



Session 1

Mark

BIG IDEA

Jesus is King!

OPENING QUESTION

Why is kingship a difficult concept to understand in the Modern Western hemisphere?

GROUP DISCUSSION

- Read this passage: Mark 1. Twice out loud, in different versions of the Bible – everyone listens.
- What are some significant observations you have about this text? What stood out? What didn't you like? What was confusing?
- What does this passage teach us about God? How does it change how I see God?
- What does this passage teach us about humanity/ourselves? How would it change how I treat others?
- What does this passage teach us about obedience and following the way of Jesus? How should it affect the way I live?

A rule of life is a set of rhythms and restrictions we habituate that helps us connect with God and resist popular culture.

March 8
WEEKEND

Changed by Jesus

Questions:

Why do you think Mark shares so much in the opening part of his story of Jesus about the healings that Jesus was doing?

Mark mentions that his testimony about Jesus is "Good News". What reasons do you think people give today against the story of Jesus being "Good News"?

How do you see Jesus's announcement of "Good News" having immediate physical impact of the people around him?

How do you see the "Good News" as having eternal implications for people?

How is the world different today because of the rule and reign of Jesus? Or putting it another way what good is there in the world today because of the work of people in his kingdom?

Read: Mark 5:1-20

Questions:

What kind of different suffering do you see this man enduring?

Why were the people at the end of the story afraid of Jesus?

What were some of the emotions this man was experiencing after his encounter with Jesus?

What are some ways we can bring "Good News" to people today?

Join the mission of Jesus

I will statement...

Based on what God is teaching in this passage, what should I do? Reflect for a minute or two and develop an action statement. As disciples this helps us to be changed by Jesus. Put it in the form, "I Will _____". Make it concrete, simple, and achievable.

