

## **“Revealed-Authoritative”**

**Matthew 1:21-28**

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**Main text:** Mark 1:27

*“The people were all so amazed that they asked each other, ‘What is this? A new teaching—and with authority! He even gives orders to impure spirits and they obey him.’”*

**Main Point:**

Jesus teaches and acts with authority like no other because he is none other than the Son of God.

**Gospel takeaway:**

Jesus still has authority over all things today and for all eternity.

**Notes:**

## Digging Deeper (January 27/28, 2018)

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Mark writes his Gospel so that we would know that Jesus is not only the Messiah but also that he is the Son of God. This is what gives Jesus authority like no other.



God declared that Jesus is his Son when Jesus was baptized by John before starting his ministry (Mark 1:9–11). God repeated this declaration at the transfiguration before Jesus headed toward the cross (Mark 9:2–7). Even the Roman centurion realized this identity of Jesus as he died on the cross (Mark 15:33–39).

As the Son of God, Jesus possessed the authority of God. He didn't use his authority to "lord it over" us but to serve us and love us.

Read the following passages to see how Jesus used his authority to love us:

- John 10:17–18
- John 17:1–2

Jesus' authority meant he wouldn't stay in the grave, but he would take up the life that he had laid down and would grant us eternal life!

We still remain under the authority of earthly rulers (good ones and bad ones), but we continue in the hope that Jesus sits in authority over all (Ephesians 1:19–21) and that the time will come when only his authority of love will remain (1 Corinthians 15:24).