

July 27, 2025 – Questions to Discuss and Consider at Home or in Small Group
“Hidden Agenda, Hidden Glory” -- Mark 1:29-45

1. Why do you think Jesus often withdrew to desolate places to pray—even in the middle of successful ministry?
2. What does it mean that the power of Christ is “hidden”? How does that challenge common expectations of how God should work?
3. In what areas of life are you tempted to seek visibility and applause rather than quiet obedience?
4. Why might we feel threatened by a Savior who hides Himself and leads us into obscurity?
5. How do we tend to remake Jesus in our own image to fit our personal goals or cultural ideals?
6. Which do you resonate with more—consumer Christianity (using Jesus) or religious platforming (using religion for self-importance)? Why?
7. What do you see in the exchange between Jesus and the leper that points to the gospel?
8. How does Jesus' willingness to go to the desolate places—including the cross—reveal God's heart?
9. How does knowing you are “hidden with Christ in God” free you from the need for human approval?
10. What might it look like in your life right now to follow Jesus into a “hidden place”?
11. How can this passage encourage you when obedience feels thankless or unseen?