



World Victory Church

"Give Your Hardened Heart to the Lord"

Sun April 7, 2019

- I. **Mark 6:46-52**
 - A. Miracles all around us
 1. Refresh on what the Spirit of the Lord said on Wednesday night: "Do you believe in miracles?"
 2. In order for God to do for what He desires to do, God's people must do what they are required to do! – This means we must believe in God and believe in His miracle-working power now.
 - B. Why the hardened heart is so dangerous
 1. Hardened heart – Destitution of spiritual perception, callous, blind.
 3. It is the most dangerous of all forms of unbelief; when a person allows his heart to become hardened, he will not only miss out on the promises of God prepared for him on the earth, but he is in danger of missing out of eternal life that God has prepared for him in heaven.
 4. Pharaoh is the best example of this: even though he saw the powerful miracles of God, his pride would not allow him to let the Israelites go (**Exodus 8:29-32**).
- II. *Come out you stiff-necked spirit!*
 - A. **Acts 7:51**
 1. The uncircumcised heart and the hardened heart are one in the same
 2. Are you missing God's best because you have allowed your heart to become hardened?
 - B. Different reasons that lead to the hardened heart
 1. Loss of a loved one
 2. Divorce
 3. Sudden illness or diagnosis (Blaming God)
 4. Hurts and offences (many people stop going to church because of this)
= Pride (when I hold on to my hurts, my pains, my reasons and refuse God's gentle voice in my life)
 - C. Push all unbelief out
 1. **Mark 16:14-18**
 2. Refuse to allow Satan to talk you out of being who you are called to be!
 3. What hurts do you need to give to God today? Are you willing to give to Him the things that you have protected for so long?