

A Gospel that Is Good News

Mark 1.29-44

Background:

The church in Rome is facing _____.

The “Gospel” is not an idea or religion, it’s _____.

1. Jesus makes a _____.

Mark 1:29-31

2. Jesus doesn’t _____.

Mark 1:32-38

3. Jesus’ _____ brings about the supreme

_____. *Mark 1:39-44*

The good news is _____.

Transformed by the Truth

Questions for reflection & discussion

1. What feelings come up when you consider talking about Jesus with others? Why?
2. Jesus makes a “new home” for Simon, who had left everything to follow him. What sacrifices have you made for Jesus? How has he met you in those times?
3. Jesus did not heal everyone who came to him. What disappointments have you experienced in your relationship with Jesus (where it seemed he didn’t come through with what you wanted)? How does the good news connect with this?
4. Jesus is “indignant” in the scene with the Leper. How does Jesus’ anger at what is not right relate to the big issues we’re facing today? What could it look like for a Christian to engage with these things today with Jesus at the center?
5. Jesus exchanges his life for the leper’s. Take some time to thank Jesus for his loving goodness towards you, and pray that those who don’t know him yet will have the opportunity to see him more clearly.