



Mark: A Journey with Jesus | | Freedom in Christ

Mark 1:1-11

Mark continues to look at Jesus's life through the lens of discipleship. In order to follow Christ, we must surrender our lives to him, every part of it.

- *Over the last several months as we have studied Mark, what has the Lord shown you that you must give up to follow Christ with all your heart?*

Read Mark 1:1-11 together as a group

- *What do you think Mark wants us to know about Jesus based off this passage?*
- *Has God ever wanted you to do something that you really struggled with following through in obedience to Him?*

Mankind has an innate desire to have someone in charge of them, someone who they feel can make their lives better. They also want that person to blame for when things go bad. This truth is shown all throughout scripture especially in the Old Testament in the period of kings.

- *Can you relate to this truth? Why or why not?*
- *Have you ever been that person that others have put this type of responsibility on your shoulders? How did you handle it? How did it make you feel?*

Many people believe that they should have the freedom to do as they please as long as they are not hurting anyone.

- *What is the danger with this mindset?*

True freedom can only come when you surrender your life to Christ and live under the constraints He instructs us in His Word.

- *Do you remember what your life was like before Christ? How was it different after you gave your life to Him?*
- *We all struggle with giving every aspect of our life to Jesus. What is it that you are struggling with right now? Share with your group and spend time praying for each other*