
Date: April 23, 2023 **Message:** The Offense of Jesus

Series: Gospel of Mark **Scripture:** Mark 6:1-6

How they reacted: _____

Why they were offended: _____

Why we need His offense: _____

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

Mark 6:1-6

1. Before reading this text (Mark 6:1-6), how would you expect people in Jesus' hometown to react to Him? Why?
2. Does their reaction surprise you? Disturb you? Comfort you? Something else? Why?
3. How do you think you would react to someone from your childhood, who seemed totally normal, growing up to do the things Jesus was doing? Would any part of you respond like the people in Jesus' hometown? What does your reaction reveal about your heart?
4. Imagine for a moment you didn't have any prior knowledge of Jesus. Would you expect the Savior of the world to be a regular working class individual or someone in a position of power? Why?
5. Do you see Jesus' perfectly lived, normal life more of a model to follow or a substitute on your behalf? Why? What difference would it make?
6. In what areas of your life do you sometimes struggle to believe you have the full credit and blessings for Jesus' perfectly lived life through faith in Him? What difference would it make if you did?