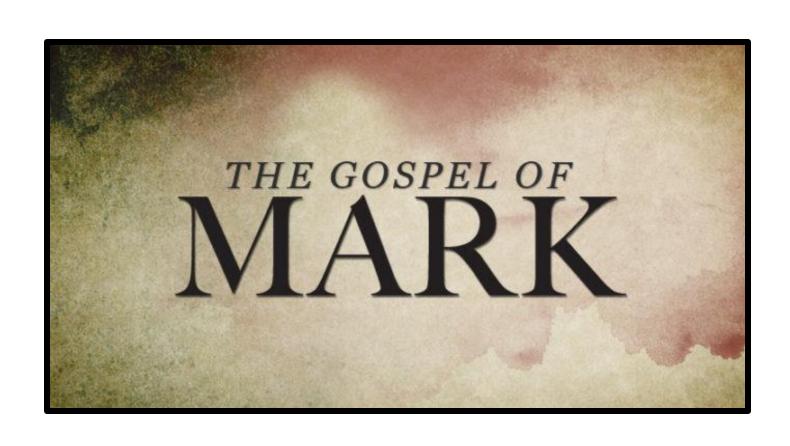
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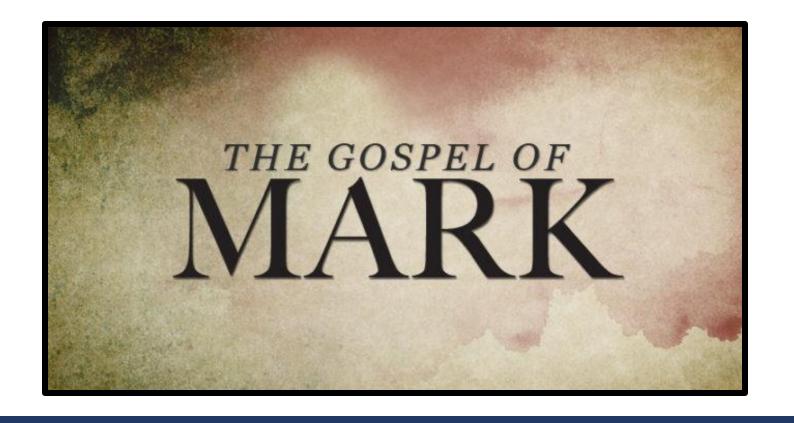
## Message and Structure of Mark:

The Gospel of Mark shows us how to <u>serve</u> and <u>suffer</u> like our Savior.

- I. Jesus came to **serve** (Mark 1-11).
- II. Jesus came to suffer (Mark 12-16).

#### Key Verse: Mark 10:45

"For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to **serve** and to **give his life** as a ransom for many."



## #26: "Jesus is Coming ... Look Busy!" Mark 13:24-37

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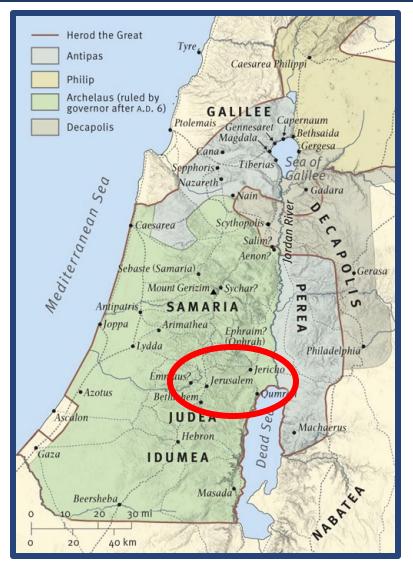


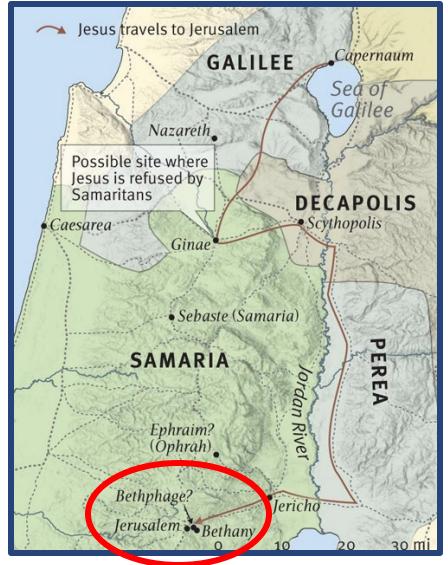


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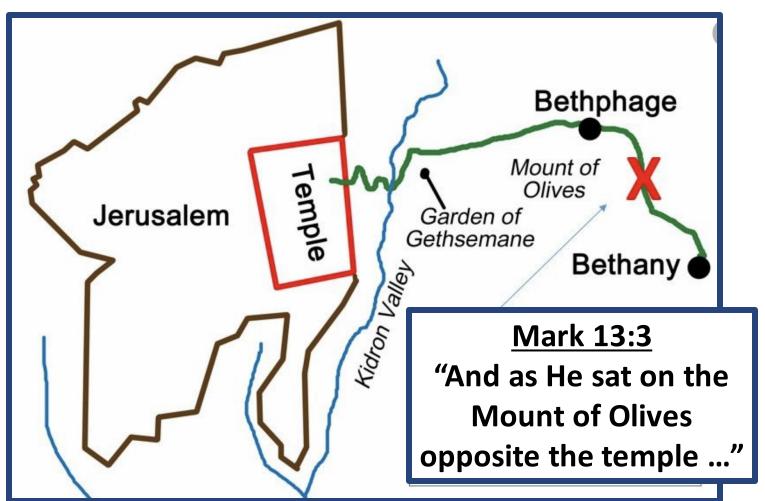
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- Mark's gospel of action slows ... way ... down ...
- Chs. 1-10 = 3 years
- Chs. 11-16 = 1 week!
- Events take place in Jerusalem

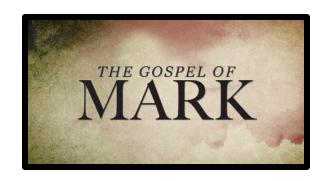
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#### **Romans 15:4**

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

#### Outline of Mark 13:24-37

- 1) Jesus is Coming! (13:24-27)
- 2) You'll Know He's Close! (13:28-31)
- 3) But You Won't Know When! (13:32-37)



## 1) Jesus is Coming Back! (Mark 13:24-27)

- Revelation 6-19 is viewed by some as an expansion of Mark 13 (Christ's return = high point).
- Our hope is not in a moment, but in the man, Jesus, Himself.

#### 2 Peter 3:10

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.

## 1) Jesus is Coming Back! (Mark 13:24-27)

#### <u>Isaiah 13:10 (See also 34:10)</u>

For the stars of the heavens and their constellations will not give their light; the sun will be dark at its rising, and the moon will not shed its light.

#### **Daniel 7:13-14**

I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

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"Jesus had previously used a fig tree to illustrate the generation of Israelites that failed to believe in Him at His first advent (11:14). Here He used it to illustrate the fact that perceptive people can anticipate coming events by the signs that precede those events."

- Tom Constable

### 2) You'll Know He's Close! (Mark 13:28-31)

#### <u>Isaiah 40:8</u>

The grass withers, the flower fades, but **the word of our God** will stand forever.

## 3) But You Won't Know When! (Mark 13:32-37)

#### Acts 1:6-7

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority."

## 3) But You Won't Know When! (Mark 13:32-37)

#### 1 Thessalonians 5:1-2, 4-6

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night ... But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. So then let us not sleep, as others do, but **let us keep awake** and be sober.

## 3) But You Won't Know When! (Mark 13:32-37)

#### Revelation 16:15

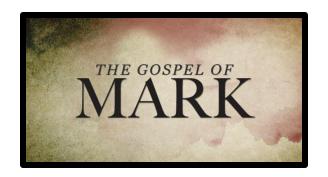
Behold, I am coming like a thief! Blessed is the one **who stays awake**, keeping his garments on, that he may not go about naked and be seen exposed!

Don't predict, but be prepared.

## Mark 13:24-37 "Jesus is Coming ... Look Busy!"

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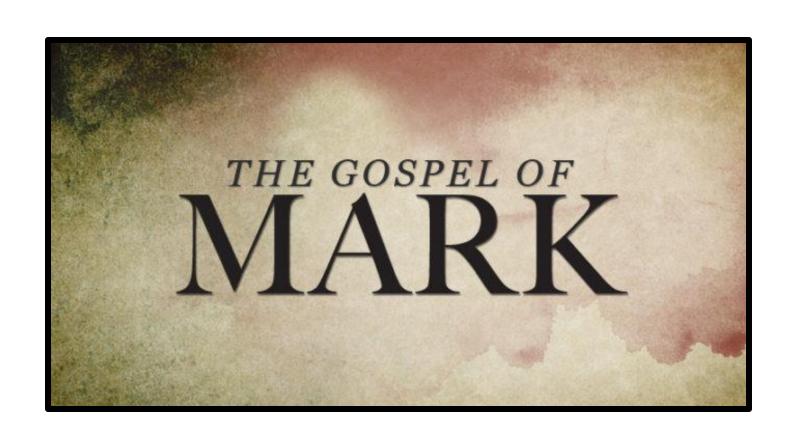
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**Next Week:** *Mark 14:1-25* 



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