

# JUST JESUS: A Journey Through Mark PART 18 - Mark 6:1-11

#### **Hometown Rejection**

**READ:** Mark 6:1–3 & Jeremiah 11:18–21

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

- 1) In his sermon, Pastor G explained that patris means "fatherland," carrying a sense of heritage, roots, and communal expectations. How might this deeper meaning shape the way we read Jesus' return to Nazareth?
- 2) Why do you think it is often harder for people to accept God's work through someone they've known for years? Have you experienced this in your own life or ministry?
- 3) The people of Nazareth moved from astonishment to offense. What does this reveal about the role pride plays in unbelief?
- 4) How does Jeremiah's experience of rejection by his own people mirror Jesus' experience in Nazareth? What can we learn from these parallels?

#### **Unbelief and Limited Miracles**

**READ:** Mark 6:4–6 & Luke 7:1–10

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

- 1) Pastor G said that faith is the conduit through which Jesus' power flows. How does the centurion's faith in Luke 7 contrast with the unbelief in Nazareth?
- 2) Why do you think Jesus chose to marvel at both great faith and great unbelief? What might that teach us about the importance of trust in Him?
- 3) In your own life, can you recall a time when unbelief closed a door to God's work—or when faith opened one?
- 4) What practical steps can we take to cultivate an environment where God's work is received rather than resisted?

### Sent in Pairs with Radical Dependence

**READ:** Mark 6:7–9 & Deuteronomy 19:15

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

- 1) Why do you think Jesus sent His disciples in pairs rather than alone? What benefits come from serving in partnership?
- 2) Pastor G explained the symbolic and practical meaning of taking nothing extra for the journey. How does this challenge the way we often approach ministry or mission?
- 3) How do you personally struggle with trusting God for provision, especially when stepping into new ministry opportunities?
- 4) In what ways does our dependence on God serve as part of our witness to others?

## **Hospitality, Rejection, and Shaking the Dust**

**READ:** Mark 6:10–11 & Acts 13:44–51

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

1) What does Jesus' instruction to "stay in the first house you enter" teach us about contentment and authenticity in ministry?

- 2) Pastor G said that "the Gospel is an offer, not a coercion." How does this perspective change the way we respond to rejection?
- 3) In Acts 13, Paul and Barnabas shook the dust from their feet after rejection in Antioch. How is this similar to Jesus' instruction in Mark 6?
- 4) Have you ever needed to "shake the dust" in your own relationships or ministry efforts? How can we do this in a way that honors God and preserves our witness?