

A WINTER BIBLE STUDY ON THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Tuesdays, 10:30 am to 12 noon – February 23rd – May 11th

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"The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God." (Mark 1:1 NRSV)

Session 5: Tues., March 23rd Galilee: "Jesus Stills a Storm" Mark 4:35-5:43

Group Study - 5:

Question 1) Our text tells us that Jesus "stills" the storm – and that He "calms" the man possessed by chaotic spirits by healing him. Describe a "storm" – or a time of chaos – that threatened to overwhelm you: How did you feel? **In the midst of that time, did you react with fear or faith?**

Question 2) Of the four stories in this week's reading, to me the most compelling are those of the chronically haemorrhaging woman and the frantic, desperate father who acted out of faith. **How far would you go for your faith? Describe – if you're comfortable to do so – a time/circumstance when you did.**

Question 3) These stories are also about Jesus' power and authority over every aspect of creation – nature, spiritual, health, even death. The author of Mark tells us how the disciples reacted; **How did you react to these stories? Do these stories build or diminish your faith? Why?**

Next Week's Study:

Session 6: Tues., March 30th Galilee: "The Mission of the Twelve"

Mark 6:1-29