



THE GOSPEL OF

MARK



Sermon Series Notes

Pride, Prejudice, & The Gospel / Read Mk 9:30-32 (Back Story)

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(3 months)

Mk 6:30 The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. ³¹ Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest."

- **John the Baptist** has just been beheaded
- **R & R ,.....chaotic Travels**

Intro: At the end of 6th chapter of Mark, Jesus went to East shore of the Sea of Galilee to avoid the crowds and have some time to teach the disciples. Unfortunately as soon as he got out of the boat people recognized him. They ran throughout the whole region and brought the sick on mats everywhere he went **(finish)**

Jesus wants to get his boys geared up for their adventure so he will teach them about the gospel

- From Capernaum down the west side of Sea / 5000 men
 - Has compassion on them, and heals them all
 - Teaches them all that day, and then Feeds them
- Sends disciples back to Capernaum, & walks on water
- Run in w/ Pharisees in Capernaum
- North W to Tyre / Cast out demon from the Syrophenician woman's daughter
- Farther N to Sidon / Heals a deaf and Mute man,...
- South, W shore of Sea / Feeds the four thousand
- Heals a blind man at Bethsaida,...
- Transfiguration at Mt Hermon
- Heals the boy of the evil spirit after transfiguration

They finally leave that place, passed through Gallilee,....Jesus did not want anyone to know where he was because He was teaching his disciples.

What Jesus says to them does not sound like the Good news

They are afraid to ask him what "I will rise" means.

- Jesus rebuking Peter was all they needed to hear

- **Get behind me Satan. You don't have in mind the things of God but the things of man**
- **They had just seen Jesus seemingly Raise the demon possessed boy!**

What is Jesus telling them that's so important

- Same thing Paul writes in **1 Cor.15:1-5**
 - **Of first Importance**

We have a unique perspective, we know that Jesus had to rise

We Know:

- **Rom 10:9**, If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved
- **We know that** we have been crucified with Christ, Buried with him in Baptism, and raised to newness of life,

There is no way that these guys can comprehend the dynamic impact of the Gospel,....Death, Burial, and Resurrection of Jesus would have on their lives

But Jesus has been giving them clues all along that will someday gel in their minds

Read Vs 33-37 Humility is a huge factor

- They are about to get some more life lessons but they are not struggling with anything that we are not struggling with

Phil 2:1-5 Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, ² then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. ³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, ⁴ not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. ⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

Read Vs 38-41

Acetates

Read Vs 42-48

Seriousness of our calling

Read Vs 49, 50

Flavor and preservative

- Jesus had sent out the 12 w/power, & they were instructed to.....
 - Preach the Gospel
 - Heal the sick
 - Drive out demons

Note: He will send 72 also / Gen 10 Shem, Ham, Jepheth / Nations

- Sends GRK....Missio

- Ministry of the 12 and 72 is the same,.....It represents everyone
- God never calls us in w/o sending us out God
- That is the adventure he is preparing his disciples for and US

Example:

Abe / Friend of God,....**Gen 12**

- Calls him in, Abe. I am going to bless you and make you a blessing to others.....Now get out
 - Where am I supposed to go,,,,,,I'll tell you
 - When,.....in about 40 years
 - Ur of Chaldees to Haran til his Father dies
 - Abe get out

I love the fact that God knows me better than I know myself **Rom 5:6**

- He says to us. I know you're self absorbed
 - (Broken man, Broken world)
 - I know you struggle with your identity
 - I know you live for yourself,....But now you've met me
 - I've called you in
 - Saved you
 - Loved you
 - Healed you,.....now get out....Where do I go? I'll tell U

Eph 2:10 we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

God called us in to call us out to do the Good Works that he put in us

- Not just talents or gifts
 - Experiences, Background, Race, Suffering, and even your failures make you what you are intended to be God 's work of art. (One writer put it this way)
- Some hands that only you can hold,
- Some demons that only you can cast out
- Some needs that only you can meet

Jesus all the time showing them what it is to be a Christian

- **How / Radically Generous**
 - **Is Jesus giving away money / No**
 - Jesus is basically homeless, he has no money to speak of
 - Conversation...genuine interest in what someone else is saying
 - Affection
 - An others centered priority
 - Time, he brings his agenda to a halt to minister to others

Examples: Doug.....live outside of time / drives me crazy

Prison ministry last night / set up and minister window

- Doug is relational, men make a bee line to shake hands.....

- These verse speak about the responsibility that comes to us when we encounter Christ. It begins with the good news