

Sunday Morning Equipping Class

The Gospel of Mark

8:27-9:50

1:22 authority. Jesus' teaching was based on His own personal authority in contrast to that of the scribes, whose manner of teaching was to quote the authoritative statements of scribes who had gone before. 1:32 after the sun had set. Burdens could not be carried on the Sabbath (v. 21), but the next day, when they could be, began at sundown.

1:38 that is what I came out for. I.e., that is why I left Capernaum. 1:40 leper. See note on Luke 5:12. The laws concerning leprosy are found in Lev. 13-14. 1:44 say nothing to anyone. Jesus did not want people coming to Him merely to receive physical benefits. The result of the leper's failure to obey is seen in v. 45.

2:5 See note on Matt. 9:2. 2:8 in His spirit. I.e., intuitively. 2:10 the Son of Man. A favorite title of Christ, used 14 times in Mark. See note on Matt. 8:20 for its significance. 2:18 Jesus' disciples did not fast because it was incompatible with the joy they had in being

with Him. On the Jews' fasting, see note on Matt. 9:14. The N.T. church did not fast regularly as a prescribed rite, though it was done on occasion (Acts 13:2-3; 14:23). Whenever practiced, it is never to be done ostentatiously (Matt. 6:16-18).





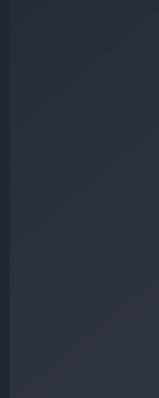
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MARK

A 12-WEEK STUDY

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“This is the pinnacle and hinge of Mark’s Gospel. Immediately following Peter’s confession of Jesus as the Messiah in Mark 8:29, the whole Gospel swivels around and begins moving in a different direction.”



WRONG EXPECTATIONS

WISHFUL ENTHUSIASM

WEIRD EXPLANATIONS

WONDROUS ENCOUNTER



WRONG EXPECTATIONS

2 Samuel 7:15 ...but my steadfast love will not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you. 16 And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever.”

Psalms 2:8-9 Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession. 9 You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”

Jeremiah 23:5 “Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.”

Discussion

What wrong expectations might these Jewish readers have had?

What wrong expectations do you sometimes have?

WISHFUL ENTHUSIASM

“his fame spread everywhere” (1:28)

“they were all amazed” (2:12)

“everyone marveled” (5:20)

“were immediately overcome with amazement” (5:42)

“were utterly astounded” (6:51)

“were astonished beyond measure” (7:37)

WEIRD EXPLANATIONS

Suffering

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“Son of Man”

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Daniel 7:13 *“I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him.”*

WEIRD EXPLANATIONS

Suffering

“Son of Man”

Self-Denial

Mark 8:34 *And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.*

WEIRD EXPLANATIONS

Suffering

“Son of Man”

Self-Denial

Servanthood

Mark 9:35 *And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.”*

Discussion

How do you feel hearing Jesus's own weird explanations about himself?

How does the impact how you follow Jesus?

WONDROUS ENCOUNTER

[2] And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, [3] and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them.

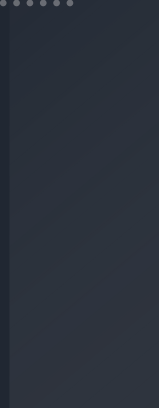
Observation

Read Mark 9:2; Luke 9:29; and Matthew 17:2

- What is happening?
- Why is this happening?
- What makes you curious?
- What questions do you have?
- How do you think it fits with the immediate and larger context?



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Jesus	Moses
Jesus - mountain (v.2)	Moses - mountain (Ex 24:1)
Clothes-radiant white (v.2-3)	Face-white (Ex 34:29)
God/cloud (v.7)	God/cloud (Ex 24:15-16)
God speaks from cloud (v.7)	God speaks from cloud (Ex 24:16)
People astonished (v.15)	People afraid (Ex 35:30)

“WHEN JESUS BEGAN HIS MISSION IN THE WILDERNESS OF JUDEA THE VOICE OF GOD DECLARED HIM TO BE THE BELOVED SON, THE OBJECT OF HIS ELECTIVE PLEASURE. NOW ON THE WILDERNESS MOUNTAIN THE VOICE IS HEARD AGAIN, REAFFIRMING THE FATHER’S APPROVAL AND CONFIRMING JESUS’ DIGNITY AS THE TRANSCENDENT SON...”

William Lane



Moses

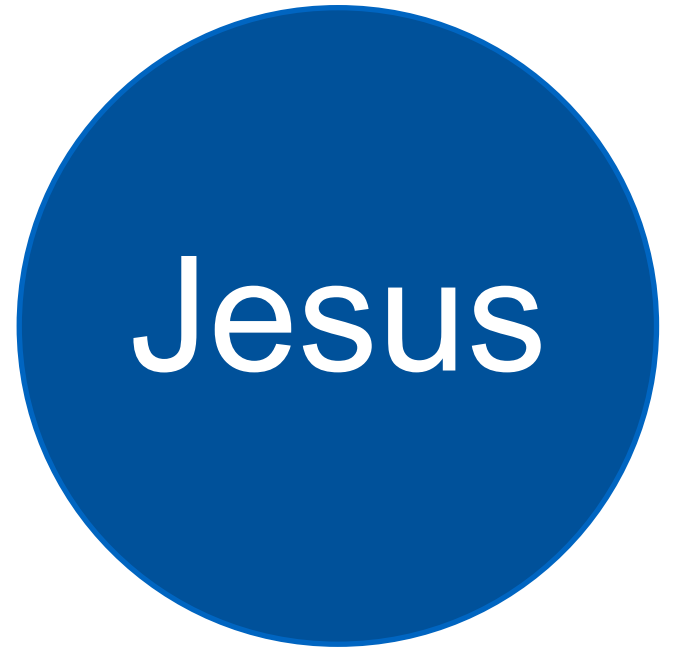
Elijah

Jesus

“When the cloud lifted, Moses and Elijah had vanished. Jesus alone remained as the sole bearer of God’s new revelation to be disclosed in the cross and resurrection. Moses and Elijah had also followed the path of obedience, but having borne witness to Jesus’ character and mission, they can help him no more. The way to the cross demanded the submission of the Son and Jesus must set out upon it alone.”

(William

Lane)





WONDROUS ENCOUNTER

1 John 3:2 Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.

- *We are God's children!*
- *We are declared glorious!*
- *We are becoming glorious!*
- *We will see the fullness of his glory!*



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