

9-18-22 Facilitator - Mark 5:21-43 Jesus' Compassion to the Suffering

1. **Launchers: When have you been desperate for help?**

2. **Worship God: Read 2 Corinthians 1:3-5, 8-10**

Using Tim's *Pray with us #1*. Worship God for His love and comfort.

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3. **Sermon Reflection:**

TERRIFIED & MISERABLE

- What is the power of suffering upon our heart motives, and how can it move us to terrible self-seeking attitudes and behaviors?
- When have you tried to manipulate others to get what you needed?

GRACIOUS MIRACLES

- How is Jesus gracious toward us even in the midst of our suffering?
- Where is Jesus offering you hope in despair?

HELPLESS & CONFIDENT

- What does faith and repentance look like?
- Gospel living is inherently humble and secure. Our helplessness breeds humility and the miracle of God's grace breeds security.
 - Where are you lacking in either?
 - Ask God.

4. **Kingdom Centered Prayer: *You Can Pray with Us...***

1. Worship the LORD for His graciousness. Praise Him, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit for how He is compassionate to meet us in our deepest needs, albeit in ways that are beyond our imagination.

2. How have you lived as if God just needs to cooperate with your priorities and needs? Confess to Jesus your arrogance and demanding spirit, asking Him to forgive you and to soften your heart to trust His ways and His work to save you.

3. Give thanks to Jesus for His gracious work to meet you in your desperation and exceed your expectations. Thank Him for wanting more for you than just temporal blessings and for giving you more than just earthly relief.

4. Who do you know that is living frantically because of how desperate they are in their doubts about God? Pray for them, asking the Lord to help them see Him and His love even in their pain and suffering.

5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of love, peace, and patience. Pray for His perspective and a heart to trust His timing vs. the hurried and demanding ways of our culture and generation.

5. **Mission: "A Jesus Circumstance" from Trauma to Triumph!**

- Share with someone in your life how Jesus has and is moving you from trauma to triumph.
- Ask them if they feel comfortable sharing about a difficult time in their life.
- Ask if there is anything you can do to be a blessing to them and offer to pray for them.