

**"Before the sermon, read Mark 6:1-6 and try to fill in the blanks.**

**See if you can guess what Pastor Jeff will say based on the text of the Bible!"**

**Series: Mark (Jesus - the Son of God)**

**Sermon: Close to Jesus, and Not Impressed**

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**Bible Verses: Mark 6:1-6**

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**The closer I am to someone, the more likely I will \_\_\_\_\_ how \_\_\_\_\_ they are.**

Jesus taught the truth, but they refused to \_\_\_\_\_ it. Instead, they focus on how Jesus (who grew up in their town) got to be that way.

The people from Jesus' hometown are so familiar with Jesus that they \_\_\_\_\_ the truth or be affected by the miracles. They commit logical fallacies in response to his teachings to try and keep him \_\_\_\_\_, mentally and emotionally.

What will I do with the truth that I am a sinner to be judged unless I \_\_\_\_\_ as my Lord?

Familiarity breeds \_\_\_\_\_. ~ Aesop

### **Practical Applications:**

God has provided Church, Pastors, growth group leaders, and other Church leaders – including my growth group - in my life to help \_\_\_\_\_ spiritually and \_\_\_\_\_. Do I not take them seriously enough because I'm too \_\_\_\_\_ with them? Do I write off their advice or discipline because they're "just people"?

If Jesus commented on my faith, what kind of "amazed" would he be: amazed at my \_\_\_\_\_ in him or amazed at my \_\_\_\_\_ of faith?

- *Finances/Giving*
- *Sharing the word*
- *Pursuing a call to \_\_\_\_\_*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *and Fostering*
- *Stop worrying about future*

### **Practical Warning:**

A lot of Christians look for \_\_\_\_\_ experiences instead getting to know the real Christ because they get "familiar" with him and aren't \_\_\_\_\_. I must go deep with God in the \_\_\_\_\_ (Galatians 5) rather than emotional and crazy experiences.

### **Practical Applications**

I must seek Jesus through \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, Bible study, memorization, fasting, and other well-known Christian practices and not simply emotional experiences.

I must seek Jesus through daily \_\_\_\_\_ and weekly Church attendance. This also includes my growth group.