
TABLE TALK

Lord Over All

Prepare:

As one person lights a candle, the family reads together: (based on Psalm 111)

C: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom.

R: His praise endures forever!

C: All those who practice it have good understanding.

R: His praise endures forever!

Read: Mark 1:21-28 (ESV)

21 And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath he entered the synagogue and was teaching. 22 And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. 23 And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, 24 "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God." 25 But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" 26 And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. 27 And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." 28 And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

Reflect:

Jesus's teaching was astonishing not only in what he said, but because of the authority that came with it, authority so great that "He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." We too encounter Jesus as one who has authority over all things.

Take a moment to talk about what this passage (Mark 1:21-28) means for you as a family.

Now share with one another one thing you can do differently as a member of your family.

Pray:

The head of the household prays:

Almighty Father, thank you for blessing us with Your Son. Help us to hear his authority for our live today and live lives guided by Your will. In Jesus's name, Amen.