



Mark 7:31-37

INTRODUCTION

Jesus continues his journey in gentile territory as he encounters a deaf and mute man. Jesus, in great compassion, heals this man and in so doing shows us a glimpse of the glories of the kingdom that he has brought.

INSTRUCTIONS

This guide is meant to facilitate discussion which will lead to a response to God's word. Therefore, please use it as tool that best fits the needs of your small group.

OPENING DISCUSSION

- What was the most interesting idea/concept about Sunday's sermon?
- What is your overall impression of Jesus in this passage?

REVIEW

- Have someone read **Mark 7:31-37**
- What stands out to you most about the way Jesus heals this man?
- How does Christ's sigh (v.34) deepen your understanding of His compassion?
- How does this miracle point beyond one healing to the coming Kingdom of God?

APPLICATION

- What does this teach us about intercession? Who might God be calling you to bring before Him in prayer?
- How does this challenge the way we minister to others?
- Why do you think praise often flows more freely when we celebrate what God has done?
- How does remembering God's larger kingdom purposes help us praise Him even when our personal circumstances are hard?
- In what ways have you already experienced Christ's restoring work in your life?

PRAYER (divide the group based on gender if desired)

- What action/repentance does God want you to take according to the truths of this text?
- Are there any other prayer needs?