

## Encountering Jesus' Authority

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**Luke 4:32** "They [the people at the synagogue] were amazed at his [Jesus] teaching, because his message had authority. **36** All the people were amazed and said to each other, 'What is this teaching?' With authority and power he gives orders to evil spirits and they come out!"

### SUMMARY:

When you think of all the "messages" that come your way in a day or in a week, how do you decide which message to respond to first? . . . Your wife, your kids, your boss, your friend? My own actions prove to me that I respond most quickly to the "message" that I believe has the greatest authority in my life. Today's question for us is, "How much authority is the message of Jesus Christ having in my life?"

### NOTES:

## DISCUSSION POINTS:

**Introductory Question:** What teaching of Jesus Christ has currently captured your "amazement?"

**Discussion:**

What is so amazing to you about this truth?

How are you responding to the authority of that message in your life?

What do you sense should be your next step?

## APPLICATION:

Take that action step in response to the authoritative message you have been hearing from your encounters with Jesus.

## ON YOUR OWN...

**Matthew 7:28,29**

**Mark 1:21-28**