

The Gospel According to Mark ***Jesus. Servant. Master.***

Lesson 13

Read Mark 3:7 – 20

Introduction: *The fame of Jesus had spread far abroad. It was a time of expectation and speculative ferment among the Jewish people everywhere, who confidently looked for the predicted appearance of the long-desired Son of David who was to bring liberty and salvation to Israel. The hope that Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth, might be the Messiah evidently was in the hearts of the multitudes that came from near and far to hear His words and to behold His works of power.*

H.A. Ironside

1. According to Mark 3:7 – 8, news about the miracles had spread far and wide, and great numbers of people came to see him. Look at a map of Israel to find the various locations people traveled to see Jesus. How far did people travel to hear God's Word and to have their needs met?
 - How far would you travel to hear the Word of God? Can you think of any modern day stories where people would travel a great distance to hear God's Word? (Share with the group)

2. What did Jesus tell his disciples to do in Mark 3:9?

3. According to Mark 3:10 – 12 what took place as people were coming to Jesus?

- What motivates you to draw close to Jesus?

- We read in Mark 3:11 – 12 that the unclean spirits would fall before Jesus. What would they proclaim? What insight do we learn regarding this in James 2:19?

4. Compare Mark 3:13 with Luke 6:12. What further understanding we obtain as Jesus “*went up on the mountain*”?

- According to Mark 3:14 – 15 what was the purpose of Jesus appointing twelve apostles?

List the names of the apostles Jesus appointed:

- According to Mark 3:20 how busy was Jesus?