

# FOURTH SUNDAY after the EPIPHANY

**Directions:** Read the scripture selected from the Revised Common Lectionary, perhaps before bed, in the morning, or during a family meal. Move through the discussion questions in one sitting or answer one a day to help reflect on the scripture throughout the week. End your time in prayer. This could be a simple ritual to incorporate into the week.

## MARK 1:21-22

They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Think of a time you learned something new. What was that like?
2. What makes a good teacher?
3. When did you feel astounded by a new perspective?
4. What do you think it means to have authority?
5. How do you decide on whose authority to trust in your life?