

Home Group D-Guide

WHO IS JESUS?

ICEBREAKER: How do you suggest overcoming negative self-talk?

OVERVIEW: Who is Jesus? That is perhaps the most important question any of us will ever have to answer. If you don't know who Jesus truly is, then you can't truly love and serve Him; nor can you share Him with others. It's not hard to discover the real Jesus; all we have to do is read about Him in the Bible. Today we will go deeper with Mark 1:1-8 and learn more about the true identity of Jesus.

- 1. Read Mark 1:1-8. What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling? Explain. (Or what was your key takeaway from Sunday's message?)
- 2. Why is it important to learn all we can about Jesus? What can you do to deepen your knowledge of the Savior?
- 3. Why is Jesus good news to you?
- 4. Mark 1:1 says that Jesus is the Messiah. Read the following passages about the Messiah and then explain why it is such good news that Jesus is the Messiah.
 - Isaiah 9:2-7
 - Isaiah 11:1-10
 - Isaiah 53
 - Isaiah 42:1-4

5. In Mark 1:1, Jesus is called the Son of God. What does that title mean to you?

- 6. How can Jesus be God and the Son of God at the same time? How can Jesus be God and sent by God at the same time?
- 7. How does Mark 1:2 point to the deity of Jesus?
- 8. Read Philippians 2:5-11 and Colossians 1:15-20. How does this passage dispel some myths that you've heard about Jesus?
- 9. Read Romans 8:9-11, 1 Corinthians 12:13, and Ephesians 5:18. In your own words, explain the difference between the baptism and filling of the Holy Spirit. What do you need to do to experience both?

The Last Word: These days we don't practice idolatry by worshiping little wooden statues; instead, we are guilty of idolatry when we worship our idea of Jesus rather than Jesus as He really is.

