Questions for Gospel Harmony #25

Matthew 8.14-17, 4.23-28; Mark 1.21-39; Luke 4.31-44

1. When and where was Jesus teaching? Explain the following phrases: (Mark 1.21-28; Luke 4.31-37)
   - “He taught as one having authority, and not as the scribes”
   - A spirit of an unclean demon
   - What have we to do with you, Jesus of Nazareth?
   - The Holy One of God
   - “What new doctrine is this?”

Special Question: What is the origin of the synagogue? How were synagogue buildings designed? Of what did synagogue services consist and how were they arranged? Who were the “rulers” of synagogues? Were there any other officers? If so, what was their work?

2. Into whose house did Jesus enter? Who was sick? How did Jesus heal her? What prophecy did Jesus fulfill in this healing? What did this woman do after she was healed? (Matthew 8.14-17; Mark 1.29-34; Luke 4.38-31)

3. Why did Jesus not allow the demons to publically acknowledge who He was? Where did Jesus go after rising “a long while before daylight”? Why did He go there? For what reason did Jesus say He had “been sent”? From how large of an area did Jesus draw followers after these events? (Matthew 8.14-17; Mark 1.29-34; Luke 4.38-41)
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Then [He] they went into Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and immediately on the Sabbath He entered the synagogue and taught, and was teaching them on the Sabbaths. And they were astonished at His teaching, for He taught them as one having authority, for His word was with authority, and not as the scribes. Now there was a man in their synagogue with an unclean spirit, a spirit of an unclean demon. And he cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Let us alone! What have we to do with You, Jesus of Nazareth? Did You come to destroy us? I know who You are—the Holy One of God!” But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be quiet, and come out of him!” And when the unclean spirit had convulsed him, thrown him in their midst, and cried out with a loud voice, he came out of him and did not hurt him. Then they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? What new doctrine is this? What a word this is! For with authority and power He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey Him and they come out.” And the report about Him went out into every place in the surrounding region, and immediately His fame spread throughout all the region around Galilee. Now He arose from the synagogue and entered the house of Simon Peter and Andrew, with James and John. But Simon’s wife’s mother lay sick with a high fever. When Jesus had come into Peter’s house, He saw his wife’s mother lying sick with a fever, and they told Him about her at once, and made request of Him concerning her. He stood over her and rebuked the fever, and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and immediately the fever left her. And she arose and served them. When evening had come, when the sun was setting and had set, all those who had any that were sick with various diseases brought them to Him, and many who were demon-possessed, and He laid His hands on every one of them. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: “He Himself took our infirmities and bore our sicknesses.” And the whole city was gathered together at the door. Then He healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; demons also came out of many, crying out and saying, “You are the Christ, the Son of God!” And He, rebuking them, did not allow the demons to speak, because they knew Him that He was the Christ. Now in the morning, having risen a long while before daylight, when it was day, He departed and went into a deserted place. And Simon and those who were with Him searched for Him. When they found Him, they said to Him, “Everyone is looking for You.” But He said to them, “Let us go into the next towns, that I may preach there also, I must preach the kingdom of God to the other cities also, because for this purpose I have been sent.” And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, casting out demons, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people. Then His fame went throughout all Syria; and they brought to Him all sick people who were afflicted with various diseases and torments, and those who were demon-possessed, epileptics, and paralytics; and He healed them. Great multitudes followed Him—from Galilee, and from Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and beyond the Jordan. And He was preaching in the synagogues of Galilee.