



Riverstone
BAPTIST CHURCH

Sermon Based Questions

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Series: More Like Jesus prt 2

Doing the Works of Jesus

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.”

– Mark 1:27

1. Teaching with authority (Mark 1:21-28)

*2. Demonstrating compassion through healing
(Mark 1:29-35)*

*3. Living in dependence on God through prayer
(Mark 1:35-42)*

A. Examining the texts.

1. Read Mark 1:21-28. What does Jesus do in this section and how do the people respond to what he does?
2. Read Mark 1:29-34. What afflictions does Jesus heal in this section of Marks narrative and what does that say about his identity and how he relates to human suffering?
3. Read Mark 1:35- 42. Why do you think that in the middle of so much human need- Jesus goes and spends time with his Father? What is the “outcome” of his prayer time? (See esp verse 38)

B. Meditation & application

4. How does Mark 1:21-42 speak to the reality of the authority and power of Jesus?
5. Do you think that Jesus’ model of responding to sickness and demonic affliction is something that should shape the church in its mission? How is Jesus’ compassion a model for us in the doing of mission?
6. What does Jesus practice of solitude and prayer reveal to us about how he saw his mission and how should his example shape our own?
7. Jesus showed radical compassion in his context to those in need- what could we do in our local community to show the compassion of Christ to others?
8. Jesus seemed to weave prayer and contemplation with action and mission- how should his example shape our missionary endeavors.

Heavenly Father- Help us to go into our world with the authority and commission of Jesus with an eye to bring your healing, liberating and gracious presence to those we meet. Use us to glorify Jesus by following his example. We pray this in Christs’ name- amen.