

## **The Gospel of Mark - Week Two**

### **The authority of Jesus**

**Wednesday, June 24**

**6:30 PM-8:00 PM**

### **Reading**

**Mark 4:1 – Mark 6:56**

### **Opening Prayer**

### **Questions to Consider**

1. Jesus uses four parables in Chapter 4: the Mustard Seed, the Growing Seed, the Lamp, and The Sower of Seed. Which of these four is most helpful to you? How is it helpful?
2. Read carefully Mark 5:1-20. Then compare it to Matthew 8:28-34. Remember that Mark is the original story. How are they similar and how are they different? Why would they be different? (A map is attached.)
3. What does Mark 5:24-34 tell us? Be specific about each lesson here.
4. What are the two most striking things for you about the story in Mark 6:1-6a? How would you react if one of your neighbors' children came back to town claiming to be a prophet?
5. So, we are back in Gennesaret (or Gergesaret) on the eastern shore of the Sea of Galilee (Mark 6:53-56). The people are excited to see Jesus. How does this compare with his earlier visit in Mark 5:1-20? What may have changed?

### **What does this segment of Mark mean for me today?**

### **Closing Prayer**