

## The Gospel of Mark

### Session 18 – June 5<sup>th</sup> – Chapter 7

#### Chapter 6 Highlights

- Jesus is increasingly rejected, including in his hometown
- The “kingdom”/”reign & rule of God” is expanding and successful
- To follow Jesus and be in his kingdom leads to persecution & death
- Jesus is Yahweh/The Lord come to earth, providing bread in the wilderness, treading upon the waves, and holding power over nature

#### **Public Ministry in Israel Concludes** (6:53-56)

Where did Jesus tell the disciples to go to in the boat? (6:45) Whose territory?

Where do they actually come ashore? Whose territory?

What does Jesus do for the people? What does **not** happen that previously did?

Note what Mark places next in his gospel between Jesus’ ministry in Israel vs. his ministry beyond Israel.

#### **vv. 7:1-23 A Discussion on Clean and Unclean**

Mark may be giving his Gentile hearers (and us) insights into the Pharisees.

A different kind of “unclean” in this context. It deals with those in the \_\_\_\_\_.  
(koinos: common, mundane, profane vs. akathartos: impure)

v.5 Why aren’t the disciples following the ritual washing traditions? (see 2:23-28)

vv. 6-7 Parallels with Isaiah. The people are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (Is. 42:18-20), but judgment is not the last word. What will God do? (43:19 and 43:8).

vv.8-13 Jesus overturns the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_.

vv. 14-15 Jesus overturns the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

What is the reaction of any faithful Jew to such teachings? (Acts 10:14)

\*Danger of human laws as fences. \*Regulations or Relationships? \*Moral Law.

\*The end of the Law (Rom. 10:4) and the “So, what now?” (Mk.7:21-22, 1 Cor.6:9-10)