

## **Sermon Series - Mark: Jesus | Our Servant King**

### **Sermon - Mark 4:1-20**

#### **Discussion Questions**

1. Verse 8. What is shocking about Jesus' statement?
2. What is a parable? Why did Jesus use parables when he taught?
3. Throughout the parable, Jesus emphasizes "hearing." Why is He focusing on "hearing?"
4. How do we respond when we hear God's word? What determines how we respond when we "hear" the word of God?
5. Verses 10-12. After Jesus teaches the parable to the crowd, He spoke with the disciples. How were the disciples different than the crowd?
6. Verses 13-20. Jesus explains the parable. For each category, give a brief description of Jesus' explanation
  1. Category 1: Verses 14-15
  2. Category 2: Verses 16-17
  3. Category 3: Verses 18-19
  4. Category 4: Verses 20
7. Personal Reflection: Which category in Jesus' parable is representative of your life? How do you know?

#### **Next Steps**

How will you sew the word of God this week?