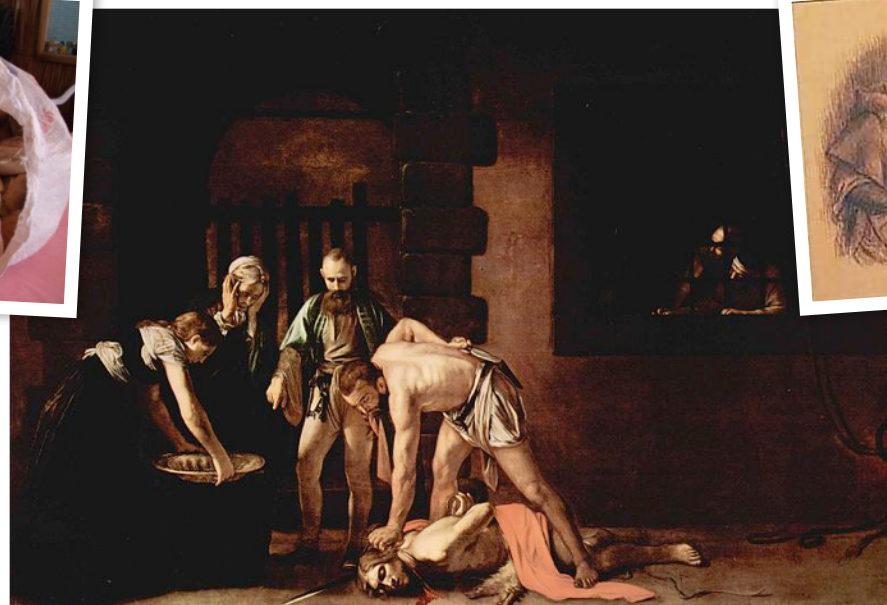




*This pic is from Mozambique. These Portuguese bread rolls are what we fed over 330 children...and yes, God made sure every child had their own!*

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*Caravaggio, 1608, The Decapitation of John the Baptist*



*Jesus the Carpenter by Frances Hook, item #240, for sale online*

# The Gospel of Mark

## Jesus' Manhood, Motion, and Mission

### Day 1 – Summarize chapter 6

#### Welcome

Welcome to this day, friend, and to this time of study! Let's pray: Abba Father, thank You for giving me another day to know You better. Holy Spirit, please open up my mind so that I may understand what I'm reading today. Give me eyes to see, ears to hear, and a heart to obey. Thank You so much! Amen.

#### Read the Chapter

Read all of chapter 6 in one sitting. Try to summarize each event briefly; stick with 10 words or less to help me keep to the main point. Write your text divisions on the left and your summaries in a sentence to the right. This chapter is PACKED!

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## *Day 2 – Hometown Boy is offensive*

### **Reception**

After reading through 6:1-6, trace the temperature of the crowd as they interacted with Jesus.

v2: \_\_\_\_\_ --> questions with a tone of \_\_\_\_\_ --> v3 “they \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ --> v5 results: \_\_\_\_\_ -->  
v6 Jesus was \_\_\_\_\_ at their \_\_\_\_\_.

Word Study: What is the Greek transliteration for the word “carpenter”? Check BibleHub.com:

**tektón: a craftsman, spec. a carpenter**

### **The Message**

The Message says, “They tripped over what little they knew about Him and fell, sprawling.” What do you think that means?

## *Day 3 – Two by Two*

### **Going on a trip**

What do you take with you on a road trip or our recent retreat? List the first 15 things that quickly come to mind.

Compare your experience (Disney, anyone?) with the instructions and experience Jesus gives the Twelve.

In what ways were the disciples different when they returned?

## *Day 4 – ¶ the B*

### **Who Is Jesus?**

List what people were saying about the identity of Jesus. If you had been there at this time, what do you think you would have said?

### **Beheaded ... because of a grudge!**

Verses 17-29 give the pre-narrative to John’s death. It’s quite the drama. Read it thoroughly, then answer: In what ways was Herod a fool?

What was Herod's personal opinion of John before he was under the influence of alcohol and lust?

Why did Herodias want him dead? Give the verse and specific reason:

### *Day 5 – 5,000 Hungry Sheep*

**Come with Me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.**

Describe the last time you did that.

**Is this part of your soul care routine?**

There is so much “people pressure” around this group right now. Picture yourself as one of Jesus' 12. You've just about made it to shore and you see people running toward the water: they've figured it out and run to meet you! You will not have that peace and quiet you were so hoping for. You look at Jesus, and see His response: verse 34. Write about it here.

What do you think Jesus wanted them to learn from feeding the 5,000 ( check verses 41-44, 52)?

Pull this together with Jesus' proclamation in John 6, “I am the Bread of Life.” Read that entire chapter if you have time.

### *Day 6 – Walking on Water*

**Get in my boat, Jesus!**

Jesus has established that He is Lord over water, over nature, already, yet this situation terrifies the disciples ... again. What strikes me is that Jesus, *so obviously God*, then gets into the boat with the disciples! What a picture of Jesus' mission/job. What do you think about this?

**Your Re-write: take some time, reflect, re-write**

Write about verses 45-56 as if you were one of the disciples observing these scenarios. How would these incidents shape your life and understanding of God?