

Real Refreshment – The Podcast: Mark Study

Mark 4:35-5:43: Opposition of the Servant

Begin by praying that God's Spirit will bless your time in His word, that He will teach you His truth, that He will meet you right where you are today as you seek Him. Next, read through the whole passage slowly. Try to step into the passage remembering that Mark is recounting real events as Peter told him.

Passage breakdown:

Mark 4:35-41

What time of day serves as the setting of his passage?

Who initiates crossing to the other side of the sea?

What did they get into?

What happened next?

Where was Jesus?

What was He doing?

What did they do?

What did they ask Him?

How did Jesus respond?

What did He say?

What resulted?

What two questions did Jesus ask them?

How did they respond?

What did they wonder about Him?

For further study see Matthew 8:18-27 and Luke 8:22-25, noting the similarities and differences and remembering the different perspectives of the authors.

Mark 5:1-20

Where did they arrive on the other side?

Who met Jesus there?

What was his ailment? Describe his living conditions.

How did he behave?

When he saw Jesus, how did he respond?

What did he say?

How did he address Jesus?

What request did he make of Jesus?

What was Jesus saying?

What question did Jesus ask?

How did the man answer?

What was present on the mountain?

What did the demons ask of Jesus?

How did Jesus respond?

What resulted?
Who ran away?
What did they do?
Who came to see what had happened?
What changes did they observe in the man?
How did they respond to the changes they witnessed?
What did they ask Jesus to do?
What did the healed man ask of Jesus?
How did Jesus respond?
What directives did Jesus give the man?
How did the man respond?
Where did he go?
What was the response of those who heard his testimony?

For further study see Matthew 8:28-34 and Luke 8:26-39 noting the similarities and differences and remembering the different perspectives of the authors.

Mark 5:21-43

To where did Jesus return after this healing?
What gathered around Him?
Where was He?
Who came to Him?
What was his position?
What did he do when he saw Jesus?
What two actions did he request of Jesus?
What was his hope?
How did Jesus respond?
Describe the crowd and the situation.
Who shows up next in the narrative?
What was her condition?
How long had she been afflicted?
What action did she take?
How did she demonstrate her faith?
What resulted?
How did Jesus respond?
What question did He ask?
How did the disciples respond?
Who did Jesus look and see?
How did she respond to Jesus?
What did she tell Him?
What did Jesus say to her?
Who arrived with news about the little girl?
What did they report?
What words of assurance did Jesus speak to the father?
What admonition did he give?

Who of the disciples did Jesus take along with Him?
Upon arriving at the house, how were the people behaving?
How did Jesus respond?
How did they respond to Jesus words?
Who entered with Jesus into the room where the child lay?
What did Jesus do?
What did Jesus say?
What happened next?
How old was the girl?
How did the others respond?
What orders did Jesus give?

For further study see Matthew 9:18-26 and Luke 8:40-56 noting the similarities and differences and remembering the different perspectives of the authors.

Here are the “immediately” verses in this week’s passage. Note what action takes place immediately:

5:1
5:29
5:30
5:42
5:42

Take some time to read back over the passage and your notes. Are there parts of this passage that stand out to you? Pray that God will continue to teach you as you meditate on His word, the story of His Son, Jesus.

Consider this:

What directives has God given you?
Have you dared to get into the ‘boat’ with Him and cross over?
Describe your current life circumstances. Do you find yourself seeing a storm on the horizon? Are you currently in a storm? Have you just come out of a storm?
In your storm, have you felt as though Jesus was asleep in the stern of the boat?
What waves have crashed? What thunder and lightning have rolled and threatened?
Are there any intimidating people you can pray for who need Jesus?
What are some things-wrong actions, beliefs, attitudes-that God has delivered you from?
How have you thanked Him for liberating you?
Will you dare to share with others what Jesus has done for you?
Is there any healing you know about that you can faithfully take to Jesus?
What life issue will you dare to trust God with?