

Lunatic, Liar or Lord... Are You Part of His Family?

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Mark 3:20-35

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Review:

- Mark has shown us confrontations between Jesus and the other kingdoms

Mark's Dramatic TV

- Mark shows us a split-screen so we can grasp the contrast

Scene One - They thought he was a Lunatic 20-21

- Jesus' ministry is quite busy – so busy they couldn't even eat
- Some later manuscripts eliminate this awkward moment
- Jesus' family thinks he is a crazy lunatic - sought to rescue

Scene Two - He was a Liar & Bad Man 22

- Religious leaders came to discredit Jesus
- Accuse Jesus of casting out demons by Beelzebul

Mark Presents Key Argument

- family says Jesus is crazy lunatic
- religious leaders say Jesus is liar & deceiver, of Satan
- Mark shows us Jesus is who He claims: the Son of God

Jesus answers the Supposed Theologians 23-26

- Jesus exposes their logical fallacy
- If Satan drives out satan then he is defeated
- Jesus is ushering in the kingdom of God^{1:15}

War of Two Kingdoms 27

- God's kingdom is overcoming the kingdom of darkness!
- Jesus is binding up the strong man & will destroy darkness

Beware of the Unforgiveable 28-30

- Jesus confronts the supposed shepherds with TRUTH
- Truth #1: all manner of sins can be forgiven!
- What is the unpardonable sin? Can I commit it?
- Jesus demonstrated who He was by healing & exorcisms – attributing that work to Satan is blasphemy!
- Religious leaders had seen Jesus' compassion & miracles but they stubbornly attributed to Satan
- If you are worried about committing that sin – stop worrying

Christ's True Family 31-35

- We eavesdropped on family in 21,22 - thought Jesus crazy
- Family arrives and tries to 'extricate' from crowd
- Message is passed to Jesus
- Jesus asks, "who are my mother and my brothers?"
- Jesus was sensitive to family ^{Lk2:51;Jn19:26-27;Ex20:12}
- We are to put relationship with God FIRST! ^{Mk10:29-31}
- What about you? Are you part of God's family by faith – believing in Jesus work on your behalf? ^{Rom8:15-17}

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