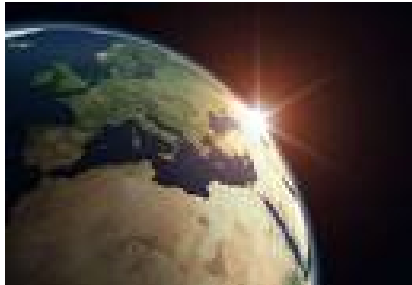


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Mark 1:1

The Good News: A Sermon Series through the Gospel of Mark
The Good News Centered on Jesus Christ

There's Good News for the world . . .



And we want to share it!

Who would you like to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with?

The beginning of the gospel about Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

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Describe a time recently when you received some good news. What about this good news was exciting to you? Who did you share this news with?

Paige Numata, in *Sent to Follow*, shared that her image of the church has changed from recently being an ark to an aircraft carrier. What did she mean by these two images? In what ways do you experience the church as one or both of these images?

READ Mark 1:1

The Gospel - Good News

Take a moment for everyone to write down a sentence or two about why the gospel is good news for you. Read these statements to one another.

What keeps you from grabbing onto the good news aspect of the message of Jesus Christ?

About Jesus Christ

Jesus – a common name – “one who save”
Christ = Messiah = Deliverer

What do you long to be delivered from?

Choose one characteristic of the kingdom of God that you will watch for and help create around you this week. Write it down. Commit to it by telling it to your group.

The Son of God

Infomercials tell us if we buy this product it will “change your life.” The Good News of Jesus Christ really can change your life because it is delivered by the Son of God – the One who has power.

What would be a “good news” change in you would like to see happen in your life? Is this a change you think God would choose for you? How would it bring you into a stronger relationship with God? How might this change inspire you to tell others about the Good news of Jesus Christ?

PRAY TOGETHER!

Express your appreciation for what Jesus Christ has done for you. Ask God to give you an excitement about sharing how the gospel is evident in your life.