



This 12 week series will journey through the gospel of Mark. Each week we will focus on what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Use these guides in your small group or with your spouse or grab a friend and work through the questions together. There will be a Mark Study Group for anyone interested on Sunday nights Oct 14th-December 9th (\*excluding Nov 11) from 6:30 pm-7:45 pm in the church basement. We will have the coffee on so come and journey with us as we learn more about the *Adventure of Discipleship!*

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Hebrews 11:1 describes faith as “*being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.*” Then in verse 6 the passage continues, “*And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.*”

Share about a time when your faith was rewarded by seeking God.

## READ MARK 5:21-29

How are Jairus and the sick woman different from one another? What do they have in common?

What obstacles would each of these characters have faced in bringing their desperate need to Jesus?

## READ MARK 5:30-43

Why was it important to Jesus that the healed woman be identified?

The woman with the bleeding spent all of her money and a great deal of effort to find a solution for her suffering. Why do we so often try every other option before taking our problem to God?

Do Jesus’ miracles mean that Christians now can expect a life that is free of troubles such as sickness? Why or why not?

The woman’s healing came with a costly delay for Jairus. Describe a time when you experienced one of God’s “delays”.

Read Philippians 4:4-7. How can we have peace in Christ during circumstances like Jairus’ that often create anxiety and despair?

Upon hearing the report that Jairus’ daughter is dead, Jesus told him, “*Don’t be afraid, just believe.*” What is the relationship between fear and faith? Check out Romans 8:15 for help.

Is there some area in your life where you need to hear this same exhortation from Jesus? Close your time together in prayer for these situations.