Jesus, Son of David
Lesson 15
Mark 10:46-11:26

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The Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God

- Who He is and what did He do?
- What does it mean to me?
Outline of Mark

1. The beginning: Mark 1:1-13
2. The ministry of Jesus: Mark 1:14-10:52
3. The work of Jesus: Mark 11:1-16:8
4. The continuation: Mark 16:9-20
The ministry of Jesus
Mark 1:14-10:52

- Life of Christ, part 1 – His Person (1:4-8:26)
  - Calling and sending disciples
  - Miracles of healing
  - Miracles of sovereignty
  - Revealing the purpose of God
    - Sabbath controversy
    - Parables of the Kingdom
    - Gentile inclusion
  - Opposition
The ministry of Jesus
Mark 8:27-29

“Whom do you say that I am?”
The ministry of Jesus
Mark 1:14-10:52

- Life of Christ, part 2 – His work (8:30-10:52)
  - For Himself: Mark 10:45
  - For His disciples: Mark 8:34
A Primer on Discipleship
Mark 8:30-10:52

- **Mark 8:31 – Glory and Weakness**
  - Christian paradox

- **Mark 9:30-32 – Greatness:**
  - a child
  - servant of all

- **Mark 10:32-34 – Greatness:**
  - suffering
  - slave of all
Lesson outline:

- Blind Bartimaeus – Mark 10:46-52
- Triumphal entry into Jerusalem – Mark 11:1-11
- The lesson of the fig tree – Mark 11:12-26
Blind Bartimaeus
Mark 10:46-52

- Two miracles of healing the blind
  - Unnamed blind man healed in 2 parts (Mark 8:22-26)
  - Bartimaeus healed

- One question asked twice
  - “What do you want Me to do for you?” (10:36)
  - “What do you want Me to do for you?” (10:51)
A blind man who sees is made to see
  • “Jesus, Son of David”
  • ”Have mercy on me!”

The mark of Messianic era is healing the blind:
  • Isaiah 29:18; 32:3; 35:5

“Your faith has made you well.”
  • Greek σωζω (SOZO) – save (93 of 110 times in N.T.)
  • Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus
The Triumphal Entry
Mark 11:1-11

- Sovereignty
- Scripture
  - Zechariah 9:9-10 – “Your King comes on a colt . . .”
  - Psalm 118:25-26 – “Hosanna . . .”
  - Malachi 3:1 – “The LORD will suddenly come to His temple . . .”
The Lesson of the Fig Tree
Mark 11:12-26

- Fig tree cursed – Mark 11:12-14
  - Jesus hungry but finds no figs on a tree bearing leaves
    - Jesus cursed the tree
    - The tree was “dried up from the roots.”
  - Israel represented as fig tree in Scripture
    - O.T. figure for Israel – Jeremiah 8:13; Hosea 9:10, 16
    - Hosea 9:16 – “termination” of Israel
The Temple cleansed
Mark 11:15-19

Jesus drove out the buyers and sellers
• A house of prayer for all nations—Isaiah 56:7
• Den of thieves—Jeremiah 7:11
• The cause of judgment—”polluted My house” (Jer. 7:28f)
The fig tree was dried up from the roots.

A lesson on prayer?
- Have faith in God
- Cast mountain into the sea, if no doubting
- Forgive if you expect answers to prayer.

Probably not a lesson on prayer.
- No mountains have been cast into the sea.
- Consider the context.
A Lesson on the Wrath of God

- Fig tree; corrupted temple; Israel
- “Have faith in God”
- “Whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them and you will have them.”
Cast this mountain into the sea

▶ The temple mount

▶ “Mountain” is a figure of Israel
  – Joel 2:1 – Zion is the mountain of the LORD
  – Ezekiel 36:1 – A prophecy of blessing to the mountains of Israel
  – Isaiah 2:1 – Mountain is figure of Kingdom of God
Cast this mountain into the sea

- Judgment on the mountain
  - Psalm 46:2 – mountains cast into the sea = judgment
  - Zechariah 4:7 – mountain become a plain
  - Jeremiah 26:18 – mountain of the temple destroyed
  - Revelation 6:14 – every mountain moved out of place
  - Revelation 16:20 – mountains not found

- Matthew 21:21
  - curse the fig tree and remove this mountain

- Mark 5:1
  - Pigs going into the sea – taking the demons with them

- Prayer for wrath
A word about forgiveness
Mark 11:25-26

- Do not seek wrath against personal enemies
- Forgive as we have been forgiven
- Vengeance is the Lord’s
“In wrath remember mercy”
Habakkuk 3:2