



Message Study Guide

(Scriptures & quotes from this week's message are available on thorncreek.church/live)

Warming up

1. Who is Jesus to you?

Digging Deeper & Application

Take your time reading the scripture given. If possible look up the verses in different versions and pause at each verse and discuss it.

2. Please read Mark 1:1-8.
 - a. How is the Gospel of Mark introduction different from Matthew, Luke, and John?
 - b. Based on these verses, who is the author of Mark?
3. Please read Mark 1:9-15. What did God say to Jesus?
 - a. Did others hear God's voice?
 - b. Can you think of any other times when God spoke audibly during the life of Jesus? Where in scripture can it be found?
 - c. How has the message of Jesus and the message of John the Baptist similar?
4. Why do you think the Spirit led Jesus to the wilderness?
 - a. How many days was Jesus alone?
 - b. Do you think God tempts us?
 - c. Have you ever felt like you were in the wilderness alone?
 - d. Why do you think God allows us to go to isolated places? Explain.
5. Please read Mark 1:16-20. Who was the first disciple Jesus called?
 - a. What did they leave behind?
 - b. Do you think it was easy for them?
 - c. Do you think Jesus still calls for radical followers?
 - d. What's the hardest thing about following Jesus?
6. Please read Mark 1:21-45. How would you define a miracle?
 - a. Do you think Galileans were surprised?
 - b. Does this give you a new perspective of Jesus?
 - c. What verse jumps out at you, and why?
 - d. How does it relate to your life today?
7. Please read Mark 2:1-12.
 - a. According to this passage, what authority does Jesus have?



- b. Do you think this was easy or hard for people to understand during this biblical time? Why?

8. Please read Mark 2:13-17.
 - a. What did Matthew do after he started to follow Jesus?
 - b. Is it easy or hard to do the same today? Explain.

9. Please read Mark 2:18-22. What is Jesus talking about?

10. Please read Mark 2:23-28.
 - a. What is the Sabbath?
 - b. According to this passage, who is Lord of the Sabbath?
 - c. How should we spend our Sabbath's today?
 - d. Why do you think God wants us to honor the Sabbath?

Application

Below are some of the points or quotes shared in the message.
Discuss how they apply to your life.

- Jesus is the savior for all of humanity.
- Jesus is still changing lives.
- Jesus is the Son of God.
- Walking with Jesus is a spiritual battle.
- Jesus came for those who know they are sinners.
- Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath.