

“Marvel”
Mark 6:1-6, Luke 7:1-10

Introduction: Let's play word association to kick things off today.
When I say the word marvel, you say the first thing that pops into your mind?

- Marvel basically means amazement.
- Did you know that Jesus used the word to describe two different things that amazed Him? One was unbelief, and the other was faith. Is Jesus amazed at your faith or your unbelief?
- I'm preaching to myself here. The Lord has convinced me through these passages. I want Romans 4:19-21 to be true of me, but if I'm honest, I often vacillate between faith and unbelief.

How can we live in such a way that Jesus will marvel at our faith instead of our unbelief?

Mark 6:1-6

- They had rejected Him there and tried to kill Him the year before so He was gracious to return.
- Explain their questions and doubts and what He says to them.

-Principle: When we miss who Jesus is, we miss out on what Jesus can do.

- They thought they knew Him and had Him figured out but completely missed Him. We do that as well.

Who do you believe Jesus is? Do you treat Him like another human?

Luke 7:1-10

- 1. Great faith is an expression of humility rooted in grace.**
- 2. Great faith takes God's Word and acts on it.**
- 3. Great faith acknowledges and submits to the Lordship of Christ.**

What are you believing God for?

Whose salvation are you to believe for?

What are we to believe for as a church?