

# THE SUNDAY PAPER

Year 13  
4th SUNDAY  
after  
EPIPHANY

Jesus came to set us free and make us God's children. That is the Messiah's work. Jesus decided that God wanted him to do this in two ways. First, he wanted him to tell people that God's Kingdom was coming, and show them God's love and forgiveness and power. Then, he wanted him to die for us and rise again, to show that nothing can stop God's Kingdom.

St. Mark tells us that once Jesus decided that this was what God wanted, he started right in!

## JESUS IN THE SYNAGOGUE

Mark 1:21-28

JESUS AND HIS DISCIPLES WENT INTO A TOWN CALLED CAPERNAUM. ON THE SABBATH DAY THEY WENT TO THE SERVICE IN THE SYNAGOGUE!

JESUS WAS A "RABBI," OR TEACHER, SO HE WAS ASKED TO SPEAK!

THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD...

... AND HERE IS WHAT I SAY TO YOU ABOUT GOD'S KINGDOM! IT IS COMING NOW, AND IT IS LIKE THIS...

I'VE NEVER HEARD ANY RABBI SAY THINGS LIKE THIS!

LISTEN CAREFULLY TO THIS RABBI! HE IS FULL OF GOD'S SPIRIT!

BUT THAT DAY THERE WAS SOMEONE THERE WHOSE MIND WAS VERY SICK!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE, JESUS OF NAZARETH?!

ARE YOU OUT TO GET ME?! I KNOW WHO YOU ARE— (MARK 1:24)!!

DEMON, BE QUIET AND COME OUT OF HIM!!

AAUGGH!

THE MAN FELL ON THE FLOOR! WHEN HE GOT UP, HE WAS IN HIS RIGHT MIND!

LOOK WHAT HE DID! HE HEALED HIM!

JESUS OF NAZARETH HAS GOD'S HEALING POWER!!

In Jesus's day, people thought mental illness was caused by devils. Jesus showed that God's Kingdom is stronger than devils. If we follow Jesus, God's Kingdom is stronger than anything!

## DEUTERONOMY

18:18 God says, "I will choose a new prophet to tell my words to my people"



## PSALM III:2

"Great are the deeds of the Lord! Everyone who loves him studies his mighty works"



## 1 CORINTHIANS

8:6 "There is just one God, who made us, and one Lord, Jesus, who rules all things"

