WEEK 4 DISCUSSION QUESTIONS • "A MESSIAH WITH AUTHORITY"

GETTING TO KNOW ME

What is something that you are earnestly praying for right now?

INTO THE BIBLE

- What were the main points of the sermon? How do these offer encouragement to you?
- 2. Read Mark 4:35-41. Discuss how fear can get a foothold in our lives.
- 3. Read Philippians 4:6-8. What does Paul say here? How does it relate to fear?
- 4. Read Mark 5:1-20. Rummage around in Mark. How many demon stories can you find?
- 5. Discuss the common theme in each of these stories:
 - Why is the realm of demons generally ignored by Western Christians?
 - What are ways some Christians can overly emphasize demons in their daily lives?
- 6. Read Mark 5:21-43. Read out loud any footnotes that your study Bible may offer.
- 7. Why does Jesus say twice in this section, "Who touched Me?" What is Mark getting at?
- 8. Does the Bible always promise physical healing? Why? Why not? (Texts to consider: Exodus 4:11; Luke 13:10-13; John 5:7-8, 9:1-12; Psalm 119:67, 71; James 5:13-16. Compare Isaiah 53:4 and Matthew 8:17).

APPLICATION

- What is an area in which you have experienced the authority of Jesus?
- If you are saved, have you been baptized after your conversion? How does your answer demonstrate your view of Jesus' authority in your life?