

# JESUS IS KING

## THE GOSPEL OF MARK PART ONE

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**WARM UP QUESTION:** Is anything important enough to you that nothing will stop you from going after it?

**READ:** Mark 6:4-7, 31-32, 34

**FOCUS:** As followers of Christ, we are called to be courageous and continue God's mission despite challenges.

**OBSERVE:**

- When we take risks and refuse to quit in the face of difficulty, some of the sweetest and best blessings in life become our reward.
- We may be called to do things that defy logic and seem difficult. This is part of serving Jesus as King and living as a Kingdom citizen.
- Sometimes the storms of life are so fierce, they hinder our progress. When the disciples were on a boat in the midst of a storm, unable to arrive safely to shore, Jesus stepped in. He showed that He is King by walking on the water, stepping into the disciples' boat and calming the raging winds. Likewise, we need Jesus in the boat with us to calm the storms and equip us to progress in the mission He has called us to.

**REFLECT:**

- Can you think of a challenging situation you faced and how you handled it?

**TAKE ACTION:**

- Spend time with Jesus by resting in His presence, worshiping and praising God and learning and receiving God's Word. While praying and giving thanks, ask God to fill your heart with compassion for others, so that you may teach others and spread the gospel.

**PRAY:** *Holy Father, We ask that You impart a spirit of resilience, courage and boldness into our lives. Help us to rise above challenges and circumstances which are designed to hinder our walk in life and with You. Strengthen us to not give up when difficulties arise and to not miss the blessings You have for us when we exhibit courage and persevere against warfare. We ask these things in Jesus' name, Amen.*