

Mark Chapter 3:7 – 4:20

Memory Verse Mark 3:35 “*Whoever does God’s will is my brother and sister and mother.*”

Day 1: Read Mark 3:7-12

1. Look at a map of Israel during the time of Jesus and find Judea, Jerusalem, Idumea, the regions across the Jordan, Tyre, and Sidon.
2. What did the evil spirits say when they saw Jesus?
3. Why would evil spirits say that?
4. a. What did Jesus order the evil spirits not to do?

b. Why did He do that?

Day 2: Read Mark 3:13-19

1. With the help of Matthew 10:2-4 and Luke 6:14-16, list the apostles who were brothers. If more than one name is used for an apostle, list both.
2. Use the lists in Matthew, Mark, and Luke to list the rest of the apostles. Again, if more than one name is used for an apostle, list both.
3. In Mark 2:13-17, we read what happened when Jesus called Levi to be one of His followers. Where is Levi in the list of apostles? Look at Matthew 9:9-13 and Luke 5:27-32.

Did you end up with a total of 12?

Day 3: Read Mark 3:20-30

1. Why would Jesus's own family think He was "out of his mind?"
2. What did the teachers of the law say about him?
3. Who is Beelzebub? (Also see Matthew 12:24.)
4. The teachers of the law had come all the way from Jerusalem to (look at a map of Israel from the time of Jesus) in order to see Jesus. Why did they come so far to say bad things about Him?
5. How did Jesus reply to what they said?
6. Re-read vs. 28-30. Blasphemy is "continued and obstinate rejection and opposition to God's truth." (Eaton's Bible dictionary). To blaspheme is "to rail or revile" or "speak contemptuously of God or of sacred things," to "slander" or "speak evil" of God. (Vines' Bible dictionary) How were these men blaspheming the Holy Spirit?

4. Who do you think the farmer might be?
5. What could the different types of soil be?

Day 6: Read Mark 4:10-20

1. What did Jesus say that the farmer was sowing?
2. List the different ways people respond, and tell what happened to them?

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD? WHAT HAPPENS?
a.

b.

Why?

c.

Why?

d.

3. What kind of soil do you want to be?

Day 7 Read Mark 4:10-12

1. Who did Jesus say the "secret of the kingdom of God" is given to?
2. Who are "the twelve and the others around him" who ask Him "about the parables"?
3. What did Jesus say was the reason he spoke in parables?
4. How do we understand what is written in the Bible?