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Topic: Life of Christ – No Honour for Christ

Scripture Text: Mark 6:1-6

1. We must honour the Lord Jesus Christ for who He is as the Son of God and the Son of Man. Often the way we worship and live our lives dishonour the Lord Jesus Christ more than we admit it.

- 2. In Mark 6:1-3, we see the 3 ingredients of dishonouring the Lord Jesus Christ. From v.1-3, it is the failure to see the deity of Jesus Christ. The people only recognised Jesus as a mortal human being and could not see Him as God. Jesus is called Immanuel who is God with us. He is truly God incarnate who came to this world to save us.
- 3. In their failure to see Jesus as God, the people mocked and rejected Jesus even though they saw His miracles and heard His teachings. To truly honour the Lord Jesus Christ, we ought to stand in awe of God's Word (Psalm 119:161). We will love God's Word to study and obey it.
- 4. The 2nd ingredient of dishonouring the Lord Jesus Christ is familiarity which breeds contempt (v.4). The step brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ who grew up with Him in the same household but did not believe in Him. They saw Jesus living a perfect life from infancy to adulthood and yet rejected Him. This is a warning to 2nd generation Christians who are brought to church from infants and know so much of the Bible.
- 5. The 3rd ingredient of dishonouring the Lord Jesus Christ is faithlessness (v.5-6). The people of Jesus' hometown was faithless and Jesus marvelled at their unbelief. A believer who hears God's Word and is faithless to receive it is dishonouring to Jesus too. Let our lives be one that will always honour our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.