

Sermon Notes – January 14, 2024

What Authority Looks Like (*Mark 1:21-28*)

- I. Grounded in God.
 - A. Of the same ESSENCE.
 - 1. God is Spirit. (*John 4*)
 - 2. God is Light. (*I John 1*)
 - 3. God is Love. (*I John 4*)
 - B. Of the same SUBSTANCE.
 - 1. The Word of God. (*John 1*)
 - 2. Grace and Truth. (*John 1:14*)
 - 3. The message of the prophets.
 - a. Thus saith the Lord.

- II. Recognized as God.
 - A. The confrontation of evil.
 - 1. Confronted by evil.
 - 2. Rebuked the evil.
 - B. The knowledge of evil.
 - 1. The recognition of humanity and deity. (*James 2:19-20*)
 - 2. The attempt of submission to evil.

- III. Power of God.
 - A. Holiness directly from God.
 - 1. His distinctive character.
 - 2. His distinctive demeanor.
 - a. Authoritative vs. authoritarian.
 - B. Victory (over sin) directly from God. (*I Corinthians 15*)
 - 1. Heart knowledge as well as head knowledge.
 - 2. Changed life as well as intellectual assent.