

## **Pressure** **Mark 1:35-45**

John 16:33, "I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation (literally, "pressure"). But take heart; I have overcome the world."

### **The BIG Idea**

The grace that saves us in Jesus, also fuels our \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus—enabling us to respond to everyday \_\_\_\_\_ like Jesus.

### **Jesus Prays (verses 35-39)**

- Why does Jesus pray?
- In the Greek, there's a connection between the "\_\_\_\_\_ place" in verses 35 and 45 and the "\_\_\_\_\_" back in verse 13.
- Jesus feels the pressure to be \_\_\_\_\_ kind of King.
- Jesus responds to pressure with prayer because prayer \_\_\_\_\_ His will to the Father's will.

Matthew 6:9-10, "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

### **Jesus Perseveres (verses 40-45)**

- Jesus keeps going ... being and doing what the Father has \_\_\_\_\_ Him to be and do.
- Lepers did not approach people because ...
  1. Leprosy was extremely \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Lepers were \_\_\_\_\_ (see Leviticus 13-14).
- Leprosy is a living \_\_\_\_\_.
- Jesus doesn't \_\_\_\_\_ from this man; He reaches out and touches this man, and heals him.
- The ex-leper doesn't keep the secret, so Jesus is relegated to ministry in out-of-the-way places.
- But the people-pressure doesn't \_\_\_\_\_; it keeps on coming.
- Mark is showing us that the pressure Jesus faces isn't just \_\_\_\_\_; it's \_\_\_\_\_.

### **How We Persevere**

1. Know the depth of \_\_\_\_\_.

1 John 3:16, "By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us."

John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."

2. Make prayer the first \_\_\_\_\_ rather than a last \_\_\_\_\_.

Matthew 26:41, "Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

3. Just \_\_\_\_\_.

Hebrews 12:1-2, "Let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God."