Mark Lesson 17 (2022)

**A PROPHET WITHOUT HONOR**

Mark 6:1-6

Key Verse: 6:4

**Open it:**

1. Do you think it’s easier to talk about your faith with a stranger, a family member, or a close friend? Why?

**Explore it:**

1. Read verses 1-2. What did Jesus do when he returned to his hometown? (1-2) Why were the people of Nazareth amazed by Jesus?
2. Read verse 3. Why did the people of Nazareth react negatively to Jesus’ visit? What does the cliché “Familiarity breeds contempt” mean? Why did they talk among themselves about Jesus’ family background? What prevents us from listening to the people we know well?
3. Read verses 4-5. What did Jesus say to the people who scoffed at him? What prevented Jesus from doing more than a few miracles in Nazareth?
4. Read verse 6a. At what was Jesus amazed? How did the response to Jesus in Nazareth compare to that in the other regions Jesus had visited?

**Apply it:**

1. How can we make ourselves more open to the insights of parents, siblings, or others close to us?