

Ministering like Jesus

How to Grow in Healing, Deliverance and Miracles

Discussion Questions

A 30-Day Devotional from Mark's Gospel

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Small Group Discussion Questions

FORMAT FOR SMALL GROUP STUDY

The Small Group Study Guide is designed as a seven-week study series. The initial meeting is to introduce the study.

Each week will cover five days of personal devotion from this book.

When you come together as a group, there will be several questions, from those five days, to help prompt and guide the discussion. Feel free as a group to choose which questions you wish to answer and explore. Do not feel as though you must answer each question in the group. The questions are compiled for you to use as a springboard for in-depth discussion and sharing.

Please feel free to share with your group any questions, struggles, high points and things that impacted you, or that you did not quite understand. It is also important to share what you are going to do as a result of the devotion.

I encourage you to set aside time daily to spend this time with God. Reading the Bible and the written reflection on that specific passage can be life-changing. Reflecting on the questions that arise from the passage can help you apply it to your life. Feel free to journal or spend time reflecting in the way that suits you.

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WEEK 1: INTRODUCTION

Questions for Discussion:

- What are your hopes for this time of engagement with Jesus through the Gospel of Mark?
- What are you looking forward to learning?
- Share any experiences that you have had with healing, deliverance and miracles.
- What struggles or questions do you currently have with healing, deliverance and miracles?
- Read through the outline of Mark's Gospel on pages 11-12. What stands out to you the most from these two pages? Was there anything new that you were not aware of?

- Spend time praying for each other in regards to the areas you wish to grow in during the next six weeks.

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WEEK 2: DAYS 1-5

Questions for Discussion:

- What did you learn about Jesus this week? Are there any changes in your life that you are sensing to make as a result?
- Share any highlights or low points from the devotions this week.
- Have you been baptized with water? By the Holy Spirit? What was your experience like? Were there any changes that occurred in your life as a result of the baptism?
- What is your experience with deliverance? Is there anything that you have learnt about deliverance from Jesus' life this week?
- What is your experience with healing? Is there anything that you have learnt about healing from Jesus' life this week?
- How are you different in your identity and authority than a week ago?

- Spend a few moments asking God these questions and listening to His response. You may want to jot down the answers in the space provided.
 - Father God, how do You see me?
 - Father God, what do You think about me?
 - Father God, when You look at me, what do You see?
 - Father God, what would You like to change in me and for me?
- Is there anything you will do differently after reading the devotions this week?
- Share the daily key that impacted you the most.
- Is there something you would like the group to be praying for you?

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WEEK 3: DAYS 6-10

Questions for Discussion:

- What fresh insights did you glean about Jesus this week? Are there any changes in your life that you are sensing to make as a result?
- Share any highlights or low points from the devotions this week.
- Like the man lowered through the roof to get to Jesus, is there an area of your life where you need to exercise more faith?
- How are you exhibiting love and compassion and bringing freedom and justice in your world?
- What is something new that God has revealed to you this week?
- Is there anything you will do differently after reading the devotions this week?

- Share your experience of praying for healing or deliverance this week.
- Which part of God's character would you love to experience more?
- What is a growth area for you regarding trusting God?
- Share the daily key that impacted you the most.
- Is there something you would like the group to be praying for you?

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WEEK 4: DAYS 11-15

Questions for Discussion:

- What did you learn about Jesus this week? Are there any changes in your life that you are sensing to make as a result?
- Share any highlights or low points from the devotions this week.
- Share what 'rest' looks like for you.
- Share any strategies that you have implemented so that you have balance and emotional rest after ministering.
- When someone praises you for what God has done through you, what have you discovered to be an appropriate response?
- Share any miracles you have witnessed.
- To what lengths have you gone to minister to one person?

- Share who you have a heart to reach, your people group.
- Share a time when you have been desperate for healing either for yourself or someone else.
- Is there anything you will do differently after reading the devotions this week?
- Share the daily key that impacted you the most.
- Spend time as a group identifying 'fruit of the Spirit' that is evident in other group members and encourage each other in this area.

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WEEK 5: DAYS 16-20

Questions for Discussion:

- What did you learn about Jesus this week? Are there any changes in your life that you are sensing to make as a result?
- Share any highlights or low points from the devotions this week.
- Are there any issues you have had with not being healed as you wanted? Share a time when you have been disappointed with Jesus because you have not received what you wanted, or He has not brought the outcome you desired.
- Share what Jesus can use that is 'already in your hand'.
- Share a testimony of God's goodness and kindness to you.
- Has there been a time when familiarity has hindered your faith?

- Have you carried offence towards anyone? Is it something that you still need to resolve?
- Is there an area in your life where Jesus needs to be given more prominence?
- What would you love to see/experience concerning miracles?
- Is there anything you need to address so that you can share your faith with others?
- What are your thoughts regarding striving versus rest?
- How are you different in your identity and authority than a week ago?
- Is there anything you will do differently after reading the devotions this week?
- Share the daily key that impacted you the most.
- Is there an area you would like prayer for breakthrough in?

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WEEK 6: DAYS 21-25

Questions for Discussion:

- What fresh insights did you glean about Jesus this week? Are there any changes in your life that you are sensing to make as a result?
- Share any highlights or low points from the devotions this week.
- What do you currently need from Jesus?
- “I do believe, help me overcome my unbelief.” Can you relate to this?
- From your experience, do you believe that there are any limits as to what God can do or wants to do? If yes, what do you think those limits are?
- Have you lost any wonder and awe of God’s greatness, goodness and kindness? How?
- How can you help others encounter Jesus?

- Share a testimony of a healing or miracle that God has done in your life or the lives of those around you. What 'memory stones' do you have? What memory stones could you create this week?
- How are you different in your identity and authority than a week ago?
- Is there anything you will do differently after reading the devotions this week?
- Share the daily key that impacted you the most.
- How can we, as a group, most effectively support one another this week?

Small Group Discussion Questions

WEEK 7: DAYS 26-30

Questions for Discussion:

- What new thing did you discover about Jesus this week? Are there any changes in your life that you are sensing to make as a result?
- Share any highlights or low points from the devotions this week.
- Is there anything that Father God is asking you to give up or sacrifice? If yes, what is it, and how can you start to do that?
- Is there anything you need to change so that you are obeying the last words of Jesus?
- How do people identify that you are a Jesus follower? What signs follow you?
- Share any blessing that you frequently release over your life with the words you declare?

- When do you find it easy to slip into pride or comparison? What can you put into place to help prevent that occurring?
- What do you think it means to have child-like faith?
- How do you embrace the sick, the hurting, the lonely?
- What are you prepared to give up to follow Jesus? What are you not ready to give up or would find it extremely hard to give up to follow Jesus completely?
- How are you different in your identity and authority than when you started this devotional?
- Share the most significant change in your life from reading through Mark's Gospel and applying the principles that Jesus used.
- Spend time releasing a blessing over each group member

