

I. Intro

A. Text: **Mark 6:1-6**

*Then He went out from there and came to His own country, and His disciples followed Him. <sup>2</sup> And when the Sabbath had come, He began to teach in the synagogue. And many hearing Him were astonished, saying, "Where did this Man get these things? And what wisdom is this which is given to Him, that such mighty works are performed by His hands! <sup>3</sup> Is this not the carpenter, the Son of Mary, and brother of James, Joses, Judas, and Simon? And are not His sisters here with us?" So they were offended at Him. <sup>4</sup> But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own country, among his own relatives, and in his own house." <sup>5</sup> Now He could do no mighty work there, except that He laid His hands on a few sick people and healed them. <sup>6</sup> And He marveled because of their unbelief. Then He went about the villages in a circuit, teaching. (**Mark 6:1-6**)*

B. Series Overview

C. Text Background

*<sup>1</sup> Then He went out from there and came to His own country, and His disciples followed Him. (**Mk. 6:1**)*

1. Jesus had just left Capernaum (Map).
  - a. In Capernaum, Jairus' daughter was sick. (**Mk. 5:37-40**)
  - b. In the closed room, Jesus took the child by the hand and commanded her body to get up.
  - c. Everyone was amazed at the power He displayed.
2. Jesus left Capernaum and traveled to his own country (Nazareth)

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- a. His disciples accompanied him
  3. Jesus and His disciples went into the synagogue.

*<sup>2</sup>And when the Sabbath had come, He began to teach in the synagogue. (Mark 6:2a)*

- a. **Synagogue:** *gathering together (like picked fruit into a basket), an assembly of people with common heart and mind.*
- b. Synagogues likely came about in Babylonian captivity when Israelites could not make it to the temple in Jerusalem.
- c. Anytime 10 Jewish men (minyan) were in one town, they immediately formed a synagogue to read the scriptures, pray and worship together.
- d. It was Jesus' custom to gather with his fellow countrymen in synagogues across the nation of Israel.
  - i. No matter who was in the house teaching, reading and sharing when he got there, Jesus usually got the chance to share.
4. Somebody messed around and gave Jesus the floor: Jesus began to teach

#### D. Two Conflicting Reactions to Jesus' Advent on Earth

1. Astonishment at Jesus' Overwhelming Greatness:

*<sup>2</sup>And when the Sabbath had come, He began to teach in the synagogue. And many hearing Him were astonished, saying, "Where did this Man get these things? And what wisdom is this which is given to Him, that such mighty works are performed by His hands! (Mk. 2:2)*

- a. Never a man spake like this. (Jn. 7:46)

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- i. Check out the wisdom!
  - ii. Check out the power.

2. Disillusionment with Jesus' Underwhelming Ordinariness.

*<sup>3</sup>Is this not the carpenter, the Son of Mary, and brother of James, Joses, Judas, and Simon? And are not His sisters here with us?" So they were offended at Him. (Mk. 2:3)*

3. The Conflict is both rational and understandable.

a. What do you do when Divinity meets Humanity?

- i. When the eternal mingles with the finite?
- ii. When heaven comes to meet earth?

4. For thousands of years, the world has tried to grapple with this riddle (often times discounting the deity of Jesus)

a. While the church has tended to discount Jesus' humanity.

E. I suggest that to fully appreciate the magnificent story of Jesus and all of the power that He displayed in His first Advent on the earth, we have to embrace his humanity (ordinariness) along with his divinity (extra-ordinariness) and omnipotent power.

1. He was truly Extra-Ordinary.

II. Ordinary Guy

A. Family

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1. Humanity
    - a. Large, uneducated, lower class, hardworking family.
      - i. James, Joses, Judas, Simon and uncounted sisters.
    - b. His mother and his father (Joseph) had an iffy relationship at the time of his conception and birth.
      - i. Unplanned pregnancy. (**Matt. 1:18-25; Lk. 1:26-35**)
      - ii. So poor and so unprepared that Jesus was born in a feeding trough. (**Lk. 2:6-7**)
    - c. His brothers rejected Him, mocked Him and wanted to see Him fail.
      - i. Go to Jerusalem to the Feast of Tabernacles and let your disciples see what you can do there (**Jn. 7:1-5**)
  2. Divinity
    - a. Begotten, but not Created
      - i. God of very God.
      - ii. Not separate, divided or inferior in any way.
      - iii. United in every way, yet distinct in function
    - b. Jesus wasn't created. He's the creator of heaven and earth.
      - i. In the beginning was the word. And the word was with God. And the word was God. The same was in the beginning. All things were made by Him, and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was a light to men. And the light shines in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not... And the WORD became flesh, and dwelt among us. And we

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beheld him as the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth (**John 1:1-4, 14**)

- c. There's nothing dysfunctional about His Spiritual family. A perfect picture of unity and community.

## B. Name

"And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus" (**Lk. 1:31**)

- 1. Humanity
  - a. Ordinary (Jesus) in the nation of Israel
    - i. Biblical Variations: Yeshua, Joshua, Josiah, Hosea, Isaiah.
    - ii. Only one Jesus of Nazareth.
- 2. Divinity
  - a. No other name like it in all the earth. Something About THAT name: Jesus!
    - i. **Acts 4:12:** <sup>12</sup> *Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.*
    - ii. **Phil. 2:9-11:** <sup>9</sup> *Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, <sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

## C. Appearance

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1. Humanity
    - a. Less than ordinary at His first coming
    - b. **Is. 53:2b**: *“He has no form or comeliness; and when we see Him, There is no beauty that we should desire Him”*
  2. Divinity
    - a. **Ps. 27:4**: One *thing* I have desired of the LORD, That will I seek: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, To behold the beauty of the LORD, And to inquire in His temple.
    - b. Brighter than the sun when He returns (**Rev. 21:23**)
    - c. **Heb. 1:3**: <sup>3</sup> *[The Son] is the brightness of [the Father’s] glory and the express image of His person.*
    - d. **Rev. 1:12-15**: <sup>12</sup> *Then I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands, <sup>13</sup> and in the midst of the seven lampstands One like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band. <sup>14</sup> His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow, and His eyes like a flame of fire; <sup>15</sup> His feet were like fine brass, as if refined in a furnace, and His voice as the sound of many waters;*

#### D. Appetite

1. Humanity
  - a. Enjoyed meals and connecting
    - i. Fish-n-Chips by the sea (**Jn. 21:1-15**)
    - ii. Ate with Religious (**Matt. 11:37-54**)
    - iii. Ate with outcasts – “sinners” (**Mk. 2:13-15**)

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2. Divinity
    - a. My food is to do the will of my Father (**John 4:31-34**)

## E. Prayer Life

1. Humanity
  - a. Jesus' custom was to stow away and pray to the Father alone (**Mk. 3:35-37**)
  - b. Sought the Father in solitude before many major events in His ministry
2. Divinity
  - a. When Jesus prayed, he didn't simply utter prayers to God.
  - b. Whenever He prayed, what came out of His mouth was literally the prayer of God. (**Jn. 17:1-26**)

## F. Emotions

1. Humanity
  - a. Sorrow and sadness at the death of Lazarus (**Jn. 11:32-36**)
  - b. Loneliness and feeling forsaken when He hung on the cross (**Matt. 27:45-46, Mk. 15:34**)
2. Divinity
  - a. One Extra Ordinary Passion: Die in the place of humanity!
    - i. *"And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men from the earth, will draw all men unto me"* (**Jn. 12:32**)

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- ii. My soul is troubled. But what can I say. Father save me? For this reason I came to this hour (**Jn. 12:27**)

## G. Temptations

- 1. Humanity
  - a. *"<sup>15</sup> For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in **all points tempted as we are...**" (Heb. 4:15a)*
- 2. Divinity
  - a. *"<sup>15</sup> For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, **yet without sin.**" (Heb. 4:15)*

## III. Conclusion

### A. Death/ Eternal Position

- 1. Humanity
  - a. Crucified Like a Common Criminal (**Matt. 27-28**)
- 2. Divinity
  - a. Crowned Like an Uncommon King (**Rev. 19:11-13**)