# WELCOME! Men's Fellowship Breakfast

**September 27, 2019** 

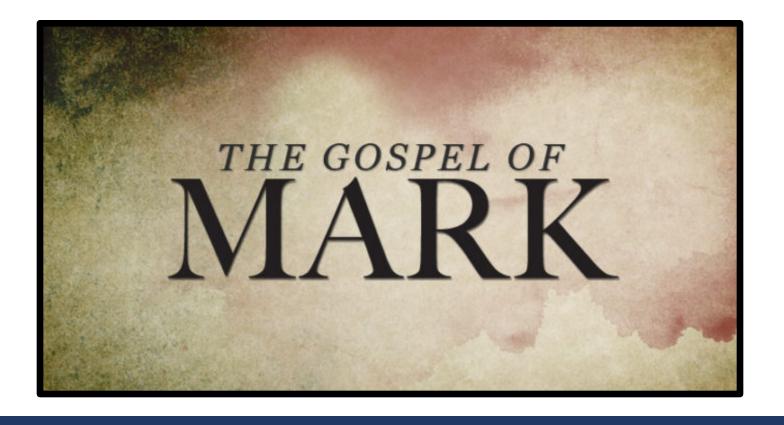
## Message and Structure of Mark:

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

#### 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."

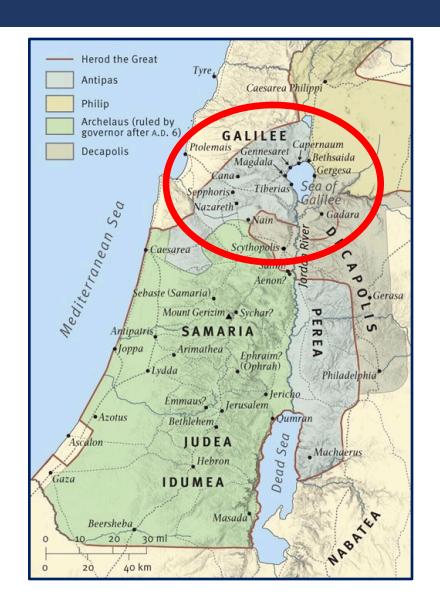
- I. Jesus came to <u>serve</u> (Mark 1-11)
- II. Jesus came to <u>suffer</u> (Mark 12-16)



#### #4 - Mark 2:23-3:12

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#### Context for Mark 2:23-3:12:



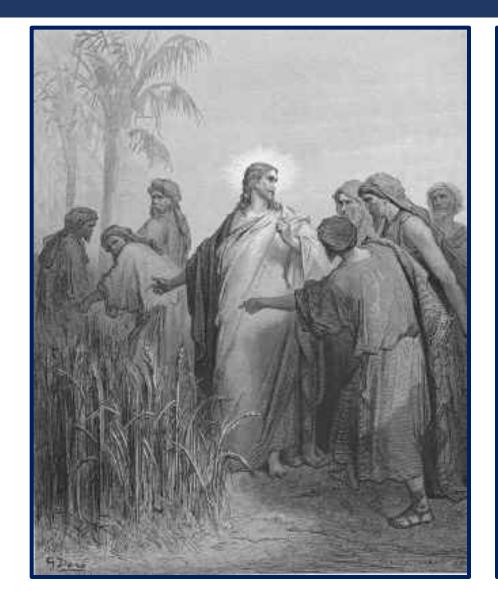
- Jesus has been ministering in Galilee (Northern Israel).
- His main goal wasn't *performing miracles*, but *preaching the message* of the gospel.
- Conflict with religious leaders continues.

#### Outline of Mark 2:23-3:12:

- 1) The Savior and the Sabbath, Pt. 1 (2:23-28)
- 2) The Savior and the Sabbath, Pt. 2 (3:1-6)
- 3) The Savior and the Masses (3:7-12)









#### **Exodus 20:8-11**

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy."

#### 1 Samuel 21:2-4, 6

And David said to Ahimelech the priest, "... Now then, what do you have on hand? Give me five loaves of bread, or whatever is here." And the priest answered David, "I have no common bread on hand, but there is holy bread—if the young men have kept themselves from women ... So the priest gave him the holy bread, for there was no bread there but the bread of the Presence, which is removed from before the LORD, to be replaced by hot bread on the day it is taken away.

#### Mark 2:28 (Literally):

"Therefore, Lord is the Son of Man also of the Sabbath."

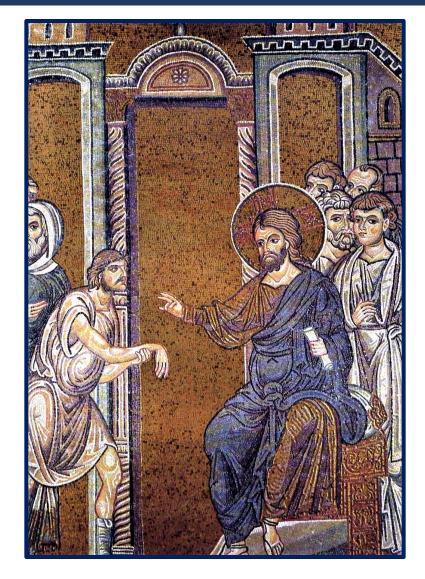
"The Pharisees made the Sabbath a strait jacket that inhibited the Jews. Jesus pointed out that God gave the Sabbath as a good gift. He designed it to free His people from ceaseless labor and to give them rest. Sabbath observance had to contain enough elasticity to assure the promotion of human welfare."

- Tom Constable

**Key Idea:** God gave the gift of Sabbath – treat it as an end in itself, not a means to an end.

**Key Question:** When do I enjoy "Sabbath rest" during my week? What does it look like?







#### **Mark 3:3**

"Come here" = lit.: "Stand in the middle"

#### **Mark 7:8**

"You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men."

#### **Matthew 2:13 (cf. Mark 3:6)**

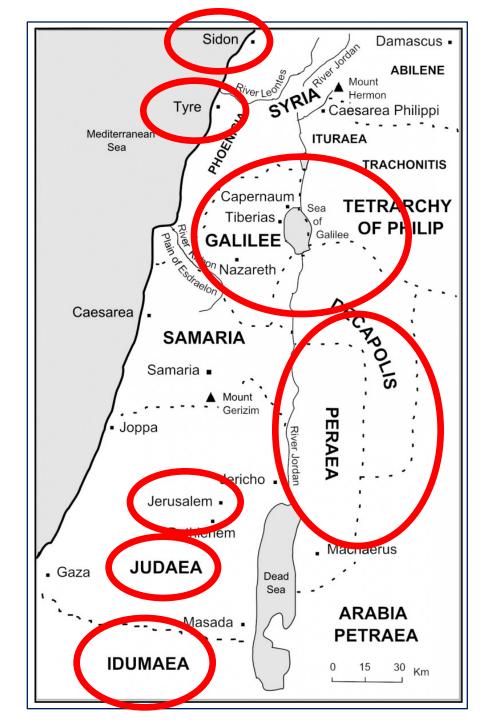
Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, **to destroy** him."

**Key Idea:** Don't forsake doing the right thing, even if a good thing gets in the way.

**Key Question:** Do I ever hold more tightly to what is good ("legal") than what is right ("moral")?



## Map of Ancient Israel (During the Time of Jesus)





#### **James 2:19**

You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder!

Jesus did not permit the demons to make him known because the time for such disclosure was not yet at hand, and such a revelation would have certainly been misunderstood by the people. In all likelihood, if the people had understood him early on to be the Son of God, or Messiah, they would have reduced his mission to one of political deliverance from Roman oppression (cf. John 6:15). Jesus wanted to avoid, as much as possible, any premature misunderstanding about who he was and what he was doing. However, at the end of his ministry, he did not deny such a title when the high priest asked him.

- NET Bible

## 3) The Savior's New Teaching (Mark 2:18-22)

**Key Idea:** Evil spirits recognize Jesus as the divine, Son of God.

**Key Question:** Do you recognize Jesus as the divine, Son of God?



#### Mark 2:1-22

The Gospel of Mark shows us how to serve and suffer like our Savior.

Next Week: Mark 3:13-35



#### Table Discussion

When do you enjoy "Sabbath rest" during your week? What does it look like?



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