



Mariner's **DISCOVERY** **Church**

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Program for Sunday, June 4, 2023

Call to Worship: *Good in Every Way*

Call to Worship: *We Praise You*

Welcome, announcements, and prayer:

- **Welcome and Thanks for joining us today!!!!**
- **The Weekly Bible Study is meeting this week.** We will be studying Fear. We will meet in the green residential house at the property at 1641 Bixler Road, on Wednesday May 31 at 6:00 PM.
- **The Ladies met for the Women's breakfast yesterday.**
- **The Gentlemen met for the Men's breakfast yesterday.**
- **We have another fundraiser.** We are collecting sneakers in any (yes, any!) condition. There is a garbage can lined with a black bag in the carport of the green house on the property. Please put your sneakers in there.
- **The "GoFundMe" fundraiser website for MDC has been updated** for the Property Building Project. It is going well. If you're interested in donating please go to our website: www.OurMDC.org and click on the link. **You can also pick up a few business cards at the back table with the QR code to share with family & friends.**
- **Please pick up Connect Cards/Envelopes** in the back for offerings, prayer requests and place it in one of the offering boxes. **Please note**, for pledge card donations, please mark your gift "BF" or "Building Fund."
- **Thank you for your continued financial support of MDC.**
- **Please contact us** for any needs, suggestions, or prayer requests:
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Adoration: *Amen*

I Speak Jesus

Message: *The New King is Glorified*

Response/Invitation: *Just As I Am*

Assurance/Sending: *God So Loved*

Close of Service

Message Notes:

Friday Devotional: Hebrews 4:12 For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

Hebrews 4:15,16 For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things just as we are, yet without sin. Therefore, let's approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace for help at the time of our need.

| Scripture | Great Truth | Privilege | Responsibility |
|-----------------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|
| 2 Corinthians 5:11-21 | I have His righteousness | I am a new Creation and I have a new start | I am an Ambassador for God. |
| 1 John 1:1-10 | I have fellowship with God and other believers. | Light from God. | Confess my sins. Walk in the Light. |
| Romans 8:5-17 | Jesus lives in me through the Holy Spirit. | Life and peace. Comfort and hope. | Live by the Spirit. |
| Colossians 2:6-17 | I can mature in my relationship with Jesus | Fullness. | Abide. Continually live in Jesus. |
| Hebrews 4:12-16 | I can boldly enter His presence. | Mercy and Grace. | Depend on Jesus. |

Overview Mark 8:22-26

- Cross the lake. Arrive at Bethsaida
 - Friends/ family brought a blind man to Jesus. Likely not blind from birth.
- Jesus takes the blind man by the hand and leaves town.
- Jesus spits on the blind man's eyes, lays hands on the blind man.
- Jesus asks, "Do you see anything?"
- Formerly blind man's Reply: I see men like trees, walking around.
- Jesus lays hands on the man.
- Formerly blind man's sight restored. Two stage healing is only here.
- Jesus tells formerly blind man to go home and not enter the village.
- Jesus has already pronounced judgment on Bethsaida.
- An unexplained miracle not linked to God, is a magical coincidence.

Takeaways Mark 8:22-26

- Sometimes as a friend or family person, we need to have faith for the person suffering.
- Jesus uses touch to communicate. Jesus is personal.
- We should obey, expecting God to respond.
- Sometimes healing is a process.
- Sometimes enlightenment is a process.
- Growth in our relationship with Jesus is a process.
- Jesus has a reason for the process.
- Trust God for the process, and in the process.

Mark 8:27-30 Let's unpack it.

- Jesus takes advantage of the 25 mile walk to have a dialogue with the disciples.
- Who do people say I am?
 - John the Baptist. Repent. Forgiveness. Forerunner.
 - Elijah. Fearless miracle worker. Forerunner.
 - One of the prophets. Messenger. Predictor of Messiah.
 - Jeremiah. Broken heart prophet: judgment, love.
- Who do you say I am?
 - Peter, "You are the Christ, the Son of God."
- Jesus commands them to tell no one this truth.

Mark 8:27-33 Big Picture

- "Do not tell," because they do not know the whole story.

- Not just a teacher, miracle worker, healer, exorciser.
- Not just a prophet for God.
- Is not the forerunner.
- Not a military, political, religious Messiah.
- Messiah for God.
- Jesus came to suffer, be rejected, crucified, and resurrected.
- We cannot affirm that Jesus is the Christ of God, and then question His direction!
- He is God-> we submit. He is not God -> we go our own way.

Takeaways

- Jesus is the Christ of God.
- Jesus came to seek and save that which was lost.
- There is no gospel (good news) without the crucifixion and resurrection.
- Investigate for yourself (read the gospels).
 - Liar. Lunatic. Demonic. Lord.
- Though confession is personal, revelation come from God.
 - Before asking for more evidence, ask about the evidence you already have.
 - "I see Him, but I do not fully understand," is NOT a final failing.
 - Hold on to what you know of the bible, but always seek better understanding.
 - What is your response to Jesus' question, "Who do you **say** that I am?"

Mark 8:34-38 And He summoned the crowd with His disciples, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me. 35 "For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. 36 "For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world, and forfeit his soul? 37 "For what will a man give in exchange for his soul? 38 "For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will also be ashamed of him when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."

Mark 8:34-38 Big Truths

- Jesus talks to the crowd and the disciples:
 - To come after Jesus,
 - We must deny ourselves,
 - Take up our cross.
 - Follow Him.
- Hoard my life -> Lose it.
- Lose my life -> Save it.
- My soul is worth more than the whole world.
- If I am ashamed of Jesus -> Jesus is ashamed of me.
- Jesus is coming back in glory.

Mark 9:1-8 And Jesus was saying to them, "Truly I say to you, there are some of those who are standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God after it has come with power."

2 Six days later, Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John, and brought them up on a high mountain by themselves. And He was transfigured before them; 3 and His garments became radiant and exceedingly white, as no launderer on earth can whiten them. 4 Elijah appeared to them along with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. 5 Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three tabernacles, one for You, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah." 6 For he did not know what to answer; for they became terrified. 7 Then a cloud formed, overshadowing them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is My beloved Son, listen to Him!" 8 All at once they looked around and saw no one with them anymore, except Jesus alone.

Mark 9:1-8 What happened?

- Jesus predicts some will not die until they see the Kingdom of God.
- Jesus takes inner circle of 3 (Peter, James, John) to the mountain.
- Jesus is transfigured (change in appearance).

- Elijah and Moses show up (Prophet and Law).
- Terrified, Peter blurts, let's build 3 tabernacles.
- God, through a cloud, says, "This is My Beloved Son, listen to Him!"
- Moses and Elijah disappear.

Mark 9:9-13 As they were coming down from the mountain, He gave them orders not to relate to anyone what they had seen, until the Son of Man rose from the dead. 10 They seized upon that statement, discussing with one another what rising from the dead meant. 11 They asked Him, saying, "Why is it that the scribes say that Elijah must come first?" 12 And He said to them, "Elijah does first come and restore all things. And yet how is it written of the Son of Man that He will suffer many things and be treated with contempt? 13 "But I say to you that Elijah has indeed come, and they did to him whatever they wished, just as it is written of him."

Mark 9:9-13 What does it mean?

- Jesus wants Him as the Messiah to remain a secret until after the resurrection.
- Disciples are perplexed, because the Messiah does not die. The Messiah conquers and restores Israel to Glory.
- They saw Elijah so they think now is the time!
- John the Baptist was like Elijah. Both:
 - Live simply, and familiar with desert living.
 - Preached repentance and forgiveness.
 - Fearless and bold to rebuke an evil king and queen.
 - Subject to the threats of an evil king and manipulative queen.
 - Prone to discouragement. Recovered from a lapse of faith.

Takeaways

- We have to let Jesus of the bible be Jesus of the bible. The cross and resurrection are central.
- Willing to be willing is the first step in obedience.
- Each of us needs to die to what we selfishly want so that we can say yes to what God wants for us.
- Each of us has to say goodbye to the lifestyle that does not reference God so that we can live the life that God wants for us.
- We may suffer persecution for those decisions.
- Like the disciples, we have to let go of our preconceived ideas of what God is like and what is the plan of God.
- Moses is a metaphor for the gospel. Because of his sin, he cannot enter the promised land. With Jesus, Moses is in the promised land.
- Our level of accountability is raised because God showed up and said, Listen (with obedience) to Jesus.
- The ultimate glory of Christ is not mundane. His Name is above all names. Every knee will bow, every tongue will confess that He is Lord. Worship Him!
- Though we have no idea when Jesus is coming back, we have to have faith that He is.

1 Corinthians 11:23-24 For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus in the night in which He was betrayed took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is My body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me."

1 Corinthians 11:25-26 In the same way He took the cup also after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood; do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

You are not alone. God is with you! MDC wants to help. We are here for you.

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