## THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. MARK Session 15: Mark 9:30-10:12

## THE SECOND PASSION AND RESURRECTION PREDICTION

1. Read Mark 9:30-32. What perhaps hindered the disciples from understanding what Jesus said? Note: The Greek in verse 32 literally reads: "But they consistently/really failed to understand the utterance, but they were afraid to question him." (Voelz).

	<b>UE DISCIPLESHIP</b> Read Mark 9:33-37. The Reign and Rule of God is different from the kingdoms of the world. The world's leaders argue and jostle for positions of importance. What makes a person important in God's kingdom? Why do you think this is so?
3.	What example of service does Jesus give us in verse 37?
4.	What is the best way for you personally to become the "greatest" member of your church?
5.	Read Mark 9:38-41. What is the problem from the disciples' perspective? Read Numbers 11:24-30. How does Joshua's problem relate?
6.	How does Jesus respond? And what is the message to the disciples?
7.	Read Mark 9:42-50. How serious is Jesus about sin? See what he says in verses 42–48.
8.	"Salted with fire" What does Jesus mean by these words?

- 9. Explain the following:
  - a. "Have salt in yourselves"

b. "be at peace with one another"
<b>DIVORCE</b> 10. Read Mark 10:1-12. Why did some Pharisees bring up the issue of divorce?
11. Read Deuteronomy 24:1. Why did Moses allow for divorce?
12. Jesus explained why Moses allowed the people of his day to get divorces. What was that?
13. But this was not the LORD's will. Read Malachi 2:13-16. What is the LORD's will concerning marriage?
14. According to the New Testament, when are divorces permitted? See Matthew 5:32 and 1 Corinthians 7:12 15.
15. What is the basic principle we need to keep in mind about marriage? (verses 5–9)