

(33) Nazareth's Second Rejection of Christ (Mt. 13:53-58; Mk. 6:1-6)

1. Jesus came to his hometown (πατρίς patris ^{#3968}_{4x}) for the second recorded time since His ministry began.
 - a. See [GM2: Rejected at Nazareth] for the first episode in Jesus' hometown.
 - b. The last time He made them so angry they tried to kill Him (Luke 4:16-30).
2. Jesus teaching ministry caused astonishment. ἐκπλήσσω ekplēssō ^{#1605}_{13x}.
 - a. Teaching with authority produced repeated astonishment (Matt. 7:28; 22:33; Mk. 1:22; 11:18; Lk. 4:32; Acts 13:12 cf. [Mpol 7:3](#)).
 - b. Wisdom (ἡ σοφία sophia ^{#4678}_{51x}).
 - c. Powers (αἱ δυνάμεις dunameis ^{#1411}_{119x}).
3. His fellow Nazarenes could not overcome their subjectivity (Mt. 13:55-57; Mk. 6:3-4).
 - a. The carpenter's son (Matt. 13:55) the carpenter (Mk. 6:3).
 - b. Mother Mary and four brothers by name.
 - c. Sisters (plural) "all with us" (Matt. 13:56) "here with us" (Mark 6:3).
4. The outcome of their subjectivity was an active unbelief.
 - a. They took offense (Matt. 13:57; Mk. 6:3). Imperf.pass. σκανδαλίζω skandalizō ^{#4624}_{29x}: cause to stumble, be led into sin. See Rom. 9:33; 1st Pet. 2:8 and Rom. 14:13,21; 1st Cor. 8:9,13 for "stumbling block" principles.
 - b. He performed not many miracles because of their unbelief (Mt. 13:58; Mk. 6:5-6). ἀπιστία apistia ^{#570}_{11x}. See also ἀπιστέω apisteō ^{#569}_{8x} & ἄπιστος apistos ^{#571}_{23x}. It is important to note that the text says both He "did not" (Matt. 13:58) and that He "could not" (Mark 6:5).