

February 26, 2017

The Gospel of Mark “Following Jesus” Mark 6:7-32 Pastor Kirk Gambrell.

Vol. 7 Num. 9

Using This Study

❶ EXAMINE His Word

What does God SAY? Open your time with prayer. The words God uses to communicate matters, so go back and pay close attention to the details that are emphasized or repeated in the passage.

❷ EXPLORE His Word

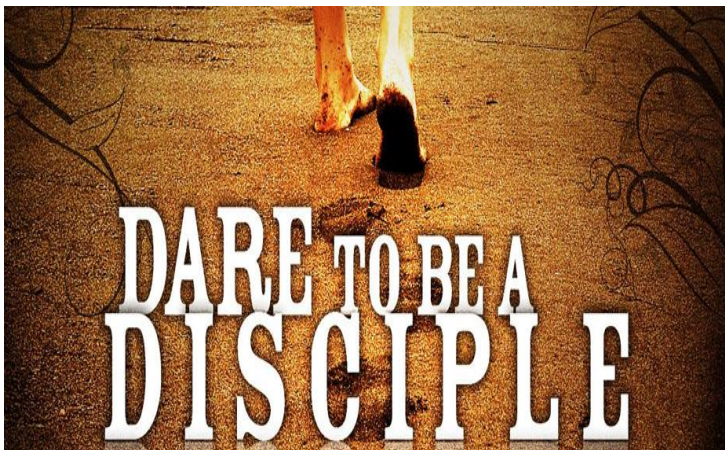
What does God MEAN? Asking questions of the text helps surface how the details relate to the message God wants to communicate.

❸ EMBRACE His Word

Why does it MATTER to me? Embrace God by responding to what you discover in His word in faith and obedience.



In this week's passage, Jesus sends the disciples out to preach the message of repentance. They are sharing in the same mission that Jesus has had since He began His ministry. Jesus has come to preach a message of repentance. That people should recognize their sin and rebellion from the one true Holy God and repent from that sin. They must seek God, His forgiveness, and allow God to help with their sin problem. Now the true disciple shares in Jesus' mission of teaching the truth and calling people to repentance and faith in God.



Read Mark 6:7-32 (NET)

⁷ Jesus called the twelve and began to send them out two by two. He gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸ He instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts—⁹ and to put on sandals but not to wear two tunics.

¹⁰ He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the area. ¹¹ If a place will not welcome you or listen to you, as you go out from there, shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them.” ¹² So they went out and preached that all should repent.

¹³ They cast out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.

¹⁴ Now King Herod heard this, for Jesus’ name had become known. Some were saying, “John the baptizer has been raised from the dead, and because of this, miraculous powers are at work in him.” ¹⁵ Others said, “He is Elijah.” Others said, “He is a prophet, like one of the prophets from the past.” ¹⁶ But when Herod heard this, he said, “John, whom I beheaded, has been raised!”

¹⁷ For Herod himself had sent men, arrested John, and bound him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip’s wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸ For John had repeatedly told Herod, “It is not lawful for you to have your brother’s wife.” ¹⁹ So Herodias nursed a grudge against him and wanted to kill him. But she could not ²⁰ because Herod stood in awe of John and protected him, since he knew that John was a righteous and holy man. When Herod

heard him, he was thoroughly baffled, and yet he liked to listen to John.

²¹ But a suitable day came, when Herod gave a banquet on his birthday for his court officials, military commanders, and leaders of Galilee.

²² When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his dinner guests. The king said to the girl, “Ask me for whatever you want and I will give it to you.”

²³ He swore to her, “Whatever you ask I will give you, up to half my kingdom.” ²⁴ So she went out and said to her mother, “What should I ask for?” Her mother said, “The head of John the baptizer.” ²⁵ Immediately she hurried back to the king and made her request: “I want the head of John the Baptist on a platter immediately.”

²⁶ Although it grieved the king deeply, he did not want to reject her request because of his oath and his guests. ²⁷ So the king sent an executioner at once to bring John’s head, and he went and beheaded John in prison. ²⁸ He brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹ When John’s disciples heard this, they came and took his body and placed it in a tomb.

³⁰ Then the apostles gathered around Jesus and told him everything they had done and taught.

³¹ He said to them, “Come with me privately to an isolated place and rest a while” (for many were coming and going, and there was no time to eat).

³² So they went away by themselves in a boat to some remote place.

🕒 EXAMINE His Word (Observation) (For personal preparation)

What does God SAY? Prayerfully note significant details and terms emphasized in the foregoing passage.

1. Who is involved in the text? Author, audience, main characters.

2. Where and when is this taking place? Geography and timeline.

3. What actions are carried out or commanded? Look for the verbs.

4. Is there anything repeated?

5. What is emphasized?

6. Is there anything in these passages that is related to other areas of scripture?

7. Are there things to be noted that are alike or unlike such as similes and metaphors?

② EXPLORE His Word (Interpretation) (For Community Group discussion)

What does God MEAN?

8. Why did Jesus tell the disciples not to take anything with them?

9. Where do the provisions for the disciples come from?

10. What is the mission the disciples are sent to do?

11. a. What does King Herod do to John the Baptist?

b. How is this an example of what the disciples will face as Jesus sends them out?

12. Why does Jesus try to retreat to an isolated place?

③ EMBRACE His Word (Application) (For Community Group discussion)
Why does this MATTER to me?

13. As a follower of Jesus, like the early disciples, what is our mission?

14. What should we expect on our mission as a follower of Jesus?

15. How will our mission be provided for?

Summarize your thoughts on the passage

Write about what God wants you to KNOW, to FEEL, and to DO...

SERMON NOTES