

Wednesday Night Bible Study

September 23, 2020

Robby and Kandi Gallaty

Main Study

Recap:

“Today, this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing” = This whole passage is about me. It was Him explicitly calling Himself the Messiah.

They were all excited, buzzing with excitement. Then they start asking questions. Like “Isn’t this Joseph’s son?”

Joseph may have been dead: the last time we hear about Joseph is when Jesus is 12.

Mark 6

“Astonished” = amazed. Then they asked eight questions:

The first four are supportive:

1. Where did he come from?
2. Where did this man get these things?
3. What is this wisdom?
4. How are these miracles performed by his hands?

The second four are exploratory:

1. Isn't this the carpenter?
2. The son of Mary?
3. The brother of James, Joses, Judas, and Simon?
4. Aren't His sisters here with us?

Remember, everyone is looking for the Messiah in Nazareth.

- Matthew 1: Follows the lineage all the way through Joseph
- Luke 3: Follows the lineage all the way through Mary

Luke 4:23-30

Jesus is citing a story from Elijah's day (1 Kings 17:1, 18:1)

- The expectation in the story was that Elijah would go heal the Jews. But instead, he healed a Gentile woman

And from Elisha's day (2 Kings 5:1-14)

- Elisha went specifically to a Gentile to heal his leprosy, instead of to the nation of Israel.

By bringing up these stories, He was perhaps comparing Israel to the backslidden Israel of Ahab and Jezebel's day.

When the crowd is in disbelief, He's giving a foreshadowing that He's coming for the Gentiles as well as the Jews--a SCANDAL in that day/time/place.

How Stoning worked

- Have 2-3 witnesses come forward and make an accusation
- Tie their hands behind their back to their feet

- Push the person being stoned over the cliff
- If the person didn't die, each person got one stone that they got to roll off of the cliff
- If the person still lived, they considered that God's will that the person live.

So when Jesus was brought to the cliff, they got to the first step of the process. Nobody was there to accuse Him of anything. So He got to leave.

Rabbit Trails

Purpose of a Synagogue:

- Hear the Word
- Schooling for children
- Prayer
- Housed the Scriptures (in the Torah closet)

Why don't we know more about Jesus from 12-30?

- He was probably busy with His schooling. Rabbis ended their schooling and began their ministry at 30.
- It was the job of the father to keep records of the family--and Joseph might have not been alive.
- The gospel writers thought that it was most helpful for us to understand the 3 years of ministry rather than the 18 years of training.

12 people claimed to be the Messiah before Jesus, 12 after.

- Acts 5:33-39 to see two of them that came after Jesus

Additional Resources

Harmony of the Gospels

[Free Version](#)

[Book Version](#)