Questions for Gospel Harmony #31

Matthew 12.15-21; Mark 3.7-12

1. What is significant about the nationalities mentioned here by Mark? (Matthew 12.15-16; Mark 3.7-8):

2. Explain the following statements from Isaiah’s prophecy and how they are fulfilled in Jesus (Matthew 12.17-21):
   - My Servant whom I have chosen, my Beloved in whom My soul well pleased
   - I will put my Spirit upon Him
   - He will declare justice to the Gentiles
   - He will not quarrel nor cry out, nor will anyone hear His voice in the streets. A bruised reed He will not break, and smoking flax He will not quench
   - Till He send forth justice to victory

3. Why did Jesus tell His disciples to keep a “small boat ready”? What compelled the multitudes keep coming to Jesus in such numbers? (Mark 3.9-12)
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Jesus Heals a Multitude By the Sea of Galilee
But when Jesus knew it, He withdrew from there with His disciples to the sea. And great multitudes from Galilee and from Judea and Jerusalem and Idumea and beyond the Jordan; and those from Tyre and Sidon, a great multitude, when they heard how many things He was doing came unto Him and followed Him, and He healed them all. Yet He warned them not to make Him known, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: “Behold! My Servant whom I have chosen, my Beloved in whom My soul is well pleased! I will put My Spirit upon Him, and He will declare justice to the Gentiles. He will not quarrel nor cry out, nor will anyone hear His voice in the streets. A bruised reed He will not break, and smoking flax He will not quench, till He sends forth justice to victory; and in His name Gentiles will trust.” So He told His disciples that a small boat should be kept ready for Him because of the multitude, lest they should crush Him. For He healed many, so that as many as had afflictions pressed about Him to touch Him. And the unclean spirits, whenever they saw Him, fell down before Him and cried out, saying, “You are the Son of God.” But He sternly warned them that they should not make Him known.