Sermon Discussion Guide
November 8, 2026
Mark 14

TRINITY
CHURCH

Read the sermon text (Mark 14) together and briefly summarize the main points of the sermon (see outline below). Recapping the sermon text and sermon outline can be a helpful way to start the group, even if everyone did hear the sermon. If someone did not hear the sermon, at least they have now heard the text, or part of the text…

Loud and Clear
Mark 14
Sermon Outline

1. Jesus is accused (14:53-59)
2. Jesus is heard (14:60-65)
3. Jesus is denied (14:66-72)

Sermon Thought: Jesus declares that he is the Christ, and we are called to believe in Him.

Sermon Discussion questions

After briefly reviewing the message outline and text, use these questions to further examine the sermon and to discuss how these truths apply to daily life, so we can "be doers of the word, and not hearers only" (James 1:22). Based on your knowledge of the people in your home group, ***select the questions that will best help you frame the group's discussion*** *of this sermon and sermon text. Don't feel like you need to discuss every question… And feel free to craft some of your own questions.*

1. Prime the Pump Question: Was there anything from the baptisms or testimonies that stood out to you today? Why?
2. Was there anything in the text or in the message that stood out to you? Why?
3. The first six "scenes" of Mark 14 describe Jesus. Reflect on each of these descriptions, and try to think of at least one practical way you can respond to each.
    1. Jesus anointed… "worthy of worship"—how can you worship Him sacrificially?
    2. The Last Supper…"fulfilling the Passover"— How do you prepare yourself to take communion regularly?
    3. Walking and Talking…"all-knowing"—how does it affect your actions and your prayers if God already knows what is going to happen?
    4. Prayer in the Garden…"humble"—is there anything specific about which you need to say, "Not my will, but yours be done."
    5. Betrayal in the Garden…"willing"— is there anything hard/difficult that God is calling you to do willingly to serve him?

6. Jesus on Trial…"truth"— Is there someone specific in your life who needs to know exactly who Jesus is? How can you use the gospel of Mark to tell them?

4. Jesus is heard— why is it significant that Jesus remains silent? Why is it necessary the Jesus remains silent? (Read Isaiah 53:7).
5. Do you think that believers today should remain silent when they face persecution? Why or why not?
6. In Mark 14:61, the High Priest asks Jesus if he is…
    1. "The Christ"=the promised, anointed Messiah. How do these verses from earlier in the Gospel of Mark help make the case that Jesus is indeed "the Christ?" Mark 1:1; 1:14-15; 1:23-24; 8:29-30; 10:46-48; 11:9-10; 12:35-37
    2. "The son of the blessed one"=Son of God. How do these verses from earlier in the Gospel of Mark help make the case that Jesus is indeed fully God? Mark 1:1; 1:11; 2:5-11; 2:27-28; 4:39-41; 8:38; 11:20-21; 12:35-37; 13:2
7. Jesus answers the High Priest by saying, "I Am." Read Exodus 3:13-15, where God says that his name is "I Am." ("Yahweh" in Hebrew) What can you learn about God's character from these verses in Exodus? (What he is like? Or what he does?)
8. Jesus also answers the High Priest by saying, "You will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven." Read Daniel 7:13-14, which describe the Promised One…
    1. In Daniel's words, what leads you to believe that this is a divine person, not simply another human?
    2. In Jesus' words (Mark 14:62), what leads you to believe that this is a divine person, not simply another human?
9. How do we know that the High Priest understood that Jesus was clearly claiming to be God? (14:63-64)
10. Do you know someone who chooses to reject Jesus, even though he/she may understand exactly what Jesus claims about himself? Stop and pray for that person by name.
11. Peter fails by denying Jesus. If Peter were to read back over Mark 14, how would he be encouraged by the words of this chapter? Is there anything in the chapter that would give him hope?
12. Takeaway Truth: "We must remember how much Jesus loves us." Communion helps us to remember this truth. Can you think of a particularly meaningful time when you celebrated communion? Why does it stick in your mind?
13. Why do you think that God wanted you to see/hear this passage today?
14. Things to pray for this week at Trinity…
    1. Weekly mission prayer—believers in Niger
    2. Individuals with health issues
    3. At least 26 new believers in 2026
    4. Healthy friendships and marriages and other relationships