

9-25-22 Facilitator – Allegiance and Rejection Mark 6:1-30

1. **Launchers:** When have you been scandalized (rejected) for an allegiance?

2. **Worship:** Read Luke 20:17-18 then Using #1 from You Can Pray with Us

Luke 20:17-18

[17] But he looked directly at them and said, "What then is this that is written:

"The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone'?"

[18] Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him."

Worship King Jesus for accomplishing His mission at great cost to Himself in being willing to become scandalized for sinners like us who have rejected Him.

Praise Him that our rejection of Him is not the final story, rather our resurrection is by His great mercy and grace.

3. **Sermon Reflection:** Allegiance and Rejection Mark 6:1-30

The Scandal in Rejection... begs the question

- "Who do 'you' think you are?"
- How is your familiarity with Jesus a stumbling block?

The Purpose in Rejection... begs the question

- "What do they think this is?"
- What allegiance has its greatest hold on you?
- What allegiance defines who you are and what you do?

The Hope in Rejection.... begs the question

- "How can I persevere to the end?"
- Repentance and Faith – Do you have ears to hear, eyes to see and a heart to respond in faith and repentance to the 2-witness prosecution of Jesus and Holy Spirit against your sin and rebellion?

4. **Kingdom Centered Prayer:** *You Can Pray With Us...*

1. Worship King Jesus for accomplishing His mission at great cost to Himself in being willing to become scandalized for sinners like us who have rejected Him. Praise Him that our rejection of Him is not the final story, rather our resurrection is by His great mercy and grace.
2. How have you let familiarity with Christ keep you from truly trusting Him functionally in your life and vocation in the Kingdom? Where are you struggling to demonstrate faith and follow Jesus over allegiance to your own "kingdom"?
3. Give thanks to God the Father for sending the Son, who then sent the Spirit, and by Whom sends the Church into the world to offer healing and hope to the lost.
4. Do you have a relationship with someone close to you in which there is great tension over the claims of Jesus? How are you seeking to pray for God to move them beyond fear and doubt, or even cynicism, to move them toward Himself in faith? What are their specific barriers to knowing Jesus and God's grace? Pray for those barriers to be removed so they can know the transforming power of His love.
5. How is Jesus calling you to go on public record with Him? In what social sphere of influence is it most difficult for you share your allegiance to Christ? Ask God to help you entrust yourself to His care for you as you bear witness to Who He is and what He's done in your life.

5. **Mission:** Going on Public Record with Jesus...

Our mission comes from You Can Pray with Us #5. Enjoy.

- How is Jesus calling you to go on public record with Him?
- In what social sphere of influence is it most difficult for you share your allegiance to Christ?
- Pray. Ask God to help you entrust yourself to His care for you as you bear witness to Who He is and what He's done in your life.