

"CONSCIOUS AND INTENTIONAL MINISTRY: DOING WHO I AM"

Also I heard the voice of the Lord saying: "Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me." Isaiah 6:

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TEXT: MARK 6:1-6

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TITLE: BEING WHO I AM AND DOING WHO I AM WILL OFFEND SOME

INTRODUCTION

- A. We have three primary ways to mark the transition of time:
 - 1. The Past What has been
 - 2. The Present What is
 - 3. The Future What will be
 - 4. "If you are Depressed, you are living in the Past. If you are Anxious, you are living in the Future. If you are at Peace, you are living in the Present."
- B. Unfortunately, there are some who specialize in resurrecting other people's past
- C. For them, if the truth of my past does not reconcile with the reality of my present and the prospects of my future, they become offended ______
- D. Offend = Skandalizo
 - 1. To put a stumbling block or impediment in the way, upon which another may trip and fall
 - 2. The one whose foot gets entangled feels annoyed, thus causing displeasure "Offended"
 - 3. As women of God and men of God, we are sometimes impediments between them and their expectation of us and/or what should occur. They become annoyed with us and feel displeasure "Offended"
- E. "You are supposed to stay in your place"
 - 1. Justified Traditionally
 - 2. Justified Biblically

JESUS IS TEACHING IN THE TEMPLE IN NAZARETH (JESUS IS BEING JESUS AND DOING JESUS)

- A. Many who heard Jesus teach were astonished, and said,
 - 1. Where did this man get these things?
 - 2. What is this wisdom that has been given to him?
 - 3. How is He performing such mighty works with His hands?
- B. Isn't this the carpenter?
 - 1. There was an expectation established for who Jesus would be and what Jesus would do
 - 2. Jesus was out of His place
- C. There is an expectation established for who you are supposed to be and what you are supposed to do
- D. Isn't this His mother, and brothers, and sisters?
- E. If that is who your family is, then that is who you are

THE PEOPLE WERE OFFENDED

- A. The people only saw Jesus for who He was, and could not appreciate nor accept Jesus for who God called Him to be and what God called Him to do They were offended Jesus was amazed at their unbelief, and kept teaching _
- B. Jesus, A prophet is honored everywhere except in his own hometown and among his relatives and his own family_
- C. People often see us for who we were and cannot appreciate nor accept us for who God called us to be and what God called us to do The become offended ______
- D. What do we do?
 - 1. We may be amazed that they do not believe
 - 2. However, we get back to work