# Mark 1 Lesson 1

- 1. What is the Gospel? When did the gospel begin?
- 2. In verse 4, who was John? What was his ministry message?
- 3. What does baptism mean? What does it represent?
- 4. Why was Jesus baptized? Why was He tempted?
- 5. What do you think the voice of God the Father did for Jesus? Why was it important?
- 6. What is the importance of the Trinity-Three God Head? Explain each.
- 7. Why was John the Baptist put into prison?
- 8. What is your purpose on earth? Would you go to prison for Him? Explain why or why not.
- 9. Who were the first four disciples that Jesus called to follow Him?
  What does "Fisher of Men mean? Are you one?
- 10. How were they able to follow without delay? Can you follow Him that way? Why or why not?
- 11. How do you think someone with authority preaches? What would make you amazed at someone's teaching?
- 12. What do demons know? (James 2:19) Why did Jesus quiet them?
- 13. Who do demons obey Jesus?
- 14. How does Jesus heal?

- 15. What kind of hours did Jesus keep? Are you willing to let Him interrupt your day? Be honest!!!!
- 16. Why did Jesus need a solitary place? Do you?
- 17. How do you KNOW that the leper "knew" and loved Jesus? Can anyone see that in your life? What is your proof?

#### Mark 2

- 1. What happened when Jesus came home?
- 2. What can you tell about those four men that brought the paralytic to Jesus?
- 3. What was Jesus' response?
- 4. Why is Jesus able to forgive sins?
- 5. What is faith? How much to do need? How do you "work it"? What are the results when you do?
- 6. What is a teacher of the law? What was their problem? What is the difference between a religious person and one who has a real relationship with Jesus?
- 7. From verse 8, what is very good to remember at all times?
- 8. Why should verse 12, be an understatement in your life?
- 9. Why do you think that Levi (Matthew) the tax collector followed Jesus?
- 10. Why is it important to know you are a sinner?
- 11.Explain Jesus' beautiful response to their question in verses 16-17?
- 12. What is the purpose of fasting?
- 13. Why shouldn't guests fast when the bridegroom was there? Why SHOULD you fast now?
- 14.Can you "mix" the old law with the new Gospel? Can you "mix" and "old" heart with a "new" heart?

- 15.In verses 23-24, what is the heart problem of the Pharisees?
- 16. Why was the "Sabbath" made for men? How can it get twisted around?
- 17. Why is the "Son of Man, Lord even Lord of the Sabbath"?
- 18. Verses 23-26 Breaks it with the Pharisees and leads them kill him?

#### Mark 3

- 1. Why did Jesus keep going into the synagogue?
- 2. Why was Jesus angry and deeply distressed? What is His mood when He sees into your heart? Do you ever think of that?
- 3. How can self-righteousness kill?
- 4. Do you think the Pharisees were manipulative? Why? Why is manipulation wrong?
- 5. What is the irony in verse 6?
- 6. Why was Jesus healing so many?
- 7. How is Jesus, the perfect example, witnessing the right way?
- 8. Explain the difference between a disciple and an apostle? Is it important for you to be both today in the broad sense of the terms?
- 9. What is your mission?
- 10. How do you have the power and authority to be bold for Jesus' sake and fulfill the mission He has created you for?
- 11. Why can being a Christian appear that you are out of your mind?
- 12. What does it mean that a house divided will not stand?
- 13. How do you see grace in verse 28?
- 14. What is the ONLY sin that is not forgiven?
- 15. What new message was Jesus trying to get across in verses 31-35?
- 16. How do you know that you belong to that Family?

#### Mark 4

- 1. What do you think attracted large crowds to Jesus? Are you attracted to Him? Why?
- 2. What was the purpose of Jesus teaching in parables?
- 3. Why did Jesus say "LISTEN! and he who has ears to hear, let him hear"? Are you listening today? How do you know?
- 4. Who is the farmer? What is the seed? What are the four soils? What do the represent? How can the type of soil you have determine what kind of relationship you have with Jesus?
- 5. What is the secret of the kingdom? Have you been given it?
- 6. How is it possible for you to be religious yet lost? How can you hear God's Word and not understand it?
- 7. What is the "light" in your life? Explain that.
- 8. What does Jesus mean when He questions what are you doing with that "light"?
- 9. What will you be responsible for with the gospel all around you? Are you considering carefully (v24) that gift you have been given?
- 10. Explain the Kingdom of God in your own words for verses 26-29.
- 11.Describe the results of a growing mustard seed. How does that describe your faith? What stands in the way of its growth?

- 12. Why do you think He explained everything to His disciples?
- 13. Why can Jesus have peace in the middle of the storm? Can you? Why or why not?
- 14. How did Jesus quiet the storm? How do you quiet "your storm"?
- 15. What is fear? Where does it come from? Why does Jesus tell you not to be afraid?
- 16. Sorry to say, but what does verse 41 prove about the disciples? If you fear what does it prove in your life.

# Mark 5 Lesson 5

- 1. Describe the poor man in verses 1-5.
- 2. Who was controlling his life?
- 3. How can you tell who is controlling your life?
- 4. What happened to the demons and the pigs?
- 5. Why were the people afraid? Why do you think people today are afraid of Jesus?
- 6. What did the man want to do? What id Jesus tell him to do? Why?
- 7. What has Jesus done for you? What does He tell you to do?
- 8. Who is Jairus? Why does he come to Jesus? From Mark 3:6, what did the rulers of the synagogue think of Jesus? Explain the actions of Jairus and Jesus.
- 9. What did Jesus demonstrate? Could you do the same? There is only one way you could-what is it?
- 10. Describe in detail the spiritual and physical life of the sick woman.
- 11. What does Jesus require from her and you before he "heals" (verse 33)? Are there different ways He heals?
- 12. What He said to the woman, He says to you. What does He mean (verse 34)? Is that a wonderful way to live?
- 13. For the Christian, why are Jesus' words in verse 39 so real and true? Why does the world laugh at that?
- 14. What did Christ do in your life that is totally impossible for anyone else to do?

15. How quickly does His new life in you take affect? What are the signs?

#### Mark 6:1-29

- 1. Why was it important to Jesus to go into the synagogue on the Sabbath? Can you see that lesson in today's terms?
- 2. What is spiritual wisdom? Where does one get it? Who may have it?
- 3. Why do you think that Jesus had to say what He said in verses 4-6? Do you think that was hurtful to Him?
- 4. Why was sending the disciples out two by two a very good thing? Why did Jesus have to give them the authority over evil spirits?
- 5. What are your <u>best</u> and <u>only</u> tools for witnessing?
- 6. Are you always going to get a positive response? Should that stop you or discourage you? Why not?
- 7. What is the message of the disciples? Why is that the number one message?
- 8. Why was Herod so nervous?
- 9. What is dangerous about nursing a grudge? Is it ever helpful? Then why is it so easy to do?
- 10. Why does it seem that sin always has an opportune time?
- 11. Why was that King so pleased with the daughter of Herodias?
- 12. Why is Herodias such a disappointment?
- 13. Why was Herod greatly distressed? Why didn't he just say NO?
- 14. Can you think of a time that you were pulled in the wrong direction at the wrong time? What were the results? (Herod's and yours)

- 15. Ok, now write down or draw a picture of what the fruit of "self" looks like.
- 16. Why do you think God wants you controlled by His Holy Spirit?

## Mark 6:30-56 Lesson 7

- 1. Why were the disciples all talking to Jesus in verse 30? What were they saying? Describe what you think the mood may have been like.
- 2. Why did they need some privacy? Do you ever feel that you need privacy? Why?
- 3. Did they get their needed privacy? Why? What happened?
- 4. How did Jesus handle the change of plans? How do you? Explain how attitude is essential when God changes your plans.
- 5. Explain the fruit of kindness from the Holy Spirit? Is it effective? To whom?
- 6. What did Jesus call these masses of people? What did that mean? What did they need?
- 7. Who else were the disciples thinking about in verses 35-36?
- 8. What was Jesus trying to teach the disciples, in verses 37-38; Sarah in Genesis 18:114 and Mary in Luke 1:37 and YOU? What does it take to believe that?
- 9. In verses 42-43, what lesson do you learn when Jesus teaches, and you are willing to be trained by Him?
- 10. To keep your spiritual life alive and fresh, what is vitally important?
- 11. Why do you think Jesus waited until the fourth watch to walk out to them? Do you feel He waits until the "fourth watch" in your life be He rescues you? What do you know about God's timing and you choosing to wait on the Lord?
- 12. What will fear keep you from seeing?

- 13. Again, what is Jesus trying to teach them? What is the problem in verse 52? What does that inhibit you from?
- 14. How does Jesus show the fruit of the Spirit (all nine) in every way? (verses 53-56)
- 15. Why does a soul need to be healed? What do you know about what Jesus will be for any soul that comes to Him for healing? Go search for Biblical proof.

# Mark 7 Lesson 8

- 1. What is a hypocrite?
- 2. What is legalism?
- 3. What is the problem in verses 3 and 5?
- 4. What does the apostle Paul say about this subject in Philippians 3:1-11?
- 5. Why does Jesus quote Isaiah's words in verses 6-7?
- 6. What is at the core of this behavior?
- 7. Is it easy to be a phony Christian? How can you be a real Christian? Is that a real concern of yours? Should it be?
- 8. Have you ever nullified the Word of God by stubbornly standing on the traditions of your fathers?
- 9. From verse 14, how can you tell that this is a very important subject to Jesus?
- 10. What makes a person "unclean"? What comes out of them, from their heart?
- 11. What do you like about this Gentile woman?
- 12. Why do you think Jesus said what He did to her in verse 27? What was He going after?
- 13. Why did Jesus love her reply? (Hebrews 11:6)
- 14. What did Jesus do for the man who was deaf and mute?
- 15. What did Isaiah say about the coming Redeemer in Isaiah 35:5-6?

16.	6. Have you allowed Him to touch your ears and tongue and "open them up"? How can you tell?								

## Mark 8 Lesson 9

- 1. What was your first thought when you read verses 1-5?
- 2. Has the Lord had to teach you one lesson more than once?
- 3. What lesson did you need to be taught again from verses 6-10?
- 4. What was Jesus' reaction when the Pharisee's asked Him for a sign? Why?
- 5. Do you think Jesus ever sighs when you ask for a sign?
- 6. Why did Jesus warn the disciples about the yeast of the Pharisees and Herod?
- 7. Oh, oh, what were the disciples worried about (again)? How did Jesus rebuke them?
- 8. What could you learn from the story in verses 22-26?
- 9. What is Jesus asking and teaching YOU in verses 27-30?
- 10. Why is it beneficial when Jesus confronts you personally?
- 11. What was Jesus very upfront about? How did He explain it?
- 12. What did Peter have the audacity to do?
- 13. What did Jesus tell Peter that he was most concerned with? Why is this a normal and everyday occurrence?
- 14. What is "MUST" if you desire to be a follower of Jesus? Explain verse 35.
- 15. Describe "gaining the whole world and losing your soul".
- 16. Why should verse 38 make you sit up and take notice??!!

## Mark 9 Lesson 10

- 1. Why does Jesus say, "I tell you the truth"?
- 2. What are Peter, James and John going to see?
- 3. Can you explain the Kingdom of God?
- 4. Putting yourself in Peter's place, what does he see and can you blame his impulsive comment?
- 5. What was the importance of the Father's Voice at that time?
- 6. When will you receive your glorified body? (1 Thessalonians 4:16-18)
- 7. Eliha represents the prophets. What "Elijah' is Jesus talking about in verse 13? What happened to him?
- 8. Review Mark 6:7, then read 9:29 Can you think of a reason the disciples could not cast the evil spirit out of the boy?
- 9. Why did Jesus question the man's statement, "if you can"? What does He want from the man and from you?
- 10. When do you need help with your unbelief? Now, do you know Who to go to for that?
- 11. In verses 30-31, why did Jesus want private teaching times with His disciples?
- 12. If you don't understand God's Word, what does He want you to do?
- 13. What were the disciples embarrassed about in verses 33-34?
- 14. How did Jesus explain "greatness" to them?

- 15. What was the disciple's real problem in verse 38? Who are you in a war with every minute of every day? What is Jesus' message in verses 39-41?
- 16. What does Jesus want you to do with sin?

## Mark 10 Lesson 11

- 1. How do you know that God takes marriage seriously?
- 2. What does verse 9 say to you? Does it sound like Jesus means it?
- 3. What reason does Jesus give why there is divorce? What does that actually mean?
- 4. How did Jesus feel about the disciples rebuking children from coming to Him? How did He turn those children into a life lesson?
- 5. Describe the rich young man. What part of the commandments did he obey? How can you tell that he totally missed the first five?
- 6. Review Mark 8:34-37. Why is it so difficult for a self-absorbed human being to enter the Kingdom of God?
- 7. When the disciples looked at this man, what did they see? What did Jesus see?
- 8. What does Jesus promise if you put Him first?
- 9. Again, what does Jesus warn the disciples of? What is a warning supposed to do? What was going to happen in Jerusalem concerning His death and resurrection?
- 10. Why do James and John ask Jesus to say "yes" before they tell Him what it is?
- 11. What happened to Jesus and what eventually happened to James and John?
- 12. Why were the other ten disciples indignant when they heard about the request of James and John? Can you understand their feelings?
- 13. How does Jesus answer? Do you really think it is what they expected?

- 14. Describe the blind man, Bartimaeus.
- 15. Why do you thin Jesus asks the blind man what he wants Jesus to do for him? What does Jesus want to hear from you?
- 16. What seems to be a natural response when you've been healed by Jesus?

# Mark 11 Lesson 12

- 1. As Jesus begins His walk to Calvary, how ready and detailed do you think Jesus was? How do you get that way?
- 2. Why were the people so excited?
- 3. What do you think might have been going through Jesus' mind in verse 11?
- 4. Spiritually, what does this fig tree represent? Why does Jesus come down so hard in His punishment?
- 5. From verses 15-17 what else will Jesus NOT put up with?
- 6. Why did the chief priests really want to kill Jesus? How dangerous is the "green-eyed monster" How do you get rid of it?
- 7. Why is "Have Faith in God" the key phrase in verses 23-26?
- 8. Is God a prayer "genie"? What really IS prayer? What does He want for you?
- 9. Why do you hold something against someone? What must constantly be kept in check?
- 10. Why MUST you be a receiver of forgiveness? Why MUST you be a giver of it, as well?
- 11. Why will the Father forgive you your sins when you forgive others?
- 12. Why could Jesus be so confident when questioned about His authority? (Matthew 28:18)
- 13. What was Jesus trying to do by stumping the teachers of the Law?

14.	Why can you be confident when sharing God's Word and your testimony?

## Mark 12 Lesson 12

- 1. What is the heavenly meaning of the parable in verses 1-10?
- 2. Explain the "stone" and why is it marvelous in your eyes?
- 3. Could the religious leaders ever claim ignorance-or that they never heard and were challenged?
- 4. What is the major temptation for the religious leaders?
- 5. Why are verses 13-14 rather nauseating? What was their true motive? Why should your motive be checked in all your actions?
- 6. What should you always be mindful of in Psalm 139:1-4?
- 7. What does Jesus teach you about where your citizenship lies? How should this help you with your attitudes toward government?
- 8. Why will there be no marriage in heaven?
- 9. How and why do misinterpretations, error and stubborn legalism happen in the Christian realm?
- 10. How do you get to know the Scriptures? What does it take? So, do you really want to know? Why is that an important question you need to ask yourself?
- 11. Why is God the 'God of the living'? Explain.
- 12. What are the top two commandments? Why are they the top two?
- 13. Why did Jesus say that this man who agreed with Him was not far from the Kingdom of God?
- 14. How did David call Him Lord as well as son?
- 15. What are you to be aware of in the religious world? Why?

16. Why should your giving be a heart response? What did it take for that widow to give all she had?

## Mark 13 Lesson 14

- 1. Did you ever see the Twin Towers in New York before 9/11? Did you comment how magnificent they were?
- 2. What would you have thought, if Jesus said to you about the Twin Towers, what He said in verse 2?
- 3. From Scripture, what do you know is going to happen to this earth?
- 4. What is the first thing Jesus says to look out for before the end of this earth? How do you think they will try to do that?
- 5. How are you able to distinguish between real and phony in verses 5-6?
- 6. Why should you not be alarmed when you hear of wars and rumors of war?
- 7. Have you ever wondered or been concerned about how you would handle persecution?
- 8. Why would it be important to be on guard when persecuted? What should you not worry about?
- 9. How will you stand firm to the end?
- 10. Why should you not fear when you read about the end times?
- 11. You might not understand every detail, but what do you KNOW about your future?
- 12. Why is there so much excitement and praise in Revelation 19?
- 13. How should knowing your future help you with your today?

- 14. Because you do not know the day or the hour, why should you take this advice--"Be on your guard, be alert"?
- 15. Review the seven letters to the churches in Revelation 2-3. What is Jesus trying to do by writing these letters? Which letter or letters are to you?

## Mark 14 Lesson 15

- 1. Do you think Jesus had a lot on His mind only two days before His last meeting with His disciples?
- 2. What did the woman express by her gift to Jesus?
- 3. So often, what seems to get in the way of giving?
- 4. How did Jesus come to her defense? Why was it a very timely gift?
- 5. What was wrong with Judas? Why would it have been better that he never was born?
- 6. How had Jesus made provisions for the Last Supper?
- 7. Why was it amazing that the other eleven had no idea who was going to betray Jesus? What did that take?
- 8. Why do you <u>celebrate</u> the Lord's Supper?
- 9. What happens when you try to handle a crisis in your own strength?
- 10. How hard. was this mission on Jesus? Yet, what was He willing to do for you?
- 11. How could you tell that the disciples really did not understand what was ahead?
- 12. Why is verse 38 a powerful warning for then and for today?
- 13. What did Jesus know about the details of His death?
- 14. What statement did Jesus make in verse 27 and came true in verse 50?

- 15. When Jesus was falsely accused, what did He do? Verses 53-61. Why? How could He do that?
- 16. When did Jesus speak? What did they ask and how did He answer? Why was it the perfect answer?

## Mark 15-16 Lesson 16

- 1. As you start this chapter, first read Philippians 2:6-8. Who is this Man in chapter 15?
- 2. Why didn't Jesus fight back? Why don't you ever need to spiritually fight back when you humanly want to defend yourself?
- 3. What kind of man was Barabbas? What depth of hatred must the Jews have had for Jesus?
- 4. What did Pilate lack as a leader? What makes a very good leader 2 Chronicles 20:16-32.
- 5. Was Jesus bullied? What did He do about it?
- 6. What does the prophet Amos say about verse 33 in Amos 8:9?
- 7. What does the tearing of the temple curtain signify for <u>you</u>?
- 8. What words from the centurion are words Jesus wants to hear from everyone? Why?
- 9. Do you feel that women were special to Jesus? How come?
- 10. Who was Joseph of Arimathea? How did he approach Pilate? What did that prove in Joseph's life?
- 11. Were the spices from the woman needed on that first day of the week? Do you remember when Jesus was anointed for His burial?
- 12. What did the resurrection of Jesus do for you?
- 13. If they would have listened in chapter 8:31 and chapter 10:33-34, how would chapter 16:11 and 13 have been different? What lesson is there for you here?
- 14. What can the power of the Holy Spirit do in you?

- 15. What are you to do with that power?
- 16. How does God confirm His Word in you?
- 17. Is there anything specific you can say that you learned from Mark's letter?