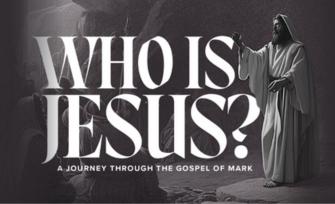
SMALL GROUP GUIDE JANUARY 5, 2025



INTRO

Catch up from everyone's holidays. Highs and lows?

DISCUSSION

- 1. In verse 15, Jesus announces "The kingdom of God has come near." What does Jesus mean by this, and how does his announcement of the coming of the Kingdom make a difference today?
- 2. Looking at verses 16-20, what strikes you about how Simon, Andrew, James and John responded to Jesus' call? What might their immediate response teach us about discipleship?
- 3. In verses 21-28, how do the people react to Jesus' teaching and authority? What does this reveal about who Jesus is?
- 4. Throughout this chapter, we see Jesus both preaching and healing. How do these two aspects of his ministry work together, and what does that reflect about his mission?
- 5. Looking back at verse 15, specifically referencing Syler's message at the LF Campus—which command do you need to listen to the most: 1) The Kingdom of God has come near, 2) Repent, or 3) Believe the good news...?
- 6. Further reflection. Listen to <u>Kacey Musgraves' song "The Architect."</u> Do you find yourself asking the kinds of questions she's asking in this song? Do you know people who are? How can you build bridges to those who are curious about faith?

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