

The Authority of the King

Mark 1:21-34



Heaven is Not a Democracy

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- **Philippians 3:20** - But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,

Obedience

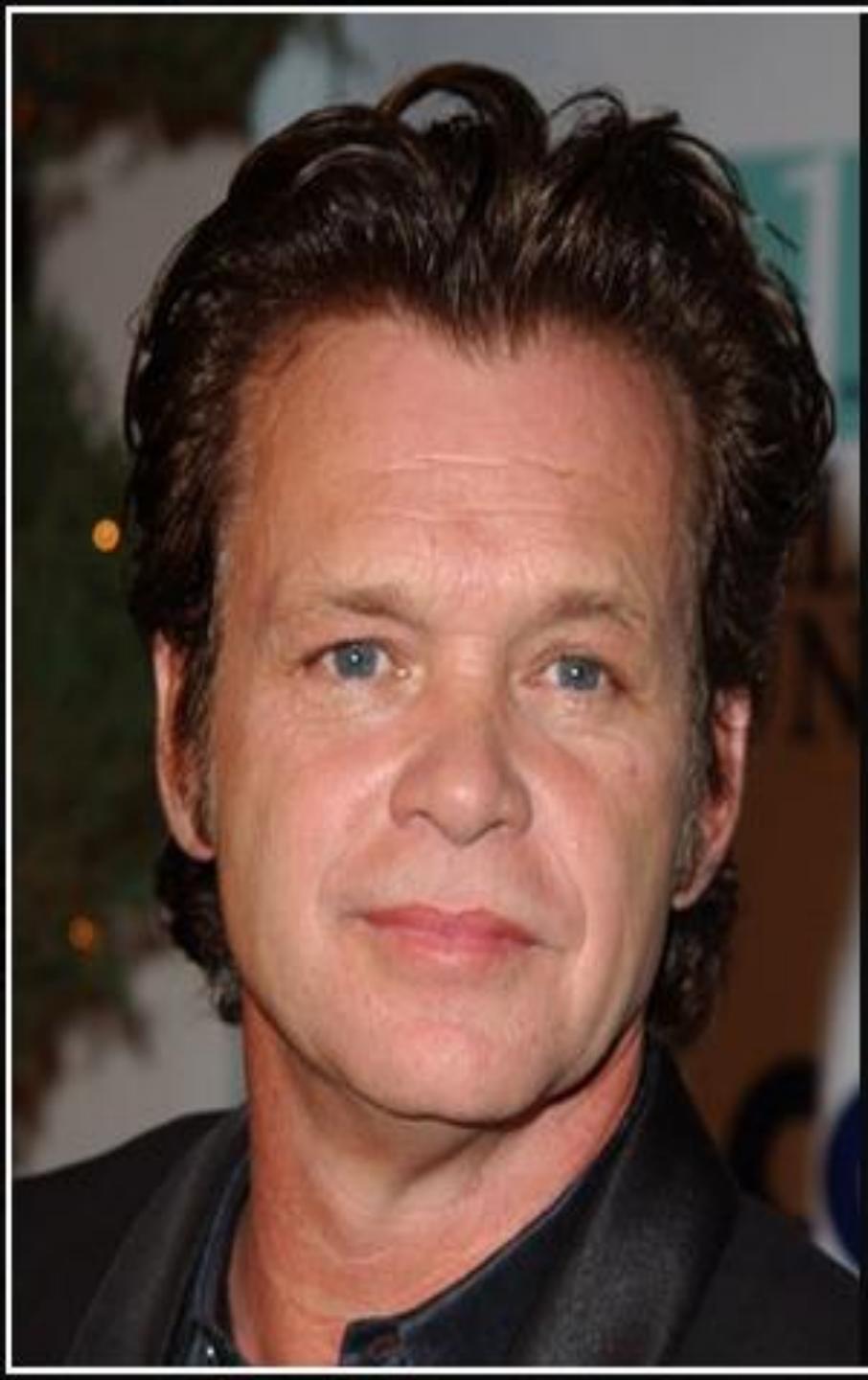
- How Obedience Differs From Conformity
- Obedience differs from conformity in two key ways:
 - **Obedience involves an order**; conformity involves a request.
 - **Obedience is obeying someone with a higher status**; conformity is going along with people of equal status.

How Do You React to Authority?

- Why do I dislike authority figures?
- If you **hate authority**, you just don't want to be told what to **do** and resist being controlled in any way. You **do** not like it that someone has a higher status than you and has the ability to decide what you can or cannot **do**. It's a residual from a rebellious period that never went away. ... That leads to hating them.

The Impact of Lack of Respect for Authority

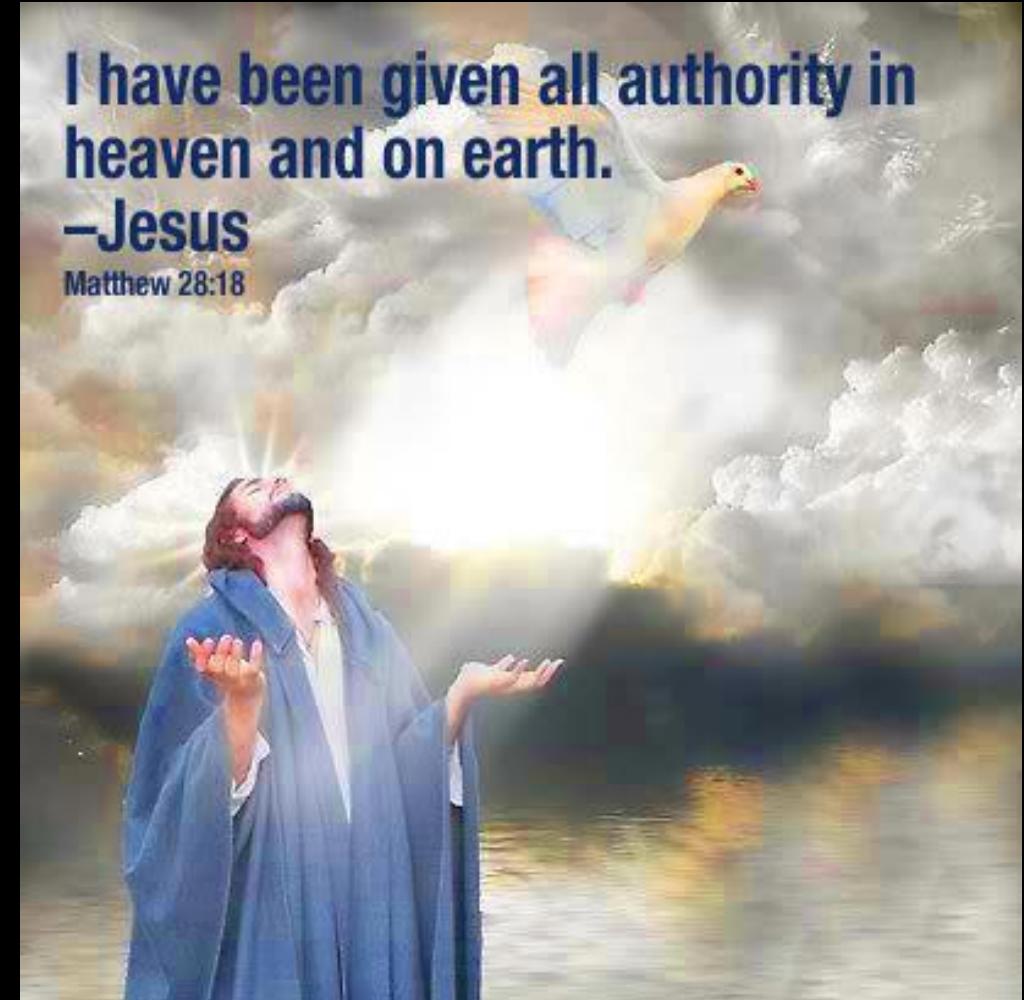




I fight authority and authority
always wins.

— *John Mellencamp* —

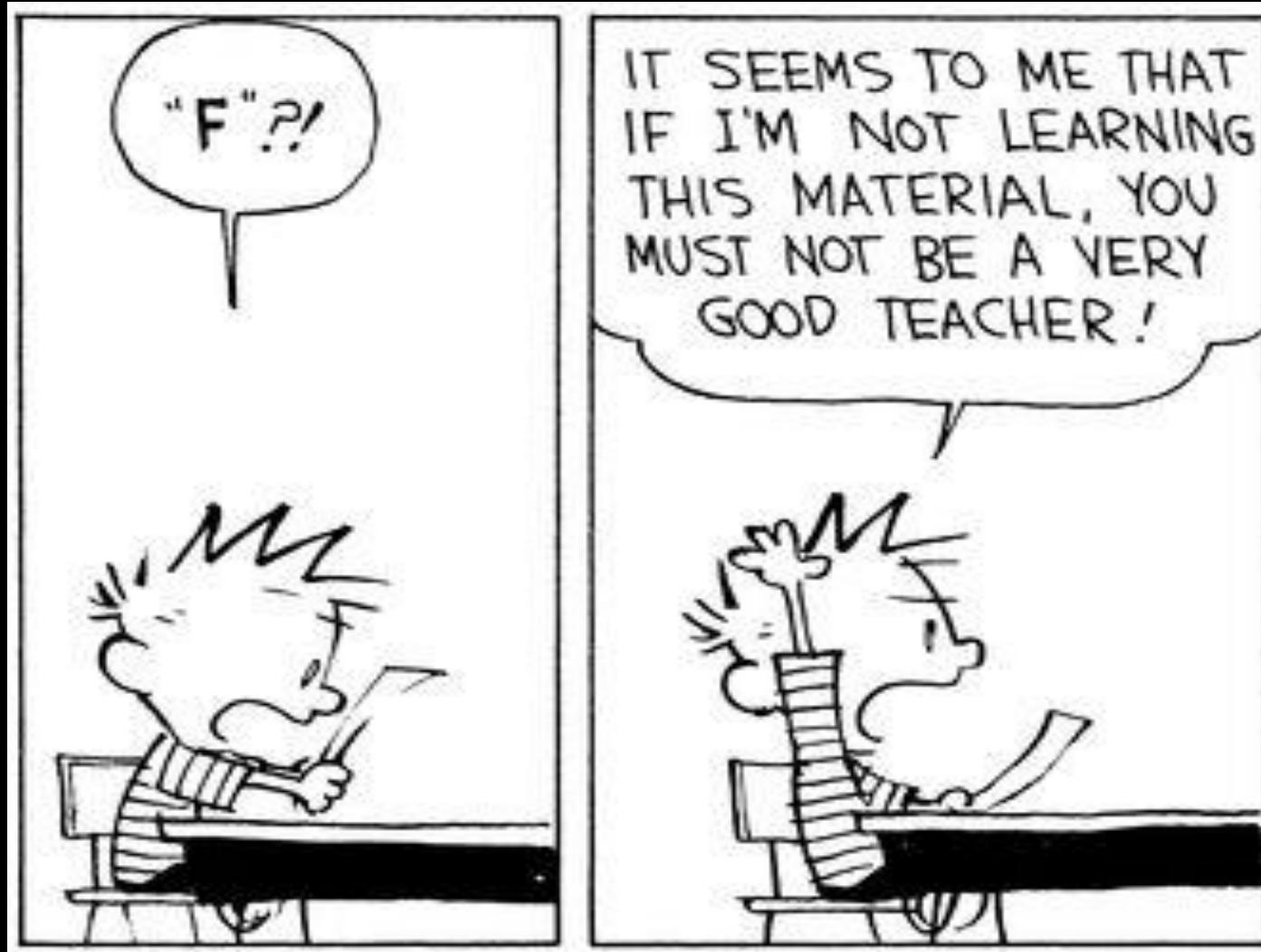
Jesus is the Final Authority



Teaching With Authority

Mark 1:21-22

We Can Not Blame the Teacher



Teaching With Authority

- **Mark 1:21-22** - ²¹They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach. ²²The people were amazed at his teaching, because he taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law.



How Could Jesus Speak with Authority? Jesus Was With God From the Beginning

- **John 1:1-5** - In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. ⁴ In him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.
- **John 1:14** - ¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 10:30-33

- ✿ **30 I and the Father are one.”**
- ✿ **JN 10:31 Again the Jews picked up stones to stone him, ³² but Jesus said to them, "I have shown you many great miracles from the Father. For which of these do you stone me?"**
- ✿ **JN 10:33 "We are not stoning you for any of these," replied the Jews, "but for blasphemy, because you, a mere man, **claim to be God.**"**



Casting Out With Authority

Mark 1:23-28

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²³Just then a man in their synagogue who was possessed by an impure spirit cried out, ²⁴“What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!”

²⁵“Be quiet!” said Jesus sternly. “Come out of him!” ²⁶The impure spirit shook the man violently and came out of him with a shriek.

²⁷The 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.” ²⁸News about him spread quickly over the whole region of Galilee.

For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him.

—Colossians 1:16

Healing With Authority

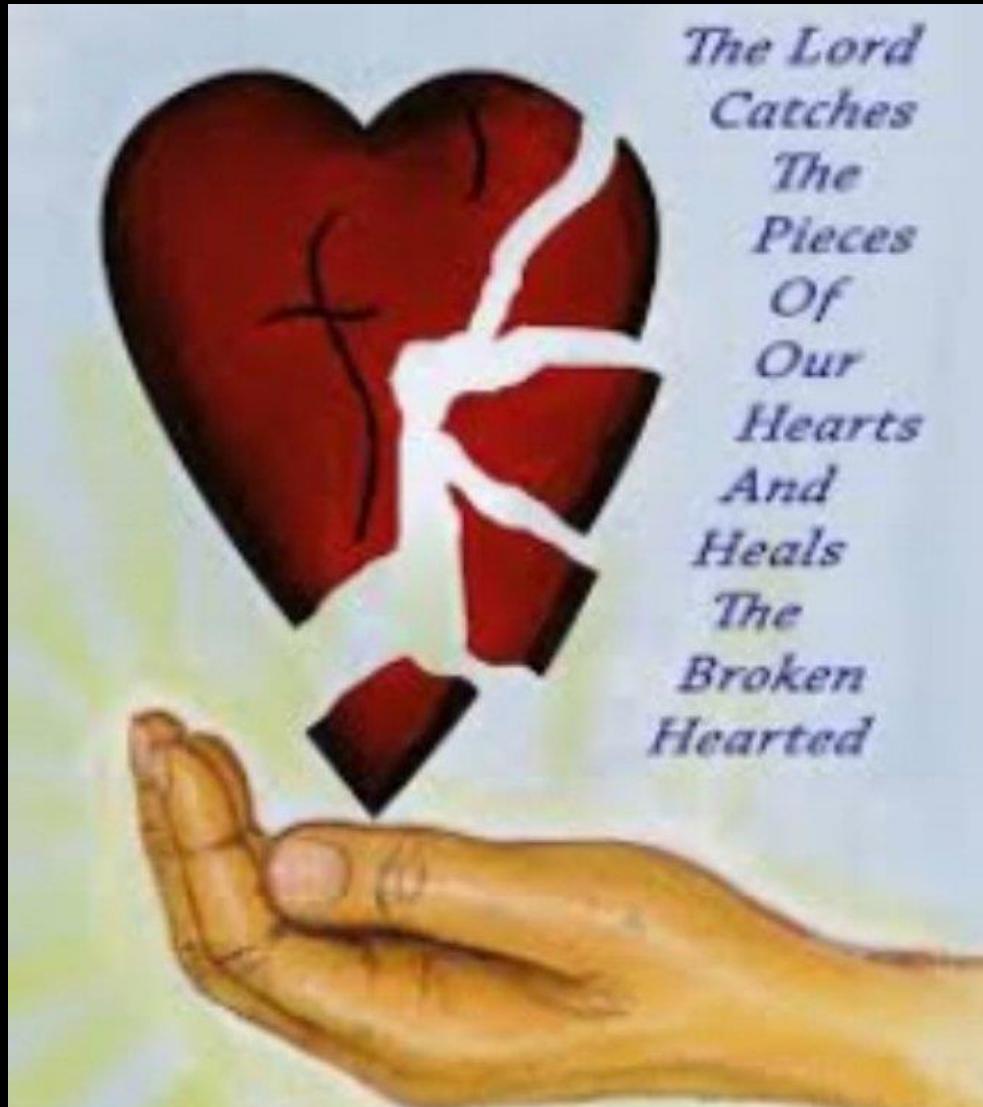
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Mark 1:29-34 - ²⁹ And immediately he left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰ Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. ³¹ And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³² That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. ³³ And the whole city was gathered together at the door. ³⁴ And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

Jesus is Healing and Leading Us



*The Lord
Catches
The
Pieces
Of
Our
Hearts
And
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The
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**The best way to
heal a broken heart
is to give God all
the pieces.**

