

THE AUTHORITY OF JESUS

"I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. ³⁰I and the Father are one."

John 10:28-30 (NIV)

❖ His Personal Authority:

The beginning of the gospel about Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

Mark 1:1 (NIV)

1. Mark was an EARLY FOLLOWER of Jesus.

A young man, wearing nothing but a linen garment, was following Jesus. When they seized him, ⁵²he fled naked, leaving his garment behind.

Mark 14:51-52 (NIV)

2. Mark was a MISSIONARY with Paul and Barnabas.

3. Mark was a MINISTER with Peter in Rome.

"Mark indeed became the interpreter of Peter... he wrote accurately the things said or done by the Lord."

Papias

❖ His Prophetic Authority:

It is written in Isaiah the prophet: "I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way"—³"a voice of one calling in the desert, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.'" ⁴And so John came, baptizing in the desert region and preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. ⁶John wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷And this was his message: "After me will come one more powerful than I, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. ⁸I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

Mark 1:2-8 (NIV)

1. The Old Testament Prophets PROPHECY of His authority.

2. John the Baptist PROCLAIMS His authority.

3. People from all over Israel PREPARED for His authority.

❖ His Powerful Authority:

At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰As Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I

love; with you I am well pleased.”¹²At once the Spirit sent him out into the desert,¹³and he was in the desert forty days, being tempted by Satan. He was with the wild animals, and angels attended him.¹⁴After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God.¹⁵“The time has come,” He said. “The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!”

Mark 1:9-15 (NIV)

1. The Powerful Authority of the FATHER.

“All authority is given to me both in heaven and on earth...”

Matthew 28:18 (NIV)

2. The Powerful Authority of the TRINITY.

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet was without sin.

Hebrews 4:15 (NIV)

3. The Powerful Authority of the GOSPEL (Good News).

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Mark 1:14b-15 (NIV)