

Scandalous Grace

Mark 1

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I. Title – Mark 1:1

A. The Title as We Know It

1. Not added until a number of _____ later

B. Mark's Title

1. Is this: The _____ of the Gospel about Jesus Christ, the Son of God
2. "Beginning"
 - a. Same word that begins _____ & Hosea
 - b. Mark's point
 - i. The same God who _____ the world and spoke through the prophets is still at _____ in the gospel story
3. Gospel
 - a. Literally means _____
 - b. It is the story of _____ found in Jesus Christ
 - c. It is good news that was foretold by the _____
4. Jesus Christ, Son of God
 - a. Christ means _____
 - b. Son of God means God i _____
 - c. In the very first verse, Mark gives us a _____ into the identity of Jesus

II. Prologue – Vv. 2-13

A. The Ministry of John the Baptist – Vv. 2-8

1. Somewhat _____
2. Why begin with John?
 - a. Mark is _____ the Good News about Jesus to scriptural prophecy
 - b. John's appearance on the scene was _____ in the O.T.
3. Three individuals
 - a. _____, the _____, and _____
4. John's clothing and diet
 - a. Meant to conjure up images of _____

5. John's Message
 - a. After me comes someone _____
 - b. I baptize with _____, he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit
6. Two _____
 - a. John's – provisional, temporary, looking _____ to something better
 - b. Jesus' – _____, greater, and something only _____ could do

B. Jesus' Baptism – Vv. 9-11

1. Why would Jesus be baptized?
 - a. John's baptism was a baptism of _____
 - b. It was an _____ of God's call
 - c. Jesus is _____ to all God has for him as the Son of God and the Savior of the World
2. Ripping of the _____
 - a. In O.T. it was a sign _____ was about to speak or act, and the purpose of God will be _____
3. The descent of the _____
 - a. The Spirit was not a dove, but his _____ was dove-like
4. The declaration from _____
 - a. God identifies Jesus as his _____
 - b. As God's Son, Jesus can not only speak and act _____ God, but also _____ God
5. Likely all these things were visible and audible only to _____

C. Temptation in the Desert – Vv. 12-13

1. Immediately...
2. "_____" by the Spirit
 - a. More literally, the Spirit drives or _____ him out
 - b. This is _____ orchestrated
3. A time of _____
 - a. But also a _____ of deliverance and God's presence
4. The coming of Jesus signals the _____ of Satan

III. The Beginning of Jesus' Galilean Ministry – Vv. 14-45

A. Introduction – Vv. 14-15

1. After John was "handed _____" to prison
 - a. Exact word used for _____ later
2. Jesus _____ the Good News in Galilee

- a. The coming of the _____ of God
 3. The “_____” (*kairos*) has come
 - a. When the time was _____
 4. The Kingdom of _____
 - a. God was/is the _____ of Israel
 - b. O.T. prophesied that the Messiah would usher in the eternal and heavenly _____ of God
 5. Has come _____
 - a. In Christ, that _____ has come
 - b. It is the definitive moment in _____
 - c. The word for “near” (*engizen*) means physical nearness
 - d. In Jesus of Nazareth the kingdom of God makes a _____ appearance
 6. Repent
 - a. To turn _____ from one thing and _____ another
 - b. It is the changing of the total _____ of one’s life
- B. The Calling of the Disciples – Vv. 16-20
1. Prior knowledge
 - a. He had been _____
 - b. John and James *may* have been _____
 2. Fishers of people
 - a. A picture of _____
 - b. Being caught has fatal consequences for the _____
 - i. He must _____
 - ii. _____ cannot go on as before
 - c. So it is with _____ of Jesus Christ
 3. Follow _____
 - a. Prophets and rabbis called people to follow _____
 - b. Jesus says, “Follow me.”
 - i. For in following Jesus, we _____ following God
 4. God’s _____ in calling people
 - a. A _____ with a promise, followed by _____
- C. The Authority of Jesus – Vv. 21-28
1. Capernaum
 - a. Jesus’ home _____ during Galilean ministry
 2. Jesus _____ with authority – Vv. 21-22
 - a. Mark doesn’t tell us _____ Jesus taught
 3. Jesus _____ with authority – Vv. 23-28
 - a. The people were _____
 - b. Even _____ obey him

4. Command to _____
 - a. In this case, Jesus will not allow demons to be of the _____ Kingdom of God
 - b. Miracles are great, but they are a lousy _____ for faith
 - c. Forestalling the inevitable _____
 - d. Nobody, not even his disciples, can truly _____ who Jesus is until after his death and resurrection

D. Healing Many – Vv. 29-34

1. Peter's Mother-in-Law
 - a. Her _____ was to serve Jesus and others
 - b. That should be the _____ response of all who have been healed by Jesus
2. After sunset
 - a. Jesus healed " _____ "

E. Two Responses – Vv. 35-39

1. Jesus' response
 - a. To get _____ with God
2. The disciples' response
 - a. To _____ Jesus down
 - b. Why?
 - i. They want more _____
3. Jesus _____
 - a. And sets out what he came to do – preach the _____ to all who will listen

F. Healing a Man with Leprosy – Vv. 40-45

1. The life of a leper
 - a. Separated from _____ ones
 - b. Shunned by _____
 - c. Forced by law to be _____
 - d. Announcing their _____
 - e. Never again to feel the warmth of human _____
2. The man's faith
 - a. He does not question Jesus' _____
 - b. He only questions Jesus' _____
3. Compassion or indignant?
 - a. Earliest copies say Jesus was _____
 - b. At what?
 - i. At the _____ of the man and the way he had been _____
 - c. It is a _____ indignation, and it is Jesus' _____ that led him to feel it
4. Don't miss this...Jesus reaches out and _____ the leper

- a. This man is not anymore _____ than all the other people standing around
- b. He is only in need of the _____ touch of Christ
- 5. Command to _____ again
 - a. But the leper doesn't _____

IV. APPLICATION: Discipleship

A. Discipleship

- 1. Is a call to follow _____
 - a. Wherever he _____
- 2. It is a call to _____
- 3. A call to live in _____ with other believers

B. Discipleship means...

- 1. Accepting Jesus' _____ unconditionally
- 2. Walking in _____ to him
- 3. In short, it is full _____ to Jesus Christ
 - a. Dropping whatever _____ we may covet to follow him
 - b. Eschewing what is _____ and even sometimes what is _____