



For A Really Messed Up World

The Gospel of Mark

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**Will the Real Christianity
Please Stand Up?**

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M E S S A G E N O T E S

Authentic versus Synthetic

Study of the Gospel of Mark

1. The Author: _____

- Full name _____
- His cousin was _____
- An understudy of _____

2. The Audience: _____

3. The Mood: _____

4. The Theme: _____

15 (Jesus Came) and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." 16 And as He walked by the Sea of Galilee, He saw Simon and Andrew his brother casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. 17 Then Jesus said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men." 18 They immediately left their nets and followed Him. Mark 1:15-18 NKJV

19 When He had gone a little farther from there, He saw James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also were in the boat mending their nets.
 20 And immediately He called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants, and went after Him. (vv. 19,20)

3 Questions to ask of the request, “Follow Me”

- 1) Who are you?
- 2) Where are you going?
- 3) Why?

1. Who Are You?

Jesus’ model formula:

“I have all _____ in Heaven _____
 ... to exercise all _____ on the earth _____
 ... for the purpose of _____ others _____
 ... in the midst of _____

21 Then they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath He entered the synagogue and taught. 22 And they were astonished at His teaching, for He taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.
 23 Now there was a man in their synagogue with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, 24 saying, “Let us alone! What have we to do with You, Jesus of Nazareth? Did You come to destroy us? I know who You are—the Holy One of God!” 25 But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be quiet, and come out of him!”
 26 And when the unclean spirit had convulsed him and cried out with a loud

voice, he came out of him. 27 Then they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? What new doctrine is this? For with authority He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey Him." Mark 1:21-27 NKJV

The Bridge:

27 Now Jesus and His disciples went out to the towns of Caesarea Philippi; and on the road He asked His disciples, saying to them, "Who do men say that I am?"

28 So they answered, "John the Baptist; but some say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." 29 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered and said to Him, "You are the Christ." Mark 8:27-29 NKJV

2. Where Are You Going?

31 And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. Mark 8:31 NKJV

The Great Life Lessons of Mark:

1) What is true _____ ?

Answer:

2) What is true _____ ?

Answer:

3) What is true _____ ?

Answer:

3. Why Follow You?

34 When He had called the people to Himself, with His disciples also, He said to them, "Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. 35 For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. 36 For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? 37 Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? 38 For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels." Mark 8:34-38 NKJV

The Great Paradox of Life: we must _____ in order to discover _____

Reasons for Studying Mark's Gospel (Authentic Christianity)

1. Our _____ needs Authentic Christianity
2. The _____ needs Authentic Christianity
3. _____ Church needs Authentic Christianity
4. _____ - we need Authentic Christianity