



Warm up question:

- If you could eradicate one disease from the world, which one would it be? Why?

Read Mark 1:21-28

1. Where did Jesus go on the sabbath? What does this tell us about his ministry?
2. What do you think Jesus might have been teaching?
3. Where was the man with the impure spirit? What's the significance?
4. What does the possessed man say about Jesus? Is there any truth to his claim?
5. What does Jesus do/say in response to the impure spirit? What does this tell us about the authority of Jesus and the Kingdom of God?

Read Mark 1:29-39

6. Who does Jesus take with him? What do they see? What does this tell us about Jesus & his followers?
7. These verses describe Jesus healing many different diseases and driving out many demons. What does this teach us about the kingship of Jesus and the nature of his kingdom?
8. If Jesus regularly made time for prayer, what does that mean for the importance of prayer in our lives?
9. In verses 38-39 Jesus tells us why he has come. What does he say, and what might he mean by it?

Read Mark 1:40-45

10. People with leprosy were kicked out of their community and considered 'unclean' and 'untouchable'. Why is it significant that Jesus touches the man as he heals him?
11. Why do people not listen to Jesus when he tells them to not tell anyone?
12. What does all of this in Mark 1:21-45 tell us about God's kingdom?

Rubber hits the road:

- Knowing that you are a child in God's Kingdom, how does that shape the way that you pray and work?
- What areas of your life will you ask God to heal and restore this week?

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we thank you that your kingdom has come, and that it will come in its fullness when on that final and glorious day. Please help us to be faithful disciples and grant us courage as we seek to share your good news with others. We ask for your grace to be upon us as we pray for the healing of those known to us. Please pour out your Spirit and show your glory that many might come to know and worship you. We pray all of this in your mighty and powerful name Jesus, Amen.

