

The Gospel of Mark Message Series

Discussion Guide based on the morning message on February 14th, 2010

No Such Thing as Impossible – Mark 6:30-44

Big Idea: Trusting your circumstances to Jesus brings incredible solutions to impossible problems.

Leading the Session Helps/Discussion Questions

- Make announcements and have a prayer time. (before Choir Members arrive)

ICE BREAKERS

- Larry began with a story of his tight-rope walking experiences. What would be a good definition of belief based on his illustration?
- Are there degrees of belief? If so what are they? What degree of belief saves?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What is Jesus favorite form of mathematics: addition, multiplication, or exponential? Why? What's the difference? Why would this fact give us reason to trust Him?
- What do you trust Jesus for?
- What do we tend to focus on when it comes to our needs? What we do have or what we don't have? What are some examples in the Bible of people who God use despite the fact that they didn't have much to offer?
- In what areas of our lives do we need to exercise faith? (1. Finances – tithing, 2. Talents – using them, 3. Time – giving appropriate time to Kingdom work, ... others.)
- Why would exposure to God's word increase our faith? (We'd see examples of people like Noah, Moses, Joshua, Elijah, and David, among others, who God worked with the little they had to accomplish much.)
- Why can an adult elephant be kept in bondage by an 18 inch stake? How does that parallel our lives?
- Larry said that with God, there is no such thing as blind faith. What did he mean?
- What is the significance of verse 43?

Application

- Sit down this week and calculate your salary. Commit to tithing on your salary for 6 months and then re-evaluate. Choose to trust God in this way and see what He does.

Or

- Take a hard look at the gifts you possess. Commit to using one of your talents in a ministry area of our church by contacting a Minister and offering to serve in that area.

Or

- Evaluate how you spend your time. Commit to giving your time to an area of ministry in or outside the walls of the church that will visibly help someone.