Welcome to Hope Sabbath School—an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God. We are continuing a series of studies on The Gospel of Mark. Today’s topic: TEACHING DISCIPLES – Part II.

1. The teaching of Jesus about marriage
   a) Mark 10:1-12 What can we learn about marriage from the interaction of Jesus with some Pharisees?
   b) Genesis 1:27, 2:24-25 What additional truths are contained in these inspired testimonies by the prophet Moses? (quoted by Jesus)
   c) Our Creator’s gift of marriage is under attack today. How can you strengthen your own marriage or the marriages of those you love?

2. Showing love and care for children
   a) Mark 10:13-16 What can we learn from the example of Jesus in His interaction with children?
   b) Why did the disciples react so harshly to those who brought their children to Jesus?
   c) Share some other stories of Jesus showing love and care for children. Mark 5:41-43, 9:17-27, etc.
   d) What are some ways we can reveal the immeasurable, unfailing love of God to our children or the children within our circle of influence?

3. The deceitfulness of riches
   a) Mark 10:17-22 What was this rich young ruler’s problem?
   b) Mark 10:23-27 According to Jesus, when does personal wealth become a hindrance for salvation?
   c) Mark 10:28-31 What are your thoughts about the comment of Peter and the response of Jesus?
   d) Share a time when you became distracted by the acquisition of wealth. How did the Holy Spirit help you to refocus on what is most important in life?

4. Prediction of suffering, death, and resurrection
   a) Mark 10:32 Why were the disciples amazed that Jesus was going before them to Jerusalem?
   b) Mark 10:33-34 What can we learn from the interaction of Jesus with His disciples concerning His sufferings, death, and resurrection?
   c) How does the comment of James and John relate to the profound revelation they have just received? Mark 10:35-37
   d) How did Jesus respond? Mark 10:38-40
   e) What can we learn from the reaction of the other disciples? Mark 10:41 (See also Mark 9:33-34)
   f) What does greatness look like in the kingdom of God? Mark 10:42-45

5. Healing for Bartimaeus
   a) Mark 10:46-52 What impresses you about this healing of the blind man Bartimaeus?
   b) How would you respond today if Jesus asked you the same question: “What do you want Me to do for you?”