

**Ephesians 4:26** “In your anger do not sin; Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold.”

**2 Corinthians 2:10** “If you forgive anyone, I also forgive him. And what I have forgiven – if there was anything to forgive – I have forgiven in the sight of Christ for your sake. <sup>[11]</sup> In order that Satan might not outwit us. For we are not unaware of his schemes.”

### C. Suit up in the armor of God.

**Ephesians 6:10** “Finally, be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power.”

**Ephesians 6:11** “Put on the full armor of God so that, you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes.”

**Ephesians 6:14** “Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breast plate of righteousness in place.”

**Ephesians 6:15** “And with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace.”

**Ephesians 6:16** “In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.”

**Ephesians 6:17** “Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the spirit which is the word of God.”

## Satan Opposes the Work of God!

### Lesson #6

#### Mark 1:21-28

6-22-25

**Acts 13:8** “Elymas the sorcerer (for that is what his name means) opposed them and tried to turn the proconsul from the faith.”

### I. Jesus shared the Word at Capernaum.

#### A. He travelled to Capernaum.

**\*\*Mark 1:21** “They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach.”

**Colossians 2:16** “Therefore, do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration, or a Sabbath day. <sup>[17]</sup> These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ.”

#### B. He taught in the Synagogue.

##### 1. Jesus taught regularly.

**\*\*Mark 1:21b** “... Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach.”

**\*\*Mark 1:22** “The people were amazed at his teaching, because He taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law.”

##### 2. Jesus taught with real authority.

**\*\*Mark 1:22b** “... because He taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law.”

**John 12:49** “For I did not speak of my own accord, but the Father who sent me commanded Me what to say and how to say it. <sup>[50]</sup> I know that His command leads to eternal life. So, whatever I say is just what the Father has told me to say.”

**John 14:10** “Don’t you believe that I am in the Father and that the Father is in Me? The words I say to you are not just my own. Rather, it is the Father living in me, who is doing the work.”

### II. Jesus stopped a demonic spirit’s opposition.

## A. The demon in the man cried out.

**\*\*Mark 1:23** “Just then a man in their synagogue who was possessed by an impure spirit cried out.”

### 1. The demon addressed the Lord as Jesus of Nazareth.

**\*\*Mark 1:24a** “What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? ....”

**John 1:45** “We have found Him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” Now the demon referred to the Lord as Jesus of Nazareth!

### 2. The demon asked if the Lord came to destroy them?

**\*\*Mark 1:24b** “... Have you come to destroy us? ....”

**Genesis 3:15** “And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; He will crush your head, and you will strike His heel.”

**Revelation 20:10** “And the devil who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown. They will be tormented day and night forever and ever.”

### 3. The demon acknowledged Jesus as the Holy One of God!

**\*\*Mark 1:24c** “... I know who you are—the Holy One of God!”

**Acts 3:14** “You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you.”

## B. The demon was given two commands from Jesus.

### 1. The demon was told to be silent!

**\*\*Mark 1:25a** “Be quiet!” said Jesus sternly ....”

### 2. The demon was sent out of the man!

**\*\*Mark 1:25a** “... “Come out of him!”

## C. The demon complied with Jesus’ command.

### 1. The demon shook the man.

**\*\*Mark 1:26** “The impure spirit shook the man violently and came out of him with a shriek.”

**Luke 4:35b** “... Then the demon threw the man down before them all and came out without injuring him.”

**Mark 9:20** “So they brought him. When the spirit saw Jesus, it immediately threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell to the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth.”

### 2. The demon screamed as it exited.

**\*\*Mark 1:26c** “... and came out of him with a shriek.”

**I John 4:4** “You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.”

## III. Jesus’ fame spread over the whole region of Galilee.

**Mark 1:27** “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.”

**Mark 1:28** “News about him spread quickly over the whole region of Galilee.”

## How do you apply this lesson to your life?

### A. Satan and his army are real foes.

**I Peter 5:8** “Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.”

**Ephesians 6:12** “For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil.”

### B. Sin will give Satan a foothold in our life.