

## **Group Questions – Mark 1:14-15 – The Kingdom of God**

***How would you define – “THE KINGDOM OF GOD”?***

**Read** – Mark 1:14-15

The word “GOSPEL” literally means – “GOOD NEWS”

***What do you think is the GOOD NEWS about the Kingdom of God?***

***What do you think Jesus meant by saying, “The Kingdom of God is at hand.”?***

***Do you feel like you are currently living in THE KINGDOM OF GOD?***

***What are some things that can make us think the KINGDOM OF GOD is very far away?***

3 separate times Jesus referred to Satan as, “THE RULER OF THIS WORLD.”

***How can the Kingdom of God be at hand while Satan is the ruler of this world?***

Pastor Louie mentioned how many in the Jewish community of Jesus' day missed Jesus as the Messiah because they misunderstood what it meant for the Kingdom of God to come.

***How can we make the same mistake of missing the Kingdom of God because of how we are interpreting our current circumstances?***

Pastor Louie mentioned 3 different aspects of the Kingdom of God

- 1) The Kingdom of God – PROMISED – Old Testament times
- 2) The Kingdom of God – PRESENT – From Jesus to today
- 3) The Kingdom of God – TO COME - Future

***How would you describe the Kingdom of God TO COME?***

***How can the FUTURE Kingdom of God help us to live as followers of Jesus today?***

**Read** – 2 Peter 3:9

***Why are we having to wait so long for the future Kingdom of God?***

***Is there anything we can do to speed things up so that the future Kingdom of God could come sooner?***

**Read** – Matthew 6:9-13

***How did Jesus teach us to pray regarding the Kingdom of God?***

**CLOSING PRAYER** – Take time to pray, as Jesus taught us to pray, regarding the Kingdom of God