



“Exiles – Then and Now” - April 2024
Thoughts to Ponder

1. Everything we know about Jesus Christ has been taught to us.
 - a. Who first taught you about Jesus? Describe the circumstances.
 - b. Please share as much as you remember about your initial response.
 - c. Early on, how was that initial teaching reinforced and by whom?
2. Nothing we can do is more important than imparting our faith in Christ to others.
 - a. Do you believe this? If so, who have you brought to faith in Jesus Christ?
 - b. If you don't believe his, what do you think is more important and why?

Read Mark 7:31-37

3. Jesus heals a man who is living an exile-like existence.
 - a. What does the word “exile” mean to you?
 - b. Have you ever known a deaf mute? If so, please describe what life was like for that person. If not, how do you think such a person's life would differ from yours?
4. Do your ears need to be opened to hear some things that at the moment you are incapable of hearing?
 - a. Who have you turned a deaf ear to and why?
 - b. Who have you shut out of your life and why?

5. Does your tongue need to be loosened so that you can say some things that must and should be said?
 - a. Who do you need to apologize to and why?
 - b. Who do you need to tell that you love or forgive and why?

6. What God has done for others in the past, He wants to do for you in the present and the future . . . what would you most want that to be and why?

