

Small Group Study Notes

Mark 6:45-56

1. Mark only mentions Jesus at pray three times; 1:35 & 6:46 & 14:35. What are the common points in each of the three occasions?
2. "Pass by" is a very important phrase. Read Ex 33:19 & 1 Kings 19:11. What do you think the phrase is conveying and why do you think it is used of Jesus in this context?
3. With Job 9:8 as the background what is Jesus proclaiming by walking on water?
4. What had the disciples "not understood" (v52)?
5. What are some of the situation that you have to face that cause you to "feel" as if you are out of your depth?
6. The last time the disciples had been in a storm Jesus had been in the boat with them (4:37). He is not there this time and therefore the disciples can perceive of no way that Jesus can help them. What are some of the ways that Jesus has helped you when you had reached the conclusion that no help was possible?
7. Our worries are inversely proportional to our confidence in the promises of God. Which are some of the most reassuring of the great promises in the Word?
8. How big a part does the matter of not believing that we are "good enough" play in our thinking that God will not save us from our troubles?