

THE WAY OF THE KING, THE WAY OF THE CROSS

Mark 1:1-4

12 And when he realized this, he went to the house of Mary, the mother of John who was also called Mark, where many were gathered together and were praying.

Acts 12:12

He writes the way he does, because he knows that if you consider who Jesus was and watch what He does, you can come to no other conclusion but that He is the Son of God.

1) The gospel is good news to anyone who has ever experienced the power of the gospel.

Pick up Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful to me for service.

2 Timothy 4:11

- **Because of the power of the gospel, our failure is not final.**
- **Because of the power of the gospel, God can even use our failure to fulfill His purpose in our lives.**

2) The gospel is good news to anyone sent to proclaim the message of the gospel.

15 And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation."

Mark 16:15

BE AGGRESSIVE

BE INTENTIONAL.....

BE BOLD.....and REMEMBER

It is only "GOOD NEWS" if they hear it in time!

Sammy Gilbreath

3) The gospel is good news to anyone in need of the gospel.

A) People without Christ need the gospel.

45 For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.

Mark 10:45

The joyful good news of the gospel is that “Jesus Christ, the Son of God” came to save us from our sin. Because of His death and resurrection, our sins can be forgiven, our relationship to God can be fixed, we can be given a new spiritual family and promised an eternal home in heaven.

B) Believers following Christ need the gospel.

13 She who is at Babylon, who is likewise chosen, sends you greetings, and so does Mark, my son.

1 Peter 4:13

Mark eventually understood that followers of Christ must be servants and that discipleship requires sacrifice. Ministry that costs nothing accomplishes nothing.

Chuck Swindoll

*Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, **2** fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.*

Hebrews 12:1-2