



They Took Offense at Him

Mark 6:1-29

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Overview: The return of Jesus to Nazareth is met with skepticism from those who associate Him with their hometown, rather than the heavenly kingdom. Despite His powerful preaching and healing ability, they fail to grasp how a person so familiar to them can be so famous, thus leading them to dismiss Jesus as less than a prophet. Their unbelief prevents them from receiving the benefits of the kingdom but does not hinder the ultimate growth of the kingdom as Jesus delegates His authority to the apostles in order to spread His message far and wide. The impact of their work is so great that King Herod hears of it and mistakenly believes that his past deeds have returned to haunt him. Mark thus leaves us with the simple yet somber reality that the gospel is not good news to those who have a low view of Jesus and high view of themselves.

01. The gospel message is the same for all people everywhere, requiring repentance from sin and faith in Christ in order to be forgiven by God.

02. The gospel messenger is to preach to all people everywhere, regardless of rejection from friends or fear of authority in order to be faithful to God.

03. The gospel has meaning for all people everywhere, relieving us from living without purpose while reorienting our hearts to find fulfillment in God.

Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

1. How did Jesus's family and friends perceive Him when He returned home? What accounts for the fact that they minimized His reputation even though they had heard Him teach? Shouldn't healing even a few sick people (verse 5) have enabled them to see that His claims were true? What was Jesus's reaction (verse 6)?

2. Even though Jesus's brothers and sisters struggled with His messianic identity, we know that James became a significant leader in the early church and that he was martyred for his faith in Christ (Acts 12:17; 15:13; 1 Corinthians 15:7; Galatians 1:19; 2:9, 12). In what ways does James's life encourage us about our family members who may not yet be believers?

3. Describe the pattern for missionary work according to 6:7-13. Why did Jesus send the disciples out "two by two"? Why were they limited with respect to material possessions? What were their responsibilities with regard to housing accommodations? How might these instructions apply to those who go forth sharing the gospel today? What traps or temptations should Christians be aware of when sharing the gospel with others?

4. What prompted Herod's fears about Jesus? What does this suggest about Herod's conscience even after the death of John the Baptist? What opportunities did Herod receive in his life that should have led him to follow Jesus? Do you know people in powerful positions who believe their lives are still empty?

5. Overall, what warning does this section provide to those who preach the gospel? How might they be received by friends and family, or those in powerful positions? What comforts for messengers of the gospel are also evident in this section?

For Further Reading: Robert Coleman, *The Master Plan of Evangelism* (Revell, 1963; 2nd edition, 2006).

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TO THE KING

Chorus

We bring honor
We bring glory
We bring praises
Forever, Amen!

We bring honor
We bring glory
We bring praises
Forever, Amen
Forever and ever, Amen!

I WILL SING OF MY REDEEMER

Verse 1

I will sing of my Redeemer
And His wondrous love to me
On the cruel cross He suffered
From the curse to set me free

Chorus 1

Sing, oh, sing of my Redeemer
With His blood He purchased me
On the cross He sealed my pardon
Paid the debt and made me free

Bridge

You set me free
My ransomed soul free
The darkness is over
Beholding I see
A living redeemer
Love healing me
Forever forgiven
This love song I bring
You set me free

Verse 2

I will praise my dear Redeemer
His triumphant power I'll tell
How the victory He giveth
Over sin and death and hell

Chorus

Sing, oh, sing of my Redeemer
With His blood He purchased me
On the cross He sealed my pardon
Paid the debt and made me free

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Bridge

You set me free
My ransomed soul free
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YET NOT I BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME

Verse 1

What gift of grace is Jesus my Redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love
My deep and boundless peace
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing
"All is mine, yet not I but through Christ in me"

Verse 2

The night is dark
But I am not forsaken
For by my side
The Savior He will stay
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need
His power is displayed

To this I hold
My Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley He will lead
Oh the night has been won
And I shall overcome
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

Verse 3

No fate I dread
I know I am forgiven
The future sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released
I can sing, "I am free"
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

Verse 4

With every breath
I long to follow Jesus
For He has said
That He will bring me home
And day by day
I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete
Still my lips shall repeat,
"Yet not I, but through Christ in me"

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TURN YOUR EYES

Verse 1

Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in His wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace

Verse 2

Turn your eyes to the hillside
Where justice and mercy embrace
There the Son of God gave His life for us
And our measureless debt was erased

Chorus

Jesus, to You we lift our eyes
Jesus, our glory and our prize
We adore You, behold You
Our Savior ever true
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You

Verse 3

Turn your eyes to the morning
And see Christ the lion awake
What a glorious dawn fear of death is gone
For we art His life in our veins

Chorus

Jesus, to You we lift our eyes
Jesus, our glory and our prize
We adore You, behold You
Our Savior ever true
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You

Verse 4

Turn your eyes to the heavens
Our King will return for His own
Every knee will bow
Every tongue will shout
All glory to Jesus alone

Chorus

Jesus, to You we lift our eyes
Jesus, our glory and our prize
We adore You, behold You
Our Savior ever true
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You

Chorus

Jesus, to You we lift our eyes
Jesus, our glory and our prize
We adore You, behold You
Our Savior ever true
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You

Tag

Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You

I WILL FOLLOW YOU

Verse 1

When the sea is calm and all is right
When I feel Your favor flood my life
Even in the good, I'll follow You
Even in the good, I'll follow You

Verse 2

When the boat is tossed up on the waves
When I wonder if You'll keep me safe
Even in the storms, I'll follow You
Even in the storms, I'll follow You

Chorus

I believe everything that You say You are
I believe and I have seen Your unchanging heart
In the good things and in the hardest part
I believe and I will follow You
I believe and I will follow You

Verse 3

When I see the wicked prospering
When I feel I have no voice to sing
Even in the want I'll follow You
Even in the want I'll follow You

Chorus

I believe everything that You say You are
I believe and I have seen Your unchanging heart
In the good things and in the hardest part
I believe and I will follow You
I believe and I will follow You

Verse 4

When I find myself so far from home
and You lead me somewhere that I don't wanna go
Even in my death I'll follow You
Even in my death I'll follow You

Verse 5

When I come to an end this race I've run
And I receive the prize that Christ has won
I will be with You in Paradise
I will be with You in Paradise

Chorus

I believe everything that You say You are
I believe and I have seen Your unchanging heart
In the good things and in the hardest part
I believe and I will follow You
I believe and I will follow You
(2x)

Tag

I believe and I will follow You