



Week #14 of The Gospel of Mark

December 10, 2023

## Unwrapping and Applying God's Principles

1. Read Acts 4:18-22. Pastor Chico talked about the Principle of Ultimate Allegiance. What is it, and what difference does it make in how we live out our Christianity?
2. Why is unity among Christians so important?
3. What contributes to our unity? What causes tension to our unity?
4. What is the "unforgivable sin"? Read the following verses to help discover the answer: Mark 3:23-30; Acts 7:51; Hebrews 10:29.

## Deepening Our Hearts for God

1. How do you typically respond when God's plans and/or teachings don't make much earthly sense?
2. Just from Mark 3:20-35, what would you say were Jesus' priorities? How do you think those priorities should impact us today?

## Looking Ahead

Read Mark 4. Circle, underline, or highlight anything that stands out. What do we learn about the Holy Spirit in these verses?

## Living Together

- What are the special Christmas plans this year?
- In your life experience, when has faithfulness to a cause lead to conflict with others? How did you resolve the issue?

## Learning in Our Understanding

1. Read Mark 3:20-21. Who are these verses talking about? What seems to be the problem?
2. Read Mark 3:31-35. How did Jesus respond to his family's concerns?
3. Read Mark 3:22-23. Who were the people that found fault with Jesus in these verses? What were their accusations?
4. Read Mark 3:23-30. How did Jesus respond to the accusations from the scribes?

