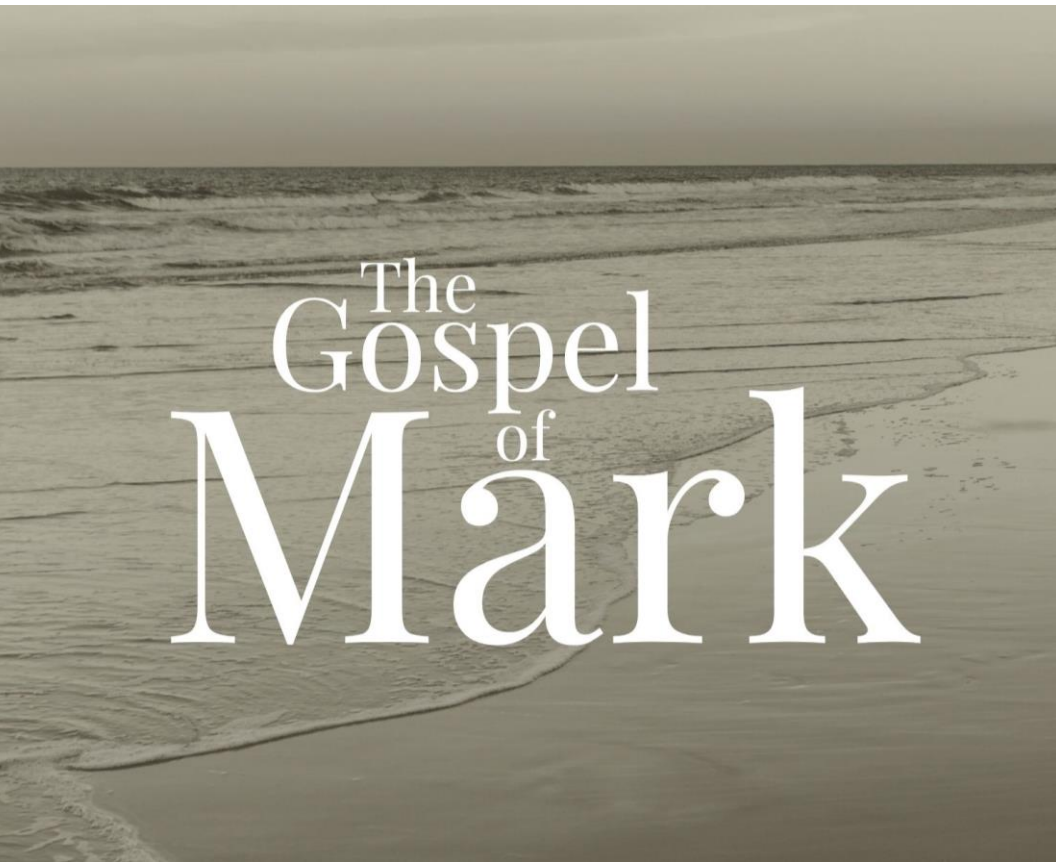


# Daily Worship Booklet

November 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025



## The Gospel of Mark

God tells us that Ezra read from the book of the Law,  
day after day, and the people of God were filled with joy.

## **Westminster Shorter Catechism**

*Question 44:* What doth the preface to the ten commandments teach us?

*Answer:* The preface to the ten commandments teacheth us, that because God is the Lord, and our God, and Redeemer, therefore we are bound to keep all his commandments.

*Scripture Proofs:*

Luke 1:74-75; 1 Peter 1:14-19

*Comment:* When it comes to the Ten Commandments, we don't have an option; we have to keep them, knowing that God loves us and has redeemed us to a new life where obedience brings joy.

**Psalm of the Week:** Psalm 23B. The words are on page 8.

### **Please pray for:**

Mon - Matthew DeHaan

Tues - Jordan and Doralynne, Amos, Natalie, Levi, Gabriel, Micah,  
Matthias, Jonah, Isaac and Norah Dohms

Wed - Mark and Alison, Robin and Irellyn Dumalski

Thur - Josh and Karin, Elyssa, Julia, Sarah and Suzannah Foster

Frid - Norm and Jane Fry

### **Bible Questions for the week:**

Question: Who is born in this chapter?

*Answer: Exodus 2:10*

Question: Why does Moses leave Egypt?

*Answer: Exodus 2:14*

Question: What country does he go to?

*Answer: Exodus 2:15*

**Please pray for the Holy Spirit's help as you study God's Word.**

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## **Monday - Mark 8:27-33 - A Brilliant Confession and a Terrible Rebuke.**

As Jesus and His disciples travel down the road, He asks them who the people have been saying He is. This is an easy question for the disciples to answer as they list off all the different theories about who Jesus is. But then the conversation turns embarrassingly personal as Jesus asks them who they think He is. You can almost imagine an awkward pause and the disciples looking at their feet or at each other, but suddenly Peter, without hesitation, speaks. He boldly says that Jesus is the Christ or Messiah, the Promised One that God said would come one day to save His people. The Holy Spirit has been working in Peter's heart as well as the hearts of the other disciples and bringing them to see who Jesus is, and Peter, who usually says the wrong thing in almost every situation, for once gets it right.

The disciples are not to tell others about their new understanding of who Jesus is. Why? Because they barely understand themselves what kind of Messiah He is, so they can't possibly explain it to anyone else yet. Jesus then begins to explain that He is not the kind of Messiah that will lead a war against the Roman Empire, but a Messiah who must suffer, die, and be raised from the dead in order to save His people. Peter, who only moments before has made such a wonderful confession, immediately acts as though he knows better than Jesus and is severely rebuked.

### **Questions**

1. Who did Peter say Jesus was?
2. What kind of Messiah was Jesus going to be?

### **Memory Verses**

"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; *you anoint my head with oil;*"

Psalm 23:4,5

## **Tuesday - Mark 8:34-38 - The Cost of Following Jesus.**

Jesus has been talking to His disciples about who He is and what He has come to do. They are beginning to realise that He is the Promised One or Messiah; but they still think that the Messiah is going to save them, not from their sin, but from the Roman Empire. Jesus calls the crowd to Him and begins to explain that His Messiahship is very different. If the people don't understand what kind of Saviour He is, how will they understand what it means to follow Him? So, Jesus tells them.

Jesus doesn't hide from the people that it is hard to be one of His followers, but He also makes clear that it is worth it. The cost of following Jesus Christ and gaining eternal life is death, but not a physical death - a death to what you want or what those around you want. It is when you care about and obey what God says and what God wants, more than you care about what you or others say and want. It is through this death to yourself and the world that you will have life. It isn't easy - you might suffer pain and trouble, but those who try to run their lives themselves will end up losing their lives. Jesus also explains how very valuable your soul is. You have the power to destroy your soul, but only Jesus Christ has the power to save it.

Jesus ends by saying that, even though He is now on earth as a humble Servant, the time will come when He will return as Judge from whom nothing will be hidden.

### **Questions**

1. What kind of Messiah is Jesus?
2. What will happen one day if you have been ashamed of Jesus?

### **Memory Verses**

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## **Wednesday - Mark 9:1-13 - A Glorious Vision.**

Jesus has just told His disciples that some of them won't die until they see His kingdom in power. Now, He is going to keep that promise by taking Peter, James, and John with Him up a mountain. This event in Jesus' life is often called the Transfiguration. To be transfigured is to appear or look different from normal. The disciples stand there, and before their very eyes they see the same Jesus but with a completely, amazingly, different appearance. And that's not all! They also see Him talking to Moses and Elijah! They are so scared that Peter, not knowing what to say but thinking he has to say something, blurts out his silly idea of building three tabernacles.

God has a point to make here. He has spoken to the people through Moses giving him the Law, and He has spoken to the people through the prophets whom Elijah represents, and now, He makes it clear that He is speaking through Jesus, His Son.

Then everything vanishes; and as they go back down the mountain Jesus tells them not to tell anyone until after His resurrection. But the disciples still don't take the idea of rising from the dead literally, and they are confused over Malachi's prophecy that one like Elijah will come before the Messiah. Jesus explains that one like Elijah has come - John the Baptist, but he has suffered the same rejection that Jesus will suffer.

### **Questions**

1. What does the Transfiguration mean?
2. Who all was on the mountain with Jesus?
3. Who was the one like Elijah who came before the Messiah?

### **Memory Verses**

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Psalms 23:4,5

## Thursday – Mark 9:14-29 - From the Mountain to a Mess.

Jesus comes down off the mountain to a colossal mess. A man with very little faith has brought his demon-possessed son to be healed. The disciples try to heal the boy without even bothering to ask God for help and fail embarrassingly; and the scribes are right there pointing out their failure and causing even more trouble. You couldn't ask for a greater contrast from the scene of glory Jesus just left. Most of us would've turned and gone right back up that mountain. But Jesus has left His glory behind to come and sort out our messes.

Jesus rebukes everyone, from the scribes to the father to the disciples, for their lack of faith. The father asks Jesus, "if He can", to heal his son. Jesus immediately latches on to that key phrase - "if He can". The father isn't even sure if Jesus can heal his son! Jesus turns everything around by saying the problem isn't with His ability, the problem is with the man's belief. Instantly the father realises how much he needs Jesus, says he believes, and asks Jesus to help him believe even more.

Jesus answers the man by healing his son. When the disciples ask Him why they weren't able to heal the boy, Jesus reminds them that they can't do anything on their own. They need to go to God in prayer and fasting for help; but they forgot this and are unable to heal as a result.

### Questions

1. What was going on when Jesus came down from the mountain?
2. What did the father question about Jesus?

### Memory Verses

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## Friday - Mark 9:30-37 - Confusion and Pride.

Leaving the crowds behind, Jesus takes time to teach the disciples. He wants them to thoroughly understand the kind of Messiah and Saviour He is. Jesus is training these men to explain who He is to others when He is gone. So, He tells them about what is going to be happening to Him. When Jesus talks about His death, He always mentions His resurrection as well. But the disciples still don't, or won't, understand what He is saying. It doesn't fit in with the ideas they already have in their own heads, and they are too proud to ask Jesus to explain.

This same confusion about who Jesus is and the disciples' own pride, starts an argument on the road to Capernaum. Because the disciples still think Jesus is going to be a great political and military leader here on earth, despite what He has told them, they want to know which of them is going to be the greatest in Jesus' new government. But Jesus turns their ideas upside down by telling them again that His kingdom is one of humility, service, and love for others.

Those who are great in His kingdom are those who care about and love others, not those who only care about themselves.

### Questions

1. What does Jesus tell His disciples is going to happen to Him?
2. What were the disciples arguing about?
3. Who did Jesus say would be first in His kingdom?

### Memory Verses

"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; *you anoint my head with oil;*"

Psalms 23:4,5

## Psalm 23B

1. The LORD's my Shepherd, I'll not want;  
He makes me down to lie  
In pastures green; He leadeth me  
The quiet waters by.

2. My soul He doth restore again;  
And me to walk doth make  
Within the paths of righteousness,  
Ev'n for His own name's sake.

3. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,  
Yet will I fear no ill;  
For thou art with me, and Thy rod  
And staff me comfort still.

4. A table Thou hast furnished me  
In presence of my foes;  
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,  
And my cup overflows.

5. Goodness and mercy all my life  
Shall surely follow me;  
And in GOD's house for evermore  
My dwelling place shall be.