

# JESUS

T H E M O S T P O W E R F U L



**The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.**

**Mark 1:15**

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# **Prayer and the Kingdom of God**

**Jesus prayed to the Father and continued the mission for which the Father sent Him.**

# Prayer and the Kingdom of God

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**3<sup>1</sup>And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again.**

**3<sup>2</sup>And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 3<sup>3</sup>But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”**

Mark 8:31-33

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**<sup>40</sup>And a leper came to him, imploring him, and kneeling said to him, “If you will, you can make me clean.” <sup>41</sup>Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand and touched him and said to him, “I will; be clean.” <sup>42</sup>And immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean. <sup>43</sup>And Jesus sternly charged him and sent him away at once, <sup>44</sup>and said to him, “See that you say nothing to anyone, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded, for a proof to them.” ...**

**45** But he went out and began to talk freely about it, and to spread the news, so that Jesus could no longer openly enter a town, but was out in desolate places, and people were coming to him from every quarter.

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**During this time of reflection:**

**Am I currently on mission or  
distracted from the mission  
that God has given me?**

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**<sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup> not a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.**

Ephesians 2:8-10