Series "The God Who Serves" "Jesus And His Message" Mark 1:14-20 Study-3

Mark 1:14-15

The Purpose of The Gospel Of Mark – To reach the Romans with the message that Jesus Christ is God's Perfect Servant.

Mark 1:1-13 - Period of Preparation

Mark 1:1-8 - "The Witness Of God"

Mark 1:9-13 - "Preparation For Service"

Mark 1:14-9:50 – Jesus' Galilean Ministry

Matthew 7:28-29

The Thought Of Our Passage: "Preaching The Gospel Message Must Include The Repentance Of Sins, Faith In God, And Following Jesus"

- Verses 14-15 The Message Of God's Servant
 Verses 16-20 The Followers Of God's Servant
- 1. Verses 14-15 The Message Of God's Servant:

Mark 1:14

Mark 1:13

There is a year that we just passed over, in-between Verse 13 & 14. The gospel of John is the only one to record it. John 1:35-4:45

"John had been taken into custody," – Mark 6:14-29

- 1. John the Baptist was a forerunner. He was to prepare the way and introduce Jesus. John had fulfilled his purpose.
- 2. John's message has been rejected.
- 3. Jesus was not in competition with John.

Matt 4:12-16 – Matthew Quotes Isaiah 9:1-2

"preaching" – "To proclaim, heralding, speaking with authority that which must be listened to and obeyed"; "The speaking of reality around them."

"Jesus was the message; Jesus was both messenger and message"

The Message – The Gospel: the gospel of God – (KJV says, "The gospel of the Kingdom of God.")

Terms for the "Gospel":

- 1. Gospel of God The Gospel comes from God to man.
- 2. Gospel of the Kingdom Because faith in the Savior brings you into His kingdom.
- 3. Gospel of Jesus Christ Jesus is the central theme of the message. His death, burial, and resurrection purchased our salvation.
- 4. Gospel of Grace Salvation is based upon the grace of God. It was not love but grace.

The Message that excludes the Gospel is not the Message that Jesus preached. Acts 20:21

Galatians 1:8-9

2 Corinthians 5:21

Ephesians 2:8-9

Mark 1:15

"The time is fulfilled," – "God's Preparation Is Now Complete"

Gal. 4:4

Rom. 14:17

We Must Respond In 2 Ways:

1. We Must Repent: repent – Greek – met-an-o-eh'-o, "to change one's mind, to change one's mind for better, to think differently, to change one's direction of life."

Rom 3:23

2 Corinthians 7:9-10

2. We Must Believe/Faith In Jesus: and believe in the gospel."
Believe – "entrust, to rest in, complete trust"; open an account at a bank, deposit our money there; we are entrusting our money to them. (Resting of the heart)

To Believe and Repent always go together. You can't separate the two. Acts 20:21

Romans 10:9-10

Repentance without Believing in Jesus is not Salvation.

Some say Believing is all that a person should do!

James 2:19

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2. Verses 16-20 - The Followers Of God's Servant:

Mark 1:16

"And as He was going along by the Sea of Galilee," – The Sea of Galilee is about 13X8 miles. It is freshwater lake; 686 feet below sea level, lowest fresh water lake in the world; Grow bananas along the lake.

"saw Simon" - "Simon Peter" Acts 1-13 1,2 Peter

"Andrew, the brother of Simon," – He is referred to as the friendly disciple. John 1

Simon, & Andrew, (James & John) this is not the first time that Jesus has had an encounter with them.

- 1. They were called to salvation: John 1:35-49, They're part of John's ministry.
- 2. Here in Mark they are called to discipleship: Luke 5:1-11
- 3. The call to Apostleship: Mark 3, Matthew 10, Luke 6

Mark 1:17

"Follow Me!" – Literally "a sharp military command"

"fishers of men." – Greek – "Catching Men Alive"

Matthew 28:19-20

Mark 1:18

Radical message combined with a radical call, equaled a radical response!

Mark 1:19

"He saw James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother," – "Sons of Thunder," or "Thunder Boy's" Mark 3:17; Luke 9:54

Mark 1:20

1 Cor. 1:26-29

Application:

- 1. Have We Received The Gospel Of Salvation? Have We Repented Of Our Sins? Do We Believe? Are We Resting In Jesus? Is My Life Different?
- 2. Are We Following Jesus? Putting Jesus First, Forsaking All For The Sake Of Jesus.
- 3. In My Following Of Jesus, Have I Caught Men Alive?