

# The Authority of the King

## Mark 1:21-34



# Heaven is Not a Democracy

- **John 18:36** - Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world.”
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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.

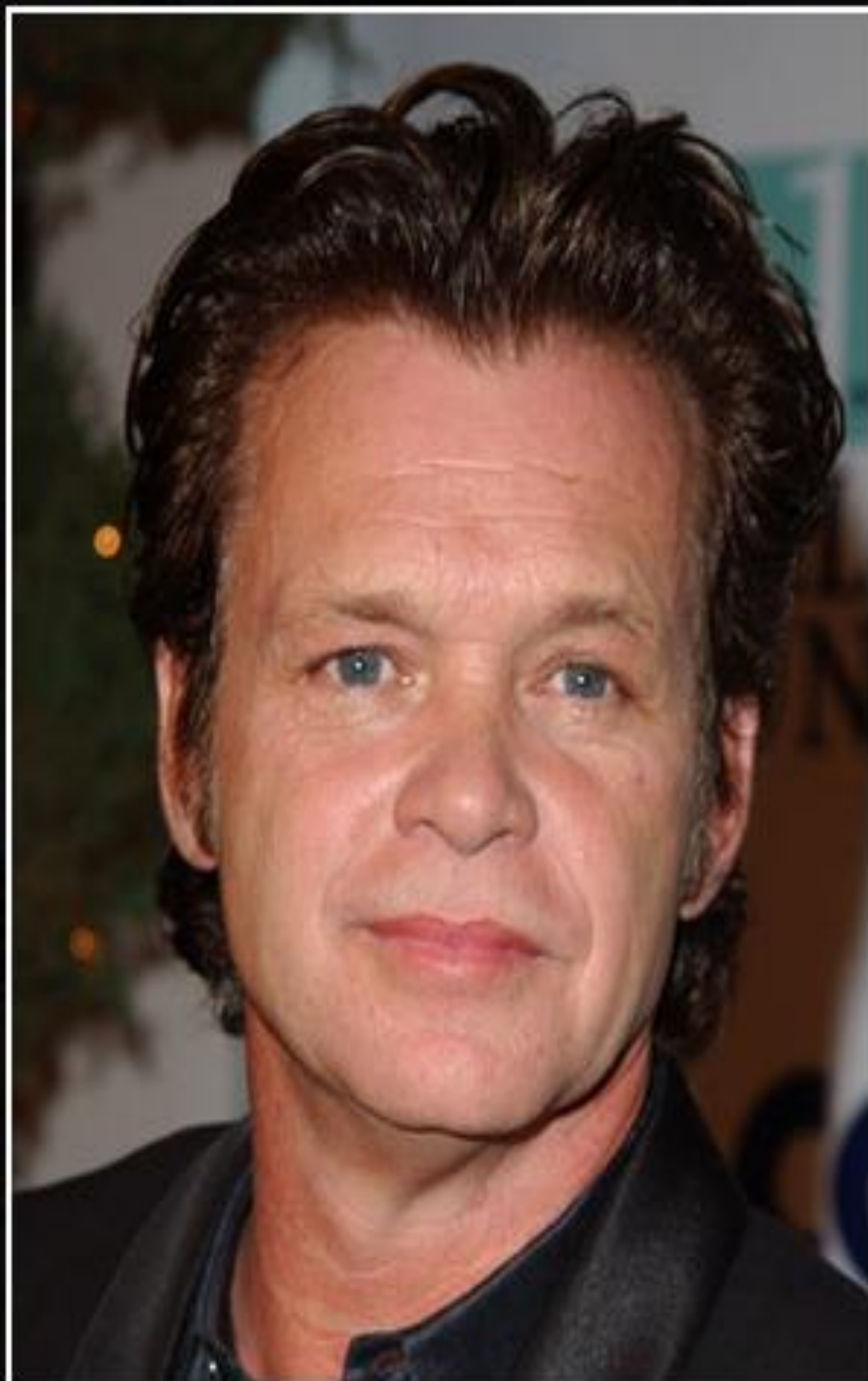
# How Do You React to Authority?

- 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





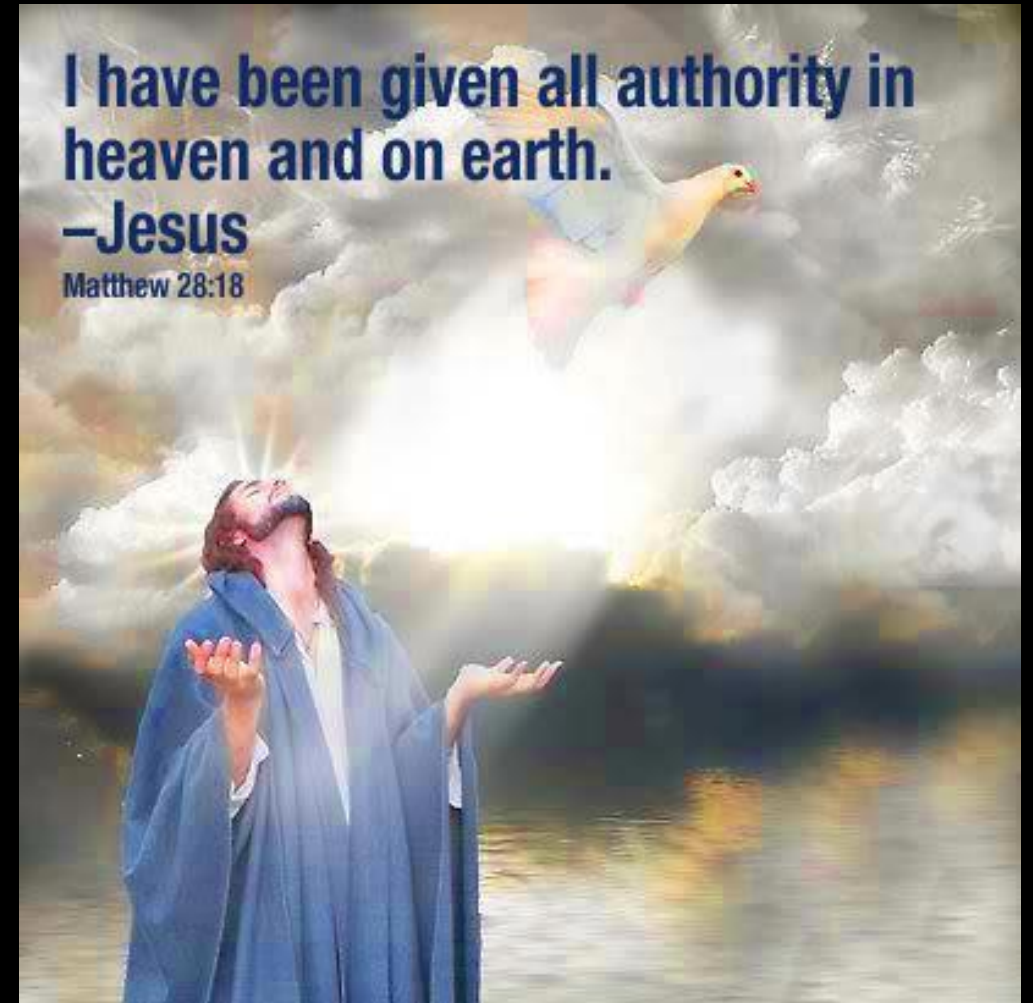
I fight authority and authority  
always wins.

— *John Mellencamp* —

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# Jesus is the Final Authority

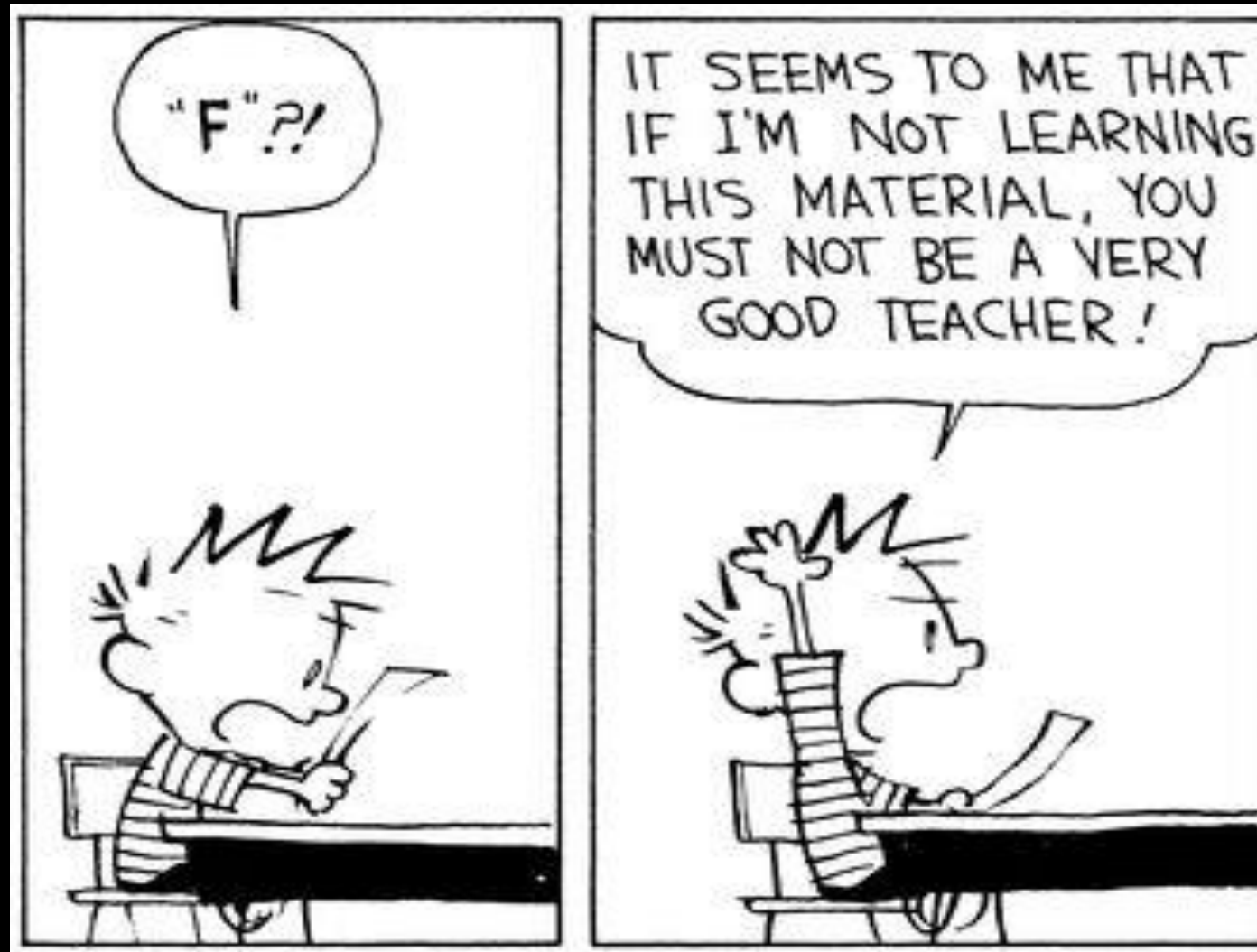


# Teaching With Authority

Mark 1:21-22



# We Can Not Blame the Teacher



# Teaching With Authority

- **Mark 1:21-22** - <sup>21</sup>They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach. <sup>22</sup>The 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. <sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup> All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. <sup>4</sup> In him was life, and the life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.
- **John 1:14** - <sup>14</sup> 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

☼ <sup>30</sup> **I and the Father are one."**

☼ JN 10:31 Again the Jews picked up stones to stone him, <sup>32</sup> 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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<sup>23</sup> Just then a man in their synagogue who was possessed by an impure spirit cried out, <sup>24</sup> “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!”

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

<sup>27</sup> 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.” <sup>28</sup> News 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

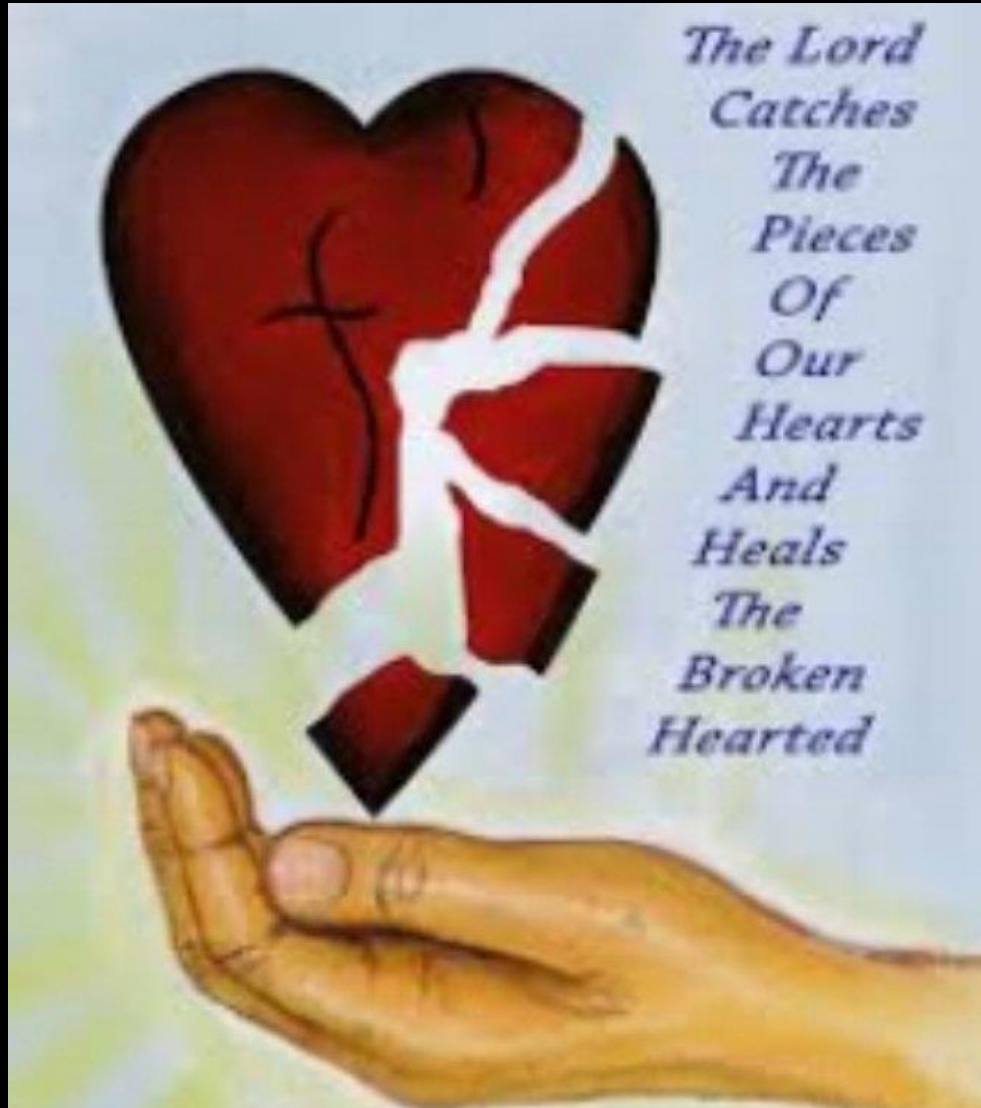
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**Mark 1:29-34** - <sup>29</sup> And immediately he left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. <sup>30</sup> Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. <sup>31</sup>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

<sup>32</sup> That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. <sup>33</sup> And the whole city was gathered together at the door. <sup>34</sup> 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 best way to  
heal a broken heart  
is to give God all  
the pieces.**

