

Welcome to Hope Sabbath School—an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God. We are continuing a series of studies on The Gospel of Mark. Today's topic: TEACHING DISCIPLES – Part II.

**1. The teaching of Jesus about marriage**

- a) Mark 10:1-12 What can we learn about marriage from the interaction of Jesus with some Pharisees?
- b) Genesis 1:27, 2:24-25 What additional truths are contained in these inspired testimonies by the prophet Moses? (quoted by Jesus)
- c) Our Creator's gift of marriage is under attack today. How can you strengthen your own marriage or the marriages of those you love?

**2. Showing love and care for children**

- a) Mark 10:13-16 What can we learn from the example of Jesus in His interaction with children?
- b) Why did the disciples react so harshly to those who brought their children to Jesus?
- c) Share some other stories of Jesus showing love and care for children. Mark 5:41-43, 9:17-27, etc.
- d) What are some ways we can reveal the immeasurable, unfailing love of God to our children or the children within our circle of influence?

**3. The deceitfulness of riches**

- a) Mark 10:17-22 What was this rich young ruler's problem?
- b) Mark 10:23-27 According to Jesus, when does personal wealth become a hindrance for salvation?
- c) Mark 10:28-31 What are your thoughts about the comment of Peter and the response of Jesus?

- d) Share a time when you became distracted by the acquisition of wealth. How did the Holy Spirit help you to refocus on what is most important in life?

**4. Prediction of suffering, death, and resurrection**

- a) Mark 10:32 Why were the disciples amazed that Jesus was going before them to Jerusalem?
- b) Mark 10:33-34 What can we learn from the interaction of Jesus with His disciples concerning His sufferings, death, and resurrection?
- c) How does the comment of James and John relate to the profound revelation they have just received? Mark 10:35-37
- d) How did Jesus respond? Mark 10:38-40
- e) What can we learn from the reaction of the other disciples? Mark 10:41 (See also Mark 9:33-34)
- f) What does greatness look like in the kingdom of God? Mark 10:42-45

**5. Healing for Bartimaeus**

- a) Mark 10:46-52 What impresses you about this healing of the blind man Bartimaeus?
- b) How would you respond today if Jesus asked you the same question: "What do you want Me to do for you?"

