



Week #10 of The Gospel of Mark

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Unwrapping and Applying God's Principles

1. Why were some people so attracted to Jesus and some people some people stay away?
2. Read Matthew 5:13-16. What does it mean to be “salt” and “light” to our neighbors, coworkers, family members, and friends?
3. When you think of what it takes to reach the world for Jesus, what would you say is your part in making that happen? Which part of that role makes you nervous, confused or fearful?
4. It seems clear from our last couple of lessons on Mark that Jesus came to forgive people for their sins. What should our response be to Jesus' example?

Living Together

- What are the feelings and attitudes toward government entities that require us to pay taxes? How does this compare to people's feelings about Levi in Matthew 2:13-17?
- What are the qualities of a good friend?

Deepening Our Understanding

1. Read Mark 2:13-17. Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught our attention, challenged or confused you?
2. What significance to see that Jesus went to Levi's house for dinner? See Mark 2:14-15. Who were the other dinner guests?
3. What do the following verses teach us about friendship with sinners?
 - Proverbs 12:26
 - Proverbs 27:5-6
 - Proverbs 13:20

Deepening Our Hearts for God

Read Ephesians 4:29-32. What does God want us to do when it comes to forgiving others? Why is forgiving others so hard to do?

Looking Ahead

Read Mark 2:18-22. Circle, underline, or highlight anything that stands out. What questions about fasting does this text answer? What questions about fasting do you still have?

