

## LIFEGROUPS STUDY GUIDE

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." Acts 2:42

SERIES: Mark

MESSAGE TITLE: Jesus is Lord of All

MESSAGE DATE: 03/16/2025

## → MESSAGE SUMMARY:

In today's sermon, Pastor Matt Ousdahl emphasized that Jesus is Lord over all aspects of life, including the supernatural and natural realms, as well as the concepts of right and wrong. Through a series of miracles, Jesus demonstrated His authority, healing the sick and forgiving sins, highlighting His power over both physical ailments and spiritual brokenness. Pastor Matt reminded us that recognizing Jesus' lordship requires humility and a willingness to submit our lives to Him, especially in moments when we feel we know better than God. Ultimately, he encouraged the congregation to trust in Jesus' authority over their lives and not let legalism obstruct their relationship with Him.

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

1.) What does it mean to say that Jesus is Lord over the supernatural, and how does this shape our understanding of spiritual battles?

In the message, it was discussed how Jesus demonstrated his authority over evil spirits, showcasing that he is Lord over the supernatural realm.

Can you recall a time when you felt a spiritual battle in your own life? How can understanding Jesus' lordship influence how you face such struggles?

2.) How did Jesus show that he is Lord over the natural world through the healing of Simon's mother-inlaw, and what does that tell us about His authority?

The message illustrated how Jesus healed Simon's mother-in-law simply by taking her hand and commanding the fever to leave, demonstrating his authority over physical sickness.

How do you feel about the aspects of your life that may be out of your control, like health or other struggles? How can trusting in Jesus' authority help you manage these situations?

3.) In the message, it was pointed out that Jesus has authority to define what is right and wrong, especially in the context of his interactions with the leper. Why is it important for us to recognize his authority in moral decisions?

Pastor Matt emphasized that Jesus touched the leper against societal norms, showing he has the authority to redefine what is right and wrong.

Reflect on a time when you were faced with a moral decision. How did you determine what was right or wrong, and how can Jesus' authority guide you in future decisions?



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4.) What does the leper's story reveal about Jesus' compassion and authority over the justice system?

The message explained that Jesus showed authority by healing the leper and acknowledging societal rules while emphasizing compassion over tradition.

Are there situations in your life where you struggle with showing grace and compassion? How can you apply Jesus' example in those circumstances?

5.) How can understanding that Jesus is Lord over all aspects of our lives, including the supernatural, natural, and moral, impact our daily decisions and actions?

Pastor Matt concluded that Jesus being Lord means he has authority over every area of our lives, which should influence how we live each day.

Think of a decision you need to make this week. How can inviting Jesus' lordship into that decision change the outcome or your approach to it?