

Jesus...In the Gospel of Luke

The Awesome Authority of Jesus!

Luke 4:31-37

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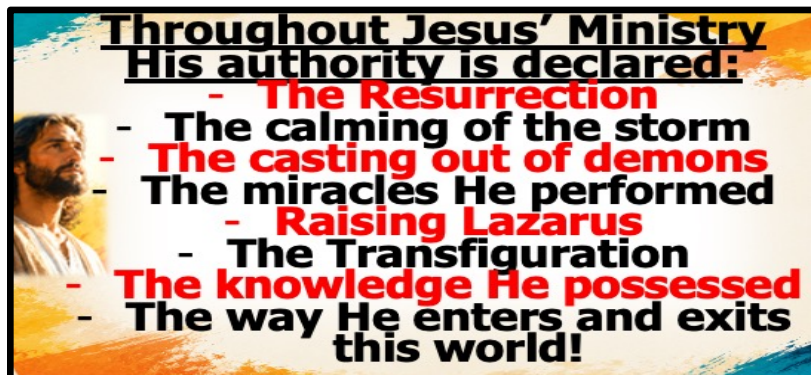
"Jesus In Luke" Timeline Thus Far			
Baptism Ministry Begins 30 years old Luke 3:21	Tempted Uses Scripture to defeat temptation 40 days Luke 4:1- 12	Rejected in Nazareth Messianic prophecies fulfilled in their hearing Luke 4:18-30	Authority In teaching and over evil Luke 4:31-37

Bottom Line:

Jesus could speak and minister with authority because He was not like any other person who had ever walked the planet, He was God in flesh and all authority was His!

1. Jesus is "The Truth" and teaches it with authority! Luke 4:31-32; John 14:6

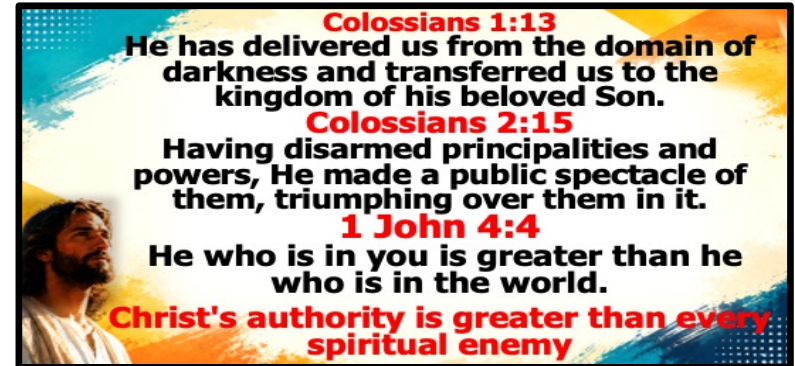
v. 32 "they were astonished...for His word possessed authority"



2. Jesus defeats darkness and evil by His authority! Luke 4:33-37

A. Evil recognizes the authority of Jesus (or is too fearful or close-minded to face it)! v. 33-34

B. Jesus' power over darkness is total and complete! v. 35



Because of Jesus' awesome authority, we should...

1: Submit every part of your life to the Lordship of Jesus Christ! Philippians 2:10-11

2: Trust Him through the storms and trials of life! Romans 8:28; Romans 12:1-2

3: Pray boldly as you draw near to God! Philippians 4:6-7; James 4:7-8

4: Witness to others courageously! Matthew 28:19-20; 1 Peter 3:15

5: Stand firm, rejecting fear when attacked or persecuted! Ephesians 6:10-13