

WEEK # 13 MARK 6:1-29 THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS AT

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THE THWARTING OF JESUS' MINISTRY BY UNBELIEF (vv. 1-6)

THE INSTRUCTIONS OF JESUS ABOUT MINISTERING TO UNBELIEVERS (vv. 7-13)

Death of a Conscience. Mark 6:14-29

Mark 6 :1-13

In verses 2-3, why were the hometown people “offended” (verse 3) at Jesus? Why did they find it so hard to believe in him?

Why might the people in Jesus' hometown have resented Him? Is the response of a person's hometown and family a reliable indicator of whether the “prophet” is genuine and legitimate?

List some of the things Jesus said and did that are astonishing. Do non-Christians acknowledge that He said and did those things?

How is it possible for a person to see what Jesus did and yet deny that He is the Savior, the Son of God?

Should we avoid offending people when we tell them about Jesus?

Have you become too familiar with Jesus?

Have you ever been amazed that people don't believe in Jesus despite the evidence?

Do you sometimes display amazing lack of trust in Jesus?

What are the advantages of working as a team in mission work? What are the dangers of going alone?

When people know that you are Jesus' ambassador, what do they see?

What might we do or say as an equivalent to the custom of shaking the dust off one's feet when leaving an unreceptive town?

How would you define repentance to someone who had never been in a church?

What is the true definition of success with regard to missions? What, then, is the nature of failure?

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Mark 6:14-29

Mark's account of John's death is the longest of any gospel. It also seems to be a digression. What might be some of the reasons for its prominence? What is Mark getting across?

Which is harder, dying for Jesus once or living radically sold out to Jesus day after day, year after year?

What is the most recent example you have heard of a martyr for Christ? What is the most recent example of persecution you heard of in your own country?

What reactions have you seen in today's world that could be characterized as fear of Christianity?

Why did Herod fear John, and why was he tormented after his death? If you lived radically for Christ, who might fear you, and why?

What are the right reasons non-Christians should fear Christians? What are some bad ways some Christians cause fear and loathing in society?

What unbiblical practices in your own country are popular, so that if you spoke out against them, you would be persecuted? Should you speak out anyway?

What other cases do you know of where someone has used sex and lust to manipulate a leader? How can a leader prepare his or her mind and heart to resist such manipulation? Is there any person or leader you fear more than God? Are you tempted to protect your own reputation rather than honoring God?

How would you explain to a non-Christian why bad things happen to good people and good things happen to bad people? How would you explain it in a Sunday school class?

Who do you think of that, "even though he is dead, he still speaks through his faith"?

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