

They were amazed at his teaching, for he taught them with real authority, quite unlike the teachers of religious law.

MARK 1:22

Caring Conversations

Share your highs and lows of the day, or respond to the following questions:

1

Talk about a teacher you liked and respected. What did you learn from him or her?

2

Read Mark 1:21-28. Why do you think people were amazed at Jesus' teaching?

3

What do you find amazing about Jesus? What do you wish to learn from Jesus?

Devotions



Daily Bible Readings

S	Mark 1:21-28	Jesus casts out an evil spirit
M	Deuteronomy 18:15-20	Treat everyone with justice
T	1 Corinthians 8:1-13	Love builds up others
W	Matthew 7:24-29	Jesus teaches with authority
T	John 14:23-31	Obedying Jesus' teaching
F	Joshua 1:6-9	The Lord speaks to Joshua
S	Psalm 111	Praise for God's wonderful works
S	Mark 1:29-39	Jesus heals many people

Discuss the bible reading. What word or phrase was important to you as you read these verses?

Rituals and Traditions



PRAYER

Amazing Lord Jesus, teach us to know you, love you and serve you. Amen.

BLESSING

May God teach you his ways. May you learn of his love and grace and live in it always.

Creative Response

Take time this week to remember students. Use this prayer to pray for those in your household.

Heavenly Father, be with _____ in his/her studies.

Keep _____ safe from anything that would harm him/her in body, mind or spirit.

Help _____ to gain enjoyment from learning and to learn well.

Help _____ to be happy at school and to have good friendships.

Help _____ to show your love to others at school and to do what is right.

And help _____ to remember that you are with him/her every day, whatever happens; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



mealtime prayer

Lord, without we'd go unfed. Thank you for our daily bread. Amen.

Service



Make it a focus of your home prayer time this week to pray for teachers and leaders in schools and churches. Think of a teacher you are thankful for, write them a letter or send them a card of encouragement.

