



Title: THE JESUS WE NEED—IS GOD

Main Scripture: Mark 14:53-65

If Jesus is God then He has to get all of your life.

Abandon all of your masters and embrace the Lordship of Jesus:

- Abandon your internal masters and embrace the Lordship of Jesus!
- Abandon your external masters and embrace the Lordship of Jesus!
- Abandon your spiritual masters and embrace the Lordship of Jesus!

Next Step: Sign up for and attend Encounter God.

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Small Group Sermon Study | Mark 14:53-65

Prayer: *Father, we thank You for who You are. May we be renewed and transformed through the study of Your word. Holy Spirit, lead us as we read, discern and discuss this passage together. In Jesus' name, amen.*

Icebreaker: Can you think of a time when you really wanted something, but what you got instead was actually better or what you had actually needed more?

Read the key passage(s) of Scripture from the message and review the sermon notes, then answer the following questions:

1. What did you like or appreciate about this message? What really hit home for you?
2. In what ways have we/you made Jesus into the God we/you want? How is this different from the God we actually need?
3. Pastor Craig makes the statement, “If Jesus is God then He has to get all of your life.” He goes on to talk about the types of masters we need to abandon in order to fully embrace the Lordship of Jesus:
 - a. Internal masters – what are some internal masters that we see evidence of in our world today? In our small group? In your own life?
 - b. External masters – what are some examples of external masters that we fight against on a consistent basis?
 - c. Spiritual masters – what spiritual masters seem to have the greatest impact on our small group? On you personally?

Personal Reflection: Spend a few minutes in silent prayer, asking Jesus to speak to you personally about how you respond to Him and how you live as He would want you to. Then reflect on the following questions:

- What am I hearing from Jesus?
- What emotions does this stir up in me, and why?
- How will I respond this week to what He shows me?

Prayer: *Close in prayer together, praying for yourself and for one another, confessing where there are other masters at work, and renewing your surrender to the true Lordship of Jesus!*