



## JESUS' AUTHORITY

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**SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:** Luke 4:31-44

**MAIN POINT:** Jesus Christ has the authority and power to accomplish his mission.

**KEY IDEAS:** We can have confidence that Christ can accomplish his mission because of the demonstration of his power and authority over evil forces and sickness.

### 1. THE NATURE OF JESUS' AUTHORITY

- Unique, unparalleled, unmatched authority and power.
- Jesus exercise unique authority and power, not because of his particular words or methods but because of who he is – the Son of God.

### 2. THE EXTENT OF JESUS' AUTHORITY

- Absolute
- Personal
- Universal

### 3. THE EFFECT OF JESUS' AUTHORITY

- On Our Faith
- On Our Hope
- On Our Life

### FELLOWSHIP STARTERS:

*Truth Reigns...*

1. How should this passage bring certainty and confidence to our hearts regarding Jesus and his mission?
2. What effects should the reality of Jesus' authority and power have on our faith, hope and life? Why?

*Humility Grows...*

3. Have you submitted your life to Christ completely?
4. What areas – your will, future, ambitions, longings, vocation, spouse, children, independence, heart – do struggle to submit to Christ? Why is that so?

*Prayer Covers...*

5. Take time to pray for one another, that the Holy Spirit would help us to be obedient in the particular area we struggle to submit to Christ.