

Big News

Mark 1-3

5pm Church & 7pm

1 Jesus is King of the Kingdom of God

Mark 1:1-15

1. What are the common stereotypes of Jesus that you hear about?
2. Mark starts with “The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God” (verse 1). How does reading this verse make us feel about reading this gospel?
3. Looking at verses 2-8, what was the role of John the Baptist and why was he needed?
4. Why did Jesus need to get baptised (verses 9-10)?

2 King Jesus has Authority

Mark 1:14 - 2:12

1. Who do people turn to for guidance in life? What are they looking for in relying on these things?
2. In verses 16-19, King Jesus shows his authority over people. Why did Jesus call these men and what was the mission they would have?
3. What are the two areas that Jesus shows he has authority over in verses 21-28? What do these verses make known about the Kingdom of God with Jesus as King?
4. How does Jesus withdrawing to pray to his Father show what he thinks about authority (verses 35-39)? Why does Jesus want to leave Capernaum?

5. In Mark 2:1-8, Jesus shows his authority over sickness and more importantly sin. What claim is Jesus making by forgiving the paralytic man's sins? What role does the miracle play in this story?

6. If Jesus is the Son of God, how should we treat him?

7. What would make your unbelieving friends think that they are as desperate as the paralytic man for spiritual healing?

Pray for yourselves in regard to what you been taught/encouraged/challenged/rebuked.

Pray for those unbelieving friends you spoke of in the first week and ask that God would help them to see that Jesus is the King he claims to be .

3 The New Perfect Way of the Kingdom of God

Mark 2:13 - 3:5

1. Who do your unbelieving friends think deserve to get into heaven?
2. Why do we think that Jesus chose Levi as the one whom he would eat with (verse 13-17)?
3. How does Jesus' statement in verse 17 challenge our world's definition of sick? Do your unbelieving friends think that you are sick?
4. Look at verses 18-21. What was the purpose of fasting in the Old Testament?
5. What does Jesus mean with his first response in regard to fasting in verses 19-20?

4 The Reception of King Jesus

Mark 3:7-30

1. What impact does Satan have on our unbelieving friend's lives?
2. Looking at verses 7-12, why is Jesus so popular? What is motivating the people to come to him?
3. Why does Jesus instruct the evil spirits to not tell others about him?
4. What is strange about the actions of Jesus' family?

5. Summarise the teachers of the Law's claim about Jesus in your own words (verse 22).

6. What is the logic of Jesus' parable in verses 24-26?

7. In verse 27 what does Jesus make clear about the reality of the unbeliever's situation?

8. What do we learn from this passage that encourages us to continue to pray and proclaim the gospel to our unbelieving friends even when they don't receive Jesus like we know they should?
Read 2 Timothy 2:24 for encouragement

Pray for yourselves in regard to what you been taught/encouraged/challenged/rebuked. Also pray that we would be gentle and kind and persevere in trying to speak of Jesus to our friends.

Pray for the unbelieving friends you have been praying for and ask God that he would grant them repentance and freedom from the devil.

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