

# The Jesus Way

## The Jesus Way: The Way of the Wilderness

February 22nd & 23rd

**Speaker:** Dr. Mark Batterson

**Scripture:** Luke 4:1-8

### Series Overview

Our church is coming together this Lent to practice the Jesus way daily. Each week, we'll be learning a new element of the way of Jesus together during each weekend service and we'll be setting aside time, both collectively and as individuals, to respond and to dive deeper into who Jesus is and who we are in him. You can sign up at [ncc.re/TheWay](http://ncc.re/TheWay) to receive a short guide each Monday through Saturday containing spiritual practices and devotional readings centered around the Jesus Way.

### Series Question

What struck you about the way of Jesus this week? What does it look like to practice that?

### Sermon Overview

The Holy Spirit will sometimes lead us where we don't want to go, but He always goes with us! The wilderness is not the enemy. The wilderness is a part of the way, the Jesus way.

### Sermon-Specific Questions

Pastor Mark shared how, "we have to do God's will, God's way." When was the last time you prayed for the ways of God?

How would you describe the American way? How does that compare and contrast with the Jesus way?

How did Jesus practice self-denial? How are we to do the same?

Pastor Mark said, "Deliberate practice + desirable difficulty = durable learning." This Lenten season, choose a spiritual discipline you want to grow in. How can you setup deliberate practice with a desirable difficulty over the next 40-days?

When was the last time you were uncomfortable? What did you learn from that?

When faced with adversity and temptation, what does it look like to fall into the kindness of God?

Think of a difficult situation you are facing (or have faced) and reflect on this question: What have you come to teach me?

When are you going to meet with God this week? Where are you going to meet with God this week?

### **Practical Application:**

- Engage in spiritual practices and devotional readings each day through subscribing to the daily Jesus Way devotionals: [ncc.re/TheWay](http://ncc.re/TheWay)
- Spend time planning how you will meet with God this Lenten season. When and where will you meet him? Mark those times and places on your calendar.
- Meditate and pray through Psalm 25 asking God to show you his ways.