

Gospel of Mark
Every Christian's Marching Orders
For the week of **February 12, 2017**

Apply today's message throughout the week by utilizing this Growth Guide individually, with your family, or in your group.

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GOAL: This week we focus on Jesus' "Marching Orders" for every Christian and how He sends us out.

GET GOING:

1. When you think of the words "marching orders" what comes to mind?
2. Read Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 again. How does this passage relate to the strategy Jesus used when sending out His disciples? Write down a few observations.
3. Pastor Ron shared several false gospels of which to be aware. Which of these do people easily believe? Are there any that you feel tempted to believe? Can you think of any other false gospels trying to break our confidence in the true Gospel?

BONUS THOUGHT:

The spread of early Christianity depended on hospitality; Christians letting other Christians stay in their homes as they traveled to spread the Gospel.

KEEP GROWING

4. Read Mark 6:30-44. In this passage, the disciples Jesus sent out return to Him. A great crowd follows them as they continue in their ministry.

- Did the disciples follow Jesus' marching orders?
- Verse 37 shows that the disciples still had some growing to do. Which of Jesus' marching orders do you think the disciples needed to work on at this point in their ministry?
- Just as Jesus' disciples needed to grow in their faith, we do too. What marching order do you need to work on?

5. Pastor Ron shared that as followers of Christ we are all sent out, and that our marching orders require dependence on God. How can you trust God more as a Christian who is sent out? Is there anything in your life that you are depending on instead of God?

BONUS CHALLENGE:

Share and Care

Pastor Ron shared that as we are sent out, we are to do so with Jesus' two pronged strategy: share and care. With whom in your life can you share the Gospel by inviting them to church next weekend? Is there anyone in your life who needs your care? Write down a name and pray that God would provide an opportunity for you to share the Gospel or care for this person this week.

