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Seeing & Hearing the Gospel of Jesus Christ

Small Group Questions — The Week of February 7, 2021

Sermon Overview: After Jesus performs the miracle of the fish and loaves, He sends His disciples away so that He can dismiss the crowds and then move up the mountain to be alone in prayer. From the mountain, Jesus moves across the Sea of Galilee, alone and on foot, continuing to reveal to His hard-hearted disciples who He really is. They are astonished! Once they land on the shore, the masses continue to press in on Him, bringing the sick to Jesus, who alone healed them even as they touched the fringe of His garment. These accounts teach us many things about the uniqueness of Jesus and how He alone can perform these miracles. All of these events are building toward another event that Jesus alone can accomplish. Let's come again to His Word on Sunday, expecting to see the astonishing work of Christ and continue to see that Jesus alone is who we need and who we are to follow.

Scripture Reading: Mark 6:45-56

1. Why did Jesus dismiss His disciples?
2. What does Jesus example of moving up the mountain teach us about prayer?
3. Why did Jesus intend to pass by the disciples?
4. As He speaks to His disciples, what is He revealing about Himself?
5. Why does Mark point out that the disciples missed the significance of the feeding of five thousand?
6. What is significant about how Jesus heals the sick who were touching the fringe of His garment?