

A WINTER BIBLE STUDY ON THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Tuesdays, 10:30 am to 12 noon – February 23rd – may 11th

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"The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God." (Mark 1:1 NRSV)

Session 1: Tues., Feb., 23rd Introduction: "The Beginning"

Group Study - 1:

Question 1) Do you have a "favourite" Gospel? If so, why is it your favourite?
What is your "view" of the Gospel of Mark?

Question 2) the Gospel of Mark starts with an adult Jesus asking to be baptized by John the Baptist. There is no birth story, no Christmas, no stories of Jesus' childhood: Mark's "new news" starts with the proclamation that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; the one prophesied by Isaiah to restore the world. Why do you think the author of Mark chose to tell his "good news" this way?

Question 3) If you were to write a "Gospel", who would you write it for, and why?

Next Week's Study:

Session 2: Tues., March 2nd Galilee: "The First Disciples"

Mark 1:14-45