

Faith In Jesus Changes Things.

Scripture: Mark 6:1-13

Also: Mark 10:45; Ephesians 2:8; Philippians 2:5-6; Luke 7:9; Matthew 6:21, 24; 28:19; Acts 17:26; Exodus 12

Questions

1. What has challenged you, changed you or confused you from this week's sermon or the Scriptures in it?
 2. Have you ever been to a class reunion where a classmate surprised you with the good things they had accomplished? How did you react - surprise, happy, skeptical, etc.?
 - Do you see a connection between familiarity and viewing something/someone as normal/common?
 - Do you ever think you've gotten too familiar with Jesus? If that happens (to yourself or others), what can be done to change it?
 3. Read Mark 6:5.
 - If people did not have faith in Jesus, would they have even asked Him for a miracle?
 - What are some biblical examples where Jesus (or God) did a miracle in spite of people's unbelief?
 4. The overarching point of the sermon was that faith in Jesus changes everything. Jesus calls us not to just have faith in the things he does, but faith in who he is so that he can change how you live. "Christ calls us to not just have faith in what he can do, but faith in who he is in order to change how we live." Specific changes that result from faith in Jesus were explored: Faith in Jesus changes our minds, mission, money, and message.
 - Which of those resonate with you?
 - Which of those is harder for you to connect with?
 - Is the Holy Spirit convicting you of something that needs to change in your life?
 5. Read Mark 6:12. The message the apostles proclaimed was simple: repent.
 - How would you explain biblical repentance to someone?
 - What are some key characteristics of a person who repents?
 - Can you explain the difference between repentance for Sin (what we do when we first place our faith in Jesus) and repentance for sins (which followers of Jesus do for individual sins that we commit)?
 - Is repentance an easy message tell people about (non-Christian or Christian)? To be an example of?
- ***Is there something you need to repent of? Or someone you need to tell about repentance?***