



PARTICIPANT'S GUIDE—YOUTH

Lesson 2: The Life and Ministry of Jesus, the King—Mark 2:1-12; 5:21-34; Luke 4:1-13

ENCOUNTER—Community Discussion

After reading the passage, take time to journal through the questions below. Don't feel like you have to answer all these questions. Wrestle with the text, and be prepared to share with your community.

*How is this God's story?
How is this others' story?*

*How is this my story?
How is this the world's story?*

PRAYER

Almighty and most forgiving God, graciously hear unto our prayers, we ask. Free our minds, hearts and bodies from the temptations of sinful thoughts and actions, we ask.

Oh, that we may become a healthy habitation for the Holy Spirit. Amen.

WEEKLY PRACTICE

Find seven 3x5 cards. On each of the cards, write down one temptation you are dealing with on a regular basis. Perhaps it relates to lusting, lying, stealing, cheating, laziness, and so on. Shuffle the cards each day over the next week and ask yourself how you are doing. If you feel comfortable, bring your 3x5 cards with you to the next gathering and share them with the group.

BECOMING MY STORY

(Encourage the group to spend time this week in God's Word, allowing it to penetrate their heart and life.)

Titus 2:11-14

I Corinthians 10:13

Spend time this week reading and journaling through the above scriptures. Reflect on how the passage is God's story, my story, others' story and the world's story. In the context of Mark 2:1-12, 5:21-34, and Luke 4:1-13, consider the following questions:

How are these Scripture passages related to the message in Mark 2:1-12, 5:21-34, and Luke 4:1-13?

How do these scriptures tell us about the story of God being continued from Mark 2:1-12; 5:21-34, and Luke 4:1-13?

What is God saying to you through these passages?

Consider other passages you might know related to Mark 2:1-12; 5:21-34, and Luke 4:1-13 and read them this week, journaling as you go.