



**AS MANY AS TOUCHED HIM WERE MADE WELL**  
MARK 6:53-56

**The theme of the gospel: God the Son has come in the man Jesus of Nazareth**

*A stunning contrast;*

**MARK 6:2-3, 5**

<sup>2</sup> ... and many who heard him were astonished, saying, "Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to him? How are such mighty works done by his hands? <sup>3</sup> *Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him... <sup>5</sup> And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them.*

*The crowds: a picture of saving faith;*

**MARK 2:17**

<sup>17</sup> And when Jesus heard it, he said to them, "*Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.*"

**Faith that saves: casting—without reservation—one's whole soul and eternity upon Christ with confidence that He is <sup>1</sup>accessible to the sinner, <sup>2</sup>willing to receive the sinner, and <sup>3</sup>able to save the sinner.**

*The accessibility of Jesus;*

**HEBREWS 11:6**

<sup>6</sup> And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists *and that he rewards those who seek him.*

**1 TIMOTHY 1:15**

<sup>15</sup> The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that *Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.*

**JOHN 6:37**

<sup>37</sup> All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out.

**The disciple needs to know that there is a Rescuer who has made Himself accessible to all whom come to Him.**

*The willingness of Jesus;*

**MATTHEW 11:28-30**

<sup>28</sup> *Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."*

**The disciple needs to know that there is a Rescuer who is willing to deliver all who come to Him.**

*The power of Jesus;*

**ISAIAH 59:1**

<sup>1</sup> *Behold, the LORD's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, or his ear dull, that it cannot hear.*

**HEBREWS 7:25**

<sup>25</sup> *Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them...*

**The disciple needs to know that there is a Rescuer who is able to save all who come to Him.**

*The duty of the disciple;*

**JOHN 1:45**

<sup>45</sup> Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

**LUKE 14:23**

<sup>23</sup> And the master said to the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedges *and compel people to come in*, that my house may be filled.

**ROMANS 10:14-15**

<sup>14</sup> How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? *And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?* <sup>15</sup> *And how are they to preach unless they are sent?* As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!"