

Part 2 – November 22, 2009

Mark 1:1-13

General observation

- Mark's purpose – Who is Jesus?

Mark is the human author of a Divine biography (**2 Tim. 3:16**) that sets forth the life and ministry of Jesus which the Spirit of God will use to reveal Jesus as Lord and Savior (**Acts 4:12**) to the hearts and minds of those whom He will save by the means of the preaching of the Gospel (**Rom. 1:16**)

Prologue (introduction)

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- *v. 1 – the Gospel encapsulated*

What does this verse reveal?

- *v. 2-8 – the testimony of Scripture*

- v. 9-11 – *Heaven's attestation*

What was God saying?

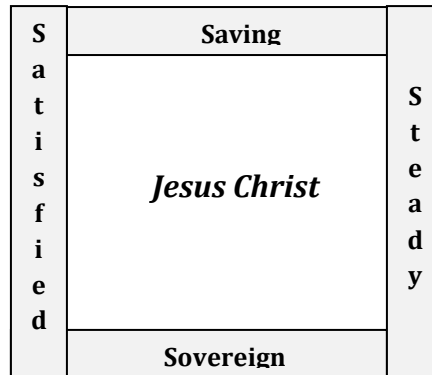
With what was God well pleased?

Philippians 2:5-11

- v. 12-13 – *Wilderness and warfare*

The purpose of Jesus' ministry was to destroy the works of the devil (**1 John 3:8**) through His submission to the Father's will as He willingly with joy (**Hebrews 12:2**) bore the Cross of our curse (**Galatians 3:13**), the wrath of God (**Romans 3:16-19**) as God's innocent Son (**John 18:38**) declared guilty of our sin (**2 Corinthians 5:21**) *all of which is summed up in Jesus' confrontation with Satan in the wilderness. All that follows in Mark is the outworking of that Victory which culminates at the crucifixion of Jesus followed by His resurrection.*

Framing the Portrait of Christ



Home work for next week:

Read: **Mark 1:14 - 3:12**

Suggested Daily Reading Plan:

For each of these sections, what aspect(s) of Christ (sovereign, steady, satisfied, saving) is Mark highlighting?

- *Monday: 1:14-34*
- *Tuesday: 1:35 - 2:12*
- *Wednesday: 2:13-22*
- *Thursday: 2:23 – 3:6*
- *Friday: 3:7-12*