

“WHEN GOD SIGHED”

Mark 7:31-37

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I. What should you do if you hope for change? (vv. 31-32)

“went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis.”

“And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment.”

“they begged him to lay his hand on him.”

Faith brings the _____ to Jesus.

Mark 5:1-20

II. How can we know Jesus cares? (vv. 33-35)

“taking him aside privately”

“put his fingers in his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue.”

“looking up to heaven, he sighed”

“said to him, ‘Ephphatha,’ that is, ‘Be opened.’”

“his ears were opened, his tongue was released and he spoke plainly”

Jesus _____ for _____ He heals. (vv. 36-37)

2 Kings 13:22-23

Psalm 145:9

Lamentations 3:32-33

James 5:11

SERMON NOTES

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"This enables us to perceive the vehemence of his love towards men, for whose miseries he feels so much compassion." -John Calvin

"Jesus always gives you what you need, and he knows better than you what that is." -Tim Keller

"Jesus wanted the man to know that it was not magic but God's grace that healed him." -Sinclair Ferguson

"The sigh was the sigh of the heart of God for his needy creation." -Sinclair Ferguson

III. What is a proper response to Jesus' compassion?

"Jesus charged them to tell no one."

"they were astonished beyond measure"

"He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

_____ in Jesus' _____ to you.

Exodus 4:11-12

Isaiah 35:5-6

"By giving the man hearing and voice, Jesus acts with the authority of God."

-Mark Strauss

BIG IDEA: Jesus has compassion on our misery.