

Victory By Surrender: The Gospel of Mark

A study for Community Groups to use the week of September 20th

To prepare for your group discussion each week, group members should use the **Series Guide** below along with the foundational questions we ask each week.

Week 32: Mark 14:53-72

Overview

Mark doesn't just tell us what Jesus did; he shows us who Jesus is in a way that forces us to rethink the world we're living in and the stories we're being sold every day.

Questions

*In the Series Guide you will find basic questions we want all to use as they begin to look at the passage. Questions such as; *Who have you had the opportunity to BLESS this week? What does this passage reveal about God? About people? About the life He has planned for us?* These additional questions relate to the passage specifically for your benefit.

1. Jesus answers, "I am" (Mark 14:62), knowing what it will cost Him. What does His response reveal about who He is? Where might following Jesus as King challenge your own plans?
2. Peter moves from following Jesus "at a distance" to saying, "I don't know this man" (Mark 14:71). What does the progression of Peter's choices teach us about compromise? Where could a small compromise be creating distance between you and Jesus?
3. After Peter's failure, the message at the empty tomb specifically says, "Go, tell his disciples and Peter" (Mark 16:7). What does naming Peter specifically reveal about the way Jesus responds to failure? Is there a failure, sin, or regret you need to honestly bring to Jesus rather than allowing it to keep you distant from Him?