Mark 1:35-2:22

Jesus Touches The Untouchable

Jesus Has A Heart For Our Heart

Jesus' Timing Isn't Our Timing

"God is too good to be unkind. He is too wise to be confused. If I cannot trace His hand, I can always trust His heart."

- Charles H. Spurgeon

Trust Him.



Small Group Discussion Questions (Mark 1:35-2:22) March 3, 2016

Allow each person in your group to answer one of the following questions:

- What did you learn this week?
- ➤ What are you going to do about it?
- ➤ Who are you going to tell?
- In Mark 1:41, Jesus reaches out and touches a leper. Why is this such a big deal? In what ways do you feel like an outcast—or different—and need to be reminded of the love of Jesus?
- 2. Why doesn't Jesus just heal the paralytic of his physical disability first, like the men asked? (Mark 2:12) Have you ever had Jesus answer a prayer for you in a way that was different than you expected? How did that work out? What did you learn about God through that?
- 3. Psalm 37:4 says that God will give us the desires of our heart. Does that mean that God will give us whatever we want? Why or why not? What are some specific ways we can tune our hearts' desires to God's desires? How are you doing at turning your heart to God?
- 4. What do you think Cynthia Heimel meant when she wrote, "I think when God wants to play a really rotten practical joke on you, he grants your deepest wish." Do you believe this statement to be true? Why or why not?
- 5. On page 34 of Keller's book, there is a quote from *The Voyage of the Dawn Treader*. After reading this quote, discuss the areas in your life in which you feel that God is calling you to go deeper. What scares you about letting God go deeper in transforming your life? How can you get over that fear?
- 6. What circumstances are you going through right now that are causing you to question if God is really there or that make you feel as if God isn't answering your prayers? Share those circumstance with the group, and take time to pray for each person—that they would see God working in the midst of these situations and would trust Him and His timing.