

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

THE BOOK OF
MARK

Week 1: Called By The King

PERSONAL REFLECTION

Assess yourself and discuss your answers with your group.

1=Strong Disagree and 5=Strongly Agree.

If asked, I would identify myself as a Christian.	1	2	3	4	5
I feel comfortable talking about religion and faith.	1	2	3	4	5
I understand what it means to be Jesus's disciple.	1	2	3	4	5
I have surrendered my life to Jesus.	1	2	3	4	5

DISCUSS THE TEXT

Read Mark 1:1-20 and discuss the following questions.

Mark opens his account with a quote from the Old Testament book of Isaiah. What is the significance of doing so?

After His baptism, Jesus came out of the water and “saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove” (10). He also heard His father’s voice. Do you think others witnessed this happening, or was it something only Jesus experienced? What is the significance of these otherworldly events?

Verses 14-20 describe Jesus calling the first disciples. What do you think Jesus said or did that made them so willing to give up their old life and follow Him?

Following Jesus is answering a call to a life of submission and sacrifice. Where in your life are you most in need of spiritual growth? In what areas do you find it easy to obey His teachings?

This message series is going to go in-depth into the Book of Mark. What do you hope to gain from such an in-depth analysis of one book of the Bible?