## Home Group Discussion Guide for

# Gospel of Mark: The Way of Demand & Distance Mark 1:29-39 Gavin Brown 10 March 2024

The following questions are designed to help groups explore the message shared in the AM service on Sunday. Diving deeper into what was shared, but also challenging participants to consider how God is wanting them to apply it to their lives.

These questions are designed as a guide to help lead discussion. Please don't feel that all questions need to be asked, instead respond to the needs of your group.

#### **GETTING STARTED**

- 1. As disciples of Jesus, we are to imitate the words, works and ways of Jesus. Is there one of these that resonates with you more strongly than the others? Why?
- 2. What was the main challenge or idea that stood out to you from Sunday's message?

#### REFLECTING ON THE MESSAGE

Key Scriptures: Mark 1:29-39; Exodus 5:22-6:1; Acts 3:6-8

- 1. What are some things you notice about Jesus balancing availability and unavailability in this passage? What example does Jesus provide?
- 2. Why does having time of unavailability matter?
- 3. The idea of being inaccessible and people needing to work hard to find us seems like it should be wrong. Do you struggle with the idea of being inaccessible, why/why not?

### **RESPONDING TO THE MESSAGE**

- 1. What is the biggest challenge for you creating a space of inaccessibility?
- 2. What would it look like if you were to make a weekly and yearly rhythm of inaccessibility?
- 3. What is the one thing God is inviting you to take notice of from this message? What are you going to do about it?

#### **OPPORTUNITY FOR PRAYER**

Our Home Groups are the primary place for pastoral care to occur within the Church. We would encourage you to take the opportunity to pray for each other in this space.

