

GENRE: GOSPEL NARRATIVE, BIOGRAPHY, PARABLE

MARK

Jesus is the promised Messiah

The Jews were expecting God's Messiah, the promised deliverer, to rescue them from the tyranny of Roman rule. Mark's gospel is crafted to show that Jesus was the true Messiah who came to set up God's kingdom on earth and to save people from their slavery to sin. God announces that Jesus is his beloved son and the Messiah at his baptism and then re-affirms him as his son at his transfiguration on the mountain. In between those two stories, Mark includes stories of Jesus forgiving sins, performing miracles, and explaining that he is a servant who will give his life to save many. Mark ends his book abruptly, leaving us to decide if we believe Jesus is the Messiah.

KEY PASSAGES

Mark 1: Beloved Son

Mark 3: Miracles and Magic

Mark 4: Hard Soil

Mark 10: Servant Leadership

Mark 15: The Last Temptation

KEY VERSE

“For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

Jesus – Mark 10:45

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RETURN



MESSIAH



CHURCH



FUTURE



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