

Small Group Study Guide

ICE BREAK

- What is the biggest change or development in your relationship with God in the past year?
- What % of what you see/hear is good/bad news?

STUDY

This week we focus on Jesus as Good News as we begin our series on the book of Mark.

What did you hear in this week's sermon that was new about the power of the Good News?

1. Commitments 2026: Scripture before screens, Meditations before media, prayer before posts.

- a. How **frequent** are you devotionals?
- b. Discuss your Bible study/Prayer life.
- c. How frequently do you discuss your **Devotional Life** with others?
- d. How would your Devotional Life be **more effective** if you regularly *discussed with others*?

2. Mark 1. 2-8

- a. Jesus/Gospel is **Impactful Good News**.
- b. What is the *biggest impact* of the Gospel in *your life*? The biggest impact your life in Christ has *made on others*?

3. Mark 1: 10-11

- a. God's Spirit descends upon Jesus and through him to all people. How does the Spirit's presence in our lives transform/empower us?
- b. How significant is it that God was *pleased with his son*-even **before** his ministry began?
- c. Is God pleased with us? Is He *pleased with you*? Based upon what?

- i. Dallas Willard: *Knowing the right answers doesn't mean we believe them. To believe them means to act as though they were true*. How has that experience been true in your life?

REFLECT

- Are you willing to commit daily to 15 minutes alone with God in Scripture, Reflection, Prayer? Begin with MARKED Devotional?
- Commit to sharing with one person every week about your experience with God?

PRAY

- Pray for each other's needs and for meeting with God daily.
- Follow up on past prayer requests.
- Pray for the **Impactful Good News** to grow in and through us.