

## **“MINISTRY IN UNEXPECTED PLACES”**

**Mark 6:53-56**

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### **I. Where did Jesus and the disciples go when He got in the boat? (vv. 53-56)**

*“they came to land at Gennesaret”.*

*“people immediately recognized him”*

*“ran about ... to bring the sick people on their beds”.*

*“the sick” (vs. 55) to be \_\_\_\_\_, to be ill.*

*“the sick” (vs. 56) the feeble, to be weak/without \_\_\_\_\_.*

**Jesus brings us to unexpected places full of misery & empty of power.**

### **II. How did Jesus respond to this endless parade of miserable & powerless people? (vs. 56)**

*“implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment”*

*“And as many as touched it were made well”*

**1 Corinthians 21**

**Isaiah 53**

**Jesus shows compassion upon the weak & miserable with His power.**

**Numbers 15:37-39**

**Deuteronomy 22:12**

**1 Chronicles 21**

**Psalm 116:15**

**Isaiah 53; 57:1-2**

*"The works of Jesus appear to be an epiphany of divine power and the people treat him as a miracle worker or divine man whose power is released through touch."*

-William Lane

*"... that in healing bodies he shadowed out something greater, namely, that he restores our souls to health, and that it is his peculiar office to remove spiritual diseases."*

- John Calvin

*"All shall work together for good; everything is needful that he sends; nothing can be needful that he withholds..."*

-John Newton

### **III. We've seen all this before. Why is this here?**

**Jesus leaves people without excuse.**

**Hebrews 10:11-14; 13:8**

*"Hence we infer, that singularly base and wicked must have been the ingratitude of that nation which wickedly shut its eyes from perceiving, and even endeavored, as far as lay in its power, to extinguish the brightness of the divine glory which was exhibited before them."*

-John Calvin

*"... the reason why Christ came, which was, that he might offer himself as a physician to heal all (kinds) of diseases of all men."*

-John Calvin

**BIG IDEA: Jesus brings us to unexpected places to do unexpected ministry.**