

"Only what the
Scriptures say."

The Gospel of Mark

GATEWAY CHURCH EDITION

Weather: It probably will be a mix
of sunny and overcast skies. Tem-
peratures will be up and down.
Rain or shine, the Lord is good.

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Free

Jesus' Faith-
fulness; Our
Folly

Mark 14:27-42

27 And Jesus said to
them, "You will all fall

THIS IS THE END!

Snakes, Poi-
sons, and
Manuscripts

Mark 16:9-20

9 [Now when he rose

BIG IDEA

Jesus, knowing what was before him, chose to trust the Father's providence and continued to fulfill the scriptures written about him perfectly. Despite the pain he experienced in the knowledge of his betrayal, he did not withdraw but remained faithful to the purpose and will of God. We should do the same no matter what we are going through. We achieve this by trusting in God's purpose and providence for our lives, knowing he is working in and through those moments and that he loves us.

THOUGHTS FROM THE SERMON

1. Read Mark 14:1-11. What stood out to you in the reading?
2. How were you impacted by the message this week?
3. What is God's purpose right now in this season of your life?
4. What is God's providence? How does the Westminster Confession of Faith define it? (Visit <https://www.gatewayepc.org/news> to view the sermon manuscript to see how it is defined.)
5. How did Jesus respond to his betrayal? How does withdrawing from others when you are hurt add to the pain of the experience?
6. Why is it important to remember God is in control of all things?
7. In what way are we no better than Judas in how our lives demonstrate Christ's value to us?

NOTES

PERSONAL REFLECTION AND APPLICATION

1. Are you aware of God's purpose for you? If so, what is it? How do you know?
2. How do you personally respond when you are hurt or betrayed? How will you respond differently after this week's message?
3. How have you seen God's providence in your life recently?
4. How would you respond if you knew you were in your final days and a death identical to Christ's was all that was before you?
5. How can you apply what you learned from the sermon to your life today?
6. How can your group hold you accountable this week? How can they encourage you?

DEEPER

Pray: Take time this week to pray for each member individually. At your next meeting, follow up with each other's prayer requests. Start to pray for those you want to invite to one of our services at Easter.

Write: Write out 2 Corinthians 5:21. Take time to reflect on this passage. Visit <https://www.gatewayepc.org/news> to view the sermon manuscript to review the message.

Sing: Visit <https://www.gatewayepc.org/gateway-news/2022/3/15-songs-for-the-weekend-mar-20> and listen to the worship songs from Sunday throughout the week. Look up the lyrics to each song and spend some time reading them as well.

Memorize: As a Life Group, pick a few verses from the sermon and memorize them this week. (Mark 14:1-11; 2 Corinthians 5:21; John 1:29b; John 12:4-6; Zechariah 11:12-13)

Love: How can your group show the love of Christ to our community in the coming month?