

Mark 1:1-16:8

Following the Risen Son: Applying Mark's Gospel

- I. Introduction: John Mark wrote this gospel account to proclaim that Jesus is the Son of God and that all people must repent of their sins and follow Him.
- **II.** Following the Risen Son: Applying Mark's Gospel (Mark 1:1-16:8).
 - A. Proclaim The Gospel (Mark 1:1, 14-15; 8:35; 10:29; 13:10; 14:9; 16:15).
 - 1. Mark's gospel is meant to be proclaimed to the ends of the earth by faithful followers of Jesus, because He is God's Son.
 - B. Enter The Kingdom (Mark 1:15; 4:11; 9:1, 47; 10:14; 11:10; 12:34; 14:25; 15:43).
 - 1. Jesus came into Galilee preaching that the kingdom of God was near, and He called people to submit themselves to His authority and enter His kingdom.
 - C. Repent Of Sin (Mark 1:4, 15; 3:14-17; 6:12; 10:17-23).
 - 1. Mark's gospel is primarily evangelistic, calling people to repent of their sins and embrace the good news that Jesus Christ died to save sinners.
 - D. Live By Faith (Mark 1:15; 2:5; 4:40; 5:34, 36; 9:23-24; 10:52; 11:22-24; 13:21).
 - 1. Mark's gospel is a call to put our faith in Jesus Christ as the Son of God who has power and authority over everything in this world and the next.
 - E. Count The Cost (Mark 1:17-20; 2:14; 8:34-38; 10:21; 15:41; 16:19-20).
 - 1. Mark's gospel was written as a call to follow Jesus by denying ourselves and taking up our cross in radical submission to His authority.
- **III. Conclusion:** The gospel of Mark calls us to believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and follow Him, proclaiming the good news that He alone can save sinners.



Questions About: Applying Mark's Gospel

- 1. What is the aim of Mark's gospel? (Mark 1:1) How is it evangelistic? What does the word "gospel" mean? Why did Mark emphasize that Jesus is the "Christ" of God? (v. 1)
- 2. How did Mark prove that Jesus is God's Son? (Mark 1:1) What are the two major confessions in Mark? (Mark 8:27-29; 15:39) What are we to do with this message? (Mark 1:14-15)
- How did Jesus preach about God's kingdom? (Mark 1:15; 4:11, 26, 30; 9:1, 47; 10:14, 15, 23, 24, 25; 11:10; 12:34; 14:25; 15:43) What is God's kingdom? How do you enter it? (1:15)
- 4. How is repentance a command in Mark's gospel? (Mark 1:4, 15; 3:14-17; 6:12; 10:17-22) Who preached repentance? (Mark 1:4, 15; 6:12) Who repented in Mark? (Mark 3:14-17)
- 5. How did Mark focus on following Jesus by faith? (Mark 1:17-20; 2:14; 8:34-38; 10:21; 15:41; 16:19-20) What does it mean to take up your cross and follow Him? (Mark 8:34-38)
- 6. How did Mark emphasize faith in Jesus? (Mark 1:15; 2:5; 4:40; 5:34, 36; 9:23-24; 10:52; 11:22) How did His disciples struggle to believe Him? (Mark 4:40) Do you believe in Him?
- 7. How did Jesus call His Apostles to follow Him? (Mark 1:16-20) What if God asked you to abandon your job? Your house? Your friends? Your life? Would you follow Him?
- 8. Which of these points of application stand out to you? Do you need to proclaim Jesus? Submit yourself to Jesus' authority? Repent of your sins? Follow Him by faith? Count the cost?

<u>Prayer</u>

- 1. Pray that you might understand what to apply from Mark's gospel.
- 2. Ask God to give you boldness to share the good news that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.