

Growth Group Curriculum

WINTER SEMESTER 2021

Mark Week 8 ch. 3 vv. 7 - 19 vv. 6

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REVIEW

1. Was there anything from this past Sunday's message that challenged or confused you?
2. Can you think of one thing from Sunday's sermon that you are likely to remember two weeks from now?

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

1. On Sunday Pastor Jeff taught that Jesus gives us a new name. What is one nickname you have had and why?

DIGGING DEEPER

Each section of Mark contains a series of incidents in the life of Jesus. Each one shows us something about who Jesus is — his power, his purpose, and his self understanding. It is as

if the gospel writer is pulling a cover off of Jesus inch by inch. Each story reveals a little more of who he is. Now we seem to enter a new series of stories. Some have called Chapter 1 “Authority Stories” because they show his authority. Some have called Chapter 2 “Conflict Stories” because they show the wisdom of his grace over and against the world’s thinking and mindset. Beginning in Chapter 3, we see Jesus beginning the creation of a new community, a new people of God who will embody the kingdom of God. He builds this community through serving people, through teaching, preaching, training, counseling, healing, and liberating. Since we continually will be watching him minister to others, we can always read with two practical questions in mind. 1) How can Jesus carry out this ministry in my life? 2) How can I carry out this ministry in the lives of others?

1. Why do you think this passage (3:7-35) follows Mark 3:6?

2. How do verses 3:7-12, in particular, contrast with 3:6? What is Mark teaching us?

3. Why does Jesus call twelve disciples? Why do you think that number “twelve” is mentioned (twice) as if it is very significant?

4. What does this section (verses 13-19) tell us about how we are to understand ourselves and conduct ourselves as disciples?

5. Why does Mark separate verses 20-21 and verses 31-35 by verses 22-30? Why do verses 28-29 cause people trouble? How can you answer the problems?

6. What does Jesus in verses 20-21 and 31-35 tell us about who is in his family? What are the practical implications for us?

Prayer Requests:
