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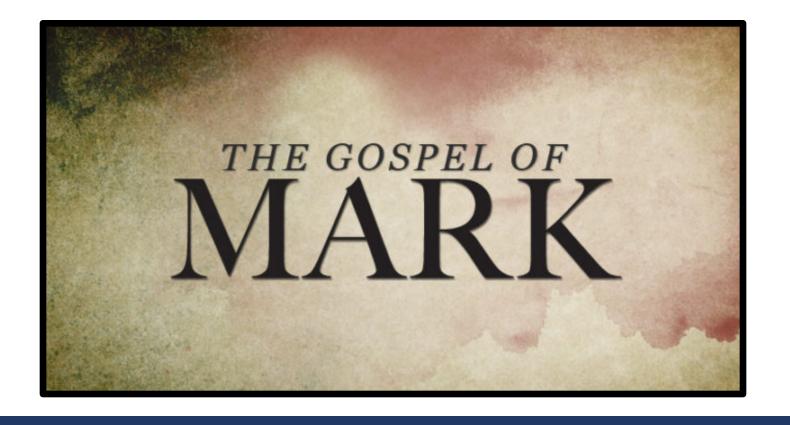
Message and Structure of Mark:

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

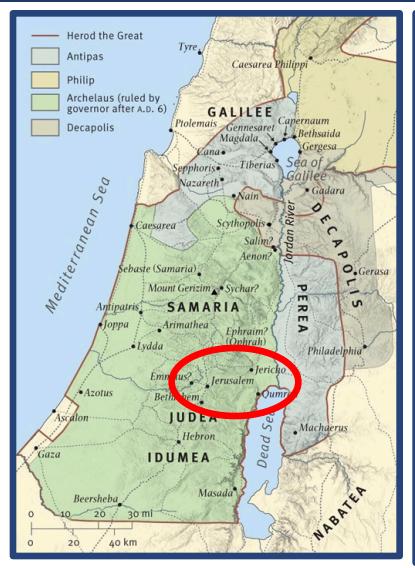
"For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to **serve** and to **give his life** as a ransom for many."

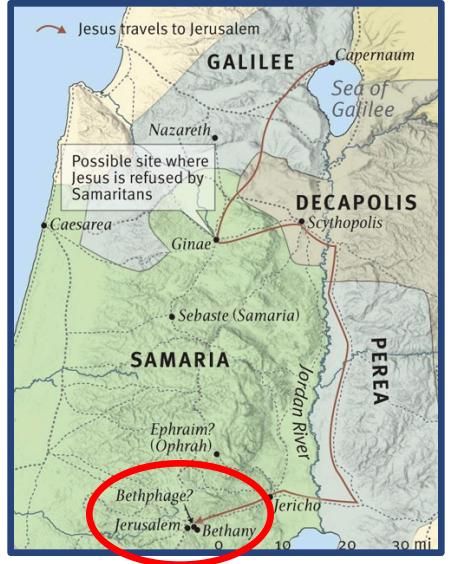


#21: "A Busy Start to Holy Week" Mark 11:1-19

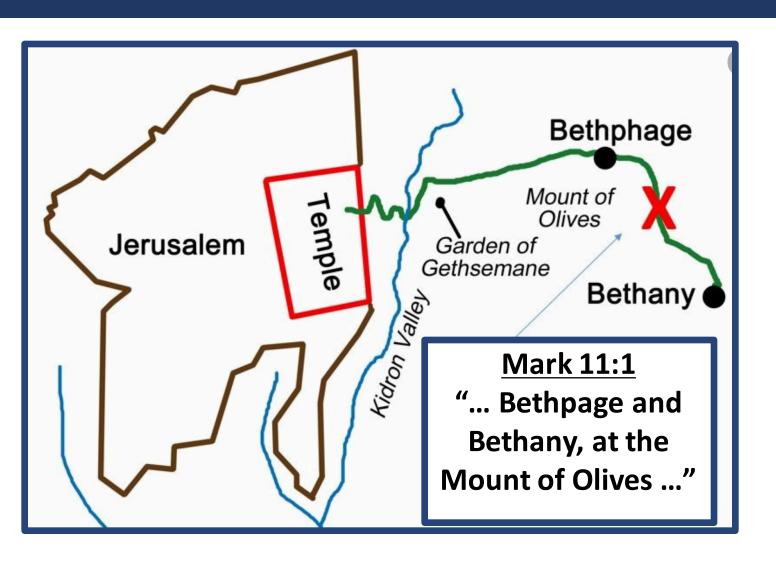
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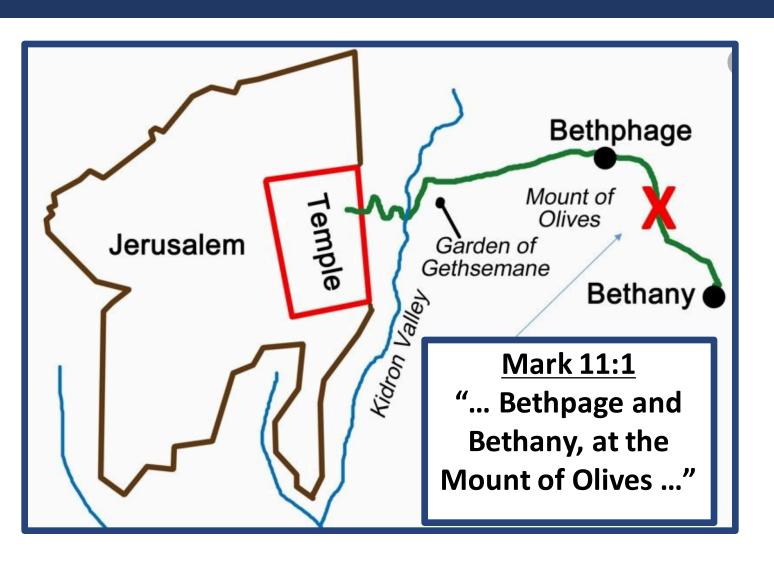
- Bethpage ("place of unripe figs")
- Bethany ("place of young figs")
- Mount of Olives
- East of Jerusalem

Mount of Olives – East of Jerusalem





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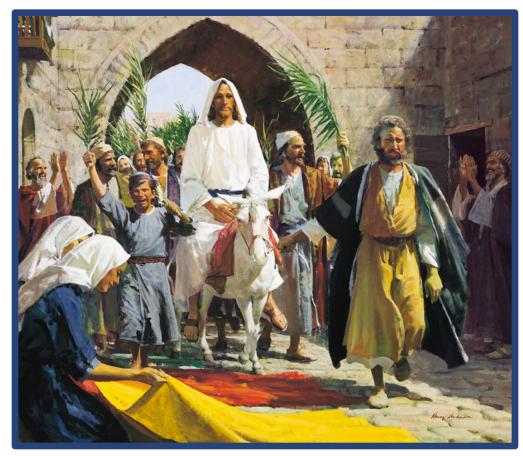


- Mark's gospel of action slows ... way ... down ...
- Chs. 1-10 = 3 years
- Chs. 11-16 = 1 week!
- Events take place in Jerusalem

Outline of Mark 11:1-19

- 1) The Chanting of "Hosanna!" (11:1-11)
- 2) The Cursing of the Fig Tree (11:12-14)
- 3) The Cleansing of the Temple (11:15-19)







The Triumphal Entry

Zechariah 9:9

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

"Hosanna!" = lit. "O Lord, save us/now!" (Hebrew)

Psalm 118:25-26

Save us, we pray, O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.

In words familiar to every Jew, the author is indicating that at this point every messianic expectation is now at the point of realization. It is clear from the words of the psalm shouted by the crowd that Jesus is being proclaimed as messianic king.

- NET Bible Study Note

 Key Idea: Jesus Christ is the long-expected Messiah King of Israel!

John 10:11

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

2) The Cursing of the Fig Tree (11:12-14)

"As a prophet Jesus performed a symbolic act ... He cursed the tree to teach them the lesson, not because it failed to produce fruit. The tree was a good illustration of the large unbelieving element within the nation of Israel. God had looked to that generation of Israelites for spiritual fruit, as Jesus had hoped to find physical fruit on the fig tree ... Israel's outward display of religious vitality was impressive, like the leaves on the tree, but it bore no spiritual fruit of righteousness. It was hypocritical."

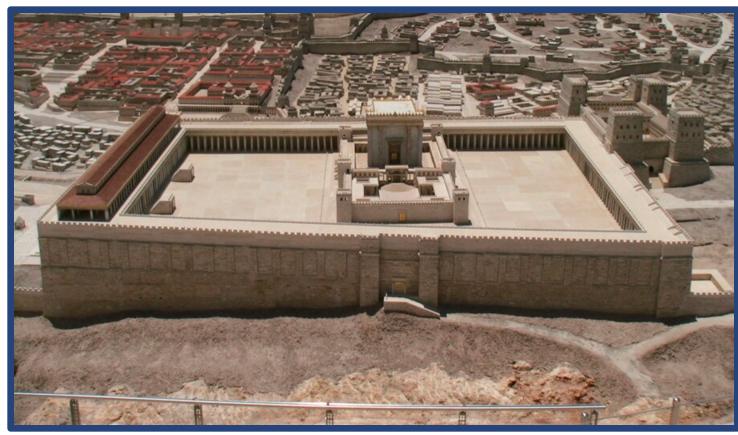
- Tom Constable

2) The Cursing of the Fig Tree (11:12-14)

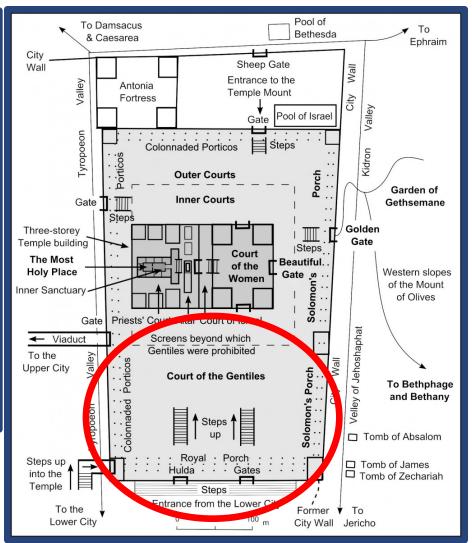
• **Key Idea:** Jesus Christ desires for His followers to *bear* genuine fruit.

John 15:5

I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.



Herod's Temple in the time of Jesus.







"The court of the Gentiles should have been a place for praying, but it was instead a place for preying and paying."

- Warren Wiersbe

Isaiah 56:7

"these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples."

Jeremiah 7:11

"Has this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Behold, I myself have seen it, declares the LORD."

The meaning of Jesus' statement about making the temple courts a den of robbers probably operates here at two levels. Not only were the religious leaders robbing the people financially, but because of this they had also robbed them spiritually by stealing from them the opportunity to come to know God genuinely.

- NET Study Bible Note

• **Key Idea:** Jesus Christ does not want *anything* to prevent *anyone* from having a relationship with His Father.

John 14:6

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No comes to the Father except through me."

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- 1) Jesus Christ is the long-expected Messiah King of Israel!
- 2) Jesus Christ desires for His followers to bear genuine fruit.
- **3)** Jesus Christ does not want *anything* to prevent *anyone* from having a relationship with His Father.

- ☐ If you know Him, are you bearing fruit in Him?
- ☐ If you don't know Him, what is getting in your way?

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Next Week: *Mark* 11:20-33



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