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THE ESSENTIAL GOSPEL - THE BOOK OF MARK

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MARK 3:21 (ESV)

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FOUR FACES IN THE PORTRAIT

1. THE PHARISEES

MARK 3:5

"And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, "stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him."

HEBREWS 3:12-13

*"Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called today. That none of you may be **hardened** by the deceitfulness of sin."*

2. THE MULTITUDES

MARK 3:8

when the great crowd heard all that he was doing, they came to him. And he told his disciples to have a boat ready for him because of the crowd, lest they crush him...

"You will never be able to draw the security you need from those who are drawn to you by the insecurity of need"

3. HIS FAMILY

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And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying "He is out of his mind."

"They wanted to rescue him from being radical"

4. HIS DISCIPLES

MARK 3:13-14

And he went up on the mountain and called to him those whom he desired and they came to him. And he appointed twelve (whom he also named apostles) so that they might be with him and he might send them out to preach and have authority to cast out demons.

- A. He called to His disciples. His Family called Him.
 - B. The **DEMONS** obeyed Him and His **DISCIPLES** obeyed Him. **One forcefully, the other willingly.**
 - C. **OBEDIENCE = THE RADICAL RE-ARRANGING OF PRIORITIES**
 - D. **2 PURPOSES OF A DISCIPLE:**
 - 1. to be with Him [vs. 14]: Relationship
 - 2. To be Sent [vs. 14]: Rescuership
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