

# *The Message & the Mission*

## The Gospel of Mark Series – Part 4

Scripture text – Mark 1:14-20

### Introduction

- This series is intended to help us keep our \_\_\_\_\_ on Christ.
- Following his baptism and 40 days in the wilderness, Jesus was ready to \_\_\_\_\_.
- Mark was able to summarize Jesus' message in \_\_\_\_\_ short sentences. However, these sentences are loaded with \_\_\_\_\_.

### Section 1: The Message

- The Jewish people hadn't heard from God for \_\_\_\_\_ years. After so long a period, their trust in God's 7 promises was faltering.
- The 7 promises were:
  1. A \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. A new \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. An outpouring of the \_\_\_\_\_.
  4. The coming of the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.
  5. The restoration of \_\_\_\_\_.
  6. The great & final day of the \_\_\_\_\_.
  7. The creation of a new \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_.
- Now Jesus arrives and his message essentially is: The \_\_\_\_\_ is over!
- The promise he most focuses on throughout his ministry is that of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the kingdom of God. This was *the* central \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus' preaching.
- God had always ruled the earth. What Jesus was announcing was that he would rule in a \_\_\_\_\_ way; namely, he would rule through \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ of his people.
- This new way of ruling would start \_\_\_\_\_, but grow to encompass the whole earth.
- The required response is to \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ the good news.
- By "repent," Jesus means a sweeping \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ - directed life.
- From that point forward, life becomes \_\_\_\_\_ -directed.

## Section 2: The Mission

- Jesus requires \_\_\_\_\_ commitment to his \_\_\_\_\_ that will likely be disruptive to our \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_.
- Many Christians today are \_\_\_\_\_ to the summons to total commitment. But, what about our \_\_\_\_\_?
- Looking ahead:
  - 1) Within months . . . we will need to increase our budget by \_\_\_\_\_%.
  - 2) Within the year . . . we intend to launch a \_\_\_\_\_ program for men.
  - 3) Within 1-3 years . . . we expect to have the opportunity to support a \_\_\_\_\_ to an unreached people group.