

Discovering Jesus -- Dennis Webber
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DISCOVERING JESUS: A Study in the Gospel of Mark

THE THREE RESPONDERS

The People In **CONTROL**.

No matter how crazy a situation is, no matter how costly and destructive the situation or relationship really is, there is always someone who **STANDS TO LOSE** if the situation **CHANGES**.

The People **WATCHING**.

In the end neither the message nor the methods actually **CHANGE WHO THEY ARE**.

The People Who Are **CHANGED**.

They begin to **UNDERSTAND** and **ACCEPT** the truly radical message they are hearing.

They do not just see miracles but begin to be **CHANGED BY THEM**.

Mark 3:1-8 (Page 695)

The Kingdom of God **AFFECTS** everyone but not everyone is **CHANGED BY IT**; it **TOUCHES** everyone but not everyone comes away from that touch a **BETTER PERSON**.

So the question this morning is which kind of person are you?

How are you responding to Jesus?

Are you a **REJECTER**, a **SPECTATOR**, or are you **CHANGED**?

THE REJECTERS

If Jesus is who He claimed to be, then you are going **TO LOSE SOMETHING** if you go along with Him.

THE SPECTATORS

The watchers, the wannabes, the curious but unchanged; this is the **BIGGEST GROUP**.

THE CHANGED

Being changed by Jesus requires that you **PARTICIPATE WITH HIM** and what He wants to do.

The first decision you have to make is to **LEAVE WHERE YOU ARE** and **COME TO JESUS**.

The second decision is whether or not you are willing to expose your weakness, your failures, and your sins.

If you **HIDE YOUR PROBLEMS**, you will **NEVER BE HEALED**.