

Sermon Outline

The Gospel of Mark Series: Part 1 (Mark 1:1-15)

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Main Idea: Kevin Rogers kicks off our seven-part series in the Gospel of Mark. His particular focus is on how people responded to Jesus Christ.

Sermon Outline:

1. Prophetic Witness
2. Divine Witness
3. Jesus' Self-Witness

Key Text/Quotes:

"In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." (Mark 1:9-11)

"When you trust in Jesus through repentance and faith, sometimes it subjectively affects how you feel, but it always supernaturally and objectively affects who you are. When you trust and follow him you are vitally united to him. You are in him and he is in you so that what is Christ's is yours. And the Holy Spirit himself descends into you and makes you his own."

—Kevin Rogers

Fellowship Starters:

1. Read Mark 1:1-15 and open in prayer.
2. Discuss the opening of Mark's Gospel account. He doesn't open with the account of Jesus' birth. What does he open with and why?
3. Kevin's outline and sermon points out the primary goal of Mark's account is to bear witness to the reality of who Jesus is and why he came through 3 witnesses. Review each of them in your Bibles and discuss them.
4. Read the quote above from Kevin's Sermon and discuss the amazing reality that *in Christ* we his people have the same love and approval of the Father as Jesus does.
5. Discuss how Jesus' temptation and suffering in the wilderness can help us in our own temptation and suffering? (Hebrews 4:14-16)
6. Close in prayer for one another.

