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Daily Bible Notes/Highlights Genesis through Revelation 2014

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Mark

C1 Vss 1-45. Mark's gospel begins with John the a baptist. All of Jerusalem and Judeans was going out to him. He proclaims after me comes one mightier than I. When Jesus came out of the water the Spirit descended in Him (9-10).

Jesus driven into the wilderness. Mark reveals He was remote by Satan, and wild animals were there (12-13). Jesus calls Simon and Andrew. His words to then follow me. There are no preconditions if they will follow Him (17-18). Next he calls Janes and John.

Jesus taught as one with authority (21-22). Clearly this is in comparison to the religious leaders who taught without authority.

Demons scream. They may even say what is true. But they scream at the presence of Jesus (23-25). We can see what was meant by teaching with authority. Jesus made things happen (27-28)

Jesus heals Simon's mother in law. Simon us married (29-30). Jesus healed many with many diseases (34).

As with Matthew the leper says, if you will make me whole (40). Jesus heals him.

C2 Vss 1-28 The people hear about Jesus and cried in on Him. What an example of friends' impact. They bring a paralytic but can 'to reach Jesus. They lift their friend in the roof and down to Jesus. He considers their considers their faith to heal their friend. We all need friends with real faith (2-5).

More specifically, he forgives the man's sin to the chagrin of religious leaders then in their face he calls the man to rise (8-12).

Next He calls the tax collector. Again no preconditions Jesus says, follow me (14).

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Asked about fasting. All disciples fast but Jesus'. It's because there's no fasting while Jesus is with them. It's a new approach (19-22). Pharisees take exception to Jesus picking corn to eat on the Sabbath. He responds the Sabbath is for my health and enjoyment not a religious rite (24-28).

C3 Vss 1-35 A man with a withered hand healed on the Sabbath. Again Jesus affirms the Sabbath if for the health of the person (1-5). Jesus looked upon their hardness with anger (5).

Whenever unclean spirits see Jesus they cry out (11-12). It is clear how demons and spirits of darkness resold to darkness. They scream. Jesus called His disciples, apostles(13-14). Jesus calls a James and John the sons of thunder.

Here is the place and description of the unforgivable sin. It's the position of claiming Satan the activity of God. The accused Jesus of healing in Satan's name. It is blasphemy of the Holy Spirit. This is a sin reserved for the religious (23-29).

As in Matthew, Mark also catches the experience of Jesus' family members. It is those who believe. While Mary is Jesus' earthly mother. She has no relationship with Him if she does not believe (31-35).

C4 1-41 Mark also shares the parable of the farmer scattering seeds (see Matthew).

Unlike Matthew Mark captures the parable of the lamp. Light is not designed to be hidden. Mark's account is not clear in connecting the dots that the light is the work of the Gospel. It is clouded by following with those things that are hidden shall come to light. This gives the perspective that the light is one that shines on evil activities. These are both accurate it is about sharing the Gospel and that things done in darkness come to light both activities of darkness and light (21-24). This is followed with the necessity to observe with scrutiny the things we hear (25-26).

What an extraordinary insight about the Kingdom. Results come forth in so many ways, it appears to suggest that it all is not planned, but the results are still productive. This does not mean that a God is not aware or does not know. But certainly those of us involved don't know all the impact (26-29).

No question that a small degree of believing can accomplish great results. It shows that often we do not have minute faith. This is why acts are so important and not simply internalizing desires. Faith can be seen with the eyes and senses (31-32)

Concerning the threatening storm to say to Jesus, "don't you care" is one for each person to keep in heart and mind. No one cares like Jesus. No one can care as much as Jesus. And no one will do as much as Jesus. He died for sinners because He cared so much. He demonstrates His authority over the elements (35-41).

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