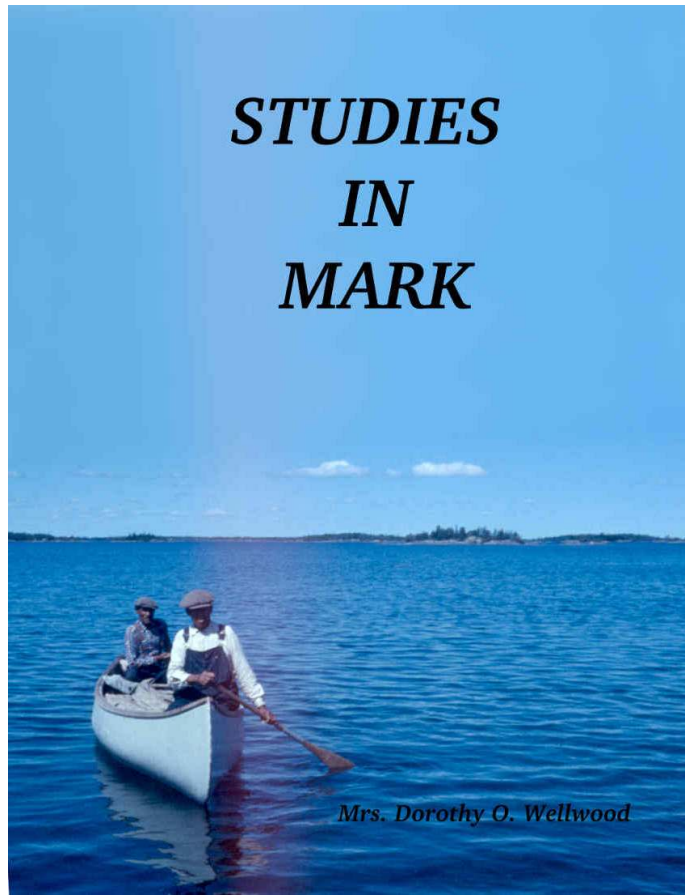


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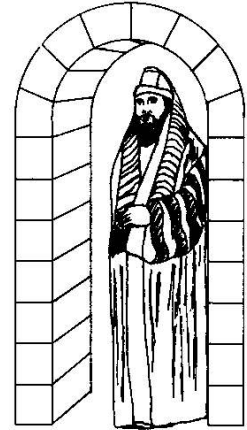


LESSON 9

MARK 3:1-5

PHARISEES

The Pharisees were religious leaders of the Jews. They started out all right, but later they became proud. They hated Jesus. They were jealous of Jesus because He could do so many things that they could not do. People followed Jesus instead of them. The Pharisees tried to keep the laws of God. They made up some of their own laws too. Jesus told them, “ You forget all about love and mercy.”



The Pharisees did not work for the Romans against their own people.

HERODIANS

The Herodians were leaders of the Jews too. They liked politics more than the Word of God. They worked for the Romans to get favors for themselves.

The **Pharisees** and the **Herodians** were not very good friends. Yet, they agreed about one thing. They both hated Jesus and wanted to kill Him. They were jealous of Jesus. They did not know Jesus was the Son of God.

READ MARK 3:1-5

Fill in the blanks:

1. Mark told of one time before that Jesus went into the synagogue.

In what chapter was that?



2. In Mark 3:1, there was a man who needed Jesus.
What was the matter with that man?
3. Some of Jesus' enemies were in the synagogue too.
Did they go to the synagogue to worship God? (verse 2)
4. Why did the enemies of Jesus go to the synagogue? (verse 2)
5. Was Jesus ever afraid of His enemies?
6. Jesus told the man to “stand forth,” or to come up front. He wanted everybody to see what He was going to do. This was to be a lesson for His followers, as well as for His enemies. Jesus did a miracle for all to see. Look in the dictionary to see what a miracle is.
Write the meaning:
7. What miracle did Jesus do there in the synagogue? (verse 5)
8. In verse 4, Jesus asked His enemies two questions. Copy these questions down from your Bible.
 - 1)
 - 2)
9. How did the enemies answer Jesus?
10. Look up the word “anger” in the dictionary.

Write the meaning:

11. Verse 5 says Jesus looked at the people with anger. Why?

12. How else does it say Jesus felt in verse 5?

13. If our hearts are hard instead of loving, does this hurt Jesus?

14. Sometimes anger is bad. Sometimes anger is not bad. Put “yes” or “no” in the blanks after these problems about getting angry:

- (1) We should get angry when we are in a hurry to get dinner and the fire will not burn (Colossians 3:8)
- (2) When somebody is mean to us and tells lies about us, we should get angry at them (Ephesians 4:1)
- (3) If we have an enemy who steals our meat, we should be very angry at him (Matthew 5:43,44)
- (4) We should be angry at sin and the work of the devil (Mark 3:5)

Ephesians 4:26 tells us “be angry and sin not.” We can be angry at sin, but not at the sinner. If we get angry at someone who hurts us, we may never get a chance to bring him to Christ. If we can bring him to Christ, his life will change, and he will not act bad to us anymore.

In Romans 5:8, God tells that Jesus loved us, and died for us while we were still sinners. Jesus did all this for us. If we still do not put our trust in Him to save us, God's wrath (anger) will be upon us. (John 3:36)

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