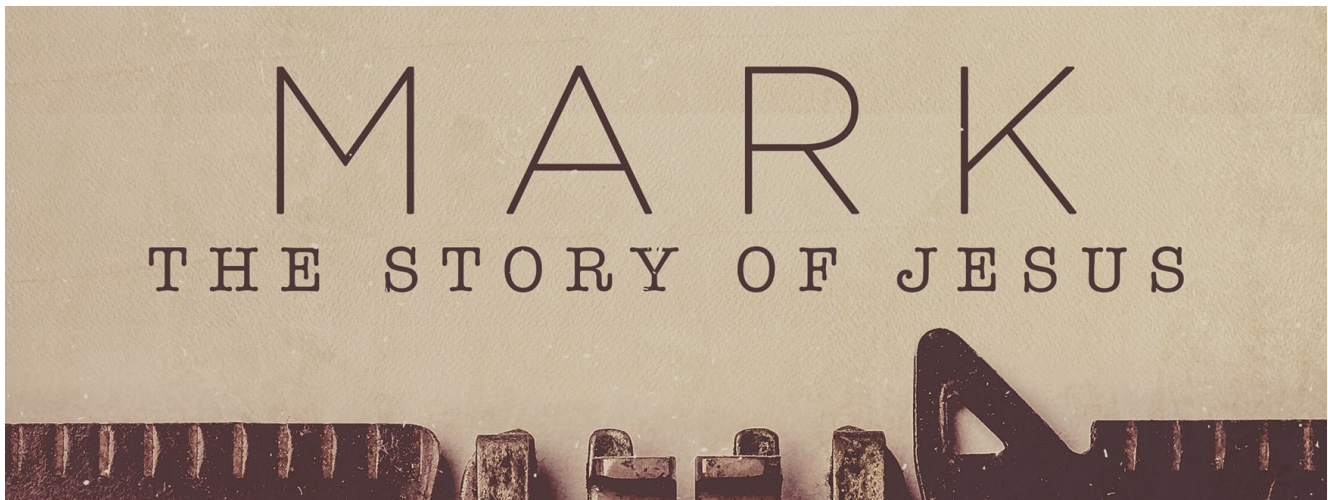


DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



These questions are designed to extend the impact of the Sunday message. Feel free to use them for your personal study time, your family, or your Family Group.

MESSAGE OVERVIEW

Jesus interacts with two different people in this passage: a man with twelve year-old dying daughter, and a woman who suffered bleeding for twelve years. Neither situation seemed hopeful for them until they met Jesus. No matter how little hope there seems to be in a situation, the touch of Jesus can change everything. Knowing this, how much do we really trust Jesus, and what will we trust him with?

READ MARK 5:21-43

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Talk about your favorite "rags-to-riches" story. Plenty of stories use this archetype, but is there a movie or book you really like which uses that model? Why is it your favorite?

The bleeding woman is made well merely by her faith in Jesus. He doesn't even notice she's there, but she receives healing nonetheless. What does that tell you about the power of faith in action?

Even death was not the end of the story for Jairus' daughter. Is there anything we tend to (mistakenly) assume is "too much" to come back from, or "too much" for Jesus?

Is there something you haven't yet brought to Jesus that you feel like you need to?
Where do you need the healing touch of Jesus in your life?

APPLICATION

What is God saying to you through this passage of Scripture?
In light of what you've experienced, how are you going to be different in the future?