

## Mark | Week 3 | March 8-12

**Monday** | Mark 6:30-56

**Tuesday** | Mark 7:1-23

**Wednesday** | Mark 7:24-37

**Thursday** | Mark 8:1-21

**Friday** | Mark 8:22-33

### Sermon Text Questions:

1. For the Jews, the sea came to symbolize the dark power of evil, threatening to destroy God's good creation, God's people, God's purposes. What OT character do you recall who slept in a boat in a storm, and yet how does this story of Mark 4:35-41 contrast that one? (Hint: Jonah)
2. What conclusion do the disciples come to when Jesus is asleep in the storm? Why might they come to this conclusion?
3. How do you typically react to storms in your life?
4. Why are the disciples still fearful after Jesus calms the storm in 4:41?
5. When Jesus and his disciples land on the shore of the sea, a man with an unclean spirit confronts them there. How does Mark describe this Gentile (5:1-6)?
6. How does Jesus deal with the man with the unclean spirit?
7. The people beg Jesus to depart from their region. Why are they begging Jesus to leave?
8. Four times in 5:1-20 the word "beg" is used. (Vs. 10, 12, 17, 18) Beg is strong language. What is this about? Why the intensity? What does this say about Jesus?
9. Why does Jesus tell the man he cannot come with him? How is this different from what we have heard Jesus say previously in the Gospel of Mark?