The Gospel of Mark - Study Guide Part 1

The Beginning of the Good News - 1:1-8

1:1 The good news –
Christ/Messiah –
Son of God –
(See Appendix A – Imperial Theology)
1:2-3 The Prophet's Foretold – "the way of the Lord"
V. 2 - Malachi 3:1
V. 3 - Isaiah 40: 3
1:4-8 The Fulfillment - Forerunner - John the Baptizer
John's work – Vv. 4-6

John's message - VV. 7-8

The Baptism of Jesus - 1:9-11

1:10 The heavens open
The Spirit Descending
1:11 The Voice
Ps 2-7
Isaiah 42:1
Gen. 22:1-2

The Temptations – 1: 12-13

1:12 Spirit - driven

1:13 Creation as it should be:

Wild animals - lion lies down with lamb Isaiah 11:6

Ministering angels – veil Temptation

The Ministry Begins - 1:14 -15

1:14a – Shadow of cross

1:14b - Proclamation

- 1) "Good news of ..."
- 2) "the time is ..."
- 3) "the Kingdom..."

- 4) "repent" -
- 5) "believe" trust and...

Gathering A New Community- 1:16-20

- 1:16-18- Simon and Andrew
 - 1) The call V. 17
 - 2) The response V. 18
- 1:19- 20 James and John
 - 1) The call V. 20a
 - 2) The response 20b

1: 21 - 3:6 Healings and Conflict

Five Healing Stories - Jesus authority

- I: 21-28 Unclean Spirit
- 1: 29-31 Fever
- 1: 32-35 summary
- 1: 40-45 Leper
- 2:1-13 Paralytic

Five Conflict Stories – Persons over Piety

- 2:1-13 Forgiveness of sins
- 2: 13-17 Table fellowship
- 2:18-22 Fasting
- 2:23-28 Sabbath
- 3:1-6 Sabbath

3: 7-12 - SUMMARY

3:12-25 TRUE DISCIPLES -

- 3:12-19a Family
- 3:19b 29 Scribes
- 3:31-35 Family

4:1-34 - Kingdom Parables

- 4:1-9 The Sower, the Soils, the Seeds, the Kingdom
- 4:10-12 The Purpose of Parables
- 4:13-20 The Explanation
- 4:21-32 More Parables
- 4:33-34 Importance of Parables
- 5:1-20 Legion power over the demonic
- 5:21-24a Jairus' Daughter
- 5:24b-34 Hemorrhaging Woman power over disease
- 5:35-43 Jairus' daughter power over death
- 6:1-6a Nazareth
- 6b-13 The Mission of the 12
- 6:14-29 The Death of the Baptist
- 6:30-32 The Return of the 12
- 6:33-44 The Feeding of the 5000 power over nature
- 6:45-52 Walking on the water power nature
- 6:53-56 **Summary**
- 7:1-23 Jesus and "the Traditions of the Elders"
- 7:24-30 Jesus and the Syro-Phoenician woman
- 8:1-10 Healing a Deaf Man

8:11-13 – Demanding a sign

8:12-21 – Blindness

8:22-25 – Healing a Blind Man

The Gospel of Mark – Study Guide Part 2

The Discipleship Section in Mark – the "Grand Inclusio" (8:22 – 10:52)

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The Passion Narrative

Mark 11:1-11

Two processions

Triumphal (?)

Expectations

v. 11

11:12-14 - Fig Tree

11:15-19 - Temple

11:20-21 - Fig Tree

Destiny of Deception is Destruction

12:28-34 - First Commandment (cf. Romans 13/James 2/

1 John 4:20

Disciple's way is way of love

12:38-44

Setting: Temple Treasury/last public teaching

38-44 – success by world's standards/ deceit

41-44 - success by Jesus' standards - "her whole life"

13:1-37 - Watch, Keep alert, Stay awake!

14:1-2 – Incredible Conspiracy

3-9 - Dazzling devotion

14:10-11 - Incredible Conspiracy

14:12-25 - The Last Supper

12-16 – invites disciples to participate

17-21 – predicts betrayal

22-25 – Announces "the Way" (22-24)

14:26-31 – Disciples announce their commitment. 32-42 – Jesus' faithful to his commitment 14:43-51 – Disciples failure – Jesus' commitment

The Trials – 14:53-15:15

Before religious leadership

53 – Peter (outside)

54-65 – Jesus (inside)

66-72 – Peter (outside)

Before political leadership 15:1-15 - Pilate 15:16-20 - Ironic mockery

The Death – 15:21-39
21 – Simon
22-39 – Crucifixion
26 – The charge
29-32 – The temptations
33-37 – The death
34 – The last words
37 – The last breath
38 – The Temple curtain
39 – The Confession!
40-41 – The real disciples

The Burial 15:42-47

The Empty Tomb16:1-8

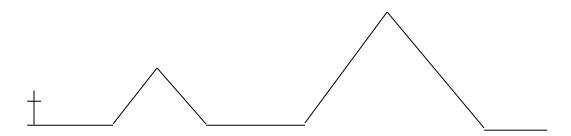
15:40-41 – Standing with Jesus at the cross 15:42-47 – Following to the tomb 16:1-8 – Hearing the good news in Amazement and Fear!

- 1) The Grace of the Call 16:7 (and Peter!)
- 2) The Challenge Will we follow?
- 3) The Terror and Fear cf. 10:32

Appendix B

Mark 13 - The "Little Apocalypse"

- 1. The Function of Apocalyptic in History
- 2. The Function of this Apocalypse in the narrative
- 3. The Text



4. The Recurring Themes