- 10. Jesus stood up to the religious leaders, but He knew that they wouldn't back down, so He did what?
- 11. Was Jesus afraid of being arrested or persecution or death?
- 12. Luke 9:51 tells us that Jesus "resolutely set His face to go" where?
- 13. According to Matthew 15:21, Jesus withdrew to what area?
- 14. The men in Matthew 8:5-10 and in Matthew 15 were both a rebuke to the people of Israel because the people of Israel didn't what?
- 15. What region was on the East side of the Sea of Galilee?
- 16. The residents of the cities of Decapolis were almost all what?
- 17. The league of cities of Decapolis was formed purposely to preserve what in the Jewish section of the world?
- 18. There was no way for Jesus to escape what?
- 19. Was Jesus ever exhausted?
- 20. Matthew 15:31 is a proper response but we should be careful NOT to assume that this means that the people exercised what?
- 21. Is it possible to give God glory and credit for doing things without surrendering your life to Him?
- 22. The pattern throughout the Gospels suggest that there wouldn't have been a large number who made a genuine what?
- 23. Have you?

- 24. Was it a good sign that the multitude stayed with Jesus 3 days?
- 25. What was Jesus concerned about, in relation to the multitude and their journey back home?
- 26. Why was the question of verse 33 astonishing?
- 27. The feeding of the 5000 took place where?
- 28. Who was this miracle for?
- 29. How do we know that Jesus didn't want the people to think that His miraculous power was an excuse for wasting and poor management?
- 30. How many baskets full of food were left over after the feeding of the 5000?
- 31. In the feeding of the 5000 (Matthew 14) Jesus did the miracle to illustrate that He is the what?
- 32. Why were there 7 baskets remaining after the feeding of 4000 (as recorded in Matthew 15)?
- 33. The 7 baskets full of bread would have been a picture to the disciples that Jesus is also the bread of life to what?
- 34. The actual number of people fed in this situation was probably more like what?
- 35. How do we arrive at this number?
- 36. Where did Jesus go when He left Decapolis?

- 37. What was consistent about what Jesus experienced when He left Decapolis to this new area?
- 38. In spite of the privilege that the people of Jesus' day had, very few of them did what?
- 39. What about you? Do you enjoy the physical blessings of life that the Lord has given you to enjoy without receiving His spiritual blessings of forgiveness and salvation?
- 40. It's almost as if Jesus wanted to end His ministry in Galilee and in the Gentile area by leaving the people with the lasting memory that He is the what?
- 41. When Jesus claimed to be the "bread of life" He was saying that He is what?
- 42. Do you see Jesus as the essential ingredient in life or is He just a side-line part of your life?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- ***How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- >>> How can I accomplish this change?
- *** What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Time:

- 1) Read Matthew 1:1-16:4
- 2) What is shown about a person when they are pressed or cornered or threatened or squeezed?
- 3) What kind of generation seeks "for a sign" from God? Why? What makes it so wrong to ask God to show you a sign?
- (A CD, DVD, video, or cassette tape of this sermon is available. Order forms are located in the foyer of the church in the middle entrance.)

NO ESCAPING THE PRESSURE Matthew 15:29-39 (Series #89)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon "No Escaping the Pressure." All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

- 1. What group of people does Pastor Bryan feel sorry for?
- 2. People can be amazingly what?
- 3. One of the things that many retail employers teach their employees is to always do what with the customer?
- 4. The fact is that the customer is NOT always what?
- 5. People can be very demanding because people (all of us) are very what?
- 6. In John 6, after Jesus fed the 5000, the multitudes were going to take Him by force and make Him what?
- 7. What is one of the things that is probably impossible for us to appreciate, in relation to the Lord Jesus?
- 8. Not only was Jesus continuously inundated with requests from people, He also had the pressure of what weighing on Him?
- 9. Once Herod took care of John the Baptist, it was likely that He would go after whom (if this person caused trouble)?
- **To help protect the quality of recording the sermon, we ask that you quietly turn to the inside of this study guide. Thank you! We appreciate your help.