

Gospel of Mark Bible Study (using ChristianityExplored.org)

Date	CE Session	Presentation Text	Presentation Topic	Study Focus	Homework
3/14	1. Good News: What are we doing here?	Mark 1:1 "The beginning of the gospel."	Christianity is about Christ – God's only chosen king	Do you have any questions about Jesus?	Mark 1:1-3:6 What is your opinion of Jesus?
3/21	2. Identity: Who is Jesus?	Mark 4:41 "Who is this? Even the wind and waves obey him!"	Jesus' identity is revealed by his authority over disease, nature, death and even sin!	Who do you think Jesus is?	Mark 3:7-5:43 4 miracles, 4 responses; how do you respond to Jesus' authority?
3/28	3. Sin: Why did Jesus come?	Mark 2:17 "I have not come to call the righteous but sinners."	Jesus came to cure our heart problem – sin.	Mark 9:43-47 "If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off..."	Mark 6:1-8:29 Jesus' compassion for crowds >> "Who do you say I am?" (8:29)
4/11	4. The cross: why did Jesus die?	Mark 10:45 "The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom"	Jesus gave himself as a substitute, to be punished on our behalf	Which of the reactions to Jesus' death is like yours?	Mark 8:30-10:52 Why did Jesus "have to" die? How do you feel about making Jesus your king?
4/18	5. Resurrection: why did Jesus rise?	Mark 16:6-7 "He has risen! Just as he told you."	Jesus died to pay for sin and rose again to prove that sin was truly paid for.	Acts 17:31 – Do you believe Jesus will judge you one day? Do you believe he rose again?	Mark 11:1-13:37 (Zech. 9:9) How did the crowd treat Jesus in Jerusalem? How about the religious leaders?
4/25	6. Grace: How can God accept us?	Mark 10:15 "receive the kingdom of God like a little child."	Rich young man; We are more sinful than we ever realized and more loved than we ever dreamed.	Mark 10:17 "What must I do to inherit eternal life?"	Mark 14:1-16:8 What happened when Jesus died? How did Jesus treat Peter after his failure?
5/1? Day Away	7A • The sower: listen carefully	Mark 4:9 "He who has ears to hear let him hear."	The good news about Jesus will only change your life if you hear it properly	Which type of soil best describes you?	Who is Jesus? Why did he come? What is your response?
Day Away	7B • James & John: ask humbly	Mark 10:36 "What do you want me to do for you?"	James and John wanted power & honor; Bartimaeus wanted mercy	What do you want Jesus to do for you?	
Day Away	7C • Herod: choose wisely	Mark 6:26 "The king was greatly distressed."	We are the choices we have made.	Mark 6:21 What opportunity did Herod miss?	
5/2 or 16	8. Come and die:	Mark 8:34 "Deny himself, take up his cross and follow me."	If we want to save our lives we must entrust them to Jesus.	What does it mean to follow Jesus?	