

The Good News of Jesus  
*One with Authority*  
Mark 1:21-34

**Question: What makes the good news of Jesus, good?**

**I. One with Authority to Proclaim Truth (1:21-22)**

~ when we are so prone to believe lies

**II. One with Authority over the Evil One (1:23-28)**

~ when we are powerless on our own against him

**III. One with Authority over the Curse (1:29-34)**

~ when we long for this broken world to be made new

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**Point to Ponder:** Two descriptions: A tired old story that brings back memories of flannel-graph figures and a room that smelled of playdough, but has little relevance for our life today **vs.** the best and most wondrous news we have ever heard - one which still takes away our breath and has captured our greatest hopes. When we think of Jesus, when we speak of Him, to which of these two descriptions would our thoughts be closest? If we are a long way from the second description, then read through the gospel of Mark this afternoon and allow our hearts and minds to be amazed at this one we call Jesus.

**A Note to Parents:** Please know that the children and youth who leave the service during the sermon are looking at the same passage we will consider each week. We hope that you will initiate a conversation with them about this portion of God's Word.

**Next Week:** Next week we will continue our series taken out of the Gospel of Mark entitled *Jesus Friend of Sinners* by looking at **Mark 2:1-12 - He Even Forgives Sins.**

