



# The Gospel Of Mark

## Home Group Discussion Guide

*Evangelistic Faith*

Mark 2:1-12

**ICEBREAKER:** What makes you tick?

**OVERVIEW:** When Jesus recruited His first disciples He said, "Follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people." The call to follow Jesus is the call to fish for people. Jesus calls every Christ-follower to be His witnesses, telling everybody the Good News of Jesus Christ. However some Christians and some churches seem more passionate about evangelism than others. Why? Faith. In Mark 2:1-12, we learn about four men who were willing to bring their friend to Jesus because of their faith. Highly evangelistic people and churches have faith; a certain kind of faith. They hold certain beliefs that fuel their evangelistic fire. In this discussion we will talk about 3 of those beliefs so that we can grow in evangelism.

1. 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. Highly evangelistic people and churches have faith that heaven and hell are real places. Read the following verses and jot down what they teach about heaven.
  - Revelation 21:1-4
  - Revelation 22:1-5
3. Read the following verses and jot down what they teach about hell.
  - Matthew 25:41-46
  - Revelation 20:10-15

4. How does your faith in the reality of heaven and hell impact your view of evangelism?
5. What are some objections to the traditional, Biblical view of heaven and hell? How do you respond?
6. Highly evangelistic churches and people have faith that Jesus is the only way to heaven. Read John 14:6. What does this verse teach about truth? About having a relationship with God?
7. How does your faith that Jesus is the only way to heaven impact your view of evangelism?
8. What are some arguments against Jesus being the only way? How do you respond?
9. Highly evangelistic people also have faith that lost people matter to God. Why do you believe this? How does it impact your view of evangelism?
10. How can we work to reflect God's love for the lost as a church, and in our daily lives?

**The Last Word:** Highly evangelistic people and churches hold certain beliefs that drive them to reach the lost at any cost. With faith, we will be willing to do whatever it takes to bring our friends to Jesus, and God can use us to do great things.