## **Cornerstone Community Fellowship**

## "Be Opened" (1/26/25)

## A. THE MIRACLE

- 1. Jesus continues His ministry to the Gentiles
  - a. "left Tyre and went through Sidon" -
  - b. "into the region of the Decapolis" -
- 2. The concern of some friends (Mark 7:32)
  - a. "some people brought" -
  - b. "some people begged" -
  - c. "man who was deaf" -
  - d. "could hardly talk" -
- 3. Jesus heals the man (*Mark 7:33-35*)
  - a. "after He took him aside"-
  - b. Jesus communicates in sign language
    - "put His fingers into the man's ears" -
    - "spit and touched his tongue" -
    - "looked up to heaven" -
    - "with a deep sigh" -
  - c. "Ephphatha!" -
  - d. "began to speak plainly" -
- 3. Jesus commands the people to be silent
  - a. "Jesus commanded them not to tell" -
  - b. "the more they kept talking" -

## **B. THE SIGNIFICANCE**

- 1. The fulfillment of OT prophecy
- 2. Jesus does things well (Genesis 1:31)
  - a. His perfect righteousness gained by perfect obedience to the law
  - b. Bearing the wrath of the Father
  - c. Rising from the dead
  - d. Ascension to the right hand of the Father
  - e. His love and compassion (Mark 7:37)

"Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed." (2 Timothy 2:15)