## **GOSPEL OF MARK**

## The Kingdom of God Mark 1:14-20

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1.	Jesus' proclamation of the gospel of God marks a moment in the redemption that had been promised for centuries.
	"By sovereign decision God makes this point in time the critical one in which all the moments of promise and fulfillment in the find their significance in one awesome moment." - William Lane
	The time of the Messiah that God ordained and His prophets foretold was now
	b. The preparatory ministry of John the Baptist had been substantially
2.	The good news Jesus proclaimed was the announcement of the kingdom of
	a. The kingdom of God speaks of initiative and action in redemption.
	"What Jesus is saying, then, is that God'sin the hearts and lives of men would begin to assert itself far more powerfully than ever before. Great blessings were in store for all those who, by sovereign grace, would confess and forsake their sins and would begin to live to God's glory." - William Hendriksen

	results in his
	c. Entry into the kingdom of God requires repentance faith.
	"We must not think either that reforming our lives will save us without trusting in the righteousness and grace of Christ, or that trusting in Christ will save us  the reformation of our hearts and lives." - Matthew Henry
3.	Those in the kingdom of God are to be committed of Jesus Christ.
	a. God uses the things of the world to accomplish His glorious work.
	b. Disciples of Jesus Christ are also called to be of men.
	"Their ultimate function will be to confront men with decisive action, which to faith has the character of salvation, but to unbelief has the character of judgment." - William Lane