Community Group Guide

Week of July 25
Kingdom Realities
Luke 8:22-39

Sermon Discussion Questions

Have you ever read the Chronicles of Narnia? Did you like it? Why or why not?

Do you see the dueling kingdoms exist in Narnia?

What do you think it means, “Always winter, but never Christmas?”

What is it like to see the kingdom of God break into this fallen world? Have you seen that happen?

What does it mean for us for the kingdom of God realities to be lived out?

Read Luke 8:22-25.

What would make fisherman afraid of a storm? What makes you afraid in a storm?

Have you ever called upon Jesus to rescue you and it feels like He doesn’t care? Have you ever been proved wrong? Do you feel like you are trapped in a storm right now?

Why do you think the disciples went from fearing the storm to fearing Jesus?

What does it mean that faith is essential in the kingdom of God?

Do you feel tired and worn down by life? Can you relate to the disciples feeling of helplessness?

What does it mean that Jesus will see us through the storms of life?

What does it mean that Jesus possesses all authority and all sovereignty?

What does it mean that Jesus is in control even when things seem out of control?

Read Luke 8:26-29.

What does it mean that Jesus has entered Gentile territory?

Why was it incomprehensible for a Jewish rabbi to hang out among the tombs with a demon possessed man?

What does it mean that the demons were dehumanizing this man?

What does it mean that Jesus was outnumbered but not outmatched when it came to dealing with the man that was possessed by many demons?

What does it mean that Jesus cared more for the man than the financial implications of losing a herd of pigs?

What does it mean that God can and does conquer the evil powers of this world?

Read Luke 8:26-39.

What is the kingdom reality grace and new life in Jesus?

Do you find yourself isolated and alone? How can this community of Christ be part of the solution to isolation?

Why do you think Jesus sent the man back to the hometown to share what Jesus has done for him?

Do you believe God has called you to stay home and proclaim the faithfulness of God or called you to a foreign land? Why?

What does it mean that apart from Christ we are very much like legion?

How can you live out the Kingdom realities of God better in your life this week?