

# Home Group Discussion Guide

## From Man or From God? – Mark 12:35-37

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The following questions are designed to help groups explore the message above by challenging participants to consider how God is wanting them to apply it to their lives.

The questions are 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. If you have new people in your group, take the opportunity to introduce each other and clarify any expectations that are present in your group (such as confidentiality).

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### GETTING STARTED

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1. Can you think of a time when you were expecting one thing, but received something different?
  - a. What happened?
2. What was a key idea that stood out to you from the message, or you had questions about?

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### REFLECTING ON THE MESSAGE

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**Key Scripture: Mark 12:35-37; Matthew 22:41-42; 2 Samuel 7:12-16; Psalm 89:3-4; Isaiah 11:1; Jeremiah 25:5; Psalm 146:3-4; Psalm 110:1-7**

*(Read Mark 12:35-37)*

1. The teachers of the law believed the Messiah was *only* the "son of David". What kind of saviour were they looking for?
2. What are some of the ways in which we look for a saviour from man?
  - a. *What is the problem with this kind of saviour?*
3. Jesus quotes Psalm 110:1 ("The LORD said to my Lord"). Why is it so significant that David himself calls the Messiah "Lord"?

*(Read Psalm 110:1-7)*
4. What was Jesus wanting to highlight to the Pharisees who were listening?
5. What is the difference between a "Messiah from man" and a "Messiah from God"?

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### RESPONDING TO THE MESSAGE

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1. What kind of messiah are you looking for?
2. Are there areas of your life you need to choose to fix your eyes on the Messiah from God, instead of a man-made messiah?
3. What does it mean for you to let Jesus be Lord, not just helper or advisor?

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### OPPORTUNITY FOR PRAYER

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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.

**Please note that Home Group Discussion Guides will finish for 2025 with the 30<sup>th</sup> of November's message. They will return again in late January 2026.**

