

Community Group Questions

Read the verses: Mark 1:21-45

- 1. Like the crowds in Mark 1, when we see something incredible it usually sticks with us. What is the most incredible or interesting thing you have witnessed? (It doesn't have to be deep or profound, it could be a magic trick. The goal is to break the ice)
- 2. Based on what immediately happens after Jesus calls his disciples (v.21-28) what can disciples expect when following Jesus? In what ways have you experienced this in your own walk with Jesus?
- 3. Why is it possible to have the right theology (like the demon) and still be heading toward hell? (James 2:19) What makes our faith different from that of a demon? (Satan & demons have orthodox theology but they lack repentance, worship, and submission to Jesus as Lord.)
- 4. What motivated Jesus to heal the leper? (vs. 41)
- What did the leper believe about Jesus?
- Why was it significant that Jesus touched him? (Lev. 13:1-2 & 45-46)
- 5. Ryan spoke about the disciples following Jesus to get something from him. In many ways, it's easy to sell Jesus based on what he gives us. In what ways in Dallas have you seen Jesus presented as a "cosmic vending machine"? If you feel comfortable, in what ways have you followed Jesus based on what he will give you?
- 6. Why is serving an appropriate response when we follow Jesus as he establishes the Kingdom of God? In what ways can we grow an attitude of service?
- 7. We have seen in Mark one that a disciple of Jesus will be marked (no pun intended) by suffering and serving. Last week, Pastor Sean mentioned fasting from something during the Lent season. Have you chosen to fast from something? If so what? If not, what is a way you can practically live out a healthy form of self-denial or take up your cross and move into the season of the cross and easter?