
Prayer and Radical Compassion
Mark 1:35–45
November 17, 2013

Introduction

- I. Jesus models the life of prayer. Mark 1:35
 - A. The need for prayer.
 - B. The priority of prayer
 - C. Prayer and discerning the will of God. Mark 1:37–39
- II. The priority of preaching over miracles. Mark 1:37–39; 2 Timothy 4:1–2
- III. Jesus heals the Leper. Mark 1:40–42
 - A. The Leper’s humility.
 - B. Christ’s compassion.
- IV. The healed man ignores Christ’s command. Mark 1:43–45

Questions for reflection:

- *Why is prayer so important? What are the benefits of prayer?*
- *What one or two decisions or changes would most impact your prayer life?*
- *Why does Jesus prioritize preaching over miracles?*
- *Christ models radical compassion in healing the unclean leper. How have you experienced Christ’s compassion?*
- *How can I display Christ’s amazing compassion for others?*