

BELPRES  CHURCH

**Sermon Title: Believe the Good News (Equipped and Eager to Share the Good News of Jesus)**

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**Scripture:**

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**Mark 1:1; 1:14-15**

<sup>1</sup> The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God,

<sup>14</sup> After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. <sup>15</sup> "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"

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**Discussion Questions:**

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*Read this week's scripture(s) & answer the below questions with your friends, family, or All In small group.*

**Icebreaker Question:**

- What is your favorite breakfast food?

**Opening Question:**

- Looking back, were you able to apply any of the things we talked about last time to your life this week? What did you do? How did it go?

**Scripture Reflection Questions – Read this week's scripture together and discuss the following:**

- What do we learn about God (e.g. traits, personality, what matters, priorities) in this passage?
- What do we learn about people, and ourselves in particular, this week?
- Extra for the week: Here's the list of scripture where Jesus teaches about the kingdom (that Anthony shared on Sunday). Choose at least 5 to read together today (or the whole list if you want to) and discuss what we learn about the kingdom from these passages.
  - Matthew 13:44-45
  - Mark 1:14-15
  - Luke 4:43
  - John 3:3; 3:5
  - Acts 1:1-3
  - Matthew 4:23
  - Matthew 5:3
  - Matt 6:31-33
  - Matt 12:28
  - Matt 13:11-12
  - Matt 13:33
  - Matt 13:18-19
  - Matt 13:24
  - Matt 16:19 & 27
  - Matt 23:13
  - Matt 24:13
  - Luke 9:11
  - Luke 12: 32
  - Luke 16:16
  - John 18:36

**Sermon Reflection Questions** - *Reflecting on this week's sermon, discuss the following:*

- Anthony shared four steps to sharing the good news of the gospel of Jesus. Of these, which is the hardest for you, and which comes most easily?
  1. Get to know the King
  2. Be An Ambassador
  3. Get Comfortable Being Uncomfortable
  4. Announce and Demonstrate (through word and deed)
- What has it looked like for you lately to share the good news of the gospel of Jesus where you live, work, play or learn?

**Closing Question and Application:**

- Given what we've discussed together today, how might God want you to apply these learnings to your life or in the life of your community this next week? Who might you share this with?

**Closing Group Prayer:**

- Spend a few minutes together in your group sharing prayer requests and then praying together for each other. Thank God for the time together, the conversation shared, the other people in the group, and for encouragement in the week ahead.