

## Jesus, The Divine Carpenter Clothed in Humanity

### Introduction:

- Negative Space as a pattern of seeing God through the eyes of faith.
- God is calling us to see Himself in the humble carpenter of Nazareth and to see through the things of this world into the things of the eternal heavenly realm that is our true home.

### Big Idea:

- *Jesus is the Divine Carpenter—the Creator—clothed in humanity*

### Text:

- Mark 6:1—Jesus returns to His hometown.
  - Jesus returned to those who were familiar with Him.
- Mark 6:1—His disciples *followed Him*.
  - Following Jesus is primarily about the orientation of one's life and heart towards the person, work and ways of Jesus. It is not primarily about any physical location or geographic direction.
- Mark 6:2-6—The recognition and rejection of Jesus.
  - The wisdom and miraculous power of Jesus is clearly recognized by the people of Nazareth.
    - Jesus' wisdom is the eternal wisdom of the eternal Word who was in the beginning with God and who was (and is) God.
    - Jesus' miraculous power is the power of the Creator God.
  - The deeply disturbing effects of sin that reject Jesus:
    - Because of sin, familiarity breeds contempt when it should foster trust and security.
    - Sin leads to unbelief which rejects the grace of God.
    - This kind of unbelief is deeply disturbing to Jesus.

### **Sermon Reflection Questions:**

1. What new insights about Jesus can you be meditating on after hearing this sermon?
2. In what ways was this different than what you thought it would be or previously understood it to be?
3. Does this change the way you think about or enhance your view Jesus in any way?
4. How does this change the way you think about or view what it means to be a Christian (a follower of Jesus)?
5. How could you use this truth to share Jesus with others?
6. What are any questions or concerns that this brings up in your heart or mind?
7. Are there patterns and habits in your life that need to change to help you better live in light of what you just heard?
8. Do you have any questions about what you just heard?