

Jesus: Serving, Sovereign Savior
Have Better the Best Way - Mark 3:7-21

Intro: If you had the opportunity to better yourself, or to be a better version of yourself, would you take it?

I. The _____ – Have Better from Jesus – 3:7-12

A. _____ – Wanted to be a better version of them.

B. _____ –

C. _____ –

Cf. John 6:25-29, 51, 58, 63, 66, 68-69. The crowd was so focused on having better from Jesus that they missed the best that He came to offer through faith in who He is.

II. The _____ – Know Better than Jesus – 3:20-21

Jesus is the sovereign, serving Savior and everything is under His wise and sovereign control—even demons, an overpowering crowd, and the details of your life.

When forgotten, the “I know better than _____” mindset” develops

and the wisdom of the _____ is forgotten - Prov. 3:5-6; Ps. 37:4.

III. The _____ – Be Better with Jesus – 3:13-19

A. _____ by Jesus – Cf. 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

B. _____ by Jesus –

Yet we can be confident that God’s calling on our lives as Christ-followers means that He will also equip us.

C. _____ to Jesus –

Conclusion: Following Jesus will seem to be less than the best. But in the end, forsaking the “better” of the world for the “better” as a Christ follower will be proven to be “better the best way.”

Jesus is calling you. Have you responded and come to Jesus?

Small Group Questions

1. What are ways in which people seek to better themselves?
2. What motivated the crowd to keep coming to Jesus? Do you think this mindset is in our world today? If so, how?
3. Read John 6:25-29, 51, 58, 63. What did Jesus say was required for eternal life? What did he mean by the bread that he gives is his flesh?
4. What ways do people think that they know better than Jesus what is best for their lives?
5. Read Proverbs 3:5-6 and Psalm 37:4. How would you use these verses to counsel someone who lives like they know better than Jesus what is best for their lives?
6. How does knowing Jesus chose you for the same reason that he chose the disciples—because he wanted to—encourage and/or humble you? Based on 1 Corinthians 1:31, what is our boast?
7. How is God calling you to think differently?
8. What is God calling you to do as you go about your daily life?