

**EARLY CHURCH HISTORIAN PAPIAS:**  
MARK COLLECTS PETER'S EYEWITNESS TESTIMONY

(JOHN) **MARK**, A COWORKER OF:  
**PETER** (1 PETER 5:13) -and- **PAUL** (COLOSSIANS 4:10)

THE ONLY TIME MARK TELLS YOU WHAT HE THINKS

HE HOPES TO INFLUENCE YOU BY SHOWING JESUS & PEOPLE'S REACTIONS TO HIM

# THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK

1 "THE BEGINNING OF THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT JESUS THE MESSIAH, THE SON OF GOD."

**THE ENDING OF MARK**  
GO AND ANNOUNCE THE GOOD NEWS!  
16:7-20 (ONLY FOUND IN LATER MANUSCRIPTS)

**LOST?**  
**NEVER FINISHED?**

**OR...**  
**THE ABRUPT ENDING IS INTENTIONAL**  
+ MARK EMPHASIZES THE SHOCKING CLAIM THAT THE CRUCIFIED & RISEN JESUS IS THE MESSIAH.  
+ THE LACK OF CLOSURE FORCES YOU TO ASK: WILL YOU RUN AWAY, OR RECOGNIZE THE CRUCIFIED JESUS AS YOUR KING?

ACT 3: JERUSALEM

**BEHOLD, I WILL SEND my MESSENGER BEFORE YOU... TO PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD.** (ISAIAH 40 & MALACHI 3)

**ACT 1: GALILEE**  
**1-8a WHO IS JESUS?**

1:2-15 **JOHN THE BAPTIST**  
YOU ARE MY BELOVED SON (1:11)  
GOOD NEWS! GOD'S KINGDOM HAS COME NEAR! (1:15)  
SUMMARY OF JESUS' MESSAGE:  
GOD'S RESCUE OPERATION FOR THE WORLD  
CONFRONTATION WITH EVIL  
INVITATION TO LIVE UNDER GOD'S REIGN BY FOLLOWING JESUS

JESUS BRINGS GOD'S KINGDOM

BE HEALED!  
YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN.

...AND GETS DIVERSE RESPONSES  
WHO IS HE?  
WHERE DID HE GET THIS WISDOM?  
ONLY GOD CAN FORGIVE SINS!  
YOUR POWER COMES FROM THE DEVIL!  
WE'LL FOLLOW YOU!

1 PARABLES ABOUT THE MYSTERY OF GOD'S KINGDOM  
THE FOUR SOILS  
RECEPTIVE NOT RECEPTIVE  
THE MUSTARD SEED  
JESUS IS THE MESSIAH, BUT NOT THE KIND PEOPLE EXPECTED.

WHAT DO THESE PARABLES MEAN?  
WHO IS HE REALLY?  
DISCIPLES

**ACT 2: "ON THE WAY"**  
**8b-10 WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR JESUS TO BE THE MESSIAH?**

CONVERSATION #1 (8:27-38)  
SUFFERING SERVANT ISAIAH 53  
FOLLOWING JESUS:  
- IS LIKE DYING  
- MEANS REJECTING VIOLENCE & TRIBE  
- ACTS OF SERVICE & LOVE  
WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?  
YOU'RE THE MESSIAH!  
VICTORIOUS KING! DEFEAT THE ROMANS  
FOLLOWING JESUS: (crossed out)

CONVERSATION #2 (9:30-37)  
THE SON OF MAN DID NOT COME TO BE SERVED, BUT TO BECOME A SERVANT & GIVE HIS LIFE AS A RANSOM FOR MANY. (10:45)

CONVERSATION #3 (10:32-45)  
THIS IS MY BELOVED SON. (9:7)  
JUST LIKE GOD'S GLORY MT. SINAI (EXODUS 19-20) & THE TWO PROPHETS WHO MET GOD ON MT. SINAI  
MOSES (EXODUS 33)  
ELIJAH (1 KINGS 19)  
JESUS is the EMBODIMENT of GOD'S GLORY  
THE GLORIOUS GOD SUFFERING and DYING for HIS PEOPLE

**ACT 3: JERUSALEM**  
**11-16 HOW JESUS BECOMES KING**

11 JESUS' ROYAL ENTRY  
SAVE US, SON OF DAVID!  
JESUS' ROYAL ENTRY

12 JESUS ASSERTS HIS AUTHORITY OVER THE TEMPLE  
YOU'VE TURNED MY HOUSE INTO A DEN OF THIEVES!

13 PREDICTION OF JERUSALEM'S DOWNFALL  
- THE CITY & TEMPLE WILL BE DESTROYED WITHIN A GENERATION  
- THE DISCIPLES WILL BE PERSECUTED  
- JESUS WILL ONE DAY RETURN.

14 THE LAST SUPPER  
OLD MEANING: LIBERATION FROM SLAVERY THROUGH DEATH OF THE PASSOVER LAMB  
NEW MEANING: LIBERATION FROM SIN & DEATH THROUGH THE DEATH of the MESSIAH

15 JESUS ISN'T HERE! HE'S RISEN FROM THE DEAD & WILL MEET YOU UP IN GALILEE!  
DARKNESS  
THIS MAN WAS THE SON OF GOD! (15:39)  
FIRST PERSON IN THE STORY TO GRASP JESUS' IDENTITY  
THE CRUCIFIED SON OF GOD IS THE MESSIAH

16-8 "THEY FLED FROM THE TOMB IN TERROR, TELLING NO ONE, FOR THEY WERE AFRAID..." THE END!



- I. *Prologue: John the Baptizer, Jesus' Baptism, and Testing in the Desert (1:1-13)*
- II. *Jesus Begins His Ministry & Equips His Apostles (1:14-8:21)*
  - A. *Commencement of Jesus' Ministry in Galilee (1:14-45)*
  - B. *Controversies Settled by Jesus' Pronouncements (2:1-3:6)*
  - C. *Jesus' Ministry Around the Sea of Galilee and Rejection at Nazareth (3:7-6:6a)*
  - D. *The Expansion of Jesus' Ministry Beyond Galilee (6:6b-8:21)*
- III. *On the Way to Jerusalem: The Way to Glory and Suffering (8:22-10:52)*

*Noted moments:*

  - + *Jesus' Predictions of His Death & Resurrection (8:27-9:1, 9:30-37, 10:32-45)*
  - + *Peter's Declaration about Jesus (8:27-30)*
  - + *Transfiguration (9:2-8)*
- IV. *Confrontation and Death in Jerusalem (11:1-15:41)*
  - A. *Confrontation (11:1-13:37)*
  - B. *Passion of Jesus (14:1-15:41)*
- V. *Burial and Resurrection (15:42-16:8)*