

THE TRAGEDY OF UNBELIEF *from* MARK 6:1-6

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The Lord Jesus Christ is by far the most remarkable and fascinating person to ever walk on the face of the earth. No other person has ever influenced the world more than Jesus Christ. Matthew recognized Him as Emmanuel – God with us (Matt 1:21). John saw Him as God made in flesh (John 1:1-14). Peter knew Him as the Messiah, the Son of the Living God (Matt 16:16). Paul recognized Him as God manifest in flesh (I Tim 3:16). Thomas, whom we lovingly call Doubting Thomas, fell before Him declaring, *My Lord and my God* (John 20:26-31).

Today, the world is divided on the identification of Jesus Christ. Charles Spurgeon wrote, “Christ is the great central fact in the world’s history.” All the lines of history converge upon Him. All the purposes of God culminate in Him. So why is it that many reject Him as their own Lord and Savior? It all boils down to this truth: here is a major difference between knowing about Him and knowing Him.

I. The Reason for His Visit to Nazareth (Mark 6:1-2)

II. The Reaction to His Visit to Nazareth (Mark 6:2b-4)

A. What the people said (2b-3)

B. What Jesus said (6:4)

III. The Result of His Visit (6:5-6)

A. Nazareth’s Misfortune (6:5)

B. Christ’s Marvel (6:6)