

# ***The GOSPEL of MARK***

## ***Our Call to Discipleship***

*Kingdom Expansion: The Disciple's Mortification*

***Mark 9:42-50***

### **PASTOR'S PRAYER**

Almighty Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. O God, you know our folly; the wrongs that we have done are not hidden from you. We were foolish in being disobedient, and our desires are senseless and harmful.

Folly was bound up in our hearts when we were children; Our path has been one of foolish confidence, and in many instances we have done very foolishly.

We have been brutish and ignorant, and even like beasts toward God.

O that sin might be shown to be sin to us and appear in its own colors; and through the commandment may we see it to be sinful beyond measure, because it is lawlessness. By every willful sin we have in effect said, "We do not want this man to reign over us." And, "Who is the LORD, that we should obey his voice?"

And thus have we reviled the LORD, and cast his law behind our back.

By breaking the law we have dishonored God, and given bitter provocation to the Holy One of Israel. And many a thing that we have done has displeased the Lord.

God has been broken over our whoring heart and our eyes that have gone whoring after our idols. We have put him to the test, and to the proof, and grieved him in the wilderness; have rebelled, and grieved his Holy Spirit, and pressed him down with our iniquities, as a cart full of sheaves presses down. We have grieved the Holy Spirit of God, by whom we were sealed for the day of

redemption. Amen & Amen. <https://www.matthewhenry.org/>

### ***OUTLINE***

1. Consider Your Responsibility for Sin (v. 42)
2. Consider Your Intensity toward Sin (vv. 43-48)
3. Consider Your Difficulty with Sin (vv. 49-50)

### ***Central Textual Truth***

*Jesus Christ calls His disciples to mortify sin .*

### ***Central Sermon Aim***

*I want SGBC to mortify our sin.*