

# **The Gospel of Mark**

## ***“Jesus Christ as the Servant”***

### **I. The Duties of the Servant (1:1—8:38)**

“The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve . . .” (Mark 10:45)

- A. The Baptism of Jesus – The Servant Begins His Ministry (1:1-15)
  - 1. The Forerunner of the Servant (1:1-8)
  - 2. The Beginning of the Servant’s Ministry (1:9-15)
  
- B. The Early Galilean Ministry of Jesus – The Servant Calls His Disciples (1:16—2:28)
  - 1. The Servant Calls His Disciples (1:16-20).
  - 2. The Servant Displays His Authority (1:21-28).
  - 3. The Servant Sets His Priorities (1:29-39).
  - 4. The Servant Touches the Leper (1:40-45).
  - 5. The Servant Heals the Paralytic (2:1-12).
  - 6. The Servant Calls a Tax Collector (2:13-17).
  - 7. The Servant Confronts Traditionalism (2:18-28).
  
- C. The Middle Galilean Ministry of Jesus – The Servant Trains His Disciples (3:1—6:56)
  - 1. The Servant Heals on the Sabbath Day (3:1-6).
  - 2. The Servant Appoints His Apostles (3:7-19).
  - 3. The Servant Refutes His Accusers (3:20-35).
  - 4. The Servant Teaches the Parable of the Soils (4:1-20).
  - 5. The Servant Teaches Three Parables on Kingdom Growth (4:21-34).
  - 6. The Servant Calms the Storm (4:35-41).
  - 7. The Servant Casts the Demons into the Swine (5:1-20).
  - 8. The Servant Performs Two Great Miracles (5:21-43).
  - 9. The Servant Commissions His Disciples (6:1-13).
  - 10. The Servant’s Forerunner is Martyred (6:14-29).
  - 11. The Servant Feeds the Five Thousand (6:30-44).
  
- D. The Later Galilean Ministry of Jesus – The Servant Challenges His Disciples (7:1—8:38)
  - 1. The Servant Condemns Traditionalism (7:1-23).
  - 2. The Servant Travels in Gentile Territory (7:24-37).
  - 3. The Servant Feeds the Four Thousand (8:1-21).
  - 4. The Servant Reveals His Mission (8:22-38).

## **II. The Destiny of the Servant (9:1—16:20)**

“. . . and to give his life as a ransom for many.” (Mark 10:45)

### **A. The Transfiguration of Jesus – The Servant Reveals His Glory (9:1—10:52)**

1. Jesus’ Ministry in Galilee (9:1-50)
  - a. The Servant Reveals His Glory (9:1-13).
  - b. The Servant Casts Out a Difficult Demon (9:14-29).
  - c. The Servant Teaches on Servanthood (9:30-50).
2. Jesus’ Ministry Near the Jordan and Jericho (10:1—52)
  - a. The Servant Teaches on Marriage and Children (10:1-16).
  - b. The Servant Teaches about Money (10:17-31).
  - c. The Servant Teaches on Greatness in the Kingdom (10:32-45).
  - d. The Servant Heals a Blind Man (10:46-52).

### **B. The Triumphal Entry of Jesus – The Servant Declares His Authority (11:1—13:37)**

1. The Servant Presents Himself as King (11:1-11).
2. The Servant Confronts and Debates at the Temple (11:12—12:44).
  - a. The Servant Confronts Hypocrisy (11:12-26).
  - b. The Servant Defends His Authority (11:27-33).
  - c. The Parable of the Rejected Son (12:1-12)
  - d. The Question about Paying Taxes (12:13-17)
  - e. The Question about the Resurrection (12:18-27)
  - f. The Greatest Commandment (12:28-34)
  - g. The Son of David and the Son of God (12:35-40)
  - h. The Widow’s Mites (12:41-44)
3. The Olivet Discourse (13:1-37)
  - a. The Beginning of Birth Pains (13:1-8)
  - b. Witnessing in Persecution (13:9-13)
  - c. The Abomination of Desolation (13:14-20)
  - d. False Christs (13:21-23)
  - e. The Return of Jesus Christ (13:24-27)
  - f. A Warning to Stay Spiritually Alert (13:28-37)

C. The Crucifixion of Jesus – The Servant Fulfills His Purpose  
(14:1—15:47)

1. The Servant is Anointed for His Death (14:1-11).
2. The Upper Room (14:12-31)
  - a. The Servant Warns of His Betrayal (14:12-21).
  - b. The Servant Institutes the Lord's Supper (14:22-31).
3. The Servant Wrestles in Prayer (14:32-42).
4. The Arrest and Trials of Jesus (14:43—15:15)
  - a. The Servant is Betrayed and Arrested (14:43-52).
  - b. The Servant is Tried and Condemned (14:53-65).
  - c. Peter Denies his Lord (14:66-72).
  - d. The Servant is Sent to the Cross (15:1-15).
5. The Crucifixion and Burial of Jesus (15:16-47)
  - a. The Servant is Crucified (15:16-32).
  - b. The Servant Surrenders His Life (15:33-39).
  - c. The Servant is Buried (15:40-47).

D. The Resurrection of Jesus – The Servant Displays His Power  
(16:1-20)

1. The Servant Rises from the Dead (16:1-8).
2. The Servant Sends Out More Servants (16:9-20).