

Chapter 1 (21 - 28)

Jesus and the fishermen went to the town of Capernaum. On the Sabbath Jesus began to teach in the local prayer hall

The listeners were deeply impressed by Jesus' teaching. Unlike the religious leaders, Jesus taught with authority

That very day in the prayer hall there was a man possessed by an evil spirit. The spirit shouted out "Have you come to destroy me, Jesus of Nazareth? I know who you are: the Holy One of God"

Jesus said strongly "Be quiet! Come out of him!" The evil spirit threw the man on the ground and with a loud cry went out of him

The people in the prayer hall were amazed. They said "Here is a teaching which has authority. Even evil spirits obey him". Jesus' reputation quickly spread throughout the whole district

Jesus, Holy One of God,
please protect my family from evil