



THE GOSPEL OF MARK

"This Gospel conveys, then, something important about Jesus. He is not merely a historical figure, but a living reality, a person who addresses us today...Mark wants us to see that the coming of Jesus calls for decisive action...Therefore we can't remain neutral. We need to respond actively." - Tim Keller¹

Background

The Gospel of Mark, written between 65-70 AD to the church in Rome, was probably the first Gospel to be written. John Mark, who accompanied Paul and Barnabas on their first missionary journey (Acts 12:25), is believed to be the author. Mark shows identity of Christ as King over all (chapters 1-8) and the purpose of Christ's death (chapters 9-16). Likewise, the study focuses on the person and work of Jesus in order to apply the principles learned to our lives and ministry.

Instructions

1. Each day's reading has two parts: a longer passage to read and a shorter passage to study.
2. When studying the verses, state the facts, ask and answer questions, form principles and applications, and respond in prayer.
3. After each chapter, summarize what you've learned about the person and work of Jesus and Jesus' discipleship of the Twelve.

Presentation of Jesus

Week 1: The Messiah

Read	Study
1:1-13	1:9-13
1:14-28	1:14-20
1:29-45	1:35-39
2:1-12	2:8-11
2:13-22	2:13-17

Discipleship of Jesus

Week 2: Selection & Teaching

Read	Study
3:1-19	3:13-15
3:20-35	3:23-27
4:1-20	4:13-20
4:21-34	4:30-34
4:35-41	4:39-41

Miracles of Jesus

Week 3: Demons, Disease, & Nature

Read	Study
5:1-20	5:6-10
5:21-43	5:35-43
6:1-13	6:7-13
6:14-32	6:30-32
6:33-56	6:47-52

Ministry of Jesus

Week 4: Emphasis on Faith

Read	Study
7:1-23	7:17-23
7:24-37	7:27-30
8:1-10	The Disciples
8:11-26	8:17-21
8:27-38	8:27-33

Identity of Jesus

Week 5: The Suffering Servant

Read	Study
9:1-29	9:2-8
9:30-50	9:30-37
10:1-16	10:13-16
10:17-31	10:28-31
10:32-45	10:42-45

Identity of Jesus

Week 6: The Coming King

Read	Study
11:1-11	11:8-10
11:12-33	11:22-24
12:1-12	12:9-12
12:13-34	12:28-31
12:35-44	12:35-37

Passion of Jesus

Week 7: The Final Days

Read	Study
13:1-23	13:9-13
13:24-27	13:33-37
14:1-21	14:6-9
14:22-42	14:22-26
14:43-72	14:61-65

Triumph of Jesus

Week 8: Crucifixion & Resurrection

Read	Study
15:1-15	15:2-5
15:16-32	15:16-20
15:33-47	15:32-38
16:1-8	16:5-7
16:9-20	16:19-20