



Discussion Guide for “Gospel + Incarnation”

Church Words With Friends Week 2

Jesus claims to be God, but so have a lot of people throughout history. What sets Jesus apart? What proves he is God? It's not his miracles, or his birth. It's his death that proves what kind of God he is.

Scriptures for Further Reading

[Mark 1:1](#)

[Luke 2:1](#)

[John 1:1-3, 14](#)

[Mark 15:38-39](#)

Passage for Sacred Reading:

Sacred Reading is a way of reading Scripture with an eye toward transformation, not just information. You can find a [step-by-step guide here](#). The passage for this week's sacred reading is [John 1:1-18](#).

Questions for Discussion

1. Share a time you've experienced someone with more power or privilege helping you, even though it didn't benefit them. How did that make you feel?
2. What does the word 'gospel' mean? Why did the Gospel writers use that word?
3. How does Mark 1:1 set up a conflict with Caesar? Read Mark 15:38-39. Why is this moment astounding? What does it say about Jesus?
4. How does this mirror how John introduces us to Jesus in John 1:14?
5. What does Jesus' incarnation mean for you as Jesus' follower?
6. How can you be good news this week?