

# Lesson Notes: Mark 6

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## Introductory Questions

1. Describe the last time you got away and had “just me and Jesus time.” What was it like?
2. Many people want Jesus to be ordinary but wonderful--a prophet but still “one of the boys.” Why doesn’t this work?
3. When and why have you ever nursed a grudge?
4. In what ways has Jesus become so familiar to us that we have become cynical about His work in our lives and in the world?
5. After all the apostles had seen AND done, why were they still “utterly astounded” at Jesus walking on the water? What does it mean that “they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened?” Why these 2 disconnects?

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## Point One: Identity, Mark 6:1-6

“He’s just...” Jesus was a stumbling block to them, and they fell sprawling!

We must all decide who we think He is, and then continue choosing until we die.

Mark 10:45

## Point Two: Doing God’s work changes us.

1. Two by Two
2. Boundaries of peace
3. training them for the future

## Point Three: The power of a grudge and a crowd

1. A grudge because of Truth and accountability
2. Peer pressure

## Point Four: Two Pictures of Soul Care

1. Come away (kata, idios, eremos, anapauo)
2. Let Me feed you, body and soul

## Point Five: Get in my boat, Jesus!

This is the Gospel!

## Application Questions

1. You certainly have an opinion about who Jesus is; along with your words about Him, how do you treat Him? Do you treat Him like He's one of the boys? a liar? a lunatic? your Lord?
2. What does Jesus have to say about your soul care?
3. You are in a boat that symbolizes your life, and it is rockin' and rollin' and you are strugglin' and strainin'. What does Jesus have to say to you tonight about your situations? Ask Him to come get into your boat with you. Ask Him to calm your waters.
4. Jesus sends us out to teach and heal, too (if you aren't sure about that, check Matthew 28: 19-20, Ephesians 4: 7-13, Romans 12: 3-8). Where has he sent you? What has he told you to take? If you aren't serving yet, how will you prepare to go?
5. Herodias had a grudge against John the Baptist because he pointed out her sin with Herod. What sin in your life do you not want God to reveal? You don't need to share this with the group! But, what are you going to DO to allow God to deal with this sin?
6. In what ways do you feel like you are a sheep without a shepherd? What do sheep seeking their shepherd do? How do you think Jesus will respond to your bleating?