

Teacher’s Guide: Gospel of Mark

Below are the Questions (Q) and Answers (A) for each chapter, designed to support leaders as they guide students through the Gospel of Mark.

Mark 1 — The Beginning of Jesus’ Ministry

Q1. Why do you think John’s message of repentance was so important?

A1. Repentance prepares the heart to receive God’s Savior. John’s message fulfilled prophecy by calling people to turn from sin so they could recognize and follow Jesus.

Q2. How did Jesus demonstrate His authority early in His ministry?

A2. He taught with divine authority, cast out demons, and healed the sick — revealing power only God possesses.

Q3. What can we learn from the way Jesus called His first disciples?

A3. Following Jesus means responding without hesitation, trusting His call even when we don’t fully understand the path ahead.

Mark 2 — Jesus Heals and Forgives

Q1. Why was it important that Jesus forgave sins as well as healed the man?

A1. It showed that Jesus has authority over the deepest need — forgiveness — proving He is God, not just a miracle-worker.

Q2. What does Jesus’ call to Levi teach about His heart for people?

A2. Jesus chooses and loves those often rejected by society, showing that no one is beyond God’s grace.

Q3. How do Jesus’ actions challenge our ideas about who is welcome in God’s kingdom?

A3. God welcomes the spiritually broken. His kingdom is not for those who think they are “good enough,” but for those who know they need Him.

Mark 3 — Authority, Opposition, and Choosing Disciples

Q1. How does Jesus demonstrate that mercy and love are more important than rules?

A1. By healing on the Sabbath, He shows that compassion fulfills God’s heart more than strict legalism.

Q2. Why do you think Jesus chose the twelve apostles?

A2. He intentionally selected followers to be trained, equipped, and sent so His mission would continue beyond His earthly ministry.

Q3. What does it mean that doing God’s will makes someone part of Jesus’ “family”?

A3. Spiritual family is based on obedience to God, not earthly ties — believers are united as God’s true household.

Mark 4 — Parables and the Power of God’s Word

Q1. Which parable speaks to you most, and why?

A1. (Teacher may guide discussion.) Parables reveal spiritual truth through everyday examples — inviting listeners to respond with faith and obedience.

Q2. What does Jesus teach about responding to God’s Word?

A2. Our hearts determine fruitfulness. Those who listen, believe, and hold fast to the Word will grow and produce kingdom impact.

Q3. How can faith grow even in challenging circumstances?

A3. God often grows our faith in difficulty — small steps of trust lead to great results as His power works through us.

Mark 5 — Jesus’ Power Over Evil, Sickness & Death

Q1. What does Jesus’ authority over demons teach us about His power in our lives?

A1. Jesus has complete authority over every spiritual force. Nothing is stronger than Him, and He can free anyone from bondage.

Q2. How does the woman’s persistent faith inspire your trust in Jesus?

A2. She believed even when her situation seemed hopeless. Her boldness shows that Jesus honors genuine, determined faith.

Q3. Why is it significant that Jesus raises a girl from the dead?

A3. It reveals that Jesus is Lord over life and death — His power extends beyond sickness into the ultimate victory of resurrection..

Mark 6 — Sending the Twelve & Feeding the 5,000

Q1. What does it mean to be sent by Jesus with His authority?

A1. Jesus empowers His followers to continue His work — we serve with His strength, not our own.

Q2. How does the feeding of the 5,000 show God’s care and provision?

A2. God multiplies what we surrender to Him. Even small offerings become more than enough in His hands.

Q3. What can we learn from Jesus walking on water about trusting Him in storms?

A3. We can trust Jesus completely — He is greater than anything that threatens us. Keeping our eyes on Him brings peace in the midst of fear.

Mark 7 — True Purity Comes from the Heart

Q1. Why does Jesus emphasize heart purity over outward rituals?

A1. External actions can look good while the heart remains unchanged. God desires inner transformation, holiness from the inside out.

Q2. How does His healing of the deaf and mute man reflect His compassion?

A2. Jesus sees individual needs and restores completely — He cares personally and powerfully.

Q3. What does this chapter teach about God's Word and spiritual transformation?

A3. Genuine change comes when God's truth enters the heart and produces obedience and love.

Mark 8 — Faith, Confession & Following Jesus

Q1. How does Peter's confession encourage your faith in Jesus?

A1. It affirms that Jesus is the Messiah — revealed by God. Our faith rests on who Jesus truly is, not our circumstances.

Q2. What does Jesus mean when He talks about taking up the cross?

A2. True discipleship requires surrender — choosing obedience and sacrifice rather than personal comfort.

Q3. How does feeding the 4,000 show both compassion and provision?

A3. Jesus cares for physical needs as well as spiritual ones and provides abundantly for those who rely on Him.

Mark 9 — The Transfiguration, Faith & Humility

Q1. What does the Transfiguration reveal about who Jesus truly is?

A1. It unveils Jesus' divine glory — confirming Him as God's Son and the fulfillment of the Law and Prophets.

Q2. Why were the disciples unable to heal the boy, and what does this teach about faith?

A2. They relied on their own efforts instead of prayerful dependence. Spiritual power comes from trust in God, not human ability.

Q3. How does Jesus define greatness and humility in the kingdom?

A3. True greatness is serving others, especially the lowly. Humility delights God and reflects Jesus' character.

Mark 10 — Marriage, Wealth & Following Jesus

Q1. What does Jesus' teaching on children reveal about the heart God desires?

A1. God values childlike humility and trust — simple faith that depends on Him fully.

Q2. Why did the rich man struggle to follow Jesus?

A2. His heart belonged to his possessions. Anything we cling to more than Jesus hinders true discipleship.

Q3. What does it mean to take up your cross and follow Jesus today?

A3. It means choosing obedience over comfort — laying aside selfish desires to live for God's will every day.

Mark 11 — The Triumphal Entry & Authority of Jesus

Q1. Why did Jesus enter Jerusalem on a donkey, and what does it signify?

A1. It fulfilled prophecy and revealed Him as the humble, peace-bringing King the people needed — not a political conqueror.

Q2. What does the cleansing of the temple teach about worship and priorities?

A2. God desires pure worship — not performance or profit. Our hearts must honor God, not personal gain.

Q3. How does Jesus teach us to pray in faith?

A3. Pray believing God is able, trusting His will — with a forgiving heart that keeps relationships right.

Mark 12 — Loving God & Neighbor

Q1. What does Jesus teach about loving God and others?

A1. Love for God comes first — with all we are — and genuine love for people flows from that relationship. These two commands define the entire Christian life.

Q2. How does the widow's offering challenge your view of generosity?

A2. God measures the heart, not the amount. True generosity is giving sacrificially out of love for God.

Q3. Why does Jesus warn against hypocrisy, and how can we avoid it?

A3. Hypocrisy seeks approval instead of authenticity. We must keep humble hearts before God rather than performing for others.

Mark 13 — Jesus Teaches About the End Times

Q1. What does Jesus teach about staying watchful and alert?

A1. Believers must stay spiritually awake — listening to God, guarding against deception, and living ready for His return at any time.

Q2. How should believers respond during times of deception or persecution?

A2. With steadfast faith — trusting God's strength, holding to the truth of Scripture, and not giving in to fear.

Q3. Why is Jesus' teaching about His return meant to encourage faithfulness, not fear?

A3. His return brings hope and assurance — reminding believers that God is in control and future victory is certain.

Mark 14 — Betrayal, Surrender & the Lord's Supper

Q1. What does the woman's act of anointing Jesus teach about worship and devotion?

A1. True worship gives Jesus our very best — costly, personal, and filled with love and honor.

Q2. What does Jesus' prayer in Gethsemane reveal about surrendering to God's will?

A2. Even Jesus submitted fully to the Father — showing that obedience often requires sacrifice, but it leads to God's purpose.

Q3. How do Peter's denials teach us about reliance on God's strength?

A3. Self-confidence fails, but God's grace restores. We need God's strength to remain faithful in trials.

Mark 15 — The Crucifixion of Jesus

Q1. How does Jesus' suffering and silence reflect His purpose?

A1. He willingly endured the cross — remaining silent to fulfill God's plan of salvation and take our place in judgment.

Q2. Why is the tearing of the temple curtain significant for believers?

A2. It symbolizes open access to God through Jesus — sin's barrier is removed and relationship with God is restored.

Q3. How does the crucifixion show God's love for humanity?

A3. Jesus sacrificed everything to save us — His suffering reveals the depth of God's love and mercy.

Mark 16 — The Resurrection & The Great Commission

Q1. Why is the resurrection the foundation of our faith?

A1. It proves Jesus conquered sin and death — ensuring eternal life and confirming every promise of God.

Q2. How does Jesus appearing to the disciples strengthen their mission?

A2. His presence turned their fear into boldness — making them confident witnesses of the risen Savior.

Q3. What does the Great Commission mean for your daily life and witness?

A3. Every believer is sent to share the Gospel — living as a disciple who helps others follow Jesus through both words and actions.



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