

# **THE GOSPEL OF MARK**

**THE GOOD NEWS OF SECRETS, SERVICE,  
AND SALVATION**

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# OUTLINE

- I. Prologue/Preparation for the Public Ministry (Mk. 1: 1-13)
- II. The Mystery of Jesus/Jesus Ministry in Galilee (Mk. 1:14-8:26)
- III. The Mystery begins to be revealed (Mk. 8:27-9:32)
  - a. Jesus' ministry on the way to Jerusalem (Mk. 8:31-9:50)
- IV. The Full Revelation of the Mystery (Mk. 9:33-16:8)
  - a. Jesus' ministry in Jerusalem (Mk. 11:1-16:8)
- V. Longer Ending (Mk. 16:9-20)



# OVERALL THEMES

1. Gospel
2. The Devil
3. Service
4. Marcan Secret
5. Special items of note



# THEMES-GOSPEL AND THE DEVIL

- Gospel-Mk. 1:1
- Devil is consistently trying to stop the spread of the Gospel
  - Tempting of Jesus in the desert (Mk. 1:12-13)
  - Curing of man with unclean Spirit in synagogue at Capernaum (Mk. 1:21-28)
    - Note: Starts his cleansing in the synagogue (the teaching Magisterium)
  - Cleansing of unclean spirits in Galilee (Mk. 1:35-39;3:11-12)
  - He chose twelve to be with Him, to be sent out to preach, and to have authority to cast out demons (Mk. 3:15)
  - Scribes accuse Jesus of casting out demons by the power of Satan, then Jesus says, “No one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his goods unless he first binds the strongman” (Mk. 3:27)
  - Three ways the devil works: Personally (possession), Oppression (actions on environments to make people go into despair), and temptations and disorders of the flesh (Mk. 7: 21-23)



Defeating the Devil  
at his own game  
is done only in  
Jesus' name.

# THEMES- SERVICE

- Good News is bound up with Service
  - Prepare the way of the Lord through Service (Mk. 1:2-4)
  - Teaching and learning the faith is mandatory in spreading the Gospel (Mk. 1:21-28; Mk. 3:1-6; 6:1-6;)
  - Service is bound up in prayer (Mk. 1:35-start of public ministry; midway through the ministry-Mk. 6:46; and finally in Gethsemane-Mk. 14:32).



# THEMES-MARCAN SECRET

- Marcan Secret
  - We see from the outline that the Marcan Secret/the mystery is gradually revealed in the Gospel
  - Cured unclean spirits but told people not to tell (Mk. 3:11-12; 5:43; 7:35-37)
  - Cure of the Gerasene Demoniac (Mk. 5:1-20)-Note he told those in Gerasene to tell what was done (as opposed to the Marcan secret). Why?
    - Pagans need miracles to prepare them for faith, but God's chosen people must see Christ through the cross
  - Messiahship is tied up with the cross, not simply miracles and wonders or political gain/popularity





# VERSES OF NOTE

- Mk. 2:27-28: The sabbath was made for man not man for the Sabbath
- Mk. 4:40: He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you no faith?”
  - Fear is the chief activator of our faults-Fr. Emmerich Vogt
- Mk. 5: 1-20: Cure of the Gerasene Demoniac
- Mk. 5: 25-34: Woman with hemorrhage for 12 years
  - She was healed but then she came and fell down in fear and trembling and told him [Jesus] the whole truth (Mk. 5: 33).
  - Notice she did not have peace and complete healing until she was able to dwell in truth
- Mk. 6:53-56: Cures at Gennesaret
  - And where ever he came...they laid the sick in the market places and besought him that they may even touch the fringe of his garment; and as many as touched it were made well.
  - Apostolate of presence-People need to come in contact with Christ to be made well (through Sacraments, His Word and Preaching, through presence)-garment clothes Christ



# VERSES OF NOTE

- **Mk. 10:17-31: The Rich Young Man and following the Commandments**
  - He follows all the rules but still lacks the heart
  - Pope Francis calls this Neo-Gnosticism in *Gaudete et Exultate*#37 (note: 1 Cor. 13:1-3)
- **Mk. 11:12-26: Expulsion of the Money Changers/ Barren Fig Tree**
  - Cleansing temple prophecies (Mal. 3:1-5; Zech. 14:21) in order for it to be a place of prayer (Is. 56:7)
  - This is why the Barren Tree Follows-Examination of our Liturgical worship
- **Mk. 13-Olivet Discourse/On the End Times**
  - “What I say to all of you: Watch” (Mk. 13: 37)



- Conclusion-Ps. 22/Mk. 15



Mk. 15/Ps. 22

Category	Mk. 15	Ps. 22
Suffering will cause the Lord to be praised/mock-ery due to his reliance on God	Mk. 15:31-32,36	Ps. 22:9-11
Insults of the people	Mk. 15:29	Ps. 22:8
Dividing up his clothes	Mk. 15: 24	Ps. 22: 19
Deliverance to an unknown people	Mk. 15:38 (tearing of the Temple veil)	Ps. 22:31
All nations shall believe in God	Mk. 15:39 (Centurion's act of faith)	Ps. 22:28-30

# CONCLUSION

- Gospel = Good News is Jesus Christ who is the Son of God/Son of Man

- Son of God



Son of Man

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- **“The Son of God became the son of man so that the sons of men could become the sons of God”**-St. Athanasius  
*On the Incarnation 54, 3/CCC#460*

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# GOOD NEWS!

### Jesus Died, Buried, and Resurrected!

**Paul Declares the Good News of the Sacrifice for Sins**

1 CORINTHIANS (15) - Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, that he appeared to us, that he was seen by us, that he ate and drank with us, that he was seen by us for forty days, that he ascended into heaven, that he is seated at the right hand of the Father, that he will come back to judge the living and the dead.

**From Tragedy to Triumph!**

### THE ONAUTS MINISODES

**The Work on the Cross is Finished**

JOHN (19) - After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst." A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished."

**Behold All Things are Made New**

2 CORINTHIANS (5) - Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us, and we implore on behalf of Christ, that we would be reconciled to God.

**The Love of God is Given to the World**