



DIGGING DEEPER

WEEK 1: The King Jesus Gospel

This study guide is designed to help you dig deeper into the weekend message and apply it to your life. The questions below are meant to encourage thoughtful reflection, discussion, and prayer for you, and your Life Group.

PRAY [Have someone in your group open in prayer.]

MESSAGE SUMMARY

This week at Fair Oaks Church we start a new series, *Kingdom Life*—what it looks like to live in the Kingdom in your everyday life.

KEY SCRIPTURE [Read aloud]

After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. “The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!”

[Mark 1:14-15]

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How would you explain to somebody asking you, “What is the Gospel?”
2. Read Mark 1:14-15 and Luke 16:16 together as a group. What do you think Jesus meant when he referred to the kingdom as having come and being near? What did Jesus mean when he said, “...everyone is forcing his way into it?”
3. Do you tend to think about the kingdom Jesus talks about as being something you are living in today or as a reality that happens when you die? How has your experience in church and with other believers shaped your view?
4. How is the Kingdom of God a present reality to you?

PRAY [Close your time in prayer. Allow time to pray for any needs in your group.]

Close your time by asking God to help you and your group to love God with all of your heart, soul, mind, and strength.