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THE GOSPEL OF MARK

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It was the unanimous testimony of the early church that this Gospel was written by John Mark, and that this same John Mark accompanied Paul and Barnabas on their first missionary journey. (Acts 13:5) He then deserted Paul and Barnabas at Perga, in Pamphylia, to return to Jerusalem (Acts 13:13) which later caused a sharp disagreement between Paul and Barnabas when Paul wanted to revisit the churches on the second missionary journey. (Acts 15:36-41) However, Mark later proved himself useful and Paul considered him profitable and helpful in his ministry. (II Tim. 4:11)

Tradition holds that Mark spent time with Peter, ministering to the needs of the early church and recording the sermons that Peter preached as they traveled. Tradition also draws the conclusion that the Gospel of Mark in many ways reflects Peter's view of Christ.

DATE, ORIGIN AND PURPOSE:

Scholars disagree on the date of the writing of this Gospel. Some date it in the 50s or early 60s A.D.; others, 60-68 A.D. Some hold the disputable opinion that Matthew and Luke may have used the content of the Gospel of Mark as a major source for their gospel accounts. The Gospel of Mark was probably written in Rome, and addressed primarily to gentile readers who were unfamiliar with Jewish customs. His purpose in writing was two-fold: To reveal Jesus Christ both in person and in deed, and possibly to prepare his readers for the sufferings and persecutions that were about to be unleashed by the Roman Empire against the followers of Christ. (See 1:14; 3:22,30; 8:34-38; 10:30,33,34,45.)

OUTLINE:

A simple division of the Gospel according to Mark is as follows:

- I. Beginning of the Gospel, Ministry in Galilee Mk. 1:1-6:29
- II. Period of Withdrawal Mk. 6:31-9:50
- III. The Journey to Jerusalem Mk. 10:1-10:52
- IV. The Approaching Climax Mk. 11:1-14:52
- V. The Climax of the Gospel Mk. 14:53-16:20

CHAPTER 1 - THE MINISTRY IN GALILEE - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

John Mark wasted no time in presenting the person and work of Jesus Christ to his readers. Whereas the Gospels of Matthew and Luke take three chapters to begin recording the ministry of Jesus, the Gospel of Mark uses only eight verses to reach the same point.

1. List four things that God's prophets foretold about the ministry of John the Baptist. vv. 2,3 _____
I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. The voice of one crying in the wilderness,
Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

2. **What message did John the Baptist preach in the wilderness? v. 4** _____
the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins.

3. **John the Baptist's clothing was of camel's hair. What was his diet? v. 6** _____
he did eat locusts and wild honey

4. **How would the ministry of John the Baptist differ from the ministry of Jesus? v. 8** _____
John indeed have baptized you with water: but Jesus baptizes with the Holy Ghost.

Although the word "trinity" is not found in the Bible, the teaching that God is "three-persons-in-one" is clearly evident.

5. **How is the "trinity" manifested in verses 9-11?** _____
Jesus was baptized, the Holy Spirit descended as a dove and Father in Heaven Spoke.

6. **What testimony did God the Father give His Son in verse 11?** _____
Father said to Jesus, "thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

7. **As Jesus began His Galilean ministry, what message did He begin to preach? v. 15** _____
The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.

8. **Who were the four disciples Jesus first called to become "fishers of men"? vv. 16-19** _____
Simon and Andrew his brother, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother

9. **What is the key word used by Mark in his gospel? vv. 18,20** _____
straightway

10. **Why were the people of Capernaum astonished at the doctrine of Jesus Christ? v. 22** _____
he taught them as one that had authority, and not as the scribes.

11. **The authority by which Jesus spoke was recognized by the man with an unclean spirit. What two things did this unclean spirit know about Jesus? v. 24** _____
Jesus of Nazareth?... art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art, the Holy One of God.

Throughout the Gospel of Mark Jesus' pattern of ministry consisted of teaching, preaching and healing. It is significant that Mark's first recorded miracle performed by Jesus was the healing of a demoniac. This showed His power over the realm of evil and was a source of amazement to the religious leaders. (See verse 27.)

12. **What did Jesus do for Simon's wife's mother (vv. 30, 31) and to those who had gathered at the door? v. 34** _____
he healed many that were sick of divers diseases, and cast out many devils

13. **How did Jesus respond to the leper's plea "If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean"? v. 41** _____
Jesus moved with compassion, put forth his hand, and touched him, and saith unto him, I will; be thou clean... Immediately he was healed

14. **Although Jesus charged the leper not to spread abroad news of his healing, the leper began to tell many about his healing. How did his disobedience affect the ministry of Jesus? v. 45** _____
Jesus could no more openly enter into the city, but was without in desert places

CHAPTER 2 - THE CLAIM OF JESUS TO DEITY - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

1. **How did the people of Capernaum respond to the news that Jesus had returned to their city? v. 2** _____
many were gathered together, insomuch that there was no room to receive them

2. **What did Jesus see in the four friends of a paralytic man who disrupted His meeting by tearing up the roof and letting down the bed on which he lay? v. 5** When Jesus saw their faith
3. **What did Jesus say that offended the scribes? v. 5** Son, thy sins be forgiven thee.
4. **Jesus perceived in His spirit that the scribes felt that He was speaking blasphemies when He said, "Your sins are forgiven". What question did Jesus then ask them? v. 9** Whether is it easier to say to the sick of the palsy, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and take up thy bed, and walk?
5. **How did Jesus prove that He had power to forgive sins? vv. 11,12** Jesus Healed the man....

This is the first time that Mark recorded Jesus calling Himself "the Son of man." (v. 10) This was one title for the Messiah (cf. Dan. 7:13). Jesus chose the title both to reveal and to conceal His Messiahship.

6. **What did Jesus say to Levi (Matthew), a hated tax collector? v. 14** Follow me
This literally means to walk the same road that Jesus walked; He demands this commitment of all who would follow Him.
7. **How did Jesus respond to the criticism of the scribes and Pharisees as they saw Him eating with publicans and sinners? v. 17** They that are whole have no need of the physician, but they that are sick: I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.
8. **Why were the disciples of Jesus not fasting like the disciples of John and the Pharisees? v. 19**
Can the children of the bridechamber fast, while the bridegroom is with them?
9. **Did Jesus foresee a time when His disciples would fast? v. 20** Yes, when he would be gone.
10. **In verses 21 and 22 Jesus contrasts the difference between the new and the old. What two illustrations did He use?** No man also seweth a piece of new cloth on an old garment; no man putteth new wine into old bottles

In these two parables Jesus was contrasting God's new covenant in Christ with the old covenant of the Law that had degenerated into mere ritualism and institutionalism.

11. **What criticism did the Pharisees levy against the disciples of Jesus? v. 24** Behold, why do they on the sabbath day that which is not lawful?
12. **How did Jesus use this charge of violating the Sabbath as an occasion to proclaim His deity? v. 28** Therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.

CHAPTER 3 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

1. **Why were the religious leaders watching Jesus? v. 2** they watched him, whether he would heal him on the sabbath day; that they might accuse him.

2. When the man with the withered hand stood before Jesus, what question did Jesus ask the religious leaders? v. 4 Is it lawful to do good on the sabbath days, or to do evil? to save life, or to kill?

3. What emotion did Jesus experience as He saw the hardness of the Pharisee's heart? v. 5 Anger/Grief

4. How did the Pharisees react when the man's hand was restored? v. 6 Pharisees went forth, and straightway took counsel with the Herodians against him, how they might destroy him

After a time of ministry by the sea of Galilee to people who came from Judea, Jerusalem, regions across Jordan, and around Tyre and Sidon, Jesus went up on a mountainside and appointed twelve apostles.

5. List the three aspects of ministry Jesus called these twelve men to do. vv. 14,15 to preach, And to have power to heal sicknesses, and to cast out devils

6. The scribes accused Jesus of being possessed by Beelzebub and that He was casting out demons by the power and authority of the prince of demons. What examples did He use to answer them? vv. 24,25 if a kingdom be divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand.

7. What sin were the religious leaders coming close to committing? v. 29 he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Ghost hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation.

8. Who did Jesus call His "true" family? v. 35 For whosoever shall do the will of God, the same is my brother, and my sister, and mother. -- or His family

CHAPTER 4 - THE PARABLES OF THE KINGDOM - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

1. In the parable of the sower, the seed is the word of God. What four types of soil are mentioned? vv. 3-8 a. the way side b. stony ground c. thorns d. on good ground

2. How was God's word (the seed) taken from those by the wayside? v. 15 fowls of the air came and devoured it Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the word that was sown in their hearts.

3. What three things caused the seed to be lost in stony ground? v. 17 a. it had no depth of earth.. no root in themselves b. it was scorched affliction or persecution for the word's sake c. it had no root... immediately they are offended.

4. What three things did Jesus identify as the thorns that choke out the Word of God? v. 19 the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in

5. When God's word falls upon good soil, what increase can be expected? v. 20 bring forth fruit, some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some an hundred.

6. Where is a candle (lamp) expected to be placed? v. 21 on a candlestick in clear view

7. **In your own words, why is it important to have a forgiving heart? v. 24** what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you... If you don't for give you will not be forgiven. A cross with unforgiveness is burdensome
8. **In your own words describe what happens when you plant seed in the ground. v. 28** it sprouts, grows, and then bears fruit.
9. **Why is the kingdom of God likened to a grain of mustard seed? v. 32** it started very small, and grows to overtake the earth.
10. **After Jesus stilled the storm, what two things troubled our Lord about the disciples? v. 40** why are you fearful, why is your faith small..... fear and little faith.
11. **What caused the disciples to fear the Lord? v. 41** What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?

CHAPTER 5 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

1. **Who greeted Jesus as He arrived in the country of the Gadarenes? v. 2** immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit
2. **How did this man spend his nights and days? v. 5** in the mountains, and in the tombs, crying, and cutting himself with stones
3. **When he saw Jesus afar off, what did he do? v. 6** he ran and worshipped him
4. **Who did the unclean spirit within this man know Jesus to be? v. 7** Jesus, thou Son of the most high God
5. **What did Jesus command of this unclean spirit? v. 8** Come out of the man, thou unclean spirit
6. **What did the unclean spirits request of Jesus? v. 12** Send us into the swine, that we may enter into them.
7. **When Jesus allowed the unclean spirits to go into about 2,000 swine, what happened to the swine? v. 13** and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and were choked in the sea.
8. **When the people of the area came to Jesus, in what condition did they find the man who had been possessed? v. 15** sitting, and clothed, and in his right mind
9. **The man who had been delivered from demons asked to join Jesus and His disciples. In refusing his request, what did Jesus tell this man to do? v. 19** Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath had compassion on thee.
10. **When Jesus returned to Galilee He was greeted by one of the rulers of the synagogue. What was Jairus' need? v. 23** My little daughter lieth at the point of death: I pray thee, come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live.
11. **Who interrupted Jesus as He was walking to the house of Jairus? v. 25** a certain woman, which had an issue of blood twelve years,
12. **For twelve years this woman sought physical help of many physicians. How much had she spent and what was the result? v. 26** suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse
13. **When the woman touched the garment of Jesus, what happened to her? v. 29** straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague

14. **To what did Jesus attribute her healing? v. 34** thy faith hath made thee whole
15. **When Jairus was told that his daughter was dead, what words of encouragement did Jesus give him? v. 36** Be not afraid, only believe.
16. **Who were the disciples that accompanied Jesus into the room where the body of Jarius' daughter lay? v. 37** Peter, and James, and John the brother of James.
17. **Did the mourners believe the words of Jesus that the daughter of Jairus was not dead? v. 40** No
18. **What did Jesus command that they do for this twelve year old child who was raised up? v. 43** no man should know it; and commanded that something should be given her to eat

CHAPTER 6 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

When Jesus preached and taught in His hometown, the people of Nazareth were offended.

1. **What perception did the people of Nazareth have of Jesus? v. 3** the carpenter, the son of Mary, the brother of James, and Joses, and of Juda, and Simon. The thought of him as just as less than, and were offended.
2. **List two reasons Jesus gave why He could do no mighty works in Nazareth.**
v. 4 A prophet is not without honour, but in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house
v. 6 because of their unbelief
3. **What power (authority) did Jesus give the twelve disciples as He sent them two by two into the ministry of the kingdom? v. 7** gave them power over unclean spirits
4. **What were the disciples to do for lodging? v. 10** In what place soever ye enter into an house, there abide till ye depart from that place
5. **According to verse 13, the twelve disciples had a successful mission. What did they accomplish?** they cast out many devils, and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed them.

In verses 14-29 Mark inserts a historical note as to the fate of John the Baptist.

6. **Who did King Herod think Jesus was? v. 16** John the Baptist
7. **Why did Herodias want John the Baptist put to death? v. 18** John had said unto Herod, It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife.
8. **How did King Herod view John the Baptist? v. 20** Herod feared John, knowing that he was a just man and an holy, and observed him
9. **In your own words, who did Herodias use to finally have John the Baptist put to death, and how was this accomplished? vv. 22-28** the daughter of the said Herodias came in, and danced, and pleased Herod and them that sat with him, her mother said, to ask for The head of John the Baptist. And she came in straightway with haste unto the king, and asked, saying, I will that thou give me by and by in a charger the head of John the Baptist.

After eighteen months of ministering in Galilee, Jesus began one of His many withdrawals into a desert place.

10. **When Jesus withdrew himself from public places, what did the people do? v. 33** ran afoot thither out of all cities, and outwent Jesus and the disciples, and came together unto him.

11. **What caused Jesus to be moved with compassion toward the people? v. 34** _____
because they were as sheep not having a shepherd:

12. **When the day became late and the people had no food, what did the disciples ask Jesus to do? vv. 35,36** _____
Send them away, that they may go into the country round about, and into the villages, and buy themselves bread: for they have nothing to eat

13. **What did Jesus tell the disciples to do, and what was their response? v. 37** _____
Give ye them to eat
And they say unto him, Shall we go and buy two hundred pennyworth of bread, and give them to eat?

Verses 37-42 clearly illustrate the difference between man's human logic and the miracle working power of God to resolve problems and meet human needs.

14. **After everyone had eaten, how many baskets full of the fragments were left? v. 43** _____¹²
15. **What was Jesus doing while the disciples were rowing their boat across the sea of Galilee to Bethsaida? v. 46** _____
he departed into a mountain to pray.

16. **What did Jesus say to His disciples when they saw him walking upon the sea? v. 50** _____
saith unto them, Be of good cheer: it is I; be not afraid.

17. **What happened when Jesus got into their boat? v. 51** _____
the wind ceased: and they were sore amazed in themselves beyond measure, and wondered.
18. **Why were the eyes of the disciples blinded to the miracles Jesus performed? v. 52** _____
for their heart was hardened.

19. **What happened to the sick people who touched Jesus? v. 56** _____
as many as touched him were made whole.

CHAPTER 7 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

1. **Although the traditions of the scribes and Pharisees changed the external conduct of man, what was still far from the Lord? v. 6** _____
their heart is far from me.

2. **When the laws of God are laid aside, what is left? v. 8** _____
the tradition of men

3. **What happens to the word of God when we hold to the tradition of man? v. 13** _____
Makes the word of God of none effect

4. **List the things that defile a man when they come from his heart? vv. 21,22** _____
proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness

5. **What reason did Jesus give for not helping the Greek woman's daughter? v. 27** _____
for it is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it unto the dogs

6. **How did this woman respond to the words of Jesus? v. 28** _____
she answered and said unto him, Yes, Lord: yet the dogs under the table eat of the children's crumbs.. faith

7. **Is the response of faith still rewarded today?** _____
yes

8. **When a deaf mute was brought to Jesus, what did Jesus do? vv. 33,34** _____
And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue; And looking up to heaven, he sighed, and saith unto him, Ephphatha, that is, Be opened. He was Healed!!!

9. **Were the people silent about the mighty works Jesus performed among them? vv. 36,37** _____
No

CHAPTER 8 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

As the news of Jesus' healing of the deaf man spread, the people of the Decapolis crowded around him. This was quite a different response from another part of the Decapolis when Jesus had healed the demoniac (cf. Mark 5:1-7). Could it be that the preaching of the healed demoniac had changed the peoples' hearts?

1. What caused Jesus to have compassion for the people? v. 2 _____
because they have now been with me three days, and have nothing to eat: _____
2. What was the danger if Jesus just sent them away? v. 3 _____ they will faint by the way _____
3. How many people were fed with the seven loaves and a few fishes? v. 9 _____ about four thousand _____
4. This second miraculous feeding of thousands produced how many baskets of leftovers? v. 8 _____ 7 _____
5. What were the Pharisees of Dalmanutha seeking from Jesus? v. 11 _____ a sign from heaven, tempting him _____
6. The disciples could not understand the warning Jesus gave concerning the leaven of the Pharisees because of four potential problems. What were these problems? vv. 17,18 _____
perceive ye not yet, neither understand? have ye your heart yet hardened? Having eyes, see ye not? and having ears, hear ye not? and do ye not remember? _____

The healing of the blind man (vv. 23-26) is an example where Jesus effected a gradual healing.

7. After Jesus spit on his eyes and put His hands upon him, what did the blind man see? v. 24 _____
He seen men as trees, walking. _____
8. After the second touch from Jesus, what was the result? v. 25 _____
he was restored, and saw every man clearly. _____
9. When Jesus was in Caesarea Philippi, what question did Jesus ask His disciples? v. 27 _____
Whom do men say that I am? _____
10. What truth did the Holy Spirit reveal to Peter? v. 29 _____ That Jesus is the Christ. _____
11. What message did Jesus begin to teach His disciples? v. 31 _____ Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders, and of the chief priests, and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. The Gosple _____

12. How did Jesus respond to the rebuke from Peter? v. 33 _____ he rebuked Peter, saying, Get thee behind me, Satan: f or thou savourest not the things that be of God, but the things that be of men. _____

13. To follow after Jesus, what three things must be done? v. 34 a. _____ let him deny himself _____
b. _____ take up his cross _____ c. _____ and follow me. _____
14. Memorize verses 35 and 36. Write these verses after you have memorized them. _____
Whosoever will save his life will lose it, Whosoever will lose his life for my sake and the Gospels will save it. What does it profit for someone to gain it all and lose his soul. _____

15. If we are ashamed of Jesus and His words, what will happen when Jesus comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels? v. 38 of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.

CHAPTER 9 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

Three times during His ministry Jesus left the other disciples behind taking only Peter, James and John to witness a significant event: the healing of Jairus' daughter, on the Mount of Transfiguration and Jesus' intercessory prayer in Gethsemane.

- Two heavenly visitors appeared with Jesus; one symbolized the Law, the other the prophets. Who were they? v. 4 Elias with Moses
- What did the voice from out of the cloud say? v. 7 This is my beloved Son: hear him.
- While Peter, James and John were with Jesus, the remaining nine disciples were at an impasse. What were they unable to do? v. 18 The disciples tried to cast the spirit out; and they could not.
- What two requirements were stated by Jesus as being necessary before this type of demon possession could be cured? v. 23 if thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.
v. 29 This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and fasting.
- What future events did Jesus foretell in verse 31? he Son of man is delivered into the hands of men, and they shall kill him; and after that he is killed, he shall rise the third day. The Passions of Christ, death, burial, and resurrection.
- What is the cost of true discipleship? v. 35 If any man desire to be first, the same shall be last of all, and servant of all.
- The disciples complained to Jesus that someone outside their group was casting out demons in Jesus' name. How did Jesus respond to this complaint? vv. 39,40 Forbid him not: for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me. For he that is not against us is on our part.
- Read verses 43-48 and in your own words, describe the place that man should avoid at all cost. Hell, the place where the worm dies not and the fire is not quenched.. Eternal separation from God.
- Jesus called His followers the salt of the earth. (Matt. 5:13) What quality must salt contain if it has any value? v. 50 if the salt have lost his saltness, wherewith will ye season it?

CHAPTER 10 - THE FINAL JOURNEY TO JERUSALEM - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

Jesus was confronted by some Pharisees with questions concerning divorce. Jesus set forth three elements of true marriage: the divine intent, the social need, and the physical aspect.

- Why had Moses allowed a bill of divorcement? v. 5 the hardness of the heart he wrote this precept.
- What was God's intent for marriage? v. 6 God made them male and female.
- What was man's social need? v. 7 this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife;
- What was the physical aspect? v. 8 they twain shall be one flesh: so then they are no more twain, but one flesh.
- Why were the disciples not to hinder the little children who came to Jesus? v. 14 Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.

6. **How did Jesus respond to these children? v. 16** he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.
7. **The rich young ruler observed the Law from his youth. What one thing did he lack? v. 21** go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me..... He didn't put others above himself
8. **Is it possible for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God? v. 27** Yes. for with God all things are possible.
9. **What did Jesus promise those who left home and family for the gospel's sake? vv. 29,30** he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life.
10. **As Jesus made His way to Jerusalem for the last time, what was He sharing with the twelve? vv. 32-34** Persecution, Death, Burial, and Resurrections of Jesus. His Passions
11. **While Jesus was speaking of the cross, on what were the minds of James and John? v. 37** Grant unto us that we may sit, one on thy right hand, and the other on thy left hand, in thy glory.-- Themselves, their own station.
12. **To be great in the kingdom of God, what must one become? v. 44** shall be servant of all.
13. **When blind Bartimaeus heard that it was Jesus who was passing by, what did he cry out? v. 47** he began to cry out, and say, Jesus, thou son of David, have mercy on me.
14. **Bartimaeus asked Jesus to restore his sight. How did Jesus respond to this request? v. 52** Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way.

CHAPTER 11 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

The arrival of Jesus in Bethany marked the beginning of the final phase of His public ministry.

1. **What was unique about the colt that Jesus would use to make His triumphal entry into Jerusalem? v. 2** whereon never man sat
2. **What was the cry of the people who preceded Jesus in the procession to the temple in Jerusalem? v. 9** Hosanna; Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Blessed be the kingdom of our father David, that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.
3. **Why did Jesus curse the fig tree? v. 13** he found nothing but leaves; for the time of figs was not yet.
4. **Why was Jesus so angry at those who sold and bought in the temple that He overthrew the tables of the moneychangers and the seats of those that sold doves? v. 17** ye have made it(the house of God) a den of thieves.
- When Peter saw the withered fig tree, he remembered that Jesus had cursed it the day before.**
5. **What two things did Jesus mention that are necessary for prayers to be answered? v. 22** Have faith in God. **v. 25** forgive
6. **The custodians of the temple questioned Jesus by what authority He had used in cleansing the temple on the previous day. How did Jesus answer them? vv. 29,30** I will also ask of you one question, and answer me, and I will tell you by what authority I do these things. The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or of men?
7. **Why did the chief priests, scribes and elders refuse to answer our Lord's question? vv. 31,32** If we shall say, From heaven; he will say, Why then did ye not believe him? But if we shall say, Of men; they feared the people: for all men counted John, that he was a prophet indeed. And they answered and said unto Jesus, We cannot tell.

CHAPTER 12 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

Jesus spoke to the Sanhedrin by a parable which illustrated the failures of the entire system of Judaism and is reminiscent of Isaiah 5:1-7.

1. **When a certain man planted a vineyard and lent it out to husbandmen (tenants), what was he expecting in return? v. 2** that he might receive from the husbandmen of the fruit of the vineyard.
2. **How did the men treat the owner's servants who were sent to collect the rent? vv. 2-5** beat him, and sent him away empty. And again he sent unto them another servant; and at him they cast stones, and wounded him in the head, and sent him away shamefully handled. And again he sent another; and him they killed, and many others; beating some, and killing some.
3. **Why were the husbandmen willing to kill the only son of the vineyard's owner? v. 7** come, let us kill him, and the inheritance shall be ours. They wanted the land..
4. **What response from the owner of the vineyard did Jesus predict? v. 9** he will come and destroy the husbandmen, and will give the vineyard unto others.
5. **Who was the stone which the builders rejected? vv. 10-12** Jesus
6. **How is a child of God supposed to balance his duty as a citizen of an earthly nation and also as a citizen of God's kingdom? v. 17** Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.
7. **In what two ways did the Sadducees err concerning their understanding of the resurrection? v. 24** ye know not the scriptures, neither the power of God?
8. **What did Jesus reveal about marriage in heaven? v. 25** they neither marry, nor are given in marriage; but are as the angels which are in heaven.
9. **What statement did Jesus make to refute the doctrinal error of the Sadducees who did not believe in the resurrection? v. 27** He is not the God of the dead, but the God of the living; ye therefore do greatly err.

When the Sadducees were unable to entrap Jesus with their questions, the scribes tried to find fault with His the words.

10. **According to Jesus, what are the two greatest commandments? vv. 29-31**
 - a. Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength.
 - b. Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
11. **What truth did one of the scribes express that caused Jesus to say: "Thou art not far from the kingdom of God"? vv. 33,34** Master, thou hast said the truth: Jesus saw that he answered discreetly
12. **By whose authority did King David prophesy that Jesus would sit on his throne? v. 36** David himself said by the Holy Ghost
13. **How does verse 41 illustrate that the Lord is interested in our financial giving to the kingdom of God? v. 41** Jesus sat over against the treasury, and beheld how the people cast money into the treasury
14. **Why was the widow's two mites (coins) the largest offering given? v. 44** she of her want did cast in all that she had, even all her living.

CHAPTER 13 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

At the request of His disciples, Jesus spoke of signs that would indicate that the end of the age is near.

1. **What would be the condition of Herod's temple long before the first signs of the end? v. 2** _____
there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.
 2. **How would some be deceived? vv. 5,6** _____ For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.
 3. **What should not trouble the heart of any child of God? v. 7** _____ for such things must needs be; but the end shall not be yet.
 4. **List four things that mark the beginning of sorrows? v. 8** _____ nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be earthquakes in divers places, and there shall be famines and troubles:
 5. **What must be first published among all nations before the end can come? v. 10** _____ the gospel
 6. **When believers are delivered into the hands of evil men, who will speak for them? v. 11** _____
for it is not ye that speak, but the Holy Ghost.
 7. **What key event identifies the end days? v. 14 (See Daniel 11:31 and 12:11.)** _____ the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet.. Could refer to the numbing of the heart to the abominable.
 8. **In what way will this event be unique to the history of man? v. 19** _____ in those days shall be affliction, such as was not from the beginning of the creation which God created unto this time, neither shall be.
 9. **What will false christs and prophets do to attempt to deceive the elect? v. 22** _____
shall rise, and shall shew signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect.
 10. **What will happen after the sun is darkened and the moon does not give her light? v. 26** _____
then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory. And then shall he send his angels,
 11. **In that day, who will God's angels gather together? v. 27** _____ shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven.
- Throughout the pages of Scripture, Israel is identified in symbolism as a fig tree.
12. **When the fig tree begins to show renewal of life by putting forth leaves, what should be known about the end times? v. 29** _____ when ye shall see these things come to pass, know that it is nigh, even at the doors.
 13. **What else did Jesus reveal about this period of time? v. 30** _____
hat this generation shall not pass, till all these things be done.
 14. **Although heaven and earth will pass away, what can never cease to exist? v. 31** _____
but my words shall not pass away.
 15. **While Jesus was on earth He did not know the exact hour of His return. What was His recommendation to the disciples? v. 33** _____ Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is.
 16. **What is the word of Jesus to you and me today, and why should we do it? vv. 36,37** _____
Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping. And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.

CHAPTER 14 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

After finishing the Olivet discourse, Jesus and the twelve disciples continued on to Bethany. Jesus became the honored guest at a dinner in the home of Simon the leper. Most likely Simon had been healed by Jesus.

1. What were the chief priests and scribes planning to do with Jesus? v. 1 put him to death.
2. What honor was shown to Jesus during the dinner? v. 3 there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of spikenard very precious; and she brake the box, and poured it on his head.
3. Why were some indignant with this woman? v. 5 Why was this waste of the ointment made? For it might have been sold for more than three hundred pence, and have been given to the poor

Three hundred pence, the value of the precious perfume (spikenard), was about a year's wage for a laboring man.

4. What good work had this woman done for Jesus? v. 8 she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying.
5. How did Jesus say this woman would be remembered? v. 9 Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, this also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her.
6. It is possible that the rebuke of Jesus (v. 6) triggered something in the heart of Judas Iscariot. What did Judas do? v. 10 went unto the chief priests, to betray him unto them.

After the disciples asked where they were going to eat the Passover, Peter and John were sent by Jesus into the city to prepare a place for Him and His disciples.

7. How many disciples sat down with Jesus at this last supper? v. 17 the twelve.
8. What did Jesus say that caused the disciples to be sorrowful? v. 18 One of you which eateth with me shall betray me.
9. Who did Jesus say the betrayer would be, and what would have been better for him? vv. 20,21 It is one of the twelve, that dippeth with me in the dish. The Son of man indeed goeth, as it is written of him: but woe to that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! good were it for that man if he had never been born.
10. At the end of the Passover meal Jesus took a cake of unleavened bread. What was the significance of this bread? v. 22 Take, eat: this is my body.,, The sacrificed body was torn just as the bread.
11. What was the significance of the cup? v. 24 This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many. The covenant sealed in His blood.
12. What promise did Jesus make to His disciples in verse 25? I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine, until that day that I drink it new in the kingdom of God.
13. What warning did Jesus give His disciples in verse 27, and how did Peter respond to this warning? v. 29 All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered. Peter said unto him, Although all shall be offended, yet will not I.

Jesus did not rebuke Peter for his self-confident statement, but told him that he would deny Him three times before the rooster crowed twice.

14. **When Jesus was in the Garden of Gethsemane, He took Peter, James and John apart from the other disciples. What did Jesus want Peter, James and John to do for Him? vv. 34,38.** tarry ye here, and watch.. Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation.
15. **What did Jesus ask of His Father in heaven? v. 36** Il things are possible unto thee; take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.
16. **How many times had Peter, James and John fallen asleep? vv. 37-41** three
17. **With what sign did Judas betray the Lord into the hands of the chief priests, scribes and elders? vv. 44,45** saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he;
18. **How did one of the disciples (Peter) attempt to rescue Jesus? v. 47** drew a sword, and smote a servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear.
19. **How many of the twelve disciples forsook Jesus? v. 50** they all forsook him, and fled.
20. **Who were the religious people that sought to put Jesus to death? v. 53** the chief priests and all the council sought for witness against Jesus to put him to death
21. **What was the problem with the testimony of all of the false witnesses? vv. 56,59** their witness agreed not together.
22. **How did Jesus respond to the high priest's question "Art thou the Christ, the Son of the blessed?" v. 62** Jesus said, I am: and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. I Am The name Jesus used with Moses...
23. **Why did the high priest tear his clothes, and how many condemned Jesus to death? vv. 63,64** Ye have heard the blasphemy: what think ye? And they all condemned him to be guilty of death. "I AM" they couldn't accept it.
24. **What did the accusers of Jesus want him to do? v. 65** Prophesy:
25. **Although Peter denied being a follower of Jesus, what made the servant girl think otherwise? v. 70** thy speech agreeth thereto... He didn't cuss and he said what he meant without slang words
26. **After Peter denied his Lord with curses and swearing, what sound did he hear? v. 72** the second time the cock crew
27. **After Peter remembered Jesus' words about his denial, what did he do? v. 72** he thought thereon, he wept.

CHAPTER 15 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

The religious leaders wanted to put Jesus to death. But being under the rulership of Rome they did not have the legal authority to do so by themselves. Thus, the chief priests took Jesus to Pilate.

1. **What question did Pilate ask Jesus? v. 2** Art thou the King of the Jews?
2. **What custom was practiced during the feast of the Passover? v. 6** at that feast he released unto them one prisoner, whomsoever they desired.
3. **List the three questions Pilate asked the people. vv. 9-14** Will ye that I release unto you the King of the Jews?
What will ye then that I shall do unto him whom ye call the King of the Jews?
Why, what evil hath he done?

4. **What did Pilate do to Jesus that was the fulfillment of Isaiah 53:5? v. 15** scourged him, to be crucified.
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5. **Why did Pilate release Barabbas to life and put Jesus to death? v. 15** Pilate, willing to content the people it was a political decision. He wanted to content them to save his position.
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6. **List at least six acts of cruelty Jesus suffered at the hands of the soldiers in the praetorium. vv. 15-20** scourged him, they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his head, And began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews! And they smote him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon him, and bowing their knees worshipped him. And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple from him, and put his own clothes on him, and led him out to crucify him
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7. **Who was compelled to carry the cross of Jesus? v. 21** one Simon a Cyrenian
- Mark recorded the first three hours that Jesus hung upon the cross. The four soldiers under command of a centurion were permitted to keep the victim's personal belongings. All that Jesus had was the five articles of clothing every Jew wore: shoes, turban, girdle, inner garment and outer cloak.
8. **For what did the soldiers gamble? v. 24** they parted his garments, casting lots upon them, what every man should take.
9. **The Roman Empire's official sign stating Jesus' crime was nailed above His head. What did it say? v. 26** The King Of The Jews.
10. **What challenge did those who passed by hurl at Jesus? v. 30** Save thyself, and come down from the cross.
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11. **Who joined in with this chant of the people? v. 31** the chief priests mocking said among themselves with the scribes, He saved others; himself he cannot save.
12. **What did the people say that they would do if Jesus would save himself and come down from the cross? v. 32** that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with him reviled him.
13. **What happened after Jesus had been hanging on the cross for three hours? v. 33** there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.
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14. **How long did Jesus ultimately hang upon the cross? vv. 25,33,34** 6 hours
15. **Jesus uttered seven sayings on the cross. What is the only saying Mark records in his gospel? v. 34** Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?
16. **Who did the people think that Jesus was calling to help Him? v. 36** Elias
17. **When Jesus had cried with a loud voice and breathed out His life, what happened to the veil in the temple before the Holy of Holies that had kept man from direct access into the presence of God? v. 38** the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom.
18. **What proclamation did one of the centurions make about Jesus? v. 39** Truly this man was the Son of God.
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19. **Who were the women who saw the death of Jesus from afar off? v. 40** among whom was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the less and of Joses, and Salome;
20. **Who came forward to claim the body of Jesus? v. 43** Joseph of Arimathaea, an honourable counsellor,
21. **What did Pilate want the centurion to verify? v. 44** he asked him whether he had been any while dead.

22. **What did Joseph of Arimathea do with the body of Jesus? v. 46** he bought fine linen, and took him down, and wrapped him in the linen, and laid him in a sepulchre which was hewn out of a rock, and rolled a stone unto the door of the sepulchre.
23. **Who made sure they knew where the body of Jesus was laid? v. 47** Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph beheld where he was laid.

CHAPTER 16 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

1. **Why did the women come to the tomb where Jesus was laid? v. 1** Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him.
2. **What concern were they discussing among themselves on the way? v. 3** they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?
3. **Seeing the very great stone rolled away, the women entered into the sepulchre. What message did the angel give them? v. 6** he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.
4. **What message were the women to give the disciples and Peter? v. 7** But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you.
5. **How did the women react to the good news that Jesus had risen from the dead? v. 8** for they trembled and were amazed: neither said they any thing to any man; for they were afraid.
6. **To whom had Jesus first appeared after His resurrection? v. 9** Mary Magdalene,
7. **How did the disciples receive the message that Jesus was risen? v. 11** They believed not.
8. **Jesus appeared to two disciples as they walked in the country. How was their message received when they told the other disciples that Jesus was alive? v. 13** When they went and told it unto the residue: neither believed they them.
9. **When Jesus appeared to the eleven as they were eating, for what two things did He reprove them? v. 14** unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.
10. **What commission did Jesus give His disciples? v. 15** Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.
11. **What happens if someone refuses to believe? v. 16** but he that believeth not shall be damned.
12. **According to verses 17 and 18, what signs did Jesus say would follow those who believe in His name? v. 17** In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.
13. **After Jesus had spoken to them, where did He go? v. 19** he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.
14. **What happened as the disciples went forth preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ? v. 20** the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

I have answered all questions and completed all memory work to the best of my ability.

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