

WELCOME!

Men's Fellowship Breakfast



November 8, 2019

My Hometown: New Canaan, CT



Message and Structure of Mark:

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

I. Jesus came to serve (Mark 1-11).

II. Jesus came to suffer (Mark 12-16).

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.”



#10 – Are You *Too Familiar with Jesus?*

Mark 6:1-13

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Context for Mark 6:1-13:



Outline of Mark 6:1-13:

- 1) Rejection of the King! (6:1-6a)**
- 2) Responsibilities of the Kingdom (6:6b-13)**



1) Rejection of the King! (6:1-6a)

“Evidently they now called Him Mary’s son as a deliberate insult implying that He was an illegitimate child. The Jews did not speak insultingly about such a person’s birth if they believed he lived a life pleasing to God, but if that person became an apostate they spoke publicly and unreservedly about his illegitimate birth. Consequently this appellation reflects the belief of the Nazarenes that Jesus was not virgin born and was displeasing to God.”

- Tom Constable

1) Rejection of the King! (6:1-6a)

“The people of Nazareth represent Israel’s blindness. Their refusal to believe in Jesus pictured what the disciples would soon experience (cf. 6:7-13) and what Mark’s readers (then and now) would experience in the advance of the gospel.”

- **John Grassmick**

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1) Rejection of the King! (6:1-6a)

“A little knowledge *of* God is worth more than a great deal of knowledge *about* him ... One can know a great deal *about* God without much knowledge *of* him ... I am sure that many of us have never really grasped this. We find in ourselves a deep interest in theology ... yet interest in theology, and knowledge *about* God, and the capacity to think clearly and talk well on Christian themes, is not all the same thing as *knowing him*. We may know as much *about* God as (John) Calvin knew ... and yet all the time (unlike Calvin, may I say) we may *hardly know God at all*.”

- J.I. Packer, *Knowing God*

1) Rejection of the King! (6:1-6a)



The “Buddy Christ” *Dogma* (1998)

“Christ didn’t come to Earth to give us the willies. He came to help us out. He was a booster.”

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2) Responsibilities of the Kingdom (Mark 6:6b-13)

1) Kingdom Partnership (6:7)

“Jesus authorized the disciples to be his delegates with respect to both word and power. Their message and deeds were to be an extension of his own.”

- **William L. Lane**

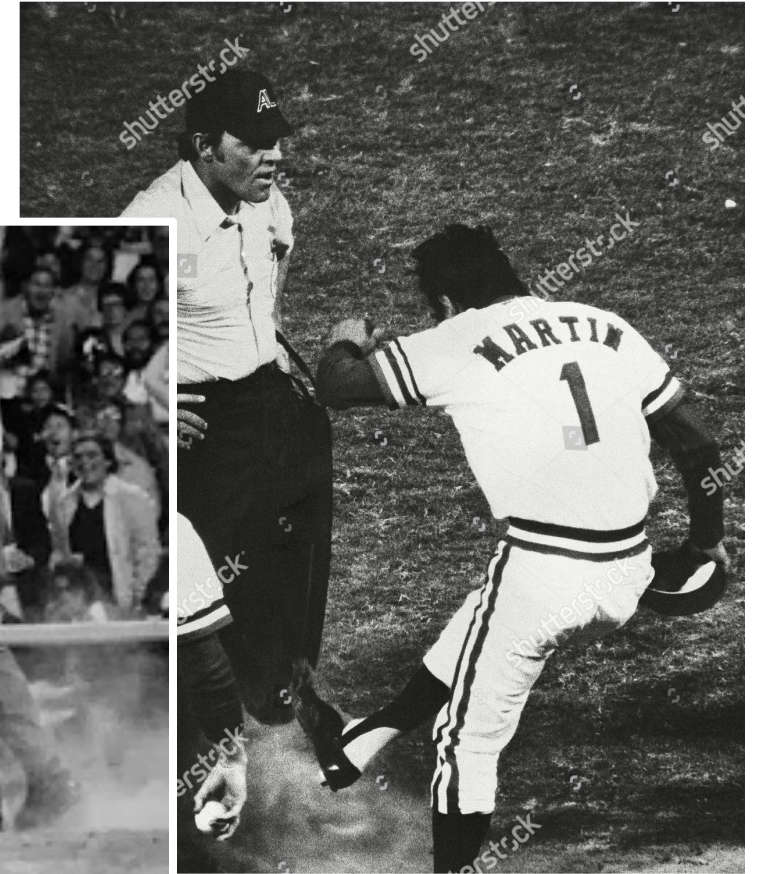
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Billy Martin and Mark 6:11?



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Luke 10:11:

“Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.”

(See also Acts 13:51)

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- 3) Kingdom Persecution (6:11)
- 4) Kingdom Proclamation (6:12)

Mark 1:14-15:

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

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- 5) Kingdom Power (6:13)

James 5:14:

Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.

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Key Idea: Jesus equips us for His kingdom responsibilities ... will we be ready?

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Next Week: Mark 6:14-29



Table Discussion

**Have you grown “too familiar” with Jesus?
What are you struggling to trust Him with today?**



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