BREAKING NEWS

Your Story According To....

AT A GLANCE:
The title of the Feast talk series is Breaking News— borrowed from the title of a feature on television news programs, Breaking News, which is about newly received information on an event that is currently occurring or developing.

The August talk series is about the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John which, as a whole, are referred to as the Good News— the life and times of our Lord Jesus and His message about our salvation — which is good news, indeed.

To this day, the Good News is still Breaking News because God's work on each of us remains currently occurring.

AFTER THE SERIES:
We should be able to have a macro-view of the four Gospels, understand our Catholic faith, and not feel guilty to ask questions about it, because doubts are part of our faith journey— Doubts are needed to deepen our faith.

Talk 2: "Mark"

WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT:

In Talk 1, our one big message was, "You're made for bigger things." In Talk 2, the message is similar: "God has bigger plans."

Talk 2 focuses on Mark, the first Gospel ever written, which emphasizes that Jesus has a bigger plan than what the apostles thought was His purpose in coming to Earth.

I. REVIEW THE KEY BIBLE VERSES:

Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, "If anyone wants to be first, he must be the very last, and the servant of all." (Mark 9:35 NIV)

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. (Mark 10:44-45 NIV).

Who is Jesus? The King who rules by being a Servant.

The Mark Gospel is saying knowing Jesus is not enough. Mark goes directly to Jesus WORKING: preaching, healing, and performing miracles.

The apostles thought the purpose of Jesus is to free the Jews from slavery under the Romans.

The apostles want Jesus to be a political hero because they secretly desired power. But Jesus has bigger plans.

Truth: *Selfish plans will always remain small.* God didn't just want to free 1st century Jews; *God wanted to free all of humanity—in all of history—past, present, and future.*

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Talk 1: *Success*

Talk 2: *Mark*

Talk 3: *Matthew*

Talk 4: *Luke*

Talk 5: *John*

Notes:

II. ASK FOR REACTIONS AND REFLECTIONS

Ask or sharing on members' "small" plans, especially about serving God.

Ask about their reaction to the challenge to make their home a church through two ministries: Light Group or Feast Light — or both.

III. PRAY FOR EACH OTHER

Pray that if they haven't yet, members would accept the challenge to make their "small" plans bigger, especially in serving God, and particularly in joining a Light Group or establishing a Feast Light, welcoming people to their home to make it Christ's church.

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