

Opener

1. Have you ever had a “public debut?” (sang, taught, spoke or presented something in public) Share about your first public debut.
2. Have you ever shared your faith in public? Share some stories about this.

Discussion

1. Read Mark 1:21-28. What are some significant things that happened during Jesus’ public debut?
2. Between Mark 1:16-45, what are the areas that Jesus showed he had authority over?
3. Why is Jesus’ authority over sin, scripture, demonic activity and sickness significant to us today?
4. Guy King is quoted as saying, “No one is a firmer believer in the power of prayer than the devil, not that he practices it, but he suffers from it.” How does this thought spur you on to greater prayer?
5. God’s mercy is one of the main takeaways we are left with at the end of Mark 1. How have you benefited from God’s mercy and how do you need it today? Talk about this and pray for each other.

