**Discussion Questions – Week 3 - Mark 2:13-3:35**

Describe a time that you have questioned someone’s authority.

What opposition does Jesus face? What is the concern of those confronting Jesus and what does Jesus teach about his mission at each confrontation?

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| Passage | Who | Concern | Jesus’ teaching |
| 2:13-17 |  |  |  |
| 2:18-22 |  |  |  |
| 2:23-28 |  |  |  |
| 3:1-6 |  |  |  |
| 3:19 |  |  |  |
| 3:22-30 |  |  |  |
| 3:21-22, 31-35 |  |  |  |

What reason do you think that most people give for questioning Jesus’ authority today? What does Jesus identify as the cause of rejection of his authority in Mark 3:5? How does this impact how we share the gospel?

What is the significance of Jesus appointing 12 apostles? How does Jesus choose them? What does Jesus send them out in order to do?

Jesus first speaks of forgiveness in the book of mark when he forgives a man in 2:6, what new information about forgiveness does Jesus share in 3:28? What is significant about it?

From what we have read so far in Mark, what was Jesus offering people if they followed him?