

WEEK 1: AUTHENTICATION OF THE SERVANT KING

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A STUDY OF MARK'S GOSPEL

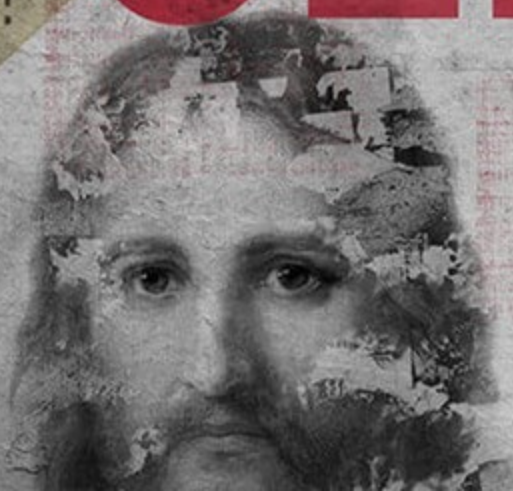
CHAPTER 2

When Jesus returned to Capernaum several days later, the news spread quickly that he was back home. 2 Soon the house where he was staying was so packed with visitors that there was no more room, even outside the door. While he was preaching God's word

12 And the man slipped away from the mat, and walked out through the crowd of onlookers. They were all amazed at what God was doing. 13 When Jesus heard this, he told them, "Healthy people don't need a doctor, but those who are sick do need one. I came to call not the righteous, but those who are sick." 14 When Jesus finished saying these things, he got up and went away. He was leaving the man who had slipped away from the mat. 15 Later, Levi invited Jesus and his disciples to his home as dinner guests, along with many tax collectors and other disreputable sinners. (There were many people of this kind among Jesus' followers.) 16 But when the teachers of religious law who were Pharisees and the Sadducees saw Jesus eating with tax collectors and other sinners, they asked his disciples, "Why does he eat with such scoundrels?" 17 When Jesus heard this, he told them, "Healthy people don't need a doctor, but those who are sick do need one. I came to call not the righteous, but those who are sick." 18 When Jesus finished saying these things, he got up and went away. He was leaving the man who had slipped away from the mat.

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THE MESSIAH
PREPARE THE WAY FOR
THE LORDS COMING!



I. MARK'S PURPOSE

THE AUTHENTICATION OF ONE LONG ANTICIPATED

**THE BEGINNING OF THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT JESUS THE MESSIAH,
THE SON OF GOD,**

II. THE PROCESS OF AUTHENTICATION:

A. **PROPHET** AND HIS PROPHECY

**THE BEGINNING OF THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT JESUS THE MESSIAH,
THE SON OF GOD, AS IT IS WRITTEN IN ISAIAH THE PROPHET:**

**"I WILL SEND MY MESSENGER AHEAD OF YOU,
WHO WILL PREPARE YOUR WAY"—**

**3 "A VOICE OF ONE CALLING IN THE WILDERNESS,
'PREPARE THE WAY FOR THE LORD,
MAKE STRAIGHT PATHS FOR HIM.'"**

II. THE PROCESS OF AUTHENTICATION:

B. MESSENGER AND HIS MESSAGE

**AND SO JOHN THE BAPTIST APPEARED IN THE WILDERNESS,
PREACHING A BAPTISM OF REPENTANCE FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.
THE WHOLE JUDEAN COUNTRYSIDE AND ALL THE PEOPLE OF JERUSALEM.
WENT OUT TO HIM. CONFESSING THEIR SINS, THEY WERE BAPTIZED BY HIM
IN THE JORDAN RIVER. JOHN WORE CLOTHING MADE OF CAMEL'S HAIR,
WITH A LEATHER BELT AROUND HIS WAIST, AND HE ATE LOCUSTS
AND WILD HONEY.**

AND THIS WAS HIS **MESSAGE**: "AFTER ME COMES THE ONE MORE
POWERFUL THAN I, THE STRAPS OF WHOSE SANDALS I AM
NOT WORTHY TO STOOP DOWN AND UNTIE. I BAPTIZE YOU
WITH WATER, BUT HE WILL BAPTIZE YOU WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT."

II. THE PROCESS OF AUTHENTICATION:

C. **SERVANT** AND HIS HUMILITY

AT THAT TIME JESUS CAME FROM NAZARETH IN GALILEE AND WAS BAPTIZED BY JOHN IN THE JORDAN.

II. THE PROCESS OF AUTHENTICATION:

D. **FATHER** AND HIS AFFIRMATION

JUST AS JESUS WAS COMING UP OUT OF THE WATER, HE SAW HEAVEN BEING TORN OPEN AND THE SPIRIT DESCENDING ON HIM LIKE A DOVE. AND A VOICE CAME FROM HEAVEN: "YOU ARE MY SON, WHOM I LOVE; WITH YOU I AM WELL PLEASED."

II. THE PROCESS OF AUTHENTICATION:

E. **SERVANT** AND HIS TESTING

**AT ONCE THE SPIRIT SENT HIM OUT INTO THE WILDERNESS, AND HE WAS
IN THE WILDERNESS FORTY DAYS, BEING TEMPTED BY SATAN. HE WAS
WITH THE WILD ANIMALS, AND ANGELS ATTENDED HIM.**

III. LOOKING AHEAD: WHAT TO EXPECT

IV. WHAT MATTERS MOST: