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Exalting Jesus

Mark 3:7-15

Scriptures

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[7] Jesus withdrew with his disciples to the sea, and a great crowd followed, from Galilee and Judea [8] and Jerusalem and Idumea and from beyond the Jordan and from around Tyre and Sidon. When the great crowd heard all that he was doing, they came to him. [9] And he told his disciples to have a boat ready for him because of the crowd, lest they crush him, [10] for he had healed many, so that all who had diseases pressed around him to touch him. [11] And whenever the unclean spirits saw him, they fell down before him and cried out, “You are the Son of God.” [12] And he strictly ordered them not to make him known.

[13] And he went up on the mountain and called to him those whom he desired, and they came to him. [14] And he appointed twelve (whom he also named apostles) so that they might be with him and he might send them out to preach [15] and have authority to cast out demons. (ESV)

Mark 5:18–20

[18] As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed with demons begged him that he might be with him. [19] And he did not permit him but said to him, “Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you.” [20] And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him, and everyone marveled. (ESV)

Ephesians 6:12–13

[12] For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. [13] Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. (ESV)

QUESTIONS

1. As you read about Jesus in Mark 3, (His power over sickness and evil, his love for people, His teaching and authority) what feelings and thoughts come up?
2. What does it mean for you personally to be with Jesus?
3. Do the words sit, listen, watch and obey encourage you in your time with Jesus? If so, how?
4. How can we proclaim what God has done for us to our families, neighbors, coworkers and friends?
5. What things are we fearing right now (or afraid of in life) that we need to talk about with Jesus? Do you believe he wants to give you authority over evil?