



Week 16: The King of kings

Mark 16 documents the unexpected way Jesus proved He is the true King—not by conquering armies, but by conquering sin and death. If you've ever felt disappointed by God, wrestled with surrender, or longed for hope beyond the grave, the message of the resurrection will help lift your eyes above the mess. It's not just good news for the world—it's a personal invitation to step off the throne of your life and follow a King who walked out of a tomb and will one day walk us out of ours.

Discussion Questions:

1. **Mark 16:6** says, *"He has risen! He is not here."* Why is the resurrection essential to the Christian faith? How does it validate everything Jesus said and did?
2. The women went to the tomb expecting to find a dead body, not a risen Savior. What does that reveal about their expectations? Where in your life are you living as if Jesus is still in the tomb?
3. We can't make Jesus King unless we give up our throne. Where do you struggle with this personally? Where have you experienced breakthroughs? What makes surrendering to Jesus so challenging when we know that He's a better King than we are?
4. Shawn said, *"Jesus didn't come for a make-over. He came for a take-over."* Can you recall times where Jesus didn't meet your expectations? How did you deal with that? How has surrendering to Jesus changed your identity, purpose, and/or values over time?
5. The resurrection proves that Jesus is the true King. But how does it give you the confidence to make Him your true King?
6. As you reflect on our journey through the gospel of Mark, what are one or two things that stood out to you most that will help you be a more faithful follower of Jesus?