

Mark 1:35-45
Authority & Shame!
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I. Authorities in collision.

- A. Scribes: “God vs. Jesus”
- B. Mark: “Scribes vs. God-in-Christ”
- C. Sitting — in judgment (Mt. 23:2-3, 6).
- D. Religious authorities today (2 Tim. 4:1-5).
 - 1. Our tradition and our authority.
 - 2. The power our authority wields.

II. Jesus uncovers sin and shame.

- A. Your heart is naked before Jesus (Heb. 4:11-13; Lk. 13:17).
- B. Re-shaming, not de-shaming
 - 1. Sin is shameful (Gen. 3:7; Phil. 3:19; Jd. 13).
 - 2. Shame is painful.
 - 3. Do you want a shameless world? (Ezek. 16; 2 Cor. 11:19-21)

III. Jesus alone can cover sin and shame.

- A. “Which is easier?”
- B. Jesus has authority you do not have: to forgive and to transform.
- C. Confession, shame, and acceptance (Dan. 9:8; 12:2; Jn. 4:29; 1 Cor. 14:24-25; Mk. 15:24).
- D. True authority in the pew (1 Cor. 6:1-11).