

THE GOSPEL OF MARK

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**THE IMPACT  
OF THE MASTER  
TEACHER**

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FOLLOWING JESUS

**Mark 1:14-20**

**A Call to Follow Jesus**



# A Call to Follow Jesus

- I. The Conditions of the Call (v14-15)
- II. The Content of the Call (v 16-17)
- III. The Cost of the Call (v18-20)

# I. Conditions of the Call

A. Hear the Message

B. Believe the Message

# A. Hear the Message

1. The time is fulfilled
2. The kingdom of God is at hand
3. Repent
4. Believe in the gospel

# Repentance

“To change one's mind,  
heart, or purpose.”

# Repentance

“...unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.”

Luke 13:5

# The Questions

- ❖ How does a person come to Christ?
- ❖ Why does one person come to Christ and another does not?
- ❖ Does man have a freewill and the ability to believe and be saved?

# Repentance

"I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance." Luke 5:32

"There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents, than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance." Luke 15:7

# Repentance

"And they went out and preached that men should repent."  
Mark 6:12

"Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and rise again from the dead the third day; and that repentance for forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem."

Luke 24:46-



# Repentance

Jew can repent

"He is the one whom God exalted to His right hand as a Prince and a Savior, to grant repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins." Acts 5:31

Gentiles can repent

"Well then, God has granted to the Gentiles also the repentance that leads to life." Acts 11:18

# Repentance

“God is now declaring to men that all everywhere should repent.”

Acts 17:30

God is “not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.”

2 Peter 3:9

God “desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.”

1 Timothy 2:4

# Repentance

God Gives Those Who  
Repent Light to Believe

# John 9:41

"If you were blind, you would have no sin; but since you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

## Luke 7:29-30 (NIV)

“All the people, even the tax collectors, when they heard Jesus' words, acknowledged that God's way was right, because they had been baptized by John. **But** the Pharisees and experts in the law rejected God's purpose for themselves, because they had not been baptized by John.”

# Summary

- ❖ Repentance is the necessary preparation of the heart for faith in Christ.
- ❖ God has granted the ability to repent to all, but only grants the ability to believe to those who repent.
- ❖ Anyone can repent, but only those who repent can believe.

# A. Hear the Message

1. The time is fulfilled
2. The kingdom of God is at hand
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# Believe

“To commit oneself wholeheartedly to an object of faith.”

## II. Content of the Call

A. "Follow Me"

B. "I will make you become fishers of men"

# III. Cost of the Call

A. Life style

B. Relationships

A call to follow Jesus

“Follow Me.”

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