

MARK - LESSON 5

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I. JESUS' MIRACULOUS WORKS AND TEACHING AROUND THE SEA OF GALILEE (7:1-9:1)

- A. Jesus answers the Pharisees' and Scribe's charge that Jesus' disciples do not follow the tradition of the elders: the disciples eat with defiled or unwashed hands (7:1-23).
 - 1. Jesus addresses them as hypocrites (v.6-7).
 - 2. Jesus points out that they have left the commandments of God to hold fast their tradition (v.8-13).
 - 3. Jesus speaks a parable of what defiles a man: that which proceeds from within, not without (v. 14-23).
- B. Jesus miraculously heals the daughter of a Syrophenician woman from a demon while withdrawing to the borders of Tyre and Sidon (7:24-30).
- C. Jesus miraculously heals a deaf man who also had an impediment in his speech in the borders of Decapolis (7:31-37).
- D. Jesus miraculously feeds about 4,000 with seven loaves and a few fishes (8:1-9).
- E. Jesus answers the Pharisees who seek a sign from him in Dalmanutha (8:10-12).
- F. Jesus warns disciples to beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and the leaven of Herod as they travel toward the Northeast side of the Sea of Galilee (8:13-21).
 - 1. Jesus is not speaking of physical leaven or bread but of the evil influence of the Pharisees and Herod
 - 2. Jesus challenges his disciples regarding their lack of understanding.
- G. Jesus miraculously heals a blind man in Bethsaida (8:22-26).
 - 1. Jesus spits on man's eyes and lay's hands on him.
 - 2. Man sees men as trees that are walking.
 - 3. Jesus lays hands on man again - he sees clearly.
- H. Jesus goes to the villages of Caesarea Philippi with his disciples (8:27-9:1).
 - 1. On the way, Jesus asks disciples concerning what men have said about Him and what they themselves believe Him to be (v. 27-30).
 - 2. Jesus prophecies of his own death and resurrection (31-33).
 - 3. Jesus speaks of the demands of following Him and the consequences of being ashamed of Him (v.34-38).
 - 4. Jesus prophecies that some to whom He is speaking would not die till they see the Kingdom of God come with power (9:1).

QUESTIONS:

- 1. What exactly was "*the tradition of the elders*" that Jesus' disciples violated?
- 2. What was the problem with the Pharisees' "traditions" ?

3. How does Jesus expose the Pharisee's "hypocrisy" on this occasion?
4. According to Jesus, from where do the things that defile the man originate?
5. What was the "race" of the woman who fell at Jesus's feet in the borders of Tyre and Sidon?
6. What did she want Jesus to do?
7. What caused Jesus to miraculously grant her request?
8. What did Jesus do in the borders of Decapolis that caused people to be astonished and say, "He hath done all things well" ?
9. What did Jesus do with seven loaves of bread and a few fishes?
10. What is meant by "blessing" the fishes?
11. How did Jesus react towards the Pharisees who asked a sign of Him?
12. What did Jesus say to his disciples in which they showed a lack of understanding?
13. After the 5,000 were fed _____ baskets full of broken pieces were taken up. After the 4,000 were fed, _____ baskets full of broken pieces were taken up.
Why is this important to remember?

14. What is peculiar about the miracle that took place in Bethsaida regarding a blind man?
15. What were **three** responses to Jesus's question as to who men say He is?

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16. What was the response of Peter when Jesus asks the disciples as to who they think He is?
17. What did Jesus begin to teach his disciples around Caesarea Philippi?
18. Why did Jesus say to Peter, "*Get thee behind me, Satan.*" ?
19. What **two** things does Jesus demand of those who would follow Him?
20. What is *the paradox* of living according to the Gospel?
21. What is more important than gaining the riches of the whole world ?
What two rhetorical questions does Jesus ask to drive home the point?
22. What will cause Jesus to be ashamed of a person when He comes again?
23. How do you know that "*the kingdom of God*" has already come?
24. On the following map trace out in order the travels of Jesus in this lesson and be able to name an event that occurred in this lesson at each place: