

Retreat/Engage
Mark 1:35-45

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Suggested Questions for Individual
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- *Read Mark 1:35-45.* Where does Jesus' mission take him? What does he do in each place?
- What does Mark reveal about Jesus' prioritization of prayer? How is this apparently different or unexpected to his disciples? How does it compare to your approach to prayer?
- In your experience, how do your prayers and your work interact? In what ways, if it all, would you like to see that change? What is one step you can take to do that?
- What do you imagine the leper's life to have been like before he went to Jesus? What does he ask Jesus to do?
- Why is it surprising and significant that Jesus touches the leprous man? What happens when he does? How is the man's life changed?
- Why does Jesus send the healed man to the priests? What is the result?
- What kinds of people in our society are treated similarly to the lepers of Jesus' day? What would it look like if you, your small group, or our church were to engage them like Jesus?
- What is the Lord inviting you to do in response to this text? How will you do this? How can your small group or others support and pray for you as you do?

For Family Discussion: Ask: *Where are places we pray?* Read Mark 1:35-45. Describe lepers appropriately. Ask: *What does Jesus do for the leper? Who should we treat kindly like Jesus treated the leper? How can you do that?* Pray together and ask for the Lord to help you.

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