

Mark 1:33

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And all the city was gathered together at the door.

Analysis

The entire city gathering at the door creates a vivid image of humanity seeking Christ. This prophetically pictures the eschatological gathering of God's people and present spiritual reality—all must come to the door of Christ for entrance into God's kingdom (cf. John 10:9). The passive voice suggests divine orchestration in drawing this multitude.

Historical Context

First-century Palestinian homes had a single door opening to an outdoor courtyard. The crowd would have filled the courtyard and surrounding area. Capernaum's compact layout meant neighbors lived in close proximity, facilitating rapid communication about Christ's location.

Related Passages

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Study Questions

1. How does this physical gathering at a door illustrate the exclusive nature of salvation through Christ alone?

2. What does God's drawing of this multitude teach us about His sovereignty in evangelism?

Interlinear Text

καὶ	ἡ	πόλις	ὅλη	ἐπισυνηγμένη	ἥν	πρὸς	τὴν	θύραν
And	G3588	the city	all	gathered together	was	at	G3588	the door
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