations from human authorities, but preached the word as the mouthpiece of the Father, whose representative He was. This was teaching such, as the people had never heard before.*

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1. According to Mark 1:21 Jesus *“entered the synagogue and taught.”*
The first mention of a synagogue is in Psalm 74:8. The last is in Revelation 3:9, where we read of a synagogue of Satan. The word synagogue means a place of gathering or assembling. The Jews felt the need to have a place where they came together for instruction and fellowship much like our churches today. As a child, Jesus was familiar with attending a synagogue.

In Luke 4:14 – 30 at the beginning of Jesus’ ministry He entered a synagogue and taught. What lesson did Jesus teach them about who He is and His purpose for coming? How did they receive His message?

- Have you ever been rejected for sharing the truth?

2. In Matthew chapters 5 – 7 Jesus had just taught “The Sermon on the Mount”. What were some of the main themes of Jesus’ teachings and how did the people respond according to Matthew 7:28 – 29?
 - Where did Jesus’ power and authority come from according to John 5:19 – 30? Who was Jesus declaring Himself to be? How do these words of power and authority strengthen your faith?

3. According to Mark 1:23 – 24 what was the reaction of the man with the unclean spirit after hearing the teaching of Jesus? Who did this man declare Jesus to be?
 - What did Jesus do and what did the people say according to Mark 1:25 – 28?

4. Have you ever been amazed at something God has said or done in your life? Explain what happened: